

Balfour's soldiers on a virtuous and defenceless young girl—and we, therefore, emphatically assert that the only real criminals in this district are to be found amongst the self-styled upholders of law and order and their offensive myrmidons. That we invite the attention of her Majesty's Government, and especially the English people, to the foregoing resolution, and we declare our fixed determination to carry on our League and fearlessly uphold the principles we have adopted in spite of every opposition from our foes and oppressors.

**Roscommon.**—At Aughrim branch meeting held on June 9, M. Cooney presided. Others present:—Peter Neary, treasurer; Patrick Fitzmaurice, James Garvey, Francis Glancy, Michael Glancy, the two Patrick Tiernans, Patrick Gannon, John Dowd, Hugh Grehan, Luke Walpole, John Morris, John Bierne. The secretary, B. Quinn, read over the names of all who have become members. The conduct of some members of the committee for non-attendance was warmly discussed. The following resolution was passed unanimously:—That we heartily congratulate the intrepid editor of the *Roscommon Herald*, Jagger Tully, on his release from prison, and we earnestly pray that God will give him health and strength to fight the battle to the bitter end till Balfour and company are politically dead and every vestige of Castle rule swept away from this land of ours that was bl-est by St. Patrick, and watered by the blood of her martyrs, both lay and cleric.

**Tipperary.**—The members of Drangan League branch met June 9.—E. Conney presided. There were 180 members present. The branch received £23 from the Central Office for evicted tenants. E. Dwyer, M. Scanlan, P. Keane, James O'Brien, £2 16s each; W. Ryan James Ryan, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Brien, Denny Maher, £2 each; Ed. Truncheon, T. Cleary, L. Noonan, £1 each. A letter from M. Scanlon, stating that he had been reinstated in his farm and thanking the branch for the efficient support he had received from Central Branch, etc., was read. Mr. Kennedy, evicted labourer, having got a cottage and half an acre, also thanked the branch for the generous support he received while evicted. Resolved:—That the best wishes of this branch be tendered to the pure-souled William O'Brien on his release from Balfour's prison hells, and we hope that he will take the necessary rest which will enable him to return with health restored at an early date to carry on the glorious struggle for Irish independence. A general meeting was held on June 9—E. Tobin in the chair. A report relative to the parties from Cr. hane, Drangan, who have cattle on the Killen's derelict farm, was handed in. Several names of parties were mentioned, amongst them being one who gets grass for his cattle free by providing for grass-grabbers. The committee intend to take definite action about those parties next meeting.

Removables Bodkin and Ryan held a court in Tipperary recently at which William Walsh of Bank Place and Henry Street, Tipperary, and John Reardon of Brookville were charged with "riot." The evidence proved conclusively that Mr. Walsh was only standing at his own door, like a quiet and peaceable citizen, when he was set upon by the police and batoned most unmercifully. Dr. Conway deposed that on the night in question he found nine wounds on Mr. Walsh's head, six of which extended to the bone. The police, however, thought this was not enough, and now, after getting through six weeks' suffering with these wounds, they want to send him to prison for not breaking the law. He still had to find bail. Appended are the Removable's own words in this case. The chairman said it was shown that Mr. Walsh was standing at his own door for five minutes before he was attacked by the police, but it was not shown he did anything to prevent or stop the riot that was going on in that street at that time. They accordingly could come to no other conclusion but that he was one of the riotous party on the occasion. They regretted he had received such harsh and severe usage, and considering that and the good character given of him they would allow him out on his own recognisances in £10 to come up when called upon. Mr. Bolton—You may go down now, Mr. Walsh, there will be no more about it.—John Reardon was sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour for "Riot." This is nice law to live under.

**Waterford.**—Right Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, ordained the following for the different dioceses mentioned on Whit Sunday:—Revs. Henry Galvin, Edmond Hassett, John McEnony, James Hanrahan, John Gleeson, Maurice Cheasty, and William Hearne, for Waterford; Luke Purcell, for Spring field, U.S.; Bartholomew Murphy, for Sandhurst, Australia; and Patrick O'Neill for Dunedin, New Zealand.

A man named Thomas Noonan was recently attacked by two bull terriers in Philip street, Waterford. It appears he was going to his work when one of the dogs rushed at him, catching him by the leg above the ankle. He tried to shake off the animal and then the other made at him, catching him by the bridge of the nose and sending his fangs through the bone. The poor man suffered terribly.—The dogs were destroyed.

**Wexford.**—The Roslarc Railway has ceased running and the people of Wexford and Roslarc are much inconvenienced by the stoppage.

Michael Breen was again before the Removables at Arburstown. When brought from gaol and landed at the police barrack the crowd outside could hear a shindy going on. Breen shouted, "I won't take an oath at all for you!" He was threatened with another week's imprisonment, and his answer was, "The d— I may care." Balfour and Tottenham won't get much here.

**MYERS AND CO.,** Dentists, Octagon, corner of George street. They guarantee highest class work at moderate fees. Their artificial teeth gives general satisfaction, and the fact of them supplying a temporary denture while the gums are healing does away with the inconvenience of being months without teeth. They manufacture a single artificial tooth for Ten Shillings, and sets equally moderate. The administration of nitrous oxide gas is also a great boon to those needing the extraction of a tooth. Read—[ADVT.]

