IRELAND BRIEFS

A Condensed Review of the Week's Happenings.

INTERESTING ITEMS TERSELY PRESENTED.

OUR MANY FRIENDS ACROSS THE WATER HEARD FROM.

LEINSTER.

(By Our Special Correspondent.)

DUBLIN.

It is stated that the English Education Department have at length decided to recognize the teachers' certificates issued by the Irish Education Board. This decision will render Irish teachers eligible for vacancies in English schools, a concession that has heretofore been denied them, though the standard of Irish examinations has been higher than the English average.

A conference of representatives of public bodies from twenty-seven out of thirty-two counties of Ireland was held on Monday, February 22nd, in the Mansion House, Dublin, to consider the Financial Relations Commission report. The Earl of Mayo presided. It was decided to call a convention, representing all Ireland, at an early date, in Dublin, to arrange for the future conduct of the movement. A resolution was passed stating that there was no justification for the appointment of a further commission to inquire into particular matters reported upon by the Royal Commission.

It is announced that the post of Taxing Master, vacated by the death of Mr. Davis, and worth £1,000 a year, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Phepland M. Tandy, a Dublin solicitor of long standing and high respectability. With the usual good fortune of the Tories in such matters, the the present government a string of fat places to give away. It actually has vacant a County Court Judgeship (£1,500 per annum) the Revising Barristership of Dublin (£250 per annum) and the Presidentship of the Cork Queen's College (£1,000 per annum). Before very long the application of the "New 65" Rule will vacate several places still more important and valuable.

The Irish Civil Service Commissioners announce that the undermentioned candidates obtained places in the first ninety-nine in the examination for Second Division Clerks of the Civil Service: Thomas Edward Brown (12), Dublin; William Jeremiah Bartholomew Shea (19), Cork; Thomas Richard Boland (37), Dublin; Edward Murray (55), Dublin; Andrew Taylor Emerson (65), Dublin; John Francis Owens (94), Dublin. The undermentioned candidates were successful in the limited competition held at the same time, under Clause 11 of the Order in Council of 26th February, 1876: Henry James Lennon (6), Dublin; Michael Donovan (7), Dublin; and Arthur Price Metcalfe (36), Dublin.

The new Lecture Theatre of the Royal Dublin Society, at Kildare street will be opened on the 12th of March. The opening will be celebrated by the conversazione on that day. The theatre, though small, will be the best appointed of its kind in the kingdom. The entrance for the audience will be through the Leinster House, and there will be a second entrance direct to the theatre itself from the Kildare street side. The new theatre will seat 660, and there will be standing room for as many more.

On the afternoon of last Friday, while Mr. John Lawrence, of the well known firm, 19 Grafton street, Dublin, was engaged transacting some business at Messrs. Eastman's establishment, South Great George street, he became suddenly ill. He was at once conveyed to the Adelaide Hospital, where, on examination by the medical staff, the unfortunate gentleman was found to be dead. The cause of death was heart disease.

The contributions to the Irish National Fund, acknowledged up to the present time, bring the total well over £3,000. It is satisfactory to note that there appears no abatement, but rather an increase, in the progress of the subscriptions, the letters accompanying which indicate a loyal spirit of support of the Irish party as a disciplined body and also show how abortive has proved the campaign of calumny to break down the country's support of [illegible]

[illegible] of the number of eviction notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland, under Section 7 of the Land Act, 1887, during the quarter ending early in January, has been presented to Parliament. The total number was 717, of which 23 were in the Queen's Bench Division, 11 in the Exchequer Division, and 684 in County Courts. "Felonious landlordism" is as vicious as ever.

Mr. John O'Leary, the Fenian martyr, has been tendered and has accepted the presidency of the Provisional Committee for the '98 centenary celebration in Ireland. In his letter of acceptance, Mr. O'Leary states that he is "all for unity, but rather on the lines of the United Irishman than on any other I know of."

The new underground lavatory in O'Connell street, Dublin, was opened to the public a week ago Wednesday. The buildings which had enclosed the [illegible] for some months previously, [illegible] and the only thing that [illegible] of the passers-by was the [illegible] railing in the centre of the street.

