

SUMMARY OF IRISH NEWS.

Antrim.

On Nov. 6th, Robert Swan, 20 Leadbetter street, Belfast, died suddenly of heart disease. He was a handloom weaver.

On the night of November 4th, in Carrickfergus, during the progress of an Orange ball, which was being held in the Town Hall, a girl aged about 18 years, named Mary Ellen Barclay, met with a serious accident, by which it is feared that she has permanently lost the sight of at least one eye. It seems that some refreshments, in the shape of a box of lemonade were brought into the room, and deposited on a platform at the upper end. Soon afterwards the neck blew off one of the bottles, and a piece of the flying glass struck the girl, entering one of her eyes. Another piece struck a young man on the cheek, cutting it severely.

The members of the Belfast Harbor Board have for some time been contemplating the advisability of co-opting a representative Belfast Catholic as a member. The great difficulty with the Board, however, is, strange to say, to get a Catholic who possesses in any degree the confidence of his co-religionists in the city, but who at the same time has not identified himself, at least prominently, with the Home Rule party. This difficulty is not likely to become less as time wears on. Meantime the names of several Catholic gentlemen of independent means and of various professions and occupations have been passed in review before the Harbor Commissioners. People are waiting anxiously to see what the Commissioners will do.

Armagh.

A fatal gun accident took place in Armagh on Nov. 14th. Mr. George Clelland, merchant, accompanied by some friends, had been out shooting, and when returning Mr. Clelland handed his gun to John Bennett, a messenger boy in his employment, to take upstairs. A young man named Alexander Simmons, son of Mr. Simmons, president of the Teachers' Association of Ireland, who was one of the shooting party, went upstairs with Bennett and asked him to hand him the gun. In doing so, in some unaccountable way, the gun went off, the contents lodging in Bennett's leg, shattering the limb frightfully. The unfortunate boy was at once removed to the hospital, where Surgeon Palmer had to amputate the leg, but the unfortunate lad, who was only 13 years of age, died at 4 o'clock the same evening. Young Simmons was placed under arrest, but was released on bail, to await an adjourned investigation of the case. The coroner's jury, in their verdict, censured Clelland for carelessness in entrusting to a boy a loaded gun, one barrel of which was on full cock.

Cork.

A Nationalist demonstration was held at Killeagh, on Nov. 12th, to mark the completion of a railing around the grave of Timothy Daly, who was shot by the police during the Fenian "rising" of 1867. There was a very large and representative attendance, and a number of bands took part in the demonstration. An address on the life and work of the dead Nationalist, was delivered by Mr. Michael Power, of Cork. A resolution in favor of amnesty for the political prisoners was passed.

Just now, the Land Purchase Commissioners are calling upon those tenants of the Ponsonby estate who purchased their holdings under the Purchase Act for the first half-yearly payment of interest due in respect of the State advances up to the 1st of November, and not a little difficulty has been experienced by the majority of the tenants in endeavoring to comply with the Commissioners' demands. This is not, however, the only difficulty which the tenants have to contend with, as, unfortunately, at the present time a serious question of difference has arisen between a large number of the purchasing tenants and the solicitors for Mr. Ponsonby, and unless the matter is amicably arranged, expensive litigation must inevitably follow.

A sad drowning accident occurred near Castletown, on the night of Nov. 14, in which three young men—James Callaghan, John Orphin and Mortimer Downey, all natives of Clochlin, Boro Island—lost their lives. It appears that Mr. Hawkes, of Castletown, bought some cattle from the young men, which they were obliged to deliver to him, and in order to do so he provided them with a large six-oared boat. After delivering the cattle to him they obtained a punt, about 13 feet long, in order to return home. They delayed in Castletown for a few hours, and are said to have left about 8 o'clock p.m. The empty punt was picked up next morning, and soon after the dead body of James Callaghan was washed ashore on the beach. No trace of the others had been found, up to the last reports. The principal occupation of the men was fishing. Orphin was not married, but Callaghan and Downey have left large families to mourn their loss.

Down.

