

Irish News.

(From contemporaries.)

Cavan.—At a recent meeting of the Bawnboy Board of Guardians Mr Bernard Kean presided. A large deputation of ratepayers and labourers, accompanied by the Very Rev P. O'Reilly, Swanlinbar, and Rev M. O'Reilly, Bawnboy, attended at the workhouse to request the guardians to urge on the Local Government Board to open relief works. The following resolutions were passed unanimously:—Proposed by Mr John McHugh and seconded by Mr John Reilly: "That in consequence of the want of provisions and the absence of employment in the electoral divisions of Cloverhill, Craghglass and Outeragh, we the Bawnboy Board of Guardians, do request that the Local Government Board will take immediate steps to give relief work and not to allow deaths to proceed from the impending famine." Proposed by Mr Farrell Dolan and seconded by Mr James Magovern: "That we, the guardians of Bawnboy Union, request to bring under the notice of the Local Government Board that in the Templeport E.D. there are about eighty or ninety persons on the verge of starvation if some relief works are not granted. That there is a road much needed from the new road at Bernard McGovern's of Derrahunnessy to the old road at Pat McGovern's of Eagle Hill, a distance of 368 perches, and this road, or part of it, was partly made in 1846, and we request the Local Government Board to open a new road from Peter Dolan's, in Brackley, to Patrick Doonan's, at Murlough, to afford relief to the working people of the district." A similar resolution was also passed at the request of Father O'Reilly to get a new road opened near Swanlinbar.

Cork.—An agricultural tenant named John F. Riordan, who was evicted nine years ago for non-payment of rent, has been reinstated in his holding, unincumbered with arrears and at a reduction of £25 yearly. The evicted land is situate in the townland of Dromiscane, on the north side of the Blackwater. Up to last week the farm had been under the care of an emergency man and a police protection post. The Riordans occupied the farm for 200 years, and the reinstatement of the present tenant is regarded with much pleasure and satisfaction by all the people. The landlords are described as Ohinnery representatives, and the agent is Mr J. Hegarty, who gave valuable assistance in closing the amicable negotiations for resettlement. It may be mentioned that the farm possesses features of great historic interest, as it was a stronghold of considerable importance some years ago. Close to the dwelling house, and in a good state of preservation, stand the walls and flanking towers of a large fortification, which was built centuries ago to guard a ford over the Blackwater.

Donegal.—When it became known that Mr William Duncan had come to reside on Frenndraught Farm, near Lifford, his well-wishers, desirous of welcoming him and his family, arranged to give him a complimentary day's ploughing. Accordingly fifty well-equipped ploughs turned out, and the entire lands for cropping were turned over in a satisfactory manner, to the great admiration of those who visited the farm. The arrangement of the ploughs in the different fields was under the supervision of Charles Robinson and Bernard Mulrine. The ploughmen and visitors were hospitably entertained by Mr Duncan.

Mr Morley has decided to open up relief works in the congested district of Termon, near Kilmacrenan. Mr Raymond, Royal Engineer, Chatham, has just passed through here to lay off and superintend the works, which will consist of repairing roads and building a bridge.

Some idea of the extent of the proposed fortifications on Lough Swilly may be gathered from the fact that at Leenan Bay the War Office has purchased 146 acres of land and thirty acres at Dunree.

Dublin.—The horse which jumped over the wall at the Dargle and fell down 250 feet of a precipice was hoisted up by a windlass, and in a few weeks will be all right.

Galway.—Three stores, in which Mr M. P. Hosty, of the Square, Tuam, conducted confectionary, flour and bread, grocery, spirit and hardware business, were recently destroyed by fire. Portion of Guy's Hotel was also damaged. The fire originated by the upsetting of a lighted lamp by a shop assistant. No organised system to cope with fire has been established in Tuam. Had there been, the conflagration would not have made utter ruin of the property. The town authorities had wired to Dublin, Galway, and Athlone for fire brigades, but it was clear that before they could arrive the flames would have eaten up the structures and contents, so they did not come. Much sympathy is felt for Mr Hosty.

Lord Clancarty, who, when Lord Dunlos, married Belle Bilton, is not a landlord people would care to live under. He is numerically harassing the tenants at Sheevanogue, in Clontuskert parish, who are prosecuted for one year's rent, due last November. These honest, hard working people are persecuted, prosecuted and over-rented to enable this half-fool to pay exorbitant interest on loans to London Shylocks.