The death is announced of the second daughter of Sir James Mathew, which occurred at the Carmelite Convent, St. Charles Square, Notting Hill, London. The deceased lady, who was only twenty-six years of age, had been a member of the Carmelite community for eight years, and was esteemed and loved by all who knew her.

The appointment of Mr. Lennox, B. A., to a position in the firm of Messrs. D'Arcy & Co., proprietors of the Anchor Brewery, leaves the post of secretary of the Licensed Grocers and Vintners' Association vacant. A number of candidates are in the field already.

The Royal Dublin Society has made a grant of £50 for choral prizes at the forthcoming Irish musical celebration, and has given the use of part of the Ballsbridge premises during the Musical Feis week.

KILDARE.

One day last week Dr. J. Smyth, coroner, held an inquest at the Workhouse Hospital, Naas, on the body of an old man named Bryan, of Yellow Bog, near Kilcullen. The evidence of Theresa Bryan was to the effect that on the night of the 9th of January a man named Michael Aspel, called at the residence of her uncle, in company with his uncle, John Aspel, and, on deceased going out, Michael Aspel knocked him down, and then both men kicked him. Dr. P. Coady deposed to the injuries suffered by the deceased, including the fracture of the seventh and eighth ribs. He had practically recovered from his injuries when he got a fainting fit, and died in a quarter of an hour. The jury, after considerable deliberation, found that deceased died of syncope. Both the Aspels are in custody, and will be brought up at Kilcullen Petty Sessions.

A meeting of ratepayers was held on last Monday in the Court House, Clane, to take steps for opposing the projected railway between Clane and Celbridge, when that proposition shall be made at the ensuing Spring Assizes to the Grand Jury of Kildare. A resolution was unanimously passed calling on the Grand Jury not to grant a guarantee for the project.

CARLOW.

The establishment known to be the local public for a couple of generations as Carlow Jail, was put up for auction recently. The whole lot is rent free, and covers two acres of ground, opposite the military barracks. It consists of the governor's four-storied residence, matron's two-storied residence, female prison of thirty cells, all completely surrounded by a twenty-foot wall, built of lime stone, coped with granite, and having a magnificent cut granite entrance. Messrs Charles Thorpe & Son, Bagnalstown, had charge of the sale, and Mr. Robert Bell of Carlow, officiated as auctioneer. Mr Molloy was declared the purchaser for £1,200. It is rumored that the purchase was made in trust for a Catholic institution.

KILKENNY.

In connection with the Waterford bacon trade troubles, Mr. Thomas Bergin has lodged an application for £150 compensation with the secretary of the County Kilkenny Grand Jury, for alleged malicious injuries to seventy-five pigs, which he alleges were maliciously and wantonly injured on the line of the Waterford and Central Ireland Railway Company, between the stations of Thomastown and Ballyhale. It appears that the pigs were consigned from Attanagh Railway station to Mr. Richardson's cellar at Waterford.

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. Daniel Phelan, which took place at his residence, New Park, recently. Deceased was only 31 years of age, was but a short time ill, and the announcement of his demise was a painful shock to his friends. He was widely known and much respected, and his death at so early an age is much regretted by all who knew him.

Early in February the interesting ceremony of religious profession took place at the Presentation Convent, Baltinglass, when Miss Kate Curry (in religion Sister Mary Clare), of Ballyhale, county Kilkenny, made her solemn vows in presence of Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin.

We announce with regret the death of Mr. James Maher, T. C., Callan, which took place one week ago at his residence, Green Street, Kilkenny, after an illness of some weeks. Mr. Maher had been engaged in the corn and provision business for the last forty years, on a very extensive scale.

WEXFORD.

In Enniscorthy, while a man named Collins, in the employment of the National Telephone Company, was affixing wires to the top of a pole, forty-seven feet high, opposite the post office, he lost his hold and was precipitated to the ground, with the result that the ankle bones on one foot were broken and his arm was severely cut. When falling his coat sleeve caught in a wire projecting from the pole, thus greatly diminishing the force of the fall. Collins is now progressing favorably.