In Newry, on November 12th, a young man named John McKeown was brought before Mr. Henry Turner, R.M., at the Hyde Market police barrack, charged with having assaulted and robbed of 19s. 3d., a farmer named James McGay, of Lisnammun, while he was returning home from Newry market, on November 9th. The accused, who was

identified by McGay, was remanded to Newry Bridewell, until the Ballybot Petty Sessions.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Capt. James O'Neill, of Killybegs, Rostrevor, to the Commission of the Peace. Capt. O'Neill's commission extends to Warrenpoint and Killybegs, banones. He is the first Nationalist who has been appointed to those benches for generations.

On the morning of November 14th, a terrible accident occurred in Mr. David McCormick's scutch-mill at Drumaghla, near Ballynahinch, by which a woman named Anne Milligan met with her death. The deceased was engaged carrying flax in the mill, when she was caught by the rollers, and before the machinery could be stopped, her arms were pulled out of the sockets, and her side dreadfully mangled. When extricated she was quite unconscious, and died in a few moments.

Dunelm.

Mr. John O'Leary is engaged on a history of the time of his own active political career.

"Doctor" Emily Winifred Dickson, daughter of Right Hon. T. A. Dickson, ex M.P., has obtained the travelling scholarship of £100 in the Royal University. She will visit the principal schools of medical science on the Continent of Europe.

Very Rev. Father Ring, Prior, O.M.I., arrived at Inchicore, on his return from America, and was received at the depot by a vast crowd, bearing torches, who accompanied him in processional order to the House of Retreat. His reception was most enthusiastic. Addresses were delivered, and Father Ring delivered in reply an interesting narrative of his experiences in America.

On the evening of Nov. 10th the Dublin Young Ireland League celebrated the memory of those great Irishmen and historians, "The Four Masters," and also of Eugene O'Curry and John O'Donovan. The celebration took the form of a re-union at the National Club, Rutland square. Mr. John O'Leary presided and made the principal address of the evening.

The students of the Catholic University Medical School, Dublin, recently presented a wedding gift in the form of a gold watch and chain to their Professor of Anatomy, Dr. Ambrose Birmingham. The presentation was accompanied by an address, read by Mr. Roantree, the Secretary of the Committee, to which Dr. Birmingham made a suitable reply, thanking the students most warmly for this mark of their good-will and friendship. In the evening Dr. Birmingham entertained the members of the committee and some other friends at dinner in the Hotel Metropole, when the agreeable episode was brought to a pleasant termination.

After a stormy passage of 6 days, 15 hours, 22 minutes, the White Star liner *Majestic* arrived at Queenstown from New York at 4.40 on the morning of Nov. 15th. The great ship had encountered terrific weather on the Atlantic, violent gales from the eastward, with tremendously high rolling seas, prevailing almost during the entire voyage. Among her passengers were the five young Dublin ladies who acted as sales women in Lady Aberdeen's Irish Village, at Chicago, during the World's Fair—Miss Hilda Hughes, Miss H. Beckett, Miss Geoghan, Miss M. Brazil and Miss T. Brazil. On their arrival, Miss Hughes received a cablegram from Lady Aberdeen from Ottawa, Ontario, with her kindest greetings. Subsequently they were met by Lady Arnott, who gave the young travellers a cordial welcome.

Galway.

Lieut. O.B. Minagen, of the Munster Royal Regiment, and Lieut. R. N. Flanagan, of the Connaught Rangers, who entered the army as privates, have just been made captains. Some of the best officers in the British army are of Irish blood.

The dedication of the beautiful chapel at Ballinlough, in the diocese of Tuam, took place on Sunday, Nov. 12th. For many years the want of a chapel at Ballinlough was keenly felt by the people and their late lamented pastor the Very Rev. Dean M'Loughlin. The late "lord of the soil" had refused a site for a church, but more liberal views were entertained by the next action of the house, and Canon O'Dwyer succeeded in obtaining the long-wished-for ground. In a marvelously short time—some six months—by his personal energy and the co-operation of his devoted parishioners a magnificent Catholic church was raised. His Grace the Archbishop, accompanied by Father Curran, Adm., was present and presided at the dedication. High Mass commenced shortly before 12 o'clock, the celebrant being Rev. J. Loftus, P.P., Williams-town; deacon, Rev. J. Burke, C.C., Dunmore; sub-deacon, Rev. Michael M'Hugh, Adm.; Bekan; master of ceremonies, Rev. P. Kilkenny, C.C., Ballinlough. After High Mass, Very Rev. James Donnellan, of Maynooth College, preached an eloquent sermon. Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament, given by the Archbishop, brought the ceremonies of the day to a close. His Grace placed the new church under the protection of the Holy Family. It is pleasing to know that the priests and people who, since Canon O'Dwyer commenced the good work, were generous in their contributions, repeated their generosity on this occasion. Castleroa, Ballyhaunis, Dunmore, Williamstown, and

Glan were well represented in the receipts of the day, with the result that the church was not in debt when dedicated.