An influential meeting convened by Father Conroy, pastor of Killanin, has been held in Oughterard for the purpose of promoting the scheme of bridging the Corrib from Knock Ferry to Ollidagh. Thirty years ago Father Conway projected the scheme, foreseeing the many and vast advantages it would confer on the surrounding districts and the impetus it would give to trade in Galway and Mayo. A beginning has already been made, thanks to the energy of Father Conroy, who inaugurated the present movement.

Before the County Galway Grand Jury, at recent assizes, the following deputation attended with reference to the project of bridging Lough Corrib at Knock Ferry. The work, it is estimated, will cost £10,000. Rev B. McDonagh, P.P., Oughterard; Rev M. D. Conroy, P.P., Killanin; Rev P. A. Francis, C.O., Oughterard; Rev J. Fitzgerald, C.O., Moycollan; Messrs John Joyce, Oughterard; T. F. Naughtan, Oughterard; Robert Mons, Oughterard; Peter Tierney, Headfort; P. O'Connor, Killanin. Mr Martin Morris (Lord Morris' son) said that they were all agreed as to the importance of this work. The public meetings have been most influentially attended in its support, and there was no doubt of its great utility. He proposed the following resolution: "We, the Grand Jury of the county of Galway, commend to the Government and the Congested Districts Board of Ireland, as a work of paramount public utility, the construction of a causeway and bridge across Lough Corrib at Knock Ferry. The proposed work would connect for purposes of fairs, markets, etc, the congested country of West Galway on the one side and North Galway and South Mayo on the other side of Lough Corrib." Mr Lewin seconded the resolution. The foreman said that it appeared to be a most useful work, and every member of the Grand Jury would be in its favour. The resolution was passed unanimously.

Kerry.—Recently a number of bailiffs, protected by a strong force of police, proceeded to Glenflesk and carried out four evictions on the property of The O'Donoghue. Three families of the name of Buckley and one named Dineen were evicted at Clydagh, a mountain district touching on Ballyvourney, County Cork. There was no assistance offered to the bailiffs or police. A care taker was left in one of the houses from which the tenants have been evicted.

Work on the O'Connell Memorial Church, Cahirciveen, which had been stopped for nearly two years, was resumed last month. J. Canon Brosnan in a letter to the *Cork Examiner* says: "Owing to the constant demand on the people of Ireland for pressing National objects and the continued commercial depression, I have abstained almost from active appeals or efforts to provide funds in Ireland, relying on the continued support of our fellow-countrymen abroad. And in fact, a zealous and respected Kerry priest proceeded the year before the stoppage of the works to Australia, and thence to the World's Fair for the purpose of collecting funds, but his mission was an utter failure, owing, I need not say, to the terrible and sudden depression in both these great countries. For these unexpected reverses I had not been prepared, whilst injurious effects on my health generally resulted therefrom, aggravated by the stoppage of the works, and by other causes, I am here reluctant to refer to, rendering me practically incapable of doing much, if anything, in the way of providing funds. But I thank God my health is fairly good at present, and I shall try and do all I can to meet the favourable turn in matters presented by the reopening of the works."

Kildare.—The interment of the Duchess of Leinster, who died at Mentone, March 19, aged 30 years, took place at Carton, Maynooth.

King's County.—Mr Henry Egan, T.O., Tullamore, has been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for King's County. Mr Egan is a sterling Nationalist, and was one of the first to join the Land League in 1879. He was five years chairman of the Tullamore Town Commissioners. He is treasurer of the local branch of the Federation, and was lately county delegate for King's County. His appointment has given much satisfaction to the people.

Leitrim.—While a procession was recently passing along the public road at Kiltobert, near Carrick-on-Shannon, toward a farm from which two brothers named Daly were evicted, an emergency man named Morton drew a revolver, tried to obstruct the people, and caused a peace-endangering disturbance. Now John Carthy, Annahearly, summoned this James Morton of Grange, but the magistrates dismissed the case, not even binding the dangerous disturber to keep the peace. Arising out of the emergency man's conduct District Inspector Kerin prosecuted Thomas Beirns, Killesnow; Patrick Ward, Gowel; William Doherty, Anagheary, and John Carthy, Annagheary, that on February 24, at Drumheckel and Grange, "unlawfully used language and violent conduct calculated and intended to intimidate one John Morton." See how very careful they are of the grabber! They, however, failed this time. The case was dismissed.

Limerick.—Mr Joseph O'Mara, of Limerick city, has been engaged as principal tenor for the English opera season at Drury Lane, London.

Longford.—Among the many addresses presented to Most Rev Dr Hoare, newly consecrated Bishop of Ardagh, that of the