## A MOMENTOUS ANNOUNCEMENT.

(United Ireland, July 13)

**MR. PARNELL** authorises us to announce that a *Tenant's League* will be formed immediately to protect the tenants against the Combination of the Landlords. This League will be the official act of the whole Irish Party, and will shortly be established at a Convention.

The announcement which we make above is perhaps the most important that has ever emanated from the illustrious Irish Leader. It will bring joy to-day to the huts and cabins of Irish tenants evicted or trembling on the verge of eviction in every corner of the country, and terror to the organised camp of the evictors. The rack-renters have brought their fate upon themselves. They have accepted the leadership of Mr. Smith-Barry. They have entered into a league and a conspiracy with him to crush, if they can, the tenants whose devoted struggle has saved the remainder of the Irish tenantry from ruin. Not content with leaving individual rack-renters, supported by Mr. Balfour's battering-ram armies and drum-head Coercion Courts, to carry on their own obstinate war upon the combination which was protecting the unhappy tenants on certain isolated estates, they have organised the whole forces of landlordism into a vendetta for the purpose of aiding and inciting every rack-renter in the land to exterminate a *outrance*. They have sought for funds amongst the enemies of the Irish people. They have advertised a programme: The Catholic tenants are to be swept away; "Loyal Protestants," as in the days of James and William, are to be "planted" in their places; and one estate after the other is to be proce ded against, so as to sap the union amongst the tenants which is their only source of strength. They have selected Mr. Smith-Barry as their leader, and they have pointed to his interference on the Ponsonby estate as the model of the course of action they propose to pursue. We do not deny that this is a combination as formidable as it is wicked; and if the threatened tenants were left alone to face it, there might be reason for anxiety on their behalf. But Mr. Smith-Barry and his friends have reckoned without their host. If the Irish landlords have determined to "stand or fall together," they have now to learn what it means for the Irish tenants, as the corollary of that resolution, to come to a similar determination. They have now to learn, what apparently did not occur to them before, that, if they propose to array all the organised might of landlordism against a few groups of tenants, it is no longer a few groups of tenants they will have to deal with, but the organised might of all the tenantry of Ireland, with the leaders of the Irish people at their head, and the treasury of the Irish race at their back. The announcement of Mr. Parnell which we publish to-day is the reply to the declaration of war which the head of the Ponsonby syndicate made to the deputation of the Tipperary tenants last week; just as a no less important announcement, the trumpet-blast of the great Archbishop of Cashel, was the answer to the first operations of the syndicate battering-ram amongst the homesteads of the Ponsonby estate. The Irish people have reason to be thankful for the blind malignity of their enemies—to be thankful for the dementia with which Providence has seized them. It is in these extraordinary conjunctions of affairs, resulting in consequences unforeseen by all parties, that one beholds the manifestations of an Intelligence above the intelligence of men. Mr. Smith-Barry's action in vindictively interfering between the landlord and the tenant on the Ponsonby estate at the moment when the tenants' representative and the landlord's representative were on the point of ratifying a settlement, has suddenly created, as if by a touch of magic, a situation which it would pass the wit of the greatest politician to devise; a situation in which it is possible for the leader of the Irish people with the whole Irish party at his back, to construct a combination in which brings the cause of the Irish tenant exactly on a parity with the cause of the English Trades-Unionist; a situation which removes the last crux of our understanding, the last shade of dissimilarity, between Irish and English defensive combinations; a situation which simplifies everything to the densest or the most reluctant understanding, which solves into a single clear issue all the complicated questions of a previous state of things; a situation which fixes the attention and excites the imagination of the world, and which completes the solidarity of the Irish people, while placing their enemies in the wrong beyond the aid of sophistry and falsehood for evermore. We shall do no more to-day than publish the above announcement. It is news big enough for many heraldings.

As two Little Sisters of the Poor were passing through the Central Market at Cleveland, Ohio, a few days ago, they stopped in front of a huckster's wagon and asked the proprietor for a contribution for their home. The huckster, a vile, bigoted wretch, deliberately spit tobacco juice in the face of one of the Sisters. The good Sister did not resent the insult in any way, but calmly took out her handkerchief, and wiping the spittle from her face, remarked to the brute: "You have given me this for myself, now please give me something for my poor." The bystanders, witnessing the ruffianly conduct of the huckster, and the Christian charity and humility displayed by the Sisters, in righteous indignation spilled the contents of his wagon over the street and drove him with imprecations from the market, and the other hucksters in the vicinity loaded the Sisters' baskets to overflowing.

A vein of iron ore, nine miles in length and an average thickness of seventeen feet, has been discovered near Birmingham, Ala.

The Governor of Missouri has signed a bill which prohibits music, cards, dice, billiard-tables, bowling alleys and boxing gloves in saloons after July 1.

Mrs. Mary Brady of Vanhorn street, Jersey City, is a common scold, according to a verdict returned by a jury in the Hudson Court of Sessions lately. It is the first time in that county, if not in the State, that a jury has pronounced a woman a public nuisance because of the volubility of her tongue. Under the old common law the penalty was ducking in a pond, but the present state law prescribes imprisonment not exceeding two years or a fine in the discretion of the Court.