We regret to announce the death of the Very Rev. Loughlin (Canon) Druhan, P. P., of Sutton's Parish, at the venerable age of 78 years. Canon Druhan had been in failing health for some years, and recently had been confined entirely to his residence. He was born in Cushintown parish, and was a cousin of the celebrated Most Rev. James Warren Doyle, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin—the great "J.K.L." as he was shown the world over.

In Wexford last week, County Court Judge Kane and a special jury heard an important case, in which the plaintiff was John Cowman, of Rathnure, a recently evicted tenant from the Davidson farm, and the defendants, Edmund Doolan, receiver, New Ross, and George Dormer, estate bailiff, Coolamurry, for malicious prosecution. The jury brought in a verdict of £40 damages in favor of the plaintiff.

At Wexford Quarter Sessions, William Byrne, charged with obtaining money under false pretences, pleaded guilty. From the evidence it appeared he [illegible] of the Town Hall, in which tableaux vivants were being held for a local charitable purpose, and by representing himself as a ticket collector obtained money from several persons. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Patrick Barron was charged with burglary at Dunguiph. On the application of Mr. Cooper, S. C. S., the hearing of the case was adjourned to the assizes, as the principal witness for the prosecution, Mrs. Mary Anderson, was too ill to attend.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Bridget Dunne, of Park, which occurred a week ago Saturday. The deceased was an octogenerian and the last surviving member of an ancient and respected family.

On the nomination of Most Rev. Dr. Browne and Mr. John Cullin, Miss M. J. Callaghan has been appointed female attendant in Enniscorthy Lunatic Asylum.

LONGFORD.

At the last Granard Petty Sessions, before Messrs. J. Kilkelly, R. M., J. Adams, and Capt. Hepenstal, Col. Dopping appeared to prosecute Peter Victory, one of his evicted tenants, for attempting to stab him with a pitchfork. Before the case commenced, Col. Dopping objected to his nephew sitting on the bench. After some hesitation Capt. Hepenstal withdrew. Col. Dopping then made his charge of attempted assault, on which Victory was bound to the peace for twelve months. The Colonel then stated that he had four other cases against Victory. At this stage Capt. Hepenstal resumed his seat on the bench. The Colonel stood up and again made a forcible objection to Capt. Hepenstal adjudicating and said if Capt. Hepenstal insisted he would report the matter to the Lord Chancellor. Capt. Hepenstal said there was no hostility on his part. He would sit on the bench and the Colonel could take any steps he liked.

At the last meeting of the Ballymahon Board of Guardians the resolution from the Athlone Town Commissioners was read, requesting the Government, pending the consideration by Parliament of the report of the Financial Relations Commission, to bring in a bill to extend the provisions of the Agricultural Rating Act of last session to Ireland.

Mr. Hamilton Redd, of Dublin, the newly appointed High Sheriff of Longford, having refused to act, Col. Wentworth H. King-Harman, D. L., Newcastle, Ballymahon, has been appointed to the office.

WESTMEATH.

Mr. F. T. Dames Longworth, who has just departed for a protracted stay in Australia, authorized the sale of his estates in Westmeath and Galway to the tenantry. An agreement has been come to with the agent, who offered to the Ballinagliffy tenants, thirty in all, their holdings at 18 years' purchase. The tenants remonstrated against the amount of purchase asked for, but were informed that similar terms were accepted by the Galway and Drumraney tenants, and a shorter purchase would not be consented to. All the tenants hold under judicial leases, and the rents, with one or two exceptions, are fixed at the Poor Law valuation.

MEATH.

The reduction taking place in the Constabulary Force will affect the County Dublin to the extent of twenty-one constables in the allocated number, with the probable abolition of two or three sub-districts, among which are mentioned the stations of Ballybohill or Tillystown in the Dundrum district. Already the County Meath establishment has been reduced by two stations.

Last Sunday at Painstown, near Kilmoon, the Killana Gaels and St. Seachnalls (Dunshaughlin) played a hard fought game of Gaelic football, which resulted, according to the decision of the referee, in a draw.