Kerry.

District Inspector Routledge, R.I.C., has taken charge of Kilarney district in succession to District Inspector Hill.

The Incorporated Law Society of Ireland have awarded the Findlater Scholarship of £25 a year, tenable for two years, to Mr. Francis M. Moloney, solicitor, Listowel, on the result of the final examinations for 93.

Flax growing seems to be a thing of the past in Kerry. This year, according to the Registrar-General's report, there were only three acres under flax in the whole county; last year there were six. In fact, in the whole of the South of Ireland there were only 47 acres under flax in 1893.

In the Christian Brother's monastery Dingle, on Nov. 13th, Rev. Brother John Foley died after a brief illness. The deceased, who was nearly 70 years of age (35 of which he spent in the religious life), was born at Ballyvalley, near Tralee, and was brother to Mrs. Ellen Brick, New Line, Tralee, and uncle to Mr. Jeremiah Slattery, merchant, Tralee. He was for a number of years in the Dingle Monastery, and always devoted himself with untiring and zealous energy to the duties of his sacred calling. The funeral took place on the 14th, and was largely and respectfully attended.

At Tralee Quarter Sessions two actions were heard against the Tralee and Dingle Railway Company. The first was at the suit of John Dillon, cook, for £166, for damages owing to the death of his son, Richard Dillon, who was fireman of the engine which ran off the company's viaduct, on Whit-Monday, when Dillon, Redshaw, and McLaughlin were killed, and a number of other persons injured. Judge Shaw held that there was negligence, as he believed the engine was defective, and gave a decree for £25. In the second case, Mrs. Kate Goraey sued the company for £500, damages sustained by reason of her son having been killed at Emalaught, by one of the company's trains, on the 7th March. The evidence produced was to the effect that the deceased got out at Emalaught, a small flag station near Annascault; but returned to get a parcel, and before he left the carriage the train started, and, in attempting to get out of it, he was crushed between the fence and the carriage, and sustained such injuries that he died. Judge Shaw dismissed the action, as he was of opinion that the company were not in fault.

Kildare.

With much regret we record in our Irish obituary, this week, the death, after a short illness, of Miss Maud M. Dunne at the Abbey, Athy. Miss Dunne was second eldest daughter of Mr. John M. Dunne, ex-J.P., one of the evicted tenants of Lord Lansdowne, at Lggacurren. The deceased young lady was a favorite with all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. The funeral, which took place on November 13th, to Churchtown, was very largely attended.

Kilkenny.

At the last meeting of the Board of Governors of the Kilkenny District Lunatic Asylum, Dr. Louis J. Baggly was elected Resident Assistant Medical Officer.

The retirement of Mr. Thomas Grace from the Kilkenny Corporation is much regretted, and strong efforts were made to induce him reconsider his decision, but without success. During his term of office, Mr. Grace was noted for his independence and practical common sense.

Limerick.

Mr. Michael P. O'Shaughnessy has been appointed a Commissioner for taking affidavits at Bruff, County Limerick.

At the last meeting of the Limerick Lunatic Asylum Board, it was decided to increase the salary of Dr. O'Meara, medical officer, by £50 a year.

It is with the deepest regret we announce the unexpected death of Mr. Stephen O'Flanagan, T.C., who represented the Irishtown Ward in the Corporation of Limerick.

Louth.

It is announced that Sir Henry Bellingham of Castlebellingham, is lying seriously ill from the effects of typhoid fever.

Mayo.

The Rev. Michael Clarke, C.C., of Ballycastle, was drowned on the night of Nov. 16 in attempting to cross a ford on a swollen river between Ballycastle and Downpatrick Head. The sad event has caused a deep feeling of regret. Father Clarke was about 30 years of age, and was ordained some six years ago, after a very distinguished course in Maynooth, on the Donboyne establishment. The country where he was doing duty is a wild and mountainous district on the northern coast of Mayo.

Meath.

