

**IRELAND.**

**Record of the Most Important of the Recent Events Cited From Exchanges.**

Henry Devany has been re-elected chairman of the Moy Harbor Board.

Mr. Thomas Blackall, of Killard, has been appointed Petty Sessions Clerk of Killrush.

P. Yore, of the Town Clerk's office, Ardee, has been elected Inspector of the Township.

A branch of the Trades and Labor Union of Great Britain has been established in Castlebar.

In the very near future the tenants on the Annally estate, Longford, will be peasant proprietors.

A room has been devoted at the National Museum, Dublin, to the exhibition of relics of the stone age in Ireland.

Alderman Flavin, of Cork, has resigned his seat on the corporation owing to the inability to spare time for his municipal duties.

In Limavady district this year there is only one-half the area under flax that there was last year. Reported fair in quality.

Mr. D. C. Maher, national teacher, Cashel, has now attained the distinguished position of graduate of the Royal University of Ireland.

John O'Donnell, a Nationalist, has been elected chairman of the Manorhamilton Guardians, in succession to Mr. Dolan, who has resigned.

Capt. Arthur Hill (Conservative) has been returned unopposed for County Down, Western Division, in succession to his father, Lord Arthur Hill.

The Lord Lieutenant has appointed Dr. George McManus, of Trim, medical examiner for County Meath under the workman's compensation act of 1897.

Gorey appears to be one of the most improving towns in Ireland. Taxation is low, the streets are in excellent condition, the lighting is good and the water supply perfect.

Thomas Casey, a cattle drover, residing near Kilgarvan, was found drowned in the river near by on the 17th ult. It is believed that he committed suicide while temporarily insane.

At the quarterly meeting of the Tullamore National Teachers' Association Mr. Moynihan and Miss Moynihan were elected members. Mr. Murphy was made an honorary member.

John McFarland, of Derry, who has a seat in the Corporation as Councillor, is seeking the suffrages of the voters in the North ward for the Aldermanship, vacant by the death of John Fleming.

The Executive Committee of the Belfast Catholic Association has recommended the Catholic and Nationalist list voters of Belfast to vote for Robert Fleming, the candidate of the Belfast United Irish League.

Dr. John Walter Moran, D. A., has been elected a member of the Leyston stone (Eng.) School board. He is the first Catholic who ever sat on this board. He is a graduate of the Royal University, Ireland. He is a native of Tipperary.

At the Cork County Assizes recently Henry Armstrong, the property defence union caretaker, for having burned a house in which there was a family named O'Brien living at Gurteenina, near Middleton, was sentenced to penal servitude for three years.

Alderman John Fleming, of the Derry Corporation, a resident of Strand road, Derry, died suddenly in the Abbey Hotel, Middle Abbey street, Dublin. He was in his usual health the night previous, but on the following morning complained of pains in the stomach.

An influential committee has been formed to promote the proper civilization of barley in Ireland. The use of indifferent seed and defective methods of harvesting and threshing have led, among other things, to a considerable deterioration of the grain which has been put on the market.

Here is last crop report for County Limerick: "The reports on the crops from every district in the county are encouraging. Everything is doing well, and the appearance of blight in the early potatoes but partial, and of a kind seldom absent from the tubers, even with more favorable weather."

Among the heirloom collection of the Earl of Milltown, recently given by the Dowager Countess to the National Gallery of Ireland, Dublin, is the famous and most valuable painting of St. Sebastian by Vanduyke. It is one of the greatest gems in the wonderful collection given to the nation.

Patrick Walsh, F. R. C. S., of Ballina, died suddenly near his residence recently. Deceased was the Veterinary Inspector for the Unions of Ballina, Killala, Belmullet, Swinford and Claremorris. Mr. Walsh had also a large private practice, and was an authority on the horse-breeding question in Ireland.

Mrs. John McMahon, Ballycally, died lately. She belonged to the lineage of the chieftain McMahon, of Claire, and was one of the few of her name who could trace her descent from the renowned Marshal McMahon. The funeral took place to the family burial ground, in Kilmilery, and was largely attended.

A bazaar was opened recently in Macroom to aid the Sisters of Mercy financially. They are doing herculean work in the training and teaching of the little ones of the town and surrounding districts, and the people are heartily and generously supporting the good religious. During the two days the flow of visitors was continuous, and a good sum was realized at the stalls.

The Cookstown Branch of the Irish National Foresters celebrated the 100th anniversary of the execution of John and Henry Sheares by the unfurling of a new banner. The banner is hand-painted in oils, representing on the front a life-size standing figure of William Orr,

attired in the costume of his time, and represented as holding in one hand a scroll, bearing the inscription, "Liberty Equality, Fraternity," and with the other pointing to a landscape with ruins, suggestive of the "dark and evil days" in which he lived.

