

at the Harbour office, in presence of the Norwegian Consul, Mr Harvey; the harbour master, deputy harbour master and many pilots.

Donegal.—Mr McGlade, I.N.S., made his annual inspection of St Catharine's Convent of Mercy, Ballyshannon, during last week. All children were presented for examination, and the results have been made known to the Sisters. Of the large number under examination not half a dozen failed, the passes being nearly 98 per cent.

Dublin.—The *Freeman's Journal* remarks on the absence of Irish names from the list of New Year's Honours, and says it is strange how few servants of the Crown in Ireland ever receive recognition unless they happen to be policemen.

Fermanagh.—A meeting of the tenants on the Enniskillen school estate was held at Derrylester, crossroads, on Sunday, at which the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"That we, the tenants on the Enniskillen school estate, judicial and non-judicial, think the abatement of three shillings in the pound inadequate considering the very bad crops, and that the judicial tenants are painfully surprised and disappointed to find that they are excluded from any reduction whatever, and we ask your board to reconsider the matter and grant them a substantial abatement also."

Galway.—Mr Charles Costello, a promising young Galwayman, died last week in Dublin, of typhoid fever. He was only 23 years of age. In his twentieth year he joined the literary staff of the *Freeman's Journal*, and was a most indefatigable worker. The deceased was a native of Killimore. He was a very talented young man, a good writer and zealous student of the French and German classics.

On Tuesday morning the Midland Great Western Railway Company opened a new line as far as Oughterard (16½ miles in length). The construction of the remaining section of the line between Oughterard and Clifden (32½ miles in length) is in a forward state, and it is expected that in a month or two it will be ready for opening.

The Father Tom Burke memorial meeting in Galway recently was numerously attended, and the most fervent enthusiasm was evoked over the project. That the movement had not been inaugu-

rated at an earlier period seems inexplicable. It is no news to state that it will be brought to a successful issue. Irishmen at Home and abroad will rally around the committee of management, and a monument befitting the fame of the great Dominican, whose name is truly synonymous with Faith and Fatherland, will perpetuate his memory in the City of Tribes.

Longford.—There was a great demonstration of Nationalists held in Longford recently. Messrs Blake and Healy, M.P.'s attended. Contingents came from Ballymacormack, Maydown, Edgeworthstown, Killoe, Clonguish, Ballinacmack and Killaskeel.

Mayo.—A demonstration was held on Sunday at Newport. The meeting was addressed by Dr Robert Ambrose, M.P. for West Mayo; Mr William O'Brien, M.P.; Mr David Sweeney, M.P., and other gentlemen. The chair was taken by the Very Rev Canon Grealey, P.P., V.F., Newport.

Monaghan.—Thomas Quilty, a post office employe in Monaghan town, and another boy named James Perry, at great risk to their lives, rescued from certain death an unknown commercial traveller at the railway station in Monaghan one night last week. They had just lifted him off the rails when the engine and carriages plunged into the station.

Roscommon.—The Attorney-General (The MacDermott, Q.C.) has given a reduction of six shillings in the pound on judicial and non-judicial rents on his estate in Roscommon. Mr Charles MacDermot, B.L., met the tenants on his father's estate at Clogher and announced the reductions, which were received with much satisfaction.

Tipperary.—Jerome Ryan, Tinakelly, has been restored to the farm from which he was evicted. John Holden, Ballinard, also an evicted tenant, expects soon to be restored.

Tyrone.—A most sensational incident occurred in Strabane Court at recent Quarter Sessions, when a well-known and very popular solicitor named Glasse went suddenly and violently insane. He was subsequently removed to Omagh Asylum, where he died the same night.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the members of the Clogher Branch of the Irish National Federation was held at Rushbrook. Mr Michael Grim presided. He said he was very glad to see so many

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Kerry.—So serious is the distress in the parish of Kilmummin that the pastor, Rev Father Stephen Fuller, appeared before the Killarney Board of Guardians and begged of them to give people employment on making public roads. The Board said it had no power to act in the matter.

At the meeting of the Listowel Board of Guardians last week, the menacing situation created by the extensive failure of the potato crop formed the subject of an important discussion, during which the High Sheriff, Mr J. D. Crosbie, agent to Lord Listowel, furnished a gloomy report on the estate over which he has control. The yield was barely half that of last year, while the quality was greatly inferior.

Kildare.—The solemn service of dedicating a new altar took place in the Dominican Church, Newbridge, lately. The altar is in honour of St Joseph; the main portion is built of white marble and Caen stone, richly carved, the pillars and general supports being made of green marble. On the panel in front of the altar is a very beautifully-carved representation, in alto relievo, of the Holy Family. The statue of St Joseph rests on a pedestal of red marble, with base and capital of white marble. At the Gospel side of the altar is a handsome slab in black and white marble to perpetuate the memory of the generous donor, and bearing the following inscription: "Pray for the donor, Mrs Mary Holohan, who had this altar erected August 4, 1894." Several other kind benefactors have given donations toward the furnishing of the altar with handsome silver lamps, candlesticks, bookstands and carpet. At the Solemn High Mass Father Crotty was celebrant; Father O'Kelly, deacon; Father Kieran, sub-deacon.

Kilkenny.—A marriage has been arranged between Capt William Le Poer Power, youngest son of the late Sir John Power,

present, and to find that the national spirit has taken possession of the people of the district to such an extent that they are ready to make many sacrifices to prove their fidelity to the national cause.

Waterford.—The *Waterford News* in a recent issue, has the following highly interesting item relating to Dublin during the Irish Parliament: "Two hundred and twenty Peers and 200 Commoners had separate residences in Dublin. Business must have been 'rushing' there at that time. Again, it said: "The Protestant Bishop of Waterford voted against the Union—so did Mr Alcock, one of the members for Waterford City."

Wexford.—A Nationalist demonstration was held in Gorey, County Wexford, on Sunday, and was addressed by Mr John Dillon, M.P.; Mr T. J. Healy, M.P.; Mr Mac D Bodkin, Q.C., M.P.; Mr French, M.P., and Sir T. Eimonde, M.P. Canon O'Neill, P.P., Killarnevin, presided. An address from the Coolgreany evicted tenants was presented to Mr Dillon.

Wicklow.—The monument erected in the church at Rathoe Tallow, to the memory of the late Very Rev Patrick Francis Nolan, is composed of Caenstone, elaborately moulded and carved, the background being of a single slab of Kilkenny black marble polished. The pillars supporting a very ornate gable, crocketed and pinnacled, are of choice Italian Griotti, a very deep red, contrasting well with the creamy tint of the material. The inscription, panel and cross are of statuary marble, the former bearing the following inscription in deeply cut gothic letters, darkened for contrast. Above the inscription is a representation of a chalice with Host: "Sacred to the memory of the Rev Patrick Francis Nolan, who was parish priest of this, his native parish, for ten years, who died on the 5th February 1894, aged 56 years."

The admirers of the Celtic race have created a new order. Among the patron saints are St Patrick, St Agne D'Auray, St Ronan, St Andrew of Scotland, and St Bridget. The mistletoe is to be the symbol of universal Celtism. A secret synod was held on Christmas Day in Paris. The day for the general synod is not yet fixed.

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