

Irish News.

Antrim.—The Orange Carnivals for July throughout the North of Ireland were generally tame and lifeless. In Belfast the celebration was unusually quiet.

An accident occurred recently off the coast of Antrim, which brings into bright relief the loving tenderness of the Catholic priesthood for their flock in moments of danger. Three boats were crossing from Rathlin island to the mainland with voters; when about midchannel one of them was overtaken by a squall and capsized. There were fourteen persons in the vessel, all of whom were thrown into the water. One of the hands was drowned and another died of exhaustion from the effects of long immersion. The Rev. Father Kennedy was amongst the passengers, and while sustaining himself in the waves, caught sight of a woman who was struggling for existence, seized her and held her over the surface until assistance arrived. Happily his plucky endeavour at rescue was successful.

Armagh.—On Saturday night last week a serious party disturbance took place at Armagh. The streets were on the preceding night paraded by four Conservative bands, and there were great rejoicings over the Derry election. On Saturday night a Nationalist band, followed by a cheering crowd, marched through the streets. They were met by their opponents, and sticks and stones were freely used, several persons being injured. The military were called out to restore order.

At Portadown the "Twelfth" was anything but peaceful. A Black Lodge, on their return from the Scarva Sham Fight, marched through the "Tunnel," the Roman Catholic quarter of the town, and

Among the passengers landed at Queenstown recently, from New York, were the Most Rev Dr Walsh, Archbishop of Toronto, Canada, and Very Rev Dr Hughes, of Hartford, Connecticut. The Archbishop is a native of Waterford, while Dr Hughes first saw the light in the County of Longford. Both prelates are on their way to Rome. A large number of American priests also landed at Queenstown at the same time, all on their summer holidays to their native land.

Derry.—The attack made on a number of Catholic citizens at the Waterside by persons of Orange sympathies after the Derry election, turns out to be serious in respect of one of the injured. Krysipias has set in the case of Edward Mullen, whose depositions have been taken. Alexander Jamison and John Orr are remanded in custody on the charge of being concerned in the beating.

Donegal.—The flax crop in Ramelton District is fifteen per cent less this year than last. The bairds look promising.

Dublin.—Most Rev Doctor Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, accompanied by Right Rev Dr Keane, rector of the Catholic University, Washington, U.S.A., called at the convent attached to the North Union Workhouse, and proceeded thence, with the superioress and Sisters to the workhouse hospitals, where they were received by the chairman of the Board, Mr Carolan, and the master, Mr Dooley, and shown over the immense establishment. They spent a considerable time conversing with the patients in the various wards, and evinced the most kindly interest in pictures, carvings and other works of art executed by some of the convalescent patients. At the conclusion of the visit they made the following entries in the visitors book:—"I visited the sick wards of the workhouse to-day, and I have to renew the expression of my thanks to the Guardians for the many improvements that have been made even since my last visit. (Signed). "† WILLIAM J. WALSH, Archbishop of Dublin."

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fired several revolver shots. The Nationalists, as might naturally be expected, retaliated by throwing stones. The result was that a regular riot ensued, and the parties on both sides received wounds of a more or less serious nature. The police who were unable to quell the disturbance, were obliged to retire to the barrack. They returned, however, in a short time with their arms and made an unsuccessful attempt to disperse the crowd. The greatest excitement prevailed and expressions of dissatisfaction at the imperfect police arrangements were to be heard on all sides. The windows in Mr Shell's public house, and in several Roman Catholic houses, were smashed. Several arrests have been made.

Cavan.—The number of inhabitants in this County in 1881 was 129,476, but when the census was taken in 1891 but 111,917 persons were living in the County.

Cork.—N. Long has just complete dat his cabinet works in Tuckey street a beautiful billiard table, which he intends exhibiting at the Cork Agricultural Show. It is fitted up with the latest improved cushions. The workmanship shows great skill, and it is gratifying to know that work of this description can be so well executed in the city by the Lee.

Mr J. P. Hamilton, late Recorder of Cork, is dead. Deceased was a native of Glenties, Donegal. The remains were interred in Narin, County Donegal. A landlord himself, he was ever considerate for oppressed tenants, and his court was a popular tribunal for the fixing of fair rents. His efforts to bring about a settlement of the Ponsoby estate dispute is still fresh in the minds of our readers, and will be gratefully remembered by those on whose behalf it was made.

"Accompanying his Grace through the institution, I have been most favourably impressed with the features of refining and comforting character which I have remarked throughout. (Signed). "JOHN J. KEANE, Rector Catholic University of America."

Fermanagh.—According to last census this County shows a considerable diminution in its population. The figures of 1881 were 84,879; in the last year only 74,170.

Limerick.—Mr Justice O'Brien, opening the Limerick County Assizes, said there were only five cases to go before the Grand Jury. On the whole he was happy to inform them that the County enjoyed a very great degree of immunity from crime.

F. A. O'Keeffe, M.P., has received numerous letters and telegrams congratulating him on the victory which he won on Friday last. He received a telegram from Most Rev Dr Oorbett, Bishop of Sale, Victoria, congratulating him on his success. Result was as follows:—O'Keeffe, 1,878; O'Brien, 1,490; majority for O'Keeffe 388.

Louth.—The widowed Marchioness of Drogheda is the only Irish peeress of the day, it is said, who declined to allow herself to be kissed by the Lord-Lieutenant at the Vice-regal Drawing-rooms. Other ladies have objected, but beyond a mild protest have submitted to the regulation kiss. The practice was introduced by George IV. when he visited Ireland in 1821, and has been maintained by every Viceroy since that day.

Mayo.—A numerously attended meeting of the Glan branch of the Irish National Federation was held last week under the presidency of Father Henry. A vote of confidence in honest John Dillon was enthusiastically passed, both at the private meeting of the branch and at a public meeting after Mass. Father Henry spoke at both in terms of the highest praise of the honourable Member for East Mayo.