

Irish News.

Antrim.—The snow-storm in Larne was of an unusually severe nature, in fact, a regular blizzard raged in the outlying districts of Larne, notably Ballycraigy, Mullophsandal, and Glynn. The snow has fallen to the depth of several feet and in the hollows the drifts are over four feet. Much inconvenience was caused to traffic, and the mail car from Glenarm did not reach Larne in time for the train to Belfast. In Ballymena such a violent snow storm had not been felt for a quarter of a century. It would almost be impossible to describe the wildness of the storm, but some idea may be formed of the nature of it when it is mentioned that in Ballymena the snow is several feet deep on the streets, and that the major part of the business concerns are more or less closed up on account of the thick downfall and the drifting and blinding flakes of snow that blow with such obstinacy against the housetops and doors and make every object so Christmas-like.

Armagh.—Lurgan and its vicinity was recently visited by weather of exceptional severity, and a snow-storm, such as has not been witnessed in this locality within the memory of that traditionally omniscient personage, "the oldest inhabitant." Everywhere the prospect presents a typically arctic appearance—the snow lying on the level a good four feet, and, where it was drifted, seven feet. Needless to say, this untoward condition of things meteorological has entailed great hardship on the poor, and as the local trade has been far from flourishing for some time, even many of the working class are reduced to an unusually straitened state by the severity of the weather. The intense cold may have the good effect of lessening

were of more consequence to the development of the fishing industry in Ireland than the present.

Derry.—Draperstown and district were recently visited by a most terrific snow-storm, surpassing in severity anything of the kind remembered. The snow fell in blinding blizzards, rendering it impossible for any one to venture abroad. Bread carts with a second horse in each intended to deliver bread in the country districts, got stuck in huge snow-drifts about a mile outside the town.

Donegal.—After last Mass in St Patrick's, Ballyshannon, on a recent Sunday, Father Dorrian, in a short and felicitous address made a forcible appeal for funds for the evicted tenants. He said that at the recent convention Most Rev Dr O'Donnell, the beloved young bishop of the diocese, had found it convenient to attend. They had all read his statement of the cruel and heartless manner in which the evicted tenants on the Olphert estate were treated. He (the reverend speaker) has some experience of the terrors of eviction. One of the first duties he was called upon by the bishop to perform after entering on the mission eleven years ago was to attend evictions and give his sympathy to the poor people, who were being mercilessly thrown from their homes.

A large and representative meeting of the people of the parish was held in the schoolrooms, Carrick, a few days since. The object was to take steps to obtain employment for the poor people of this parish, through the Congested District Board. Amongst those present were:—Rev P. McDevitt, Glencolumbkille; Rev P. McShane, Glencolumbkille; Dr Harkin, Carrick; W. Walker, The Hotel Carrick; John Maxwell, Bradde; John Brown, T. McShane, James Haughey, John Cannon, and Charles Cannon. The following was unanimously adopted:—That we, the clergymen, shopkeepers, and representatives of the people of the congested districts of Glencolumbkille, Kilgoley, and Malinbeg, in the Union of Glenties, County

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the influenza epidemic, from which the town and neighbourhood is suffering so severely.

Cavan.—Recently seven boys went out on the mountains of Finaboo, between Bawnboy and Swanlinbar for an afternoon's enjoyment. They got on the track of a fox, which they followed for some miles, and a young lad named Sheridan fell behind and has not since been found.

Clare.—At the Kilrush quarter sessions last week, Mr Cullinan, B.L., said there was an eviction against the Venerable Archdeacon Wolseley, incumbent of the Protestant Church, by Hector J Vandeleur. His Honour—What? Is Captain Vandeleur not only evicting tenants, but does he also want to evict the Venerable Archdeacon Wolseley? They are all big wigs (laughter) The case was adjourned. No such course was adopted when the poor tenants' cases came up for hearing.

Michael Lalor of Commons South, Corofin, was arrested by Sergeant Scott of Corofin, for having arms in a proclaimed district. The vigilant sergeant was on patrol when he noticed a man sitting on the wall by the roadside. Almost immediately he heard a slight splash. The sergeant proceeded towards the man Lalor, and continuing his investigation, found a gun which had apparently just been dropped into a ditch full of running water, just under the wall. He at once arrested Lalor, who was conveyed to Ennis, where he was liberated on entering into bail.

Cork.—We are pleased to be able to announce a decided improvement in the condition of Father Davis. A recent telegram announced that he was still improving. This intelligence, we are sure, will prove widely gratifying. There has hardly been a period in Father Davis's career of usefulness when his health and capacity

Donegal, in public meeting assembled, earnestly request that the Congested District Board will immediately take steps to improve those districts by giving some employment to the people, and thereby save them from distress.

Dublin.—Mrs Fedmond, mother of John and William Redmond, M.P.'s died on Tuesday morning at her residence, Belvidere place, in this city, from an acute attack of bronchitis.

Michael Flynn and George Marshall, professional thieves, were arrested in Dublin recently, charged with stealing a gold presentation watch from John Redmond, M.P., at Kingsbridge railway station.

James Joseph Dalton, Member of Parliament for West Donegal, and a member of the Irish bar, was married January 28 to Frances Delaney of Dublin. Up to the time of his election in May, 1890, Mr Dalton practiced law in Australia.

Fermanagh.—Elizabeth Keys of the Rock Drumbulkin, died recently at the remarkable age of 104 years. Deceased belonged to an old respectable family, was married, her husband being dead over twenty years. The interment took place in Lisnarick.

A very exciting scene occurred on the Mill Lake, near Enniskillen, last week. Three young ladies were standing together on the ice, and were seen to disappear. Several young men ran to the assistance of the ladies, but the ice being weak, the rescuers, too, disappeared. Others followed, and one by one they went down until fourteen persons were struggling in the water. The excitement was very great, the spectators were paralyzed at their utter helplessness to render assistance. At length ropes and ladders were procured, and the work of rescue was proceeded with under very difficult circumstances. One young lady had disappeared twice under the water,