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"Unless a young lady is willing to promise to love, honor and obey," said Rev. Albert P. Fieschi, in his sermon in the Mt. Vernon Protestant Episcopal Church last night, "the considerable emphasis on the wedding service I shan't officiate at her wedding."

"They come to me, these young people, and ask, 'What service do you use?' I tell them the Episcopal service. Then the girl says, 'Do I have to promise to love, honor and obey?' And the answer is, 'Yes, I am to marry you.'

"If a young man and a young woman coming to the altar, are not in their lives and haven't the confidence, trust in each other, which is the word 'obey,' then they are not ready to take the step."

An Indefinite Number

Three-year-old Andrew was in a rather petulant mood, and in order to restore his customary good humor his mother promised him some preserved strawberries if he would be a good boy. Calling a servant, she said, "Jennie, please give Andrew about four strawberries."

Jennie proceeded to fulfill the wish of her mistress, and counted out the berries: "One, two, three, four."

"I want five," protested the child.

"But our mother said four," said Jennie.

"Mamma said 'about four,'" replied Andrew.

And he got the fifth.

Waistcoats and the Sunday Law.

A self-governing democracy never justifies itself more completely than when it converts an irreconcilable quarrel between those who believe in tight-closed Sundays and those who believe in wide-open Sundays into an innocuous dispute as to how purple a waistcoat a man may wear and how large and indelicate the flowers on it may be, when singing a song of a Sunday.

Reformed.

Mrs. Henpeck "I married you to reform you."

Mr. Henpeck—"You succeeded. I never marry again if I live to be a thousand years old."

Sickness Seasons.

It seems strange to the uninitiated that there should be a "season" for sickness and one for health, but such is the case, according to a trained nurse.

"Everything is very quiet just now, said one the other day, 'so many nurses are out, the doctors have plenty of time and the druggists are complaining of slow business, but a little later it will be different. Our busy season begins usually when the open doors, though the two have no connection. Late November finds us busy. February is one of our best months."

Origin of the Club Sandwich

Alan Johnstone is said to have originated the famous club sandwich and the story runs that on going to the club one night between midnight and daybreak he found the cafe closed, the cooks gone and being very hungry he invaded the larder, toasted himself some thick slices of bread, sliced them through, buttered them while hot and laid thereon anything he found in the refrigerator—cold chicken, ham and lettuce, a couple of raw oysters.

The result was such an epicurean discovery as is not often made, but the story was too good to keep, he divided the recipe to his cronies and it straightaway became one of the popular dishes of the club menu and the father of the club sandwich, so successfully popular is the present British Minister to Copenhagen.

Yearning for Light

"When it comes to consuming gas in large quantities blind people can't see their seeing brethren all hollow," said an inspector of the gas company. "I know two families where both husband and wife are blind, but they are both gas consumers in their homes at night and he is not going at that rate up to 12 o'clock. Light and darkness are all the same to the 'darkies' but they insist upon illumination, brilliant enough for a reception. And that partially for light is a thing peculiar to them, too. You see, when blind people feel that way, they turn on the light and in all private homes and institutions where the blind are cared for the gas bills vouch for the strange fancy."

Dental

The characters in this tale are called A and B. A has a frightful toothache. B is playing the part of dentist.

"My dear A," says B, "you must not succumb this way to the pain. You must not frown around and bury your head in your pillow and in fact, in such indegent and thunderous language. Be a stoic, A, be a stoic!"

A sits up.

"Rats," he roars. "Stoicism leaves off where toothache begins."

The Prison Fit.

"Something always happens to a man's shape if he stays in jail long enough," said a warden. "Sometimes that change in figure is due to putting off or taking on flesh, but I have noticed that if a man leaves jail weighed in the very ounce what he weighed when he came in his clothes don't fit. No matter what the scales say, a man's figure seems to swell out and shrink away there, to become elongated or sawed off during imprisonment. The clothes that he wore into jail may be first class as to quality and fit, but when the man gets ready for freedom they have a regular 'jail' set and he never can feel right till he gets a new suit."

News From Ireland

Waterford.
Died.—Recently, Miss Barry Raphe, Lismore, at an advanced age.—Recently, Geoffrey J. Meagher, Tullahea.—Dec. 13, Mrs. Thomas Quinlan, St. Mary street, Dungarvan, at an advanced age.

A costly and enduring memorial has been erected by the townspeople of Lismore, to perpetuate the memory of the late reverend Father Coghlan, who for over 22 years ministered as curate in this important and extensive parish and who by his rare energy, zeal, ousness and many other brilliant priestly qualities endeared himself to a remarkable degree in the hearts and affections of all classes of the people of Lismore.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Tullow Branch U. I. L., was held on St. Stephen's day, Dec. 26, at which resolutions of confidence in the Irish Party were passed.

Married.—November 25, at the Catholic Church, Grange, by the Rev. J. Fogarty, A.M., Tullow, assisted by Rev. P. Bryne, P. P., and Rev. J. Donohoe, C. C., Rathroe, Edward Roche, Kilkea, Co. Carlow, to Maggie, second daughter of the late Michael Roche, Grange Co. Carlow.

The latest news of the carter's strike in Dublin indicates an early settlement of the dispute. The strike entailed much suffering amongst the families of the strikers.

Dr. Walsh the Archbishop of Dublin, has been appointed Chancellor of the new University, and there is still a chance that Irish will be made a compulsory subject at the entrance examinations.

The Clara Branch U. I. L. gave the home coming Cloneyheigue prisoners a rousing reception on Dec. 12. Clara branch is one of the League in Kings Co.