LOUTH

While hunting with the Louth Hounds, Mr. Frank Leland, of Littlegrange, met with a serious accident. When about to jump a very ugly drop fence, his horse swerved and struck the rider violently against a bough of a tree. Mr. Leland was stunned and fell, sustaining a fractured jaw and several ribs seriously injured. The horse was killed. Dr. Liston, of Balbriggan, who was out, was in immediate attendance. Mr. Leland is progressing favorably.

Sir Henry Bellingham, Castlebellingham, has been sworn in as High Sheriff of Louth, for the ensuing year; and Mr. J. J. Russell, of Ballygassan House, Dunleer, as Sub-Sheriff.

The scheme got up about a year ago to promote a line of railway between Drogheda and Clogher Head, has fallen through, owing to want of co-operation on the part of the people.

Mr. W. Chambers, veterinary surgeon, has purchased the interest in the house and premises of the late Alderman Simcocks, at Wellington Quay, Drogheda.

An epidemic of influenza is prevailing in the district of Clogher Head.

MUNSTER.

CORK.

A week ago Wednesday at Glanworth, a great demonstration took place, the occasion being the release of Mr. Michael Daly (evicted tenant), from Cork Gaol, where he had spent the past month in default of finding bail for his good behavior, his offence being that of assaulting a man named Condon, whose family took the farm from which he (Daly) was evicted. Hundreds of people flocked to the railway station to meet the train in which Mr. Daly traveled, accompanied by Mr. O'Connor, president of the Cork Evicted Tenants' Association; Mr. P. O'Neill, secretary of the local branch of the Irish National Federation; Mr. Touhy, and others. Mr. Barry, Glanworth, was moved to the chair, and in a well worded speech urged the people to remain firm to their principles, and uphold Daly in his fight for reinstatement in his farm. Mr. Tom Barry, P. L. G., Killavullen, said that if the mild measures adopted up to this were unavailing they should bring the fight into the fairs and markets, as of old, and teach all grabbers a lesson.

Last Wednesday Coroner Neville held an inquest at Ballineen Court House, touching the sudden death, in the village, on that day, of a farmer's son named James Hurley, aged 19 years. It appeared that Hurley, who had been ailing for some time, had come to the fair in the village that day and entered Mr. Enright's public house. He was coughing at the time, and told the bar assistant that he was dying. She immediately informed the proprietor of the poor fellow's condition. On getting another fit of coughing he threw up a quantity of blood, and expired shortly afterward. Dr. Neville stated that death was caused by hemorrage of the lungs.

At the meeting of the Trustees of the Cork South Infirmary, one week ago Tuesday, Dr. R. P. Crosbie was elected house-surgeon, in succession to Dr. Reed, who resigned, and Dr. Booth was elected assistant house-surgeon. A warm vote of thanks was passed to Dr. Reed.

We regret to have to announce the demise of Mr. Denis Crowley, of Bantry, who died one week ago Tuesday, to the regret of his sorrowing family and numerous friends. The funeral was largely attended.

Dr. Michael Donovan has been elected medical officer of Whitechurch Dispensary District, by ten votes to nine cast for Dr. James Lynch, in the place of Dr. Kennedy, resigned.

KERRY.

A boy named John Enright, son of a small farmer residing at Crotta, Kilflynn, died last Tuesday from the effects of injuries received the previous day, while engaged in a football match. Before dying he told his sister that he had been kicked in the stomach, and two youths named Hayes and Barry have been arrested in connection with the affair.

At the departure for Athlone, of Mr. Tracy, after some twelve years spent in Tralee as the station master of the G. S. and W. Railways, the station was thronged by numbers of business and professional men of Tralee, all anxious to wish Mr. Lacy "God Speed" on his departure.

The body of Humphrey Donnally, aged 12 years, one of the ill-fated family who perished in the recent bog-slide, at Quarry Lodge, was found a few days ago, in the river Flesk, six miles from the scene of the disaster.

LIMERICK.

