

At the recent Petty Sessions in Killorglin, before E. M. Eagar, T. Power, and J. Dodd, J.P.'s, Michael and John Kiordan, of Keelclough, and Timothy and Margaret O'hill, of Ballinakilila, were fined for trespassing on the farms from which they were evicted, and being unable, in consequence of their poverty, to pay the fine, they were arrested and lodged in Tralee Gaol for seven days each.

Kildare.—A great National demonstration was held at Clongorey on November 12, and was addressed by Dr. Tanner, M.P., J. L. Carew, M.P., and D. Sheehy, M.P. The Plan of Campaign has been adopted in the locality by the tenants on the estate of P. D. O'Kelly. Dr. Tanner addressed the meeting for over two hours. He said that in this movement they were fighting for their rights, their lands, and their lives. It was a pleasure to him to read the words spoken some time ago by their parish priest, Father Kinsella, when he said he could not stand by while the crowbar was being used against the homesteads of his people. (Loud Cheers)

A force of 100 police was drafted into Clongorey the other day for the purpose of protecting T. H. B. Routledge, agent on the estate of P. D. O'Kelly, who, with a squadron of emergency men, endeavoured to sell the property of the tenants. The crops were sold to Woods, the emergency man. J. L. Carew, M.P., and E. M. Hurley protested against the sale as being illegal. The attempt to draw away the corn was given up, as owing to the way in which the approaches were blocked it was simply an impossibility to effect an entrance. The people have smashed down all the bridges on the roads leading to Clongorey, and felled huge trees which they stretched across the road, and which will be a well-nigh impassable barrier to the emergency men on their next visit.

King's County.—On November 8 the Sheriff's deputy, accompanied by a small force of constabulary, evicted three tenants on the estate of the Marquis of Downshire, near Edenderry. The first tenant evicted was Peter Hanburg, of Ballykillen; he was re-admitted as carttaker. Daniel Dunne, of Cloncannon, was next visited. This poor man has a large family of ten children, his wife, and aged mother, and is greatly to be pitied. Having evicted them the crowbar-brigade proceeded to Daniel Farrell's. Here some half-dozen of his neighbours had congregated and witnessed the eviction. Neither Dunne nor Farrell have been re-admitted. Dunne has his family in an out-house. George Russell, bailiff on the estate, visited him since his eviction, but would give no information as to what he was to do with the crops. The interest of these three tenants in their farms was sold by the Sheriff about a year ago, but no settlement could be effected.

Limerick.—A very determined resistance was offered at an eviction at Lisataison, near Rathkeale, the tenant being Mary Scollon, and the landlord Charles Roche. When sub-Sheriff Hobson, who was accompanied by a force of police, arrived at the house he found it strongly barricaded, the defiant shouts of the occupants indicating that they meant to fight it out. Sledges and crowbars were put into operation. As soon as a breach was made, boiling water and meal were pitched out. The scene that ensued was of a most exciting character, the men and women in the house, who seemed to have an abundant supply of liquid ammunition, throwing it out at the sheriff, bailiffs, and policemen from unexpected points, where loopholes had been made. The sheriff himself was rather badly scalded. After three hours' battering at the doors and windows and the dodging of boiling water, retreats and advances, a large breach was made and the police rushed in. After a violent struggle the occupants, three men and two women, were brought out under arrest. Afterwards William Mulcahy was evicted from his holding, and also George Fosberry of Riddlestown.

Longford.—P. Loughran occupied the chair at the recent meeting of the Carrickmound National League branch. The following resolution was adopted by the meeting:—That we condemn in the strongest manner the conduct of Land-thief Duff of Moraine, in taking proceedings to evict Mr. Kenny from his holding:

Mayo.—The Kilmovee branch of the League held a special meeting on November 11, Very Rev. Canon O'Hara presiding. The following was passed:—Resolved, That we consider the abatement offered to the tenants on the Dillon property inadequate this year in consequence of the failure of the crops; and that we call upon all the branches of the League on the property to support the demand of 33½ per cent rental which was unanimously adopted at the Convention lately held in Ballyhaunis.

In a recently published work by Shaw Lefevre, an English Home Ruler, entitled "Incidents of Coercion," which is a narrative of what the writer saw during a tour in Ireland in the year 1882, there are many passages which paint graphically the condition of the tenants on several estates throughout the country and which tell of the hardships inflicted on them by the fell system of Irish landlordism. Mr. Lefevre writes of the Dillon estate in this County as follows:—Lord Dillon's agent, Mr. Strickland, resided in a part of the family mansion in the middle of one of the largest and most beautiful parks in the west of Ireland. The house, with the exception of the rooms occupied by the agent, was unfurnished and dilapidated. None of the successive heads of the Dillon family have resided there since the beginning of the century. During these 80 years they have drawn their large rental from the district and have spent it in England. No capital has ever been expended by them in improving their Irish property, unless it were money lent by the State for drainage, for which the tenants have paid interest. Every improvement which has brought the land into cultivation from its original condition of waste bog has been effected by the tenants; all the houses and buildings have been erected by them. When Arthur Young visited this district at the end of the last century the rental of the estate was £5,000. This has been gradually increased to £21,000, the nominal rental when I was there.