Very Rev. Father O'Reilly, the zealous pastor of Kilmacree, is badly in need of funds to pay off the debt incurred by making much needed improvements to his little church. Any help extended him will be greatly appreciated by the good Soggarth and will undoubtedly bring many a blessing on the giver to such worthy object.

The death of Miss Katherine Green occurred at her brother's residence, Kettuller, Ballinamore, on Dec. 11, fortified by the last rites of the church, of which she was a devout member.

Messrs. Casey and Sons, auctioneers, offered for sale on Dec. 17 the farm of land at Lishtagan and secured the fine price of £1,030 for 51 statute acres, the rent being 26 fee farm rent, and £16 6s 6d annuity; £22 6s 6d in all.

John W. McGoldrick, prominent among the athletes of Dunblak, has emigrated to Buenos Ayres.

Rev. J. J. Poland, Adm., Navan, has been elected Chairman of the Meath Co. Infirmary Committee.

Over 700 applicants for the Old Age Pensions are down for consideration of the Meath Committee. It is expected that by the New Year £25,000 will be secured for Meath.

Dr. Shee, Medical Officer of the No. 1 Dispensary District in New Ross Union, has resigned his position after twenty-five years' service.

The proprietor of the Barrytown Mines intends to open them on or about the first of January. A large lump of silver was found by one of the workmen recently, which weighed over 6 pounds.

Baltinglass District Council has received intimation on behalf of the following landlords agreeing to accept the same price for lahoreroes' cottage plots as that paid by first term tenants, which range up to 23 years' purchase.—Capt. A. Holton, Col. Tynte, Miss, Lord Waterford.

Mr. R. J. Kelly, B.L., has resigned as Council of Galway Council.

James Hardiman, Co. Surveyor to Galway Co. Council, has resigned his position owing to some friction with the Local Government Board over his election a short time ago.

A largely attended meeting of the delegates from the various parishes within the guaranteeing area of the Cavan and Leitrim Light Railway was held in Kiltu-bridge Parish Hall on Dec. 16 to his parish church.

consider the action of the Baronia Directors, according to the evidence of the Rev. Mr. Digges before the Viceregal Commission. Messrs. P. Flynn, J. P., and P. McManus, the Baronia Directors, were called upon to clear themselves of the charges made against them before the Royal Commission, or some such inquiry.

Mayo.
At a meeting of the Westport Board of Guardians on Dec. 17, Mr. John Walsh, J. P., presiding, Relieving Officer Greene, Newport, resigned.

Died. By drowning, on Dec. 11, Captain Thomas Gibbons, Inishlyrel.—Dec. 15, Mrs. O'Donoghue, Charlestown, at an advanced age.

In connection with the probable sale of the town tenants' holdings in Ballyhaunis to the occupiers, it was intimated at the meeting of the Executive of the Town Tenants' Association in Dublin by Mr. Briscoe that the basis of settlement would be that the Congested Districts Board would advance a third of the purchase money, the tenant to find a quarter in cash, and the remainder to be advanced by a local bank at 5 per cent.

Rosecommon.
The local Government Board has issued a sealed order establishing new dispensary districts in the Castlerea Union. The Guardians have decided to fight the matter out in the Courts.

The Castlerea District Council, on the proposition of John Fitzgibbon, have passed a resolution congratulating the Irish Party on the introduction of the amending Land Bill, and they specially hailed with delight the provision for increasing the income of the Congested Districts Board, and the proposal to take off the shoulders of the Irish ratepayer the liability to make good the loss incurred in the flotation of land stock.

The tenants of the Sullivan Estate, Grange, have secured a complete victory. They have given the terms they asked for—three shillings for second term tenants, and five shillings and sixpence for first term and non-judicial tenants. Their victory is entirely due to the manly stand they took and to the Defence Fund they started.

Astria.
Most Rev. Dr. Tohill, Bishop of Down and Connor, was presented with an address by the Belfast Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Dec. 13.

There seems to be no printing establishment in Belfast that can do the printing work for the local Guardians at a price commensurate with their means, and in consequence, the Guardians have given the printing contract to a Limerick firm.

The result of the Mormon "mission" in Bessbrook has resulted in the "conversions" of a few rabid Orangemen, whose principles are no whit better than the ordinary Mormons.

Cavan.
Donal O'Boyle, Gaelic League Organizer, delivered a splendid lecture before the Cavan Gaelic Society on Dec. 14. There was a very large attendance.

James McKnight Warner, of Rock House, Portstewart, Derry, retired national school inspector, who died September 29th last, left personal estate valued at £4,748, of which £444 is English estate upon trust for his daughters Charlotte, Isabella and Maud.

On 10th inst. Mr. Cunningham auctioneer, Limavady, put up for sale, on the premises, a farm in Killywill, in the occupation of Patrick McKinney, containing 30a or 12a. Annuity, £1 14s 6d. Patrick Connor started the bid at £60, and eventually Michael McLaughlin was declared the purchaser at £140.

Down.
Rev. J. J. McKinley, C. C., National Chaplain of the A. O. H., delivered a lecture under the auspices of the local branches of the A. O. H., in the Town Hall, Newry, on Dec. 13.

Downpatrick Guardians are experiencing some difficulty in filling the position of Registrar of births, deaths and marriages, in the Strangford divisions of the Union, owing to the deaths of young men with the necessary qualifications.

Donegal.
Rev. Hugh McMenamin, P. P., Buncrana, has issued an appeal for funds to defray the cost of Light Railway was held in Kiltu-bridge Parish Hall on Dec. 16 to his parish church.

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