At the last meeting of the Council of the Royal Society of Antiquaries, it was proposed by Mr. George Coffey, M. R. I. A., seconded by Mr J. J. Digges La Touche, LL. D., and passed unanimously, "That the Council of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland has heard with regret that a presentment has been passed by the Presentment Sessions for the Liberties of Kilmallock, for the purpose of taking down the 'King's Castle,' at Kilmallock. The Council is surprised at the contemplated act of vandalism, inasmuch as the preservation and protection of ancient and historic monuments is recognized as a matter of great public interest; and they trust that, now public attention has been brought to the subject, the presentment will not be proceeded with.

A case which excited much local interest was investigated at the Ballingarry Petty Sessions, last week. On the 12th of April, 1896, a dwelling house and outhouse, the property of a farmer named Daly, residing near Castletown Conyers, were maliciously set on fire, for which the owner (Daly) sought and recovered compensation at the road sessions later on. On the 27th of January last after a lapse of some ten months, Daly's son came forward and swore an information before Mr. Atkinson, J. P. Glenwilliam Castle, which led to the arrest of James Biggane, a farmer residing in close proximity to the scene of the alleged incendiarism. Biggane has been arrested and committed for trial at the Assizes.

The Mayor of Limerick, in behalf of the Belgian Government, presented a diploma and silver cross of merit to Mr Henry Jones, boatswain of the steamship Rex, of Liverpool, in recognition of his gallant conduct in rescuing seventeen of the crew of the Belgian steamer Princess Clementine, which foundered after collision in the Bay of Biscay.

At an inquest held recently at Finnitterstown Police Station, Acting Sergeant McHugh deposed to finding Constable Carton drunk in barracks on Christmas Eve. He was also charged with being abusive and guilty of insubordination. The decision has since been received—that Constable Carton is dismissed from the service.

The price of pigs continues to advance in Limerick, and is now quoted at 41s. per cwt.—about 8s. advance on last month's prices. The total killings in Limerick, Waterford and Cork for the last week in January was 9,147.

CLARE.

At Ennis, last week, an inquest was held on the body of Mr. Bagot Blood, J. P., who had shot himself dead, on the day previous at the County Club house. The jury, without retiring, found a verdict of suicide while suffering from temporary insanity. Mr. Blood was a widower, having buried his wife last year. Up to her death he had lived out of Clare for a few years, but had returned to again take up his residence.

On a recent evening a farmer named Patrick Anglim, living at Shyan, near Kilmihill, lost his life through receiving a fatal kick from a horse, which he was releasing from a cart in his farm yard. The unfortunate man, who was 64 years of age, only lived a few minutes after being discovered. He had received a deep wound on the back of his head, which fractured the skull.

TIPPERARY.

A week ago Sunday the Nenagh new church, St. Mary's of the Rosary, was the scene of another impressive and edifying religious ceremony. Most Rev. Dr. MacRedmond presided at the 11 o'clock Mass, and solemnly blessed the magnificent new bell which has just been provided for the church. Very Rev. Dean White, P. P., V. G., is to be congratulated on this very pleasing addition to his church, which stands a monument to his [illegible] zeal.

The death of the Grand Jury Secretary for Tipperary, Capt. John Bayley, which occurred at his residence, Ballinaclough House, will be regretted by all who enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance. The sad event has not come with surprise to the deceased gentleman's friends.

WATERFORD.

In Dungarvan, an important meeting of the West Waterford Committee was held in the Town Hall, for the purpose of taking steps to close the National collection for the parish. On the motion of Mr. Thomas Glynn, P. L. G., seconded by Mr. Michael Barry, the chair was taken by Mr. Thomas Power, T. C., and resolutions were adopted declaring that the leading Nationalists of Dungarvan were solidly in favor of an united Irish party.

At the last meeting of the Waterford Board of Guardians, a letter was read from Mr. White, the County High Sheriff, declining to call a meeting on the Financial Relations question.