Rev. Peter Kelly, the patriotic pastor of the united parishes of Slane and Monknewtown, has forwarded the sum of £37 5s., the joint subscription of the united parishes, priests and people, to the evicted tenants' fund.

Monaghan.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor, on the recommendation of the Town Commissioners, has re-appointed Mr. D. J. Carson, T.C., Ballybay, to be a town justice for that district.

Queen's County.

We regret to have to announce the death, on November 13th, of Mr. Richard Lawlor, ex-M.P. for one of the Divisions of Queen's County. Mr. Lawlor, who was a civil engineer and a tenant farmer, belonged to a highly respectable family, who had been connected with the representation of the Queen's County since Catholic Emancipation. His father was M.P. for the constituency for many years. He was himself first returned for the county (in company with Mr. Arthur O'Connor) at the General Election of 1885. He was greatly respected in his district. Deceased was a brother to Mr. Lawlor, ex-Speaker of the Victoria House Assembly, who had a most adventurous life in Australia.

Roscommon.

Active steps are being taken in Boyle and the adjoining district to assist the evicted tenants.

The adjourned hearing of the summons charging Messrs. Patrick O'Brien, John Fitzgibbon, William Field, M.P., Luke Hayden, M.P., Patrick Conry, Dominick Mulligan, Edward King and others with unlawful assembly on October 30th, by entering on the lands of Lord de Freyne, lately in occupation of Thomas and Bridget Barrett, and building tenements thereon, was taken up in Frenchpark Courthouse on Nov. 14th and 15th, before Captain McFarnham, R.M., and Mr. Newell, R.M. None of the local magistrates participated, so that the "Court" was a purely "Coercion" affair. Mr. John Roche, Q.C., conducted the case for the prosecution; Mr. Harrington, M.P., appeared for the defense. Mr. Blakeney, agent to Lord de Freyne, deposed to the circumstances under which the Barretts were put out of possession on September 20th. In cross-examination by Mr. Harrington, he admitted that he had set fire to Barrett's house, but denied that there was any living thing in it at the time. He had been agent on the Ponsonby estate, and the evictions there had commenced under his regime. He admitted that the leveling of the houses was calculated to cause a feeling of irritation, but he did not think of that at the time. The case for the prosecution closed, the defendants were returned for trial. The hearing of the third summons has yet to come on.

Sligo.

On the morning of Nov. 14th a man named Rooney, of Stradryan, Glenfarne, was found dead a short distance from his house. It appeared that he had been ill and had left the house late on the previous night in a state of delirium, unknown to any of the occupants. As it was intensely cold, and deceased was only partially clothed, his death resulted from exposure.

Tipperary.

A fire broke out on Saturday evening, November 11th, in the bakehouse of Messrs. Cleary & Keating, Nenagh, and despite the exertions of the police and a number of civilians, the premises were entirely destroyed. The loss is covered by insurance.

The numerous friends and well-wishers of Mr. John O'Shea, Nenagh, will be pleased to learn that the veteran journalist is so far recovered from his late accident as to be perfectly sensible of all the kind inquiries which have been made of him, and the many kindnesses which he alleges have been rendered to him by persons of every class, creed and profession.

Dr. Butler Hogan, B.A., son of Mr. Matthew Hogan, of Gullen, has, in addition to a large private practice in London, secured the permanent public appointment of medical officer of Shoreditch, E.C., at a salary of £600 a year. There were 100 candidates for the position. Dr. Hogan won a scholarship in the Queen's College, and in his Arts course took high honors for several years in succession in the Royal University. Last Easter, at the University of Cambridge, he took first place out of 63 candidates for the diploma of health.

Tyrone.

On Sunday evening, November 12th, the new hall erected by the Irish National Foresters' Branch, Dungannon, was opened with great ceremony. The hall is situated at the head of Anne street, at the corner of the Donaghmore road, and is an imposing building. Among those who took part in the opening ceremony were the Rev. Father Fox, C.C.; Rev. Andrew McQuirk, Mr. William Moffit, J.P.; Brother McNally, Mr. P. J. Devlin, Brother Daniel Quinn, Mr. P. Flanigan, Brother J. Mayne, Brother P. Corr, Brother E. Hogan, Brother P. Sloane, and others.

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It is understood that a rule of art is reversed in the burlesque actress. She must learn to paint before she can draw.