

Irish News.

Antrim.—At the recent Ballymena Petty Sessions Joseph Kilpatrick obtained several decrees for non-payment of "rent" against his tenants.

At the meeting of the Route Reform Club held in Ballymoney, John McElderry, chairman, the following resolution was proposed by S. C. McElroy and seconded by James Boyd:—Resolved, That we observe with pleasure that the Home Rule electors of St. Stephen's Green Division, Dublin, have invited Thomas A. Dickson to become a candidate for the representation of the Division, and as this invitation is a pledge of confidence in the Liberal policy, and also in its ablest exponent in the North of Ireland, we hail it as an indication of that broad National spirit which is likely to prevail under Irish Parliamentary auspices, and earnestly hope it may lead towards the removal of all those unhappy prejudices which have kept the North and South apart in matters vital to their mutual interests. We, therefore, trust that Mr. Dickson's majority will be a signal manifestation of the power and progress of the National cause in Dublin.—The resolution was carried unanimously.

Armagh.—It is reported that Lord Lurgan intends selling his estate to the tenantry under the Ashbourne Act.

At the recent Armagh Petty Sessions George Rice prosecuted Jas. Williamson for assault. The former is a land-thief, and the latter an attorney. The case was withdrawn.

The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—M. C. Close, 9,087 acres; Episcopal Church, 8,548; A. Henry, 8,324; M. Synnot, 7,321; J. Richardson, 5,974; and Sir W. Verner, 5,436.

Carlow.—The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—D. W. Beresford, 5,567 acres; P. J. Newton, 5,037; Lord Rathdonnell, 4,960; W. F. Burton, 4,422; R. M. O'Ferrall, 3,769; and W. Duckett, 3,441.

A large meeting of the people of Carlow was held in the cathedral to promote the Dr. Walshe memorial, the inception of which was chronicled in a recent issue of the *Irish World*. Rev. E. Kavanagh, Adm., presided. A subscription list was opened, and a number of subscriptions taken up. Dr. W. H. O'Mara and M. Governey acted as secretaries, Mr. Duggan and Mr. Hammond as treasurers.

Cavan.—Hon. Dr. Hearn, native of this County, died recently in Melbourne, aged 63. At the early age of 23 Dr. Hearn was appointed Professor of Greek at Queen's College, Galway, and in 1854 Sir John Herschel appointed him to the Chair of History and Political Economy in the University of Melbourne. He was the leader of the Constitutional party in the Victorian Council.

Clare.—Ennistymen I.N.L. has condemned the arrests of Fathers M'Fadden and Stephens and Mr. Blane, M.P., and protested against their hard treatment in prison.

The tenants on the estate of Mr. E. B. Brown, at Tulla, have adopted the Plan of Campaign. They demand a reduction of 45 per cent.

T. W. Coote, of Kilmish, was fined at a recent Coercion Court here, and as he didn't appear the Magistrate paid the fine. Public opinion was too strong against Mr. Coote's imprisonment.

The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—C. W. White, 18,266; Sir A. Fitzgerald, 14,915; De Stafford O'Brien, 11,105; F. Arthur, 10,534; W. M. Maloney, 10,095; and F. N. Bent, 9,669.

Magistrate Irwin has sentenced Michael O'Neill, of Rathfoland, to six weeks' imprisonment at an Ennis Coercion Court for wearing a National League card in his hat and cheering for William O'Brien.

The tenants of the Ponsonby estate held a large meeting at Gortree, near Yougal, April 29. W. J. Lane, M.P., was the principal speaker. He denied the charges that the Campaign funds had been extorted from the tenants.

Cork.—Thomas Noonan, of Kanturk, a sterling Irish Nationalist, has just died in Paris. Mr. Noonan was a member of the Repeal Association and of the Irish Confederation. He was also an active worker in the Fenian movement, and was the organiser and first President of the Kanturk Land League. He was the first President of the local National League, and his death is lamented by all true Irishmen.

The result of the police inquiry into the massacre at Mitchelstown reports that County-Inspector Browning, who gave the order for indiscriminate slaughter, has been promoted to Longford. District-Inspector Irwin has been permitted to retire on pension. Thus the murderers of our innocent people are rewarded by a devilish alien Government.

At the recent Skibbereen Coercion Court, Samuel Paul Kingston and his wife were sentenced to one month and two weeks' imprisonment respectively for taking "forcible possession" of their old house at Meenie, near Dromoleague. Mr. Kingston is 80 years old.

James Gibbooly, M.P., has just been released from Cork Gaol. He made a speech in which he counselled the people to uphold the Plan of Campaign and defy their hereditary enemies.

Barton M. Guckin, the great Irish tenor, has arrived in Queens-town from New York. He intends to sing at the coming Handel Festival in London.

A half-witted man was sentenced to a month's imprisonment for stoning the police during the reign of Terror at Skibbereen. Was ever injustice greater than this?

Land Commissioners Doyle, Callan, and Bomford have given reductions of from 25 to over 40 per cent. at the Macroom Land Court.

At the recent Skibbereen Petty Sessions Dennis M'Carthy, a Bantry usurer, was fined £20 for evicting Mr. Brien at Goleen without due legal process.

William Gould, one of the political prisoners in Cork Gaol, has been offered his freedom if he will promise to abstain from politics in future. The Castle's offer was contemptuously refused.