The Dungarvan Town Commissioners have passed a resolution calling the attention of the Lord Chancellor and the Chief Secretary to the practice of forcing Irish speaking witnesses, under threat of imprisonment to give their evidence in English.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

The report of the directors of the Great Northern Railway Company, gives notice of their intention to recommend a gift of £2,000 to the Victoria Hospital, about to be erected in Belfast in commemoration of Queen Victoria's long reign. It is doubtful whether this grant can be legally made except by the unanimous consent of the proprietors; and as the directors have refused a grant in aid of the Mater Infirmorum Hospital, which has equal claims, at least on the public that uses the line, and some of the proprietors who own it, this unanimity will hardly be secured.

One morning last week a serious fire broke out in the marine store of Messrs. O. & T. Gallagher, Little Patrick street, off Corporation street, Belfast. Three steam engines were brought into requisition, and a number of streams were directed on the burning building. While this was being done, efforts were made by the firemen to rescue the employes, some of whom were in the top story. One old man was overcome by the dense smoke, and was rescued with difficulty by Engineer Revil.

After a lengthened illness, the death of Mr. William Wallace Fulton took place at his residence, Falls road, Belfast, one week ago Tuesday. So far back as last September, Mr. Fulton contracted a severe illness in London, from which he never fully recovered. As the head of the Clonard Print Works, Mr. Fulton was well known in commercial circles.

DOWN.

Last Wednesday week when Mr. R. D. P. Maxwell, Master of the East Down Harriers, and nephew of Capt. Kerr, ex-M. P. for Down was hunting near Downpatrick, with the County Down Staghounds, his horse fell, and in getting up the horse's foot struck Mr. Maxwell on the head, injuring him severely. He was conveyed in a carriage to his residence at Finnebrogue, where he is progressing favorably.

Most Rev. Dr. McGovern, Bishop of Dromore, has made the following promotions and changes: Rev. John Doyle C. C., Tullylish, to be parish priest of Ballynahinch, and Rev. Patrick Greenan, C. C., Ballynahinch, to be C. C. Tullylish.

TYRONE.

The Tyrone farmers are evidently not appeased by Mr. T. W. Russell's specious fallacies. The meeting at Cookstown, is significant of the spirit that is being generated by the disappointments of last year's Land Act. Mr. Russell has been telling the farmers of Tyrone that the Act of 1896 repealed the Adams v. Dunseath decision.

MONAGHAN.

In the Dublin Court of Queen's Bench, before Justice Holmes and a special jury, the case of Nicholl Bros. vs. Garrett & Co., came up last week Friday. This action was brought by Messrs. Nicholl Bros., who carry on a provision business in Clones, to recover £100 damages from Messrs. Robert Garrett & Co., of Lisburn, for breach of contract, in that the defendants failed to carry out a contract of the 23d of September, 1896. The dispute arose as to the exact terms of the contract, which was alleged to consist of letters and telegrams. The jury found that there was no contract entered into between the parties, and judgment was given for the defendants.

DERRY.

An extraordinary scene, nearly approaching to fisticuffs, took place recently, in the Guildhall, Derry, at a special meeting of the Corporation, called to further consider matters in connection with the issue of City Stock. The meeting was convened on a requisition signed by eight Nationalist members of Council. A determined attempt to closure discussion was made by the Unionist majority, but it was unsuccessful. For over an hour a continuance of violent scenes was witnessed in the Council Chamber by 50 or 60 astonished citizens who were silent spectators. The Mayor (Ald. Johnson) presided, and there was a full attendance of the Corporation. Alderman J. E. O'Doherty moved, and Councillor McGoagie seconded, a motion "to rescind all resolutions purporting to authorize the Corporation to sell the Corporation stock at a fixed price and at fixed interest, to any particular person or corporation." Alderman O'Doherty held that the Finance Sub-Committee had illegally exceeded their powers in entering into an arrangement, with the Northern Bank, Belfast, to take over the new issue of city stock. He maintained that a second offer, made by Mr. Munn, on behalf of an American gentleman, which was £2,000 a year better, had not been fairly considered by the sub-committee. His object now was to have the stock issue left open to public tender, and let the Northern Bank compete on level terms with other tenderers for it. Councillor Hastings, for the Tories, opposed the motion, and the Town Clerk also took a hand in, and abuse and vituperation were freely handled round. Finally, while Alderman O'Doherty was speaking, the Mayor left the chair, taking with him the officials and all their books and documents. Alderman McCormick, the senior member of the Nationalist party, was then moved to the chair, and the remainder of the proceedings were quite orderly. Alderman Fleming spoke in support of the motion, which was put and unanimously agreed to by the seventeen members who remained in the chamber.