A young Down man, in the person of John Lavery, represents St. Nicholas parish, Newcastle, Eng., as a guardian. He is a native of Dromore. Mr. Lavery has made himself prominent by his services in the Irish cause. For several years he was the Secretary of Branch No. 1 of the Irish National League in Newcastle. He also served as the Secretary of the Irish Literary Institute of Newcastle.

A resolution having the genuine Irish and Catholic ring in it was adopted at the recent great patriotic demonstration held in Glenmornan. Here it is: "That we still adhere to a national and true honored motto of Faith and Fatherland, and the cordial union of priests and people in all that concern our country's cause; and we condemn the attempts that are being made by time serving politicians to hound our priests out of public life."

There has died at Grossepoint, on the borders of Kerry, Timothy Sweeney, who attained the age of 105 years. He had his senses nearly up to the last, and was able to move about with the assistance of a heavy stick up to very lately. He had many stories to tell of the stirring events which occurred at the beginning of this century, and he remembered of his parents having sheltered fugitives concerned in the Rebellion of '98. He was a staunch Nationalist to the last.

Michael McDonald, of Rockmarshall, died recently, at the age of 59 years. Mr. McDonald was for a considerable time a representative of Ballymascanlon on the Board of Guardians. During the land agitation his action was such as to lead to the suspicion, on the part of the agents of the then Gladstonian Government, that he was doing effective service in the interests of the tenants against felonious landlordism. He was arrested and confined for a long period in Dundalk jail, without even the formality of a trial or being informed of what offence he was "suspected."

At a meeting of the corporation of Limerick, Ireland, the following notice of motion was received of Councillor D. Lynch: "At the next meeting of the Council I will move that it be optional with members of this corporation to wear official robes of green instead of red, and that the royal arms at present exhibited in front of the Town Hall and over the Mayor's office be removed and the city arms substituted therefore, as a mark of respect to the memory of those who participated in the insurrection of 1798, the centenary of which is celebrated this year."

The destinies of Claddagh, the curious fishing community that for generations enjoyed the exclusive rights of fishing in Galway Bay, up to recent years were administered by a locally selected dignitary called "King of Claddagh." There are people in Galway who remember the last "King," and many strange stories are told of the habits and manner of the singular people. Irish is the language of the village, which, though in Galway, is not of it; but, like the rest of Galway, it is decaying, and the trawler is responsible for much of the grievances of Claddagh.

A vigorous protest against a new penal law for the Irish clergy was recently made in Mullinavatt. On Sunday a meeting of the representative men of Mullinavatt was held in the parochial committee room to protest against the exclusion of the clergy from the County Councils under the local government bill. Mr. N. O'Neill presided. Proposed by Mr. R. Darmody and seconded by and supported by Mr. N. Darmody and Mr. S. Carroll: "That we, the people of Mullinavatt, strongly protest against the exclusion of the clergy from the proposed County Councils as unjust and an insult to a body of gentlemen incomparably the best in Irish society." Passed with unanimity.

An open-air demonstration, under the auspices of the United Irish League, was held at Crossmolina. The chair was taken by Mr. O'Boyle, a merchant in Crossmolina. There were fully 5,000 people present. A branch of the league was formed and a very large number of members enrolled. In no part of Mayo is the redistribution of the grazing ranches more required. Owing to the terrible clearances which were made off the fertile lands round Crossmolina, the Moyne and Laggan of Tyrawley, the people are almost exclusively restricted to bogs and mountains, and are vigorously boycotted as to the fertile lands.

The old castle at Donegal, around whose walls are clustered so many treasured and memorable associations, perhaps retains more features of its former grandeur than any of the other remnants of the feudal days scattered over the country. It is, therefore, gratifying to know that a movement for the preservation of the antiquities in the town of Donegal has been organized. The old castle, which was vested in the Board of Works by Lord Arran, has been repaired. The numberless arches and windows which were becoming dilapidated owing to the ravages of time, have been rendered firm and their architectural beauty preserved by the handiwork of the mason.

Workmen excavating for new sewers unearthed a long strip of the foundation of the ancient wall of Waterford City, at Johnstown. The wall is running toward the old tower in the Railway square, off Manor street, and traces of it are visible between the Catholic Young Men's Society and Mr. R. Morrissey's yard in Parnell street. The wall was torn down when the thoroughfare was being constructed. Judging by the state of preservation in which the foundations are, the wall which stood on them would not fall away by natural decay. The Borough Surveyor states that it will be as difficult to remove the obstruction as if it was solid rock. "How very like the Traouera sea wall!" exclaimed the Waterford Citizen.

