

from Liverpool to New York. reports that the passage was unusually rough even for winter. She left Queenstown on the 20th, and soon afterwards a heavy westerly gale set in and continued during the greater part of the voyage. The seas were very high and uneven, and prevented the ship from making her usual progress. Her sails were furlled, and she was driven slowly against the gale by her powerful engines. The waves flooded the decks, and very few of the cabin passengers ventured up. Heavy squalls were encountered also, but the steamer kept steadily on her course, though on some days she was unable to make more than a little over 100 miles. The steamer Wyoming, which crossed about the same time, met with a succession of heavy westerly gales, and high seas, and no sail could be carried. No accidents occurred on either vessel.

Apparition of Blessed Virgin at the Chapel of Knock

(From the Tuam News, Jan. 10.)

An affair of less local importance unconnected with religion than the apparitions which have now on three occasions been seen by numbers of persons of a sexes and of all ages, would long before this have occupied a very prominent place in the columns of the press. All that may be said in the following lines is an expression of the feelings of the people, and does not pretend to anticipate the judgment which the ecclesiastical superiors may express upon the facts, of which they are already cognizant. The chapel of Knock at which the apparitions have occurred, is about five miles from Claremorris and its gilt cross which surmounts the lofty tower can be seen for miles around. The priest who so worthily presided over the parish is the venerable archdeacon of the diocese the Very Rev. Bartholomew Cavanagh. The chapel is of cruciform shape. The sacristy occupies the upper and smaller shaft, and is immediately behind the high altar. In the gable of the sacristy there is a Gothic window about five feet by two broad; its lowest part is about twelve feet from the ground. The remainder of the gable is plain, and was covered outside by a good substantial coating of cement, to protect the wall from the rains, which beat with great violence especially upon this side. On this gable wall of the sacristy were seen the extraordinary lights, in the midst of which the Blessed Virgin, accompanied by St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist, appeared. On Wednesday last, on arriving at the place, there were a great number of people on their knees before the scene of the apparition, and around were already many "ex votis" in the shape of a crutch, walking sticks, and statues, sent by those who believe that they have been miraculously cured through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin by the application of some of the cement and dust taken from the wall, the greater part of which is greatly disfigured by persons breaking off portions of the cement, some of which, following the good example of the pious people, we also carried off with us. On Thursday evening, the 21st of August last, the eve of the octave day of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, was accompanied by a blinding drizzle of rain, which continued till the next day. As some persons were hurriedly going along the road which leads by the chapel, at about 7.30, they perceived the wall beautifully illuminated by a white flickering light, through which could be perceived brilliant stars twinkling as on a fine frosty night. The first person who saw it passed on, but others soon came and remained, and these saw covering a large portion of the gable end of the sacristy an altar and to its Gospel side the figure of St. John the Evangelist, the Blessed Virgin, and St. Joseph. On the altar, which stood about eight feet from the ground, and immediately under the window, a lamp stood and rising up behind the lamp was a crucifix with the figure of our Lord upon it. The altar was surrounded by a brilliant white light, through which up and down angels seemed to be fitting. Near the altar, and immediately to its Gospel side, but nearer to the ground, was St. John, having a mitre on his head, and holding the book of the Gospels open in his left hand as if reading from it. He held his right hand raised, and in the act of blessing, the index and middle fingers being extended after the manner adopted by bishops. To St. John's right stood the Blessed Virgin, having her hands extended and raised towards her shoulders, the palms of her hand turned towards the people, and her eyes raised up towards heaven. To the Blessed Virgin's right was St. Joseph, turned towards her, and in an

inclining posture. These figures remained visible from 7.30 to 10 o'clock; witnessed during that time by about twenty persons, who forgot all about the heavy rain that was then falling and drenched them thoroughly. The light at the chapel was seen by people who lived near the place. She appeared a second time on New Year's Day between the hours of 1 & 2 o'clock, just immediately after Mass. On Monday evening last the eve of the Epiphany, a blight light was again visible, and from 11 o'clock p.m. until 2 o'clock a.m., was seen by a very large number of whom two were members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, who were on their patrol duty that evening. One of them said that up to that time he did not believe in it, but he was really startled by the brightness of the light which he saw. Many cures have been worked through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and by the application of the cement taken from the chapel wall. We have heard from the mouths of most trustworthy witnesses an account of nearly a dozen cures of which the narrators themselves were eye witness.