CONNAUGHT

GALWAY.

The recent floods along the banks of the Shannon and its tributaries, about Portumna, spread over a vast expanse of cultivated land, adding further injury to the farmers, who are still suffering from the bad harvest, by stopping all farming operations, and practically absorbing acres upon acres of land.

The Connaught Spring Assizes will not be heavy this year. They will open in Castlebar about the 16th, and in Galway on the 20th of March.

ROSCOMMON.

As the Right Rev. Monsignor Healy would not accept of the presentation intended to be made to him by his parishioners in Castlerea, it has been decided to utilize the funds for the purchase of necessary articles for the new church.

A young man named James Clogher, residing at Moor, near Castlerea, died a few days ago, from injuries received by falling from a cart on which he was standing.

LEITRIM.

An interesting ceremony took place at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Kiltyclogher, one day last week, when Mr. Michael Rooney, merchant, Manorhamilton, was united in matrimony to Miss Mary Fitzsimons, daughter of Mr. Patrick Maguire, Kiltyclogher. The happy pair have been the recipients of sincere congratulations from a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Michael Kenny, of Tarne, has sent the handsome sum of £10 to Very Rev. Dr. Maguire, P. P., Manorhamilton, to aid himself and his people in providing suitable altars for St. Clare's Church, in that town, a work on which they are at present engaged.

SLIGO.

The Crown Prosecutors have thrown up the sponge, and have decided not to proceed with the charges against the so-called Street Preaching "Rioters" at the next assizes. It will be remembered that the Sligo magistrates refused to commit the defendants to trial, and their committal was due to the subsequent action of the attorney-general.

At the last meting of the Sligo Asylum Governors, Miss Lawless, matron, was voted an increase to her salary of £10. Mr Brown, the clerk, was refused any increase.

MAYO.

A homicide of a brutal nature is reported from Crossmolina, followed by the arrest of the alleged perpetrator. It appears that two men, O'Boyle and Connellan had some slight altercation, when the latter procured a butcher's cleaver, and struck the former on the head, causing almost instant death. A magisterial investigation was held, and the accused was remanded for further inquiry. Connellan was a ne'er-do-well fellow, and has caused considerable trouble to the local authorities. He has been frequently arrested for petty misdemeanors, and his brutal attack on O'Boyle will probably be the means of placing him out of the way of doing further injuries to inoffensive neighbors.

A melancholy death from hydrophobia has occurred in the village of Turlough, near Castlebar. The deceased, a young man named Philbin, was playing cards, some eight weeks ago, when one of the cards dropped under the table, and in reaching for it, he was bitten by a dog. The hurt took no effect until recently, when he appeared to suffer from the symptoms of hydrophobia. He was attended by Drs. Jordan, M. O'M. Knott and William Jordan; but, despite their care he died after several weeks suffering.

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. D. McGoville, which took place on Friday, of present date, after a protracted illness at the residence of his mother, Knox street, Ballyhaunis. Belonging to a family distinguished for their piety, it is scarcely necessary to mention that the short life (eighteen years) enjoyed by the deceased was in every sense upright, religious, and edifying.

Very Rev. Father Lyons, P. P., of Castlebar, is about erecting a spacious and ornamental new church for his parishioners, which is much needed, as the present structure is unsuitable for divine worship. Every effort is made to have the church a credit to the large and increasing congregation. Mr. Doolin, of Dublin, has submitted designs and plans, which have been approved of by those interested.

John Carolan, who is charged with the murder of Anthony O'Doyle, at Cloonfinlough, was at last Croghan Petty Sessions committed for trial to the Assizes.