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CONNAUGHT.

GALWAY.

Mr. J. Skerrit Golding, of Ballinasloe, has been appointed solicitor on the Westmeath property, made vacant by the death of J. C. O Farrell.

Mr. J. A. O'Brien, son of Mr J. O'Brien, County Inspector Royal Irish Constabulary, Ballinasloe, has been appointed District Inspector of Clonbur, West Riding of Galway.

Very Rev Father Lally, Pastor of St. Joseph's, Galway, intends, during the summer to have a grand bazaar at the "City of the Tribes" to raise funds for the purpose of liquidating the debt which still hangs over his new church.

MAYO.

Dr. Thomas Gibbons, of Castlebar, has passed his examination for an appointment in the English Navy, surgeon.

Mrs. Maria O'Regan has been appointed Postmistress of Killunagh, and has taken over the management of the office in her own premises.

ROSCOMMON.

An order appear in the official Dublin Gazette, directing that the the Petty Sessions districts of French, park, Ballinagare, and Loughglynn, in Roscommon, shall be served by one and the same person as clerk. The appointment of clerk and the recommendation of salaries is to take place at the next Boyle Division of magistrates.

Boyle races, recently, were a great success. A great number attended from Sligo. Mr. Hermen's "Lady Jane" won the Boyle Plate of 30 sovereigns; Captain McTernan's "Clear the Way" won the Roscommon Plate of 50 sovs.; Mr Robinson's "Mable Gray" the Liliputian Plate of 21 sovs.; Mr. Morrison's "Small Shot" the Substitute Plate of 30 sovs.; and Mr. Ballesty's "Athelwulf" the Connaught Plate of 30 sovs.

SLIGO.

A man named P. McPartland, living in Gubaveeney, midway between Blacklion and Dowra, was struck by lightning recently, and instantly killed.

With much regret we learn of the serious illness of the Very Rev. Canon O'Donohoe, the esteemed pastor of Gurteen, who is at present in Glengariffe, where he had gone for benefit of his health.

The people of Collooney have determined on opening a butter market, for the sale of small kits and firkins, every Friday, in future and have made arrangements with the leading buyers to attend.

The extensive stables in connection with Mr. Alexander Sim's premises at Collooney were burned down a few days ago. The engine driver on the night mail from Dublin first saw the fire. He promptly stopped the train and set the steam whistle blowing to such effect that the people of the town were aroused. The horses were immediately cut loose and escaped uninjured. The stables were completely burned.

Captain Robert William Goodwin Hillas has been appointed Deputy Lieutenant for county Sligo.

LEINSTER.

DUBLIN.

Superintendent Smyth, of Kingstown, after a successful career extending over thirty-two years in the Dublin Metropolitan Police, has retired on a pension.

KILDARE.

At the late County Kildare Quarter Sessions, before County Court Judge Kane, a young man named W. J. F. Flanagan, son of Alderman Flanagan, of Dublin, who had surrendered to his bail, but was put forward in the dock, charged with that he did on the 28th March, '95, feloniously steal, take, and carry away a silver flower vase and stand, the property of W Staples, of Main street, Naas. From the evidence it appeared that on the day of the races (March 27th), the accused was in a room behind Mr. Staples' shop; and being drunk at the time, he carried of the article as a practical joke, which the police made serious by arresting him. As Mr. Staples did not wish to prosecute him, the jury after a short consulation returned a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was discharged.

KILKENNY.

Mr. John Jackman, T.C., and Mr. M. Murphy, solicitor, T.C., have been nominated for the vacant Aldermanship of St. John's Ward, Kilkenny.

KING'S.

In the Northern Police Court, Dublin, before Mr. Wall, two women named Anne McDonnell, and Maryanne Nolan, residing in Montgomery st., were charged wiah stealing £210 from the person of Patrick Morgan, grocer, of Townsend street, Birr, recently. The defendant McDonnell was charged with the unlawful possession of £56 2s. 10d. of the money, and a woman named Eliza Casey was charged with having received £3 of it. The prisoners were remanded for eight days, and then a curious phase of the case was developed, Morgan the complainant, being first fined for being drunk, and then handed over to the custody of the Constabulary at Birr, on a charge of having embezzled the money, which constituted the proceeds of the sale of a number of cattle at the last fair of Portarlington, belonging to a lady residing near Birr. Morgan was entrusted with the sale of the cattle, and having disposed of them, he went on a spree to Dublin with the money, instead of returning to Birr, and in Dublin he met the prisoners. A large portion of the money was recovered by the Metropolitan Police.

