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Kilmainham Has No Longer Any Guests.

Famous Irish Penitentiary Will Be Closed for Lack of Inmates—Its Known History Goes Back to the Troublesome Times of '98, But An Episode of 1880 Is Its Most Famous Story—Entertained Politicians.

Fortunate Ireland, with a prison on her hands more than she needs, writes Tighe Hopkins. It is Kilmainham, in the outlying township of that name in the city of Dublin. Thirteen years ago in that tiny volume called "Kilmainham Memories" I wrote of it: "The place is not great, but it has a great air. Of its external features the lofty grey wall of Irish limestone about one third of a mile in circumference is the most imposing. It is evidence also of a certain antiquity, since walls of this height are not given to modern prisons. Except for its strength the small main gateway is quite unpretentious; over it are the Five Devils of Kilmainham—five writhing scorpions symbolical of no one knows what."

When next some polished Britisher has an ugly word for Ireland pray let him reflect before he gets it off that in the year of salvation, 1909, the General Prisons Board was obliged to close Kilmainham because there were not in Dublin or the neighboring counties criminals enough to keep the staff employed. It is a fact quite worth remembering. I am not, of course, suggesting that Dublin will enclose the one capital of Europe without a common jail. Mountjoy in another part of the town continues to receive felons, the huge establishment of Kilmainham is no longer necessary. Business has fallen; the shutters are going up.

What a sensation in London were the Times one morning to announce that the Prison Commissioners, having no further use for their solid and commodious premises at Wormwood Scrubs, were prepared to consider offers from promoters of garages or skating rinks. Something like this happens in Dublin and nobody takes any notice. And Dublin is probably the only city of its size in Europe in which such a thing could happen. Crime as we know it in England is practically non-existent in Ireland. Our great guilds of crime—the bands of professional burglars and robbers, the financial conspirators, adept forgers, trained thieves, habitual levers of blackmail, bogus noblemen, parsons, and the ladies of amily, longform practitioners, hotel and railway sharps, "magsmen,"

"books," and "bouncers"—these are almost entirely unrepresented in Ireland. In a word, so far as habitual and professional crime is concerned, there is not another as decent country in Europe. Perhaps in a general way the reader may not perceive how and why the long days of Kilmainham bends at last towards its close.

The long day—well this a matter of degree; the story of Kilmainham is not that of a Newgate in London or a Conciergerie in Paris. But Kilmainham leads us back to the Irish Parliament and to the pikes of '98. With the earlier annals of the prison I have not the least acquaintance. Illuminative documents rest no doubt among the archives of Dublin Castle awaiting the scrutiny of somebody. No government of our day is concerned—at least, none need be concerned—to keep the secret of its prisons; for in the rule of to-day (its imperfections notwithstanding) the foolish cruelties of the past are fairly blotted out. Somebody will presently take his turn at the manuscripts of Kilmainham, and if we get nothing else from them we shall surely be the richer by a sheaf of stories that may perhaps recall some memories of the prisons of the French Revolution.

In the modern history of Kilmainham one episode stands out peakwise. The political weather of 1880 and onwards was, in the simple but sufficing phrase, "rough, with wind." The Land League was to the fore. Great in those days were the names of Gladstone, Parnell, and "Buckshot" Forster, the Irish Secretary—each name a battle-word. The celebrated act for the Better Protection of Persons and Property of Ireland was the order of the day; under this act hundreds of persons of all kinds, orders, and qualities, became suddenly a suspect and into prison the suspects were kept in batches. Kilmainham entertained them. The crowd of common prisoners was emptied out somewhere into Mountjoy one may suppose—and the old jail was cleaned up for the reception of the suspected leaguers, members of Parliament, priests, lawyers, doctors, newspaper men, farmers, cattle-dealers, horse-dealers, shop-keepers, and peasants from their ragged plots, Kilmainham, totally transformed, no longer recognized itself.

It is in no way incorrect to say that Kilmainham "entertained" this extraordinary assemblage of political. Loss of liberty is serious in varying degrees to all men, but to the dungeoned suspects their captivity was tempered. The Ladies' Land League saw to it. The "victims of British tyranny" were fed and wine from without the walls; I might almost say that they were garlanded, for their board was decked with flowers. Arrests and detentions, unjust enough no doubt, there often were, but of the true and unaccountable pains of prison on not one of these suspects ever had a taste. For some few light remarks I passed upon the subject (fresh from a tour of local and convict prisons in England—where the real thing was to be seen) I was mauled by one or two Dublin papers; but most of the quondam suspects, I fancy, had a relish of the joke. Certain among them had the time of their lives in the dungeons of Kilmainham. Had they been curious enough to know what it meant to breathe the real atmosphere of prison—not in Irish Kilmainham, but in English Portland—poor Michael Davitt could have turned the gas up for them.

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"Typhoid Mary."