In addition to what we have already written regarding the visions seen at the Chapel of Knock, two remarkable miracles, witnessed by hundreds of persons, were performed yesterday namely, sight restored to two young girls, one of whom had, on the testimony of her mother, not seen anything from her birth. She had been several times with physicians in Dublin; but all to no purpose. Yesterday, in the presence of hundreds, she received the use of sight, having visited three times the spot where the Blessed Virgin Mary is said to have appeared, and after praying three times in honour of the Mother of God.

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THE CARBONEAR HERALD

"Honest Labor—our noblest heritage."

CARBONEAR, N. F., FEB. 23.

Within the next fortnight or three weeks, the several steamers and sailing vessels intended for the prosecution of the ensuing season's voyage will have taken their departure for the northward. Judging from the opinions of old and experienced sailing masters, and of others practically conversant with this once most important and lucrative branch of our colonial industries, the weather during the past two or three months has been all that could be desired, to justify the most sanguine anticipations with regard to the results of the coming spring's operations in this particular direction. As we observed on a former occasion, in making reference to the subject of steam in connection with the Bank fishery, we much regret its introduction into the prosecution of our sealing voyage. In speaking thus, we have every reason to believe that to this important and by no means satisfactory change, may be attributed the gradual decline of an enterprise, which whilst confined

to our sailing fleet was a source of untold wealth to the various interests of the colony. 'Tis true that since the introduction of steam, the result of the voyage, when successful, has been eminently satisfactory to the capitalist, or parties, principally interested, but no matter what profits may be realized, comparatively little benefit is derived by those, upon whose toil, sweet and labor the ultimate success of the enterprise depends. Now, whilst as a native of the country, having a deep, sincere and lively interest in her progress and advancement, we duly appreciate the importance of her commercial interests, we are, at the same time, not unmindful of the paramount claims of our hardy fishermen, the bone and sinew of the country, whose proverbial industry in the prosecution of their perilous and toilsome avocation on the stormy deep, justly intitle them to the fullest consideration. This consideration we would urge, not alone as to the financial results of the voyage, but also with regard to the necessary comforts and accommodation on shipboard, in both which latter respects, from all we can learn, much room for improvement exists, especially on board of steamers, in some of which, we learn, large numbers of men are completely huddled together with very little room for personal comfort or ventilation. Now when such a state of things is permitted to exist, it cannot be denied that grave apprehensions may be reasonably entertained for the health and safety of the crews. We are not at present aware whether any arrangement exists, for the inspection of such vessels, with a view to the allotment of sufficient space for the comfortable accommodation and convenience of the crews; but if such should not be the case, we certainly deem it a subject well worthy the attention of the legislative and we most earnestly hope that the present Session will not terminate without such action being taken, as will tend, at least, to secure for the poor fisherman, the assurance of his personal comfort, health and safety whilst on shipboard.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald. NORTH SHORE, Feb. 23rd.

Sir— In a recent number of the "Advocate" it was stated that a movement was on foot, in the different localities in Conception Bay, to get up petitions to the House of Assembly to protest against any further increase in the pension list of this colony. In a subsequent number of that paper I noticed a list of the persons now in the receipt of pensions, as well as the amount received by each. Amongst the number I observed the names of several persons, who, for a long time, served their country well and faithfully, and who are well entitled to the retiring allowances they receive from the public funds of the colony.

Now as the Editor of the "Advocate" seems to have the interest of the people of this country so much to heart, and is so anxious to do away with any useless expenditure of the people's money, he would confer a great favor on the people of this part of Conception Bay, by procuring and publishing a statement of the amount that has been paid out of the pockets of the poor benighted natives of Newfoundland, for the past ten years, to the superiors of two or three Educational Institutions in the Old country for the educations of foreigners. To render that information still more complete he could also inform the public what it has cost to import those precocious "youngster" into the colony.