LONGFORD.

A fire was discovered recently in the military barracks in Longford. The 76th Field Battery Royal Artillery are the occupiers of the barracks, and it appears that while one of the men was passing by the hay stables he saw smoke issuing from one of them. On opening the door he discovered the building was enveloped in flames. He at once gave the alarm, the Fire Brigade was summoned, and in an incredible short space of time the whole place was alive with soldiers. The fire engine, on being brought into play, succeeded in getting the fire considerably under control, and after an hour's exertion, all danger seemed to have passed. The origin of the fire is unknown.

MEATH.

A thunderstorm recently damaged the telegraphic instruments at Clondalkin Postoffice. The telegraphist had a narrow escape. The house of a farmer near Cookstown was likewise struck, and a cat in the kitchen killed.

QUEEN'S

The Dublin Gazette announces that General Sir Robert White, Aghavoe House, Ballacolla, has been appointed a Deputy Lieutenant for Queen's county.

WEXFORD.

A man named Smith, residing in Knockmarshall, sustained a very serious accident by being thrown from a horse belonging to a farmer named Martin, residing in the same district, the animal becoming restive.

WICKLOW.

A cable dispatch received in Dublin, from New Zealand, contained the sad news of the death of the Most Rev. Dr. Moran, Bishop of Dunedin, Otago. The deceased Prelate had been ailing for over two years, but late exchanges seemed to indicate that his health was improving. His loss will be deeply felt, especially by those exiles with whom he so heartily sympathized, and over whose fortunes he watched with a solicitude really paternal.

MUNSTER.

CORK.

Some persons broke into the shop of Mr. McDonogh, North Main str., Cork, recently, and stole twenty pounds of tobacco, and about five shillings in coppers.

At the last Coachford Petty Sessions, Jas. Connell, of Mountrivers, was fined £2 10s. and costs for carrying a gun without a licence, on the public road. Timothy Riordan was fined 5s. and 40s. costs for an assault committed by him on a man named Dooley.

KERRY.

The election of Rev. Mother took place at the Presentation Convent, Tralee, recently, when the choice fell on Sister Mary Andrew. The new Rev. Mother, who is most popular with the nuns, is sister to the Rev. Brother Hayes, for many years Superior of the Christian Brothers' in Tralee.

LIMERICK

A very large and representative public meeting was held at Athea recently, under auspices of the local branch of the Irish National Federation, for the purpose of reconstructing the branch for the coming year. Mr. William Lundon, Kilteely, County Delegate, was present. Mr. R. J. Woulfe was moved to the chair; and Mr. T. D. Danaher moved resolutions pledging the organization to the support of the Irish National Party, and demanding that "the Government and the Irish Parliamentary Party use their utmost energy in passing the Irish Land Bill, as the present land legislation is altogether inadequate; and to have the Laborers Act so amended as to secure for those worthy sons of toil the rights so long due to them."

TIPPERARY.

The second Clonmel Industrial Exhibition was successfully inaugurated recently, under the most unfavorable auspices. The greatest possible interest was manifested in it by all classes of the community, particularly the industrial classes, and owing to the indefatigable exertions of the working committee and the honorable secretary, Rev. Mr. Millington, the arrangements were most complete and satisfactory. The entries were very large, 1,075 being catalogued, showing how important and far-reaching the undertaking is.

WATERFORD.

A very sad shooting fatality occurred at Garrahas, near Tramore, recently. A farmer named James Rockett went shooting rooks, a recreation in which he had often previously indulged. Shortly afterward his dead body was discovered contiguous to the house, the top of his head being almost completely severed. The corpse was bathed in blood, and the spectacle presented was horrible in the extreme. He leaves a large family. The unfortunate man was rather peculiar in his habits for some time past.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

The Belfast Fire Brigade was recently called to the house No. 49 Seven street, in the occupation of William Girvan, laborer. The premises were found to be on fire, and after a few minutes' work the flames were entirely extinguished. A quantity of clothing and some of the furniture were burned. During the progress of the fire William Henry Girvan, a child, two years old, was seriously injured owing to its clothing becoming ignited. It was at once conveyed to the Royal Hospital, where it died on the following Monday.