A Curious Menace to Public Health. New York, Feb. 21.—"Typhoid Mary," whose real name is withheld at the request of the New York health authorities, is a free woman again, after having been confined in charity hospitals, off and on for three years, because physicians said that she was a living receptacle for typhoid germs and a menace to public health. She was formerly a cook, and considered particularly dangerous in that capacity as likely to transmit disease. With the understanding that she is to cook no more, Mr. Lederle, the health commissioner, announced to-day that the department had decided to release her.

"Typhoid Mary" had of late been confined in a charity hospital on an island in the East River. Her case is unique in medical records. After repeated cases of typhoid were discovered in families for which she had cooked, the authorities made an investigation, resulted in her detention on the theory that she was a walking reservoir for typhoid germs, harmless to herself, but easily communicated to those whose food she cooked.

More Protection Urged for Women.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The Massachusetts House heard many and various pleas to-day for new legislation for the moral protection of woman. The principal issue of the day on the part of the petitioners who appeared before the committee on legal affairs of the Chinese restaurant, in many of which it was alleged, that scandalous and disgraceful scenes were often enacted.

A Bill offered by Representative John L. Donovan would prohibit women under 21 years of age, and women above that age unless accompanied by a male escort from going into or patronizing a Chinese restaurant. The Bill had almost as many opponents as supporters, the arguments in its favour being that much of the accusation was unjust, and that the measure was unconstitutional.

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The whole staff of maldservants, of whom there are over 50 at Buckingham Palace, are under the control of Mrs. Rosalie Dodds, the head housekeeper. The maids rise at 6 a.m. in the winter and 5.30 a.m. in the summer. Breakfast is served in the large maldservants' hall at seven o'clock, and three of the maids are selected in turn each week to wait on the others at meals.

From eight to noon the maids are at work in the different sets of rooms allotted to their charge. Each room is then inspected by one of the assistant housekeepers, of whom there are six, to see that it has been put properly in order, and at half-past twelve a report is made to Mrs. Dodds by the assistant housekeepers that what is called the "morning walk" has been finished.

In the afternoon a certain number of the maids are allowed off duty between 3 and 6 p.m. The maids off duty have a large and extremely comfortable room to sit in, where they can read, write, or do their own work, and where, with the consent of the head housekeeper, they can see their friends.

The "outings" of the maldservants are arranged by the head housekeeper. Each maid is allowed out once a week from 6 to 10 p.m., and she can go out when off duty in the afternoon by permission of Mrs. Dodds. A whole day outing is given to each maid-servant, from noon to ten o'clock, once a month.

Each girl on entering service at Buckingham Palace is given a printed copy of the rules and regulations she will be required to obey, and with which she must make herself thoroughly acquainted.

For the first month a maid at Buckingham Palace is regarded as a probationer. If, at the end of that time she is not strong enough for the work, or does not like it, she is generally found employment at one of the other residences of royalty.

But as the maids who are promoted to the best paid positions in the royal service are usually selected from the staff at Buckingham Palace, a girl always does her best to qualify for service under Mrs. Dodds.

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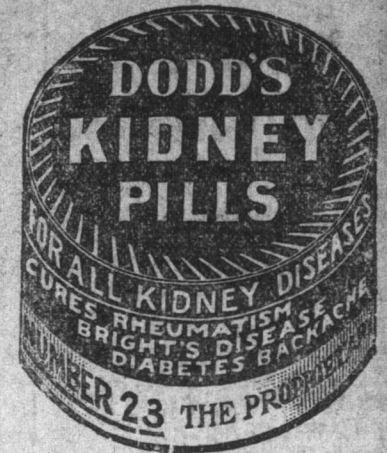
A Large Funeral.

A large number of the friends of Rev. Canon Smith and family went to Portugal Cove yesterday to attend the funeral of his dear wife. Amongst them were the Lord Bishop, Rev. Canons White, Dunfield and Rev. G. H. Bolt. A service was first held in the church and afterwards in the cemetery. Rev. G. H. Bolt officiated. A large number attended the funeral not only from Portugal Cove but from Horse Cove and Broad Cove. Nearly all the residents came to pay their last tribute to one who was dearly beloved by them and to tender their sympathy to the bereaved pastor. It was the largest funeral ever seen in Portugal Cove by the present generation.

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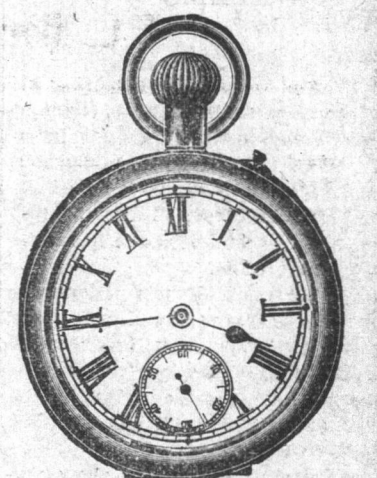
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