Your's truly, VIGILO.

At noon on Friday the 20th inst., the members of the House of Assembly presented to His Excellency the Governor an address in reply to the Speech delivered by His Excellency at the opening of the House.

(FOR THE CARBONEAR HERALD.)

Catholic Benevolent Irish Society.

(Under the Patronage of his Lordship the Most Rev. H. CARFAGNINI, Bishop of Harbor Grace.)

The Annual General Meeting of the members of this respected and charitable Institution was held according to rule, on the 10th inst., in the Total Abstinence Hall. At 10 a. m. the members proceeded in procession to the Cathedral and assisted at the annual Thanksgiving Mass, which was celebrated by the Revd. Richard Walsh, Chaplain of the Society, in acknowledgment to God of the many favors and benefits conferred on the Society during the past year. On returning to the Hall the meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, who occupied the chair in the absence of the President. He briefly addressed the meeting, congratulating the members on the continued progress of the Society and on the position of usefulness at which the Society had now arrived.

The usual business of the society was disposed of, and the following report submitted, which was on motion received and adopted:—

REPORT

Of the Officers of the Catholic Benevolent Irish Society for the year ending February 10th, 1880.

The Officers of the Society, in presenting their annual Report of its transactions, are much gratified in being enabled to congratulate the members on the position of prosperity which the Society has now attained, and on the large and respectable addition to the number of its members during the past year.

March 17th, the Festival of St. Patrick, was celebrated with more than usual eclat, and in a manner consistent with the principals of this Society. The Society, headed by the band,—the members of which were arrayed in their new and brilliant uniforms,—marched in procession through Harbor Grace, and through Carbonear where it attended, in St. Patrick's Church, the imposing religious service of Pontifical High Mass. After which the Society waited on the Ladies of the Co. vent and on the resident clergyman. The members were conveyed to and from Carbonear in the steamer *Lady Glover* (which was engaged especially for this purpose) and had the honor of being accompanied by his Lordship the Bishop (Levas. Fathers Falconi) Flynn, and McInnes, and by many other friends of the Society.

On Dec. 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Society in union with other Catholic Societies, assisted in the celebration of this great festival, by walking in procession to the Cathedral and attending the solemn and impressive religious ceremonies of the day. Afterwards the Society waited on the Most Rev. Dr. Carfagnini, and it gives us much pleasure to state, was most kind to visit the Society.

By the report of the Band Committee we find that the band made satisfactory progress during the past year, and is now in a state of efficiency which renders it a creditable acquisition to the Society.

On reference to the Treasurer's accounts now laid before you, we are pleased to learn that the financial condition of the Society is in a prosperous state. The balance on the Treasurer's hands with the addition of the collection taken to-day will enable you to place a liberal amount at the disposal of the Committee of Charity for the ensuing quarter.

On the retirement of the Revd. S. Flynn from the Chaplaincy of the Society consequent upon his departure to a more distant sphere of labor, His Lordship the Bishop was pleased to appoint the Revd. Richard Walsh to succeed him as Chaplain.

Of the large number of members on roll of the Society, (nearly 350), we had not occasion to lament the death of one during the year. We are assured that you unite with us in the profound sentiments of thankfulness and gratitude to the Almighty God with which we record this fact, especially when we consider the many dangers and hardships to which a large majority of the members are very often exposed by the perilous nature of their occupation.

Before resigning our positions, we desire to thank you for your orderly and respectable attendance on all occasions and for your hearty co-operation in carrying on the business of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,
P. DEVEREUX,
President.
D. A. FLYNN,
Secretary.

In consequence of the extreme severity of the weather, many of the members were prevented from attending. It was therefore resolved to postpone the election of Officers and adjourn the meeting to Sunday the 15th inst.

Accordingly on Sunday at three p. m. the adjourned annual meeting of the Society was opened by the President a large number of members being present. The business of the year completed, the Officers vacated their seats and the Rev. Richard Walsh was called to the Chair.