Meath.—A general meeting of the Oldcastle National League was held in the League Rooms on November 11. Rev. W. P. Kearney presided. There were also present:—James Tuite, Michael Fox, Peter Grace, Robert Reid, T. Dolan, Matthew Hand, Michael Tuite,

M. Bowen, M. Galligan, J. Hayden. In the course of his address the reverend chairman said:—In America things had happened quite recently that gave the lie to Mr. Chamberlain's assertion that the Irish had no influence in the States. Lord Sackville, the British Ambassador at Washington, had the impertinence to interfere in the election of the President of the United States. He wanted to influence persons in favour of Salisbury's Coercion Government and to secure the return of a President who would be more or less anti-Irish. Lord Salisbury was at once communicated with, and told, in the words of the old song, "to make room for his uncle." Salisbury hesitated a little, whereupon Lord Sackville got his walking papers and was told to take himself off in double-quick time. This sack of Sackville was carried out in deference to the Irish voters' feelings and to gain their support.

Queen's County.—There was a representative meeting of Ballyroan National League on November 11. Dr. Edward Murphy was moved to the chair. The following resolution was unanimously passed:—That we strongly disapprove of the action of W. H. Cobbe, Nationalist Guardian of Emo division of Mountmellick Union in opposing his brother Nationalists relative to the dismissal of the solicitor to the Board under the Labourers' Act; and that we have no confidence in the present solicitor to carry out the Act, as he is the landlords' friend.

Roscommon.—Fairymount and Tybohine L.N.L. has condemned the mean action of Land-thief De Freyne in serving F. Tansy with an ejection decree because his son attended the Fairymount demonstration.

A splendid meeting of the members of the Cas'lerea "suppressed" branch was held at Cloontrask, about one mile from the town. As usual, the greatest precautions were taken by the Balfourian batmen to prevent a meeting being held, as all day the prominent members of the executive were followed about, particularly Mr. Fitzgibbon, who had Sergeant Byrne everywhere on his track. However, there were peelers everywhere to be seen except at the place of meeting. In the evening, when the meeting was just over, Mr. Fitzgibbon turned up, accompanied by his escort, just to let them see how a meeting can be held without their presence. When they arrived on the scene the large gathering left no doubts on their minds. Messrs. Conry, T. Fannon, M. Hayden, T. Eago, and D. Mulrennan attended. Mr. Hayden presided. Between 30 and 40 new members took cards of membership, and the following resolution was adopted:—That we once more avow our allegiance to our trusted leader, C. S. Parnell, and we beg to assure him of our unwavering devotion to the cause of Irish freedom, for being the advocate of which he has been continually subjected to the foulest calumnies by the fery Press of Great Britain.

Tipperary.—The Quarter Sessions for the Cashel division were opened at Tipperary November 14, by W. Anderson, Q.C., who was accompanied on the bench by a large number of magistrates. The spirit license applications were first taken up. H. H. Townsend said before the magistrates would enter upon the hearing of these applications he, as a person interested in the moral and material welfare of the town of Tipperary, would respectfully desire to address a few observations on the subject of the granting of new licenses. He was happy to say that the town of Tipperary was for some years past remarkably free from drunkenness. He attributed this absence of the vice of intoxication to the untiring exertions of the Catholic clergymen of the parish and to the influence which the temperance society had experienced over the men of the parish. He was desirous that this admirable condition of things should continue and he would respectfully and earnestly ask the magistrates to be careful before they gave increased facilities for selling intoxicating drinks. Subsequently, when several applications for new licenses had been granted, and when Mr. Townsend was asked for his vote in an individual case, he said he would not vote, as, from the number of new licenses granted it appeared that the Bench that day had turned itself into an anti-League of the Cross Association and had encouraged intoxication in Tipperary.

Tyroc.—Placards headed "National League" were extensively posted throughout Dungannon and neighbourhood announcing that a great Nationalist demonstration would be held December 1, at the Fair House, in the parish of Loughmore, when it will be addressed by W. O'Brien, W. J. Reynolds, E. Leamy, J. Bedmond, and J. E. Kenny, M.P.'s. No such place as "Fair House" was ever heard in the parish of Donaghmore. So the Castle authorities will have to make extraordinary efforts to discover the exact locality in which the Nationalists intend to hold the meeting.

At the recent meeting of the Carrickmore National League, Rev. B. Murphy in the chair, the following resolution, proposed by T. O'Neill and seconded by T. McKernan, was carried:—That we cordially approved of the spirit displayed by the patriotic people of Aldrummond in erecting a residence for Edward Gorman, lately evicted by A. Eliot, Omsagh, and we are convinced that if a similar spirit were more generally displayed throughout the country it would show the landlord admirers of Balfourism that eviction has ceased to be a paying game.

Waterford.—At a meeting of the Knockanore Branch held November 12, P. J. Walsh presiding the following resolution was proposed by Mr. Hunt and adopted:—That Michael Hunt and family, with whom the people have been so long and justly at variance for their objection in reference to the Blincrow farm, having freely subscribed to conditions satisfactory to the people and in accordance with the principles of the National League, we feel justified in publicly declaring that there now exists no cause for estrangement between the people and said Michael Hunt and family.

Westmeath.—At the recent meeting of the Castletown and Finea branch of the League Father Hughes was moved to the chair. The following resolution was passed with acclamation:—Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to aid and assist our noble leader, Charles Stewart Parnell, by every means in our power, and we hope to see him turn the tables on the mendacious London Times.