ARMAGH.

A respectable farmer named Bernard O'Hanlon, residing in the townland of Clontagora, near Forkhill, met with a very sad death a few days ago. It appears that O'Hanlon went into his stable to feed his horse, and while there the animal became very restive and kicked him in the abdomen, killing him instantly.

A fire of serious nature occurred at a gate-house in Drumsill, near Loughgall, occupied by a gardener named McLaughlin and his family, who, it appears, had only gone to reside in the place quite recently. The damage, it is understood, is considerable, and it appears that some members of the family had a miraculous escape. It had not been discovered how the fire originated.

DERRY.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. John Glover, solicitor, Magherafelt, which took place recently, at Templestone House, Abbey street, Torquay, England, whither he had gone for the purpose of recruiting his health. For the past two or three years deceased had been gradually failing in health; but notwithstanding this, he continued to work in his office until a few months ago, when his health completely broke down. He was senior partner in the firm of Messrs Glover & McGuckin, was one of the oldest and most respected inhabitants of Magherafelt, and had a professional career of forty years standing.

DOWN.

A terrific dynamite explosion occurred at Bangor, near the coast guard station watch-house, where Messrs. Martin & Son are engaged in constructing a new pier, but fortunately no lives were lost. The explosion was quite unexpected, and there were some very narrow escapes, while the residence of Dr. R. L. Moore was badly wrecked. Doctor Moore and child had a narrow escape in the lawn adjoining the end of the house, while Mr. Gadd, a visitor, with Mrs. Fitchie, who were engaged in the garden, was struck with a large piece of rock on the shoulder, but was not seriously hurt. Nearly all the windows in Dr. Moore's house have been smashed, chimney pots were unseated and broken, and portions of the brick facing of the house damaged.

MONAGHAN

Mr. James Collins, secretary of the Ballybay Branch of the Irish National Federation, arrived home after undergoing a month's imprisonment in Dundalk Jail. Mr. Collins was convicted at Petty Sessions of threatening to boycott a car-owner named Boylan and was ordered to find security to keep the peace, or in default to be imprisoned. He elected to go to prison; when he arrived at Ballybay railway station, he was greeted by a large number of his sympathizing friends. The Ballybay National Brass Band and the Lattan Fife and Drum Band headed a procession consisting of contingents from Ballybay, Aughnamullen East, Aughnamullen West, Lough Egish, Carrickatoe, Shane, Ballintra, Clontibret. A large force of extra police were in town, but their interference was at no period called for. A meeting was subsequently held in Mr. McConville's hotel, at which congratulatory resolutions were presented to Mr. Collins, who replied in suitable terms.

TYRONE.

The body of a man was recently found floating in the water at Granshaw Point. It was very much decomposed, and was towed to Kirkstubbin. On the police searching the body £2 12s. 6d., a bunch of keys and a gold watch were found. A messenger was dispatched to Mountstewart, and Mr. Taylor identified the body as that of Joseph Grainge, the Marquis's steward, who was lost recently. The deceased was insured for £1,000. The remains were subsequently removed to Mountstewart to await the arrival of the deceased's relatives.

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Another foolhardy navigator has set out to sail around the world in a toy boat. He has already set out from San Francisco and is unfortunately already beyond the jurisdiction of the California courts. Otherwise he ought certainly to be examined by a commission de lunatico inquirendo. These absurd ventures are not brave but foolhardy. They add nothing to useful knowledge, still less to the gayety of nations. They ought to be suppressed.

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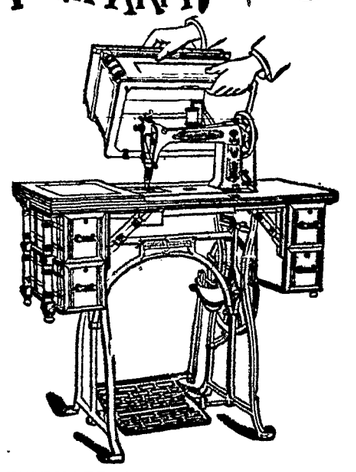

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