The election of officers for the ensuing year then took place and resulted as follows:—

- Mr. P. Devereux, re-elected President.
- " J. Innott, " Vice do.
- " J. Callanan, " 1st Asst.
- " M. J. Flynn, elected 2nd do.
- " T. Strapp, re-elected Treasurer.
- " J. Hogan, " Asst. do.
- " D. A. Flynn, " Secretary.
- " J. J. Murphy, " Asst. do.
- " H. Lahey, " Chariman Com. Charity.

" T. Cody, " Chairman Review and Correspondence
" A. Thomey, elected Grand Marshal.
" J. Harte, " Asst. do. do.

COMMITTEE OF CHARITY:—Messrs. M. Power, James Keley, Richard Murphy, Richard Lahey, Rodger Skutley, William Pumphrey, Philip Colbert, James Walsh and Tobias Brennan.

COMMITTEE OF REVIEW AND CORRESPONDENCE:—Messrs. William Sharp and P. Walsh.

BAND COMMITTEE.—Messrs. D. A. Flynn, J. Innott, Philip Colbert, John Harte and Thomas Strapp.

On the rev. chairman vacating his seat, Captain Thomas Green was called to the second chair and the following resolution, proposed by the President and seconded by the Treasurer, was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved,—That the thanks of the Society are due and hereby given to the Rev. Richard Walsh for his readiness in taking the chair and for the efficient and dignified manner in which he discharged the duties thereof.

The Rev. gentleman responded in a few appropriate and happy remarks, after which the officers elect took their places. The grant for charity was then voted; and the unanimous adoption of the following resolutions concluded the day's proceedings:—

Resolved,—That the Most Rev'd. H. Carfagnini, is entitled to the thanks of the Society, which are hereby respectfully tendered, for the interest continually manifested by his Lordship in the welfare of the Society.

Resolved,—That the thanks of the Society are due and hereby given to the Rev. W. Veitch, P. P. King's Cove, Rev. S. Flynn, P. P. Fortune, and Rev. R. Walsh, Carbonear, (whom the Society has the honor of counting among its members), for their contributions to the funds.

Resolved,—That the thanks of the Society are likewise due and hereby given to Mr. D. A. Flynn for granting his Secretary's fee of £2 2s. as a donation to the funds.

D. A. FLYNN,
Secretary.
Harbor Grace, Feb. 15th, 1880.

Local and other Items.

The extensive circulation of the "Herald" throughout Conception Bay and the various outport districts of the colony render it a most desirable medium for advertising purposes. We would direct the particular attention of business men generally to the above mentioned most significant fact.

The brigantine *Florence*, Capt. Dutton, arrived to Messrs. Harvey & Co. last night, making the run from St. Kitts in 16 days.

STEAMER NOTES.—The Daniel Steinsmann, bound from New York to Yntwerp, put in here last night with cargo shifted. She left New York ten days ago, and experienced succession of severe gales, during which some of the live stock was lost overboard.

The sealing steamer *Aurora* arrived from Dundee this forenoon.—Telegram, Feb. 21.

The steamer *Newfoundland* arrived at St. John's about five o'clock last evening, with mails and passengers.

The steamer *Plover* arrived at St. John's on Sunday night last, from the Westward.

The annual festival of the Methodist Sabbath School took place on Thursday evening in the basement of the Gower Street Church. An elaborate programme was prepared for the occasion.—N. Star.

A Sermon was preached on Wednesday evening last in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Mr. Ladner before the members of the Masonic body, and a collection taken up at the close, in aid of the Tasker Education Fund.—Ibid.

We notice that a change has been effected in the Financial department of the colony by the retirement from the Financial Secretaryship of the Hon. John Warron and the appointment of Mr. Francis Winton of the Chronicle to that position.—Ibid.

The Medal presented by J. Martin, Esq., President of the Arctic Curling Club, was competed for on Tuesday, the 17th instant, and won for the second time by Mr. A. D. Rankin, who, therefore, holds permanent possession of it. Score, 15 points.

Yesterday J. Skoob, Esq. Curling Club also by Mr. points.—Tele

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