Berry.—The people of the Townawilly district of Donegal parish had a demonstration of sympathy with the coercion prisoners in Derry Gaol. An effigy of Judge Webb, arrayed as Balfour's henchman, was burned on the top of a hill.

Donegal.—A movement has been set on foot at Donegal to erect a monument over the grave of the late Bernard Kelly, M.P. As Mr. Kelly was a brave and faithful representative of the people of South Donegal, all patriotic Irishmen wish the movement to perpetuate his memory a hearty God-speed.

Down.—The first case tried under the Coercion Act at Banbridge was that of James Warnock and Catherine M'Grath. They were arraigned for obstructing a rate-collector, and were placed under bonds for future "good behaviour."

At a large meeting of Nationalists, held recently at the National Hall, Newry, an address was presented to James Owens, whose resignation from the R.I.C. was chronicled in a recent issue of *The Irish World*. J. Lowry presided. Mr. Owens intends to go to America.

The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—R. N. Butt, 12,010 acres; Lord Trevor, 10,940; J. Mulholland, 9,893; Viscount Bangor, 9,861; A. S. Kerr, 9,856; and Marquis of Downshire, 9,246.

Fermanagh.—Michael Doherty, ex-Head Constable of the R.I.C., committed suicide at Enniskillen by cutting his throat with a razor. This seems to be the end of many of our domestic enemies, and should be noted by the survivors.

The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—Colonel J. Irvine, 12,115 acres; J. G. Porter, 11,881; Episcopal Church, 10,357; H. D. Montgomery, 7,996; Lord Lanesborough, 6,606; and R. Hall, 6,540.

Galway.—The Most Rev. Dr. M'Cormack and the priests of the Galway diocese have protested against the proselytism recently carried on among their people by itinerant "missionaries."

John Roche, of Woodford, who is now in Galway Gaol for the fifth time for his fight for the Clanricarde tenants, is suffering terribly from his cruel treatment. He has been in hospital for some time suffering from lung trouble. This is another example of Balfour's murderous intentions against the lives of the Irish leaders.

The trial of William O'Brien, M.P., for attempting to hold a meeting of the National League in Louisa, April 8, terminated on May 3 at that place. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment without hard labour by Removables Paul and Hodder. T. Harrington, M.P., instructed by Mr. P. A. Chance, M.P., appeared for Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. Wilson, M.P.; Mr. M'Donald, of the *London Daily News*, and Claude Byrne, of the *Illustrated London News* were travelling in the neighbourhood of Loughrea recently, where they met a man named Keane, who told them how he had found one of his cows dead in his shed, and Policeman Courtney there also. On his questioning the "peeler" he admitted killing the cow and gave Keane £6 as compensation. After hearing this story the Englishmen went to Ballyshrule barrack to interview Courtney, but were kept out by force and assaulted. Here is a sample of Balfour's manufactured "outrages."

Kerry.—Patrick M'Kenna and Patrick Cahalane, of Glenbeigh, near Castlegregory, have been evicted. The land-thief is Brinsley Fitzgerald. The tenants, who were fearfully rack-rented, and who offered a reasonable settlement, are now living near a ditch.

An eviction was to be carried out on May 4 at Bonnard, near Killarney, but the children of the tenant, Timothy Moynihan, were sick and could not be removed. Several other evictions took place in the vicinity. The land-thief is Captain Fagan.

Kildare.—The people of Kildare have shown their patriotism by subscribing generously to the memorial to the late Rev. Dr. Kavanagh. The memorial consists of a marble altar-rail and stained-glass windows in the church which was the scene of Dr. Kavanagh's pas oral labours. The list of subscribers embraces several names from America and Australia.

Kilkenny.—Bailiff Cox, with a gang of Emergency men and eight policemen, proceeded from this city to Ballycoore, near Goresbridge, and evicted Lawrence Gittins. The evicted man has a wife and seven children. He did not refuse to pay "rent," but the land-thief said he needed the holding. The exterminator is George Alexander, of Carlow. It was in this manner the land-robbers exterminated millions of our people, and should we be prevented from combining for self-preservation?

King's County.—The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—Episcopal Church, 7,647 acres; Lord Ashbrook, 7,476; A. W. Williams, 6,884; T. L. Dames, 6,798; Rev. Saville Malone, 5,678; Col. F. Brouard, 5,480; and R. Warburton, 5,336.

A letter from Dr. Fox, M.P. for the Tallamore Division, was read at the recent meeting of the local League. In it he says he has been addressing meetings in all parts of England, and he is decidedly of the opinion that if a general election were held at present Mr. Gladstone would be returned with a fair majority.

Leitrim.—The following own over 1,000 acres each of the land of this County:—W. Johnston, 10,633 acres; H. L. Montgomery, 10,179; G. Jones, 9,839; Sir M. Crofton, 9,590; W. La Touche, 8,234, and W. O. Gore, 7,480.

Limerick.—The Limerick Guardians have passed a resolution against the Whelchan bloodtax.

Nineteen tenants on the White estate at Ballyscaddane have received a reduction of 25 per cent. on their rack-rents.

Mother Joseph Hartnett, foundress of the Limerick and Castle-land Presentation Convents, died in this city, April 25, aged 90. She spent 62 years in the service of the Order and was a true daughter of Nano Nagle.

Michael Enright and Thomas Connors were indicted at the recent Coercion Court for "assaulting" soldiers of the Derbyshire Regiment. They were sentenced to a month's hard labour, while not a single riotous soldier has been disciplined!