

members of the Corporation would see that everything required for the works would be procured in Ireland when possible.

Galway.—Captain John Smyth, Maonbrook, Loughrea, has given a reduction of twenty per cent. to all his tenants. The tenants recently attended at the rent office and paid up. Since the unfortunate split in the Irish party the landowners in the county are demanding the rent to the cent.

Father Michael O'Donoghue, parish priest of Arran Island, Galway, appeals on behalf of a fund which is being raised to provide the islanders with proper fishing boats, and to which Mr James McLaren Smith has just given a contribution of £250.

The people of Connemara have lost their best friend by the recent death of Father Tom Flannery. During his time in Carna he caused the splendid bridge named after himself (Flannery bridge) to be erected; this magnificent public structure opened up at once communication between Carna, Kilkerrin, and Galway; whilst in another part of this extensive parish he had a causeway built between Mweenish Island and the mainland. But, perhaps, it is with the knitting industry that the name of Father Tom is most intimately associated. For some years past the female members of every poor family in Carna have been daily employed in knitting stockings and other articles of wearing apparel, which find a ready sale in England, being disposed of by a Manchester company, representatives of which yearly visited Connemara for the purpose of encouraging and promoting this useful and remunerative branch of local industry.—Latterly he had been employed mostly in work connected with the Congested District Board. At the time of his death there were actually 150 men employed at planting trees in his parish, re-forestation being another of the many schemes contemplated for the benefit of his poor parishioners, by whom he was not only loved but passionately idolised. Another grand scheme he had in contemplation at the time of his death was the establishment of tenant proprietorship on certain estates in the parish, whilst his efforts, in conjunction with Sir Thomas Brady, for the development of the fishing industry in the West are well known to everybody. During all this time that he was doing so much to bring money into the pockets of his poverty-stricken parishioners, their spiritual or education interests were not forgotten. Since his advent to Carna comfortable and well-attended schoolhouses, taught by an efficient staff of teachers, cropped up in every part of his parish. The deceased reverend gentleman was attended in his brief illness by Dr Foley. Most Rev Dr MacEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, is expected to attend the funeral.

Limerick.—A man named O'Neil died at Limerick recently in the advanced age of 107 years. The deceased was in weak health for some time past, but his faculties were well preserved.

On Christmas Eve John Fleming, harnessmaker died suddenly at Main street, Rainkeale. The greatest sympathy was shown for the deceased by his fellow-tradesmen and Nationalists of the town. He was one of the old guard who was imprisoned for the rising at Ballyheige, County Kerry. He was a native of Tralee.

The Limerick Amnesty Association at last meeting passed a resolution of thanks to the Amnesty Committee of Yarrow-on-Tyne and Stockheads for the sincerity shown in the cause by their generous subscription, and expressing the hope that the organisation and those in other places would continue their exertions on behalf of those now imprisoned.

Longford.—Right Rev Doctor Woodlock has been the recipient of a large number of addresses of congratulation on the occasion of his Golden Jubilee. All the public and religious bodies of the diocese have testified their love for him by presenting addresses of the warmest congratulations. On Christmas Day the Bishop visited the poor children of the workhouse to witness their enjoyment of their Christmas dinner. On leaving he gave the matron a sum of money for the purchase of toys and sweets for them. It is by humility and kindness that Doctor Woodlock has come to be so loved by his people.

Louth.—Michael Davitt presided at the County Louth Convention recently held, and, in the course of his address, said that the Factionists had carried the Waterford election by a combination of Toryism and terrorism. When returning to the Evicted Tenants' Fund, he said:—I have met Louth men in my travels throughout Canada and America recently, and I cannot recall a single instance of a man from this County being on the side of Factionism. Your action with respect to this national fund will be carefully watched by exiled Louthmen across the Atlantic, and I am sure you will bear that in memory when you are called upon in a few weeks' time to respond to the appeal addressed to you by the National leaders from this convention.

Mayo.—The Golden jubilee of Most Rev Doctor Conway, Bishop of Killala diocese, will be celebrated this month. The Archbishop of Tuam will preside on the auspicious occasion. It will give joy and pleasure to many admirers of the saintly and good Bishop to be present to offer up their prayers and thanksgivings. There will also be an election of a Coadjutor to assist the Bishop in the arduous duties of the diocese.

Information wanted of Richard Waldron, born in Ballyhannis, in the County Mayo, Ireland. Emigrated to Australia about twenty-six years ago to finish his degrees for a Catholic clergyman. Any information respecting him will be thankfully received by his sister Kate, of 257 Court street, Brooklyn, N.Y., U.S.A. Australian papers please copy.

Sligo.—The Rev Father Clarke, C.C., Easkey, who has been imprisoned in Sligo Gaol for the past three months, in default of finding bail to be of good behaviour, was released this morning at eight o'clock. The charge against him was of intimidating a land grabber named John Clarke at Easkey. The rev gentleman during the recent election was a strong Parnellite.

Tipperary.—At recent Quarter Sessions for the Nenagh division of Tipperary Judge Anderson said he was happy to inform the Grand Jury that the North Riding of their County was in a most peaceable state. There was no bills to go before them, so he felt great pleasure in discharging them. The Coercion Act is still hanging over the heads of the Premier County's peaceful children.

Tyrone.—The tenants on the estate of Earl Castlestewart attended at the rent office in Cookstown last week, and were allowed 10 per cent on their rents.

Waterford.—A splendid meeting of the Waterford City Branch of the National Federation was held on Monday. It was announced that £104 had been lodged in bank for the Davitt Election Expense Fund, and that £8 would be lodged this morning. A further sum of £50 was then subscribed. Resolutions were passed in reference to Rossendale and the late Lady Sandhurst.

From almost every public body in Ireland have expressions of regret been heard on account of Mr Davitt's defeat in Waterford; in fact, it has not afforded any pleasure to Irishmen at home or abroad, except in Irreconcilables and the Tories, the natural enemies of Ireland.

Wexford.—P. O'Neill, auctioneer, sold in the Market house, Ennisecorhy, last week, seventeen acres, statute measure, at Quarry Park, for £100. J. Malone was declared purchaser. Also six houses and some small plots of land in Irish street, the property of Mrs Furlong, at £120, the ground rent being £2 per year. P. J. Roche was declared the purchaser.

Wicklow.—In the County Wicklow in 1881, with a population of 70,385, only 243 were able to speak Irish. When the census were taken in 1891, only 176 were found in the population of over 62,000.

THE BISHOP AND THE BOY.

THE following story is told of a well-known bishop, recently deceased. The bishop was walking along a country road one Sunday, when he saw a small boy throwing stones. He went up to him and said—

"Little boy, it is wrong to throw stones on a Sunday. Are you aware that the angels are watching you?"

"Are they," said the small boy, looking inquiringly into the bishop's face with an expression of innocence on his childish countenance.

"Yes, they are; they see you every time you throw a stone."

"Do they?" asked the small boy earnestly. "Do you think they saw me throwing stones at the old hen in our little back yard last Sunday?"

"Yes," replied the bishop. "I am sure they did."

"Are you sure the angels saw me throwing stones at the old hen in our back yard?" asked the boy reiterating the question with almost tearful earnestness.

"Yes, my boy," said the bishop; "I'm perfectly sure they saw you."

"He, he, he! We haven't got any back yard," said the little boy, going off into derisive laughter, "and we haven't got any old hen!"

The bishop walked away a sadder and a wiser man.

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