The All-Ireland Committee of the Irish Financial Reform League met at the Mansion House, Dublin. Mr. Edward H. Woods presided. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: "The All-Ireland Committee of the Irish Financial Reform League returns its best thanks to the members of Parliament who supported Mr. Redmond's motion on the financial relations question. That this committee, having considered the recent debate in the House of Commons on the Financial Relations question, desires to state its opinion that nothing has been advanced in the course of that debate which in anyway impairs the strength of the Irish case; and this committee is resolved to carry on with renewed vigor the work of education and of agitation to obtain a redress of the financial grievance of Ireland."

The execution of Father Kearns and Col. Perry, martyred for Ireland's cause 100 years ago, was commemorated in Edenderry Sunday by a monster meeting at the churchyard of Monasteries, where the remains of the heroes are interred. The procession, composed of contingents from a radius of twenty miles, was headed by the Edenderry '98 Century Club, with banner and brass band. The beautiful floral wreath for the monument occupied the second position in the procession, and on either side marched men with imitation pikes. A remarkable feature of the procession was the number of pikemen. On its arrival at the graveyard the contingents visited the graves of Father Kearns and Col. Perry, over which a magnificent monument was erected by the patriotic Nationalists of Edenderry. At the meeting Mr. William Kennedy presided.

Not for the past ten years were the prospects of a rich and bountiful harvest in Skibbereen district, Cork, more hopeful. There is an excellent crop of potatoes. The blight made its appearance early last month, but the farmers were advised, the crop sprayed, and is as green today and as flourishing around here as it was any year before the dreaded blight was heard of. The effects are astonishing, new potatoes having fallen in price from 1s to 5d per stone, and ere many days they will be down to 3d, and much less, but they can no longer be scarcely called "new" in this very early quarter of the "Sunny South." The rich yield is not confined to the potato crop. Cereals, such as oats and wheat, are most luxuriant, while never was there a finer hay crop, the best portion of which is cut and saved. Mangolds and cabbages are doing well, but there is a widespread failure of Swedish turnips, caused by drouth.—[Cork Examiner.]

Some brutal evictions have been carried out in far West Clare, toward Loop Head, on the property of Mr. Westby and Mr. McDonnell, at a time unparalleled for distress and much misery. Michael McMahon, one of Westby's victims, was evicted with his ten children and his wife, and his house was pulled down by the order of the landlord's agents. Matthew Fennell, of Kiballyowen, with ten in family, was also dispossessed and his house wrecked. John McCarthy, of Breaña, on the same property, was also evicted. Michael McInerney, of Kilyballyowen, having settled, the evictors left him undisturbed. For the most part, the tenants evicted have been in receipt of relief during the past seven months. Two families were evicted at McDonnell's property at Lisheen, near Carrigaholt; Martin Collins, with a family of ten, and Mrs. Collins, with a family of seven, and their homes were pulled down. The victims of landlord greed were left on the roadside without food or shelter.

**JOHN CUDAHY.**

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ful that while the people were dedicating the World's Fair he was cornering the provision market for one of the biggest deals on record. Six months after this deal was commenced he held 130,000 tierces of lard. In the last week of July, 1893, this immense holding was increased to 200,000 tierces, bought to stem the tide of defeat at high prices. But the effort was futile and the fortune won in such a quiet way for a speculator crumbled amid the wildest scenes every witnessed on Chicago's exchange.

August 1, 1893, found the city of Chicago feverish and unsettled in financial circles. Failures of banks and other large concerns, a tight money market and no prospect of relief had sent the people in the air. Bankers were loath to lend money on any kind of security, and concerns supposed to be absolutely safe were forced to suspend. That Cudahy was in straits was felt all over the exchange. Rumors of his being in a pinch had been circulated freely for a couple of weeks, in spite of his daily appearance and the boldness with which he bought. But nothing he could do would stop the collapse.

For several days he had made herculean efforts to raise \$500,000, he scheduling property worth five times that amount in security, but in vain. When the bell rang for the beginning of business that morning pork and lard were offered freely. Pork closed the night before at \$19 a barrel; it opened at \$18.70. But no matter how much was offered no man had nerve enough to buy. It was known Cudahy was long and that he must unload, so every broker but those in his interest fought shy of the goods, for a collapse was certain. The price fell steadily until about 11 o'clock, when it was officially announced that he had failed and deals for his account was ordered closed out.

The stamper in pork and lard was awful. The former fell rapidly to \$10.50, nearly \$9 on the day, while lard dropped with fearful rapidity from \$9.75 to \$5.90. Something like \$6,000,000 went from Cudahy's pockets to those of more fortunate men in that wild morning. He was wealthy at 10 o'clock and apparently hopelessly in debt in another hour. He was too ill to do more than wind up his deals. Then he retired from the board for a time and recuperated his health. But he was not done with board by any means. He must pay his debts and get his fortune back. Quietly and without beating of drums after his rest John Cudahy came back to

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