

woollen trade, the glass trade and manufacture, and a hundred other Irish industries, in pursuance of a policy which Mr. John Morley has not hesitated to denounce as an atrocious fiscal policy, and which Edmund Burke characterised as an artificial deprivation of the English people of the bounty of Providence to Ireland.

WICKLOW.—A '98 Memorial

At Balinglass on Sunday, May 8, the memorial erected to the memory of Michael Dwyer and his undaunted men, and in particular to his comrade, Sam MacAllister, who perished in his unselfish endeavor to save the life of his leader, was unveiled. The monument stands in the Market Square of Balinglass, and represents a wounded insurgent grasping a musket. The pedestal contains tablets bearing inscriptions, one in Irish and one in English, setting forth the purpose of the memorial, which is to commemorate the heroism of Dwyer and MacAllister, and also 'to perpetuate the memory of those who participated in the insurrection movements of 1789, 1806, 1818, and 1867.' The ceremony of unveiling was performed by Father Kavanagh, O.S.F., the famous Wexford Franciscan, who was accompanied by Mr. Cogan, M.P., Mr. O'Kelly, ex-M.P., chairman of the County Council, and by a large representation of local Nationalists. A great number of bands attended, and the Irish National Foresters made a brilliant display. Father Kavanagh delivered a stirring address, the other speakers including the veteran Mr. T. D. Sullivan, whose commemoration of Dwyer's exploits recorded in imperishable verse, will immortalise the patriotism of the great insurgent as much as any monuments of bronze.

GENERAL

Bogus Clubs

The Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, which has been read a second time in the House of Commons, meets with the warm approval of all parties except the individuals who have a pecuniary interest in these dens of misery and shame. The Bill is the result of an understanding arrived at between representatives of the temperance party and the publicans. The latter no less than the former are strongly in favor of it. Indeed, there is every reason why they should be, as no small share of the odium rightly attaching to the bogus clubs falls upon them. The Bill is based on the Scotch Act and under its provisions no 'bona fide' club will suffer. Among the grounds for refusing to renew a certificate to a club is that it has been kept mainly for the supplying of intoxicating liquor. This provision will weed out many pest-houses.

The Army and the Constabulary

It appears that whilst recruiting for the R.I.C. is suspended and candidates are being tempted into the army, reservists from the Irish Guards are being drafted into the R.I.C. at the rate of 100 per year. It is plainly the policy of the Government to utilise the whole of the services to feed the army and to act as a dumping ground for its refuse. One after another a Department is absorbed into the scheme. It is a serious outlook for all who take Government service in any form. Place-hunters in Ireland (says the 'Freeman's Journal') will stand aghast if they find that they must pass through the army to qualify. Most of the Resident Magistrates gained enough legal knowledge to satisfy the Lord Lieutenant in the army, and we may yet see the Bench filled with retired Generals. Ridiculous as that looks, it is as sensible as putting on army reservists as town postmen and as Irish constables.

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People We Hear About

The Royal Academy, this year includes in its list of exhibitors the name of a Catholic priest, Father Sebastian Gates, O.P., who was represented by two exhibits—one a painting, 'Spoils of the Orchard,' and the other, a medallion, 'Her Treasure,' a study of mother and child.

One of the most gifted contemporary composers in Europe is Father Hartmann, of Rome, who is a German by birth. His best-known works are the oratorios 'Peter' and 'Franciscan.' Father Hartmann lately completed another oratorio entitled 'The Last Supper,' which is dedicated to the German Emperor and will be produced for the first time in Berlin. Father Hartmann recently concluded a visit to Vienna, undertaken for the purpose of supervising the production of 'Peter' in the Austrian capital. The Emperor Francis Joseph and several members of the imperial family were present at the production. Subsequently Father Hartmann was received in audience by the Emperor.

The Premier entered on his sixtieth year on Wednesday of last week, having been born at St. Helen's, England, on June 22, 1815. In honor of Mr. Seddon's fifty-ninth birthday his friends in the Empire City entertained him at a supper which was attended by a gathering of about 300 persons. A number of congratulatory telegrams were received during the day from all parts of the Colony. Mrs. Seddon was presented by political and personal friends with a handsome upright grand piano as a birthday gift for her husband. The Right Hon the Premier received a saddle and bridle from his colleagues in the Ministry, and was presented with a horse by Mr. Carroll. Speaking at the gathering in his honor, Mr. Seddon said that though 59 years of age, he felt as good as he was at 40.

The Archbishop of Hobart (says the 'Monitor') is the oldest prelate in the Catholic Church, and, as far as we have been able to ascertain, he is the only bishop at present living who was in charge of an Episcopal See at the time of the proclamation of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception. His Grace, we are pleased to say, is in the possession of vigorous health for one of his years. It was only a week or so back since he passed through a rather severe attack of influenza, and passed through it scathless. Many a younger man would have taken twice the time to have conquered such a tenacious assailant as the influenza, so recently prevalent in Tasmania. Despite the burden of ninety years his Grace the Archbishop of Hobart has still a most surprising vitality. Let us hope that Providence will keep him in the same vigorous health for yet many years amongst us.

A County Wexford correspondent writes as follows to the Dublin 'Freeman's Journal': Mr. Hugh Mahon, the new Australian Postmaster-General, is nephew of the Very Rev. Hugh Mahon, formerly P.P. of Portarlinton. In 1880 he went to New Ross as reporter for the 'Wexford People' and 'New Ross Standard.' Just then the National Party in New Ross had started a printing company, and Mr. Mahon was appointed business manager. He soon began to take an active part in local politics, and in a short time was recognised as one of the most earnest, fearless, and untiring upholders of the principles of the Land League in Wexford County. Towards the close of 1880, he acted as secretary to the Defence Committee formed to secure a fair trial for the two young men unjustly accused of the murder of Mr. Boyd, and pursued by the Crown in a spirit that looked like vindictive malice rather than even-handed justice. In 1881, Mr. Mahon became secretary of the Local Land League. He was indeed a model secretary and an indefatigable worker. Wherever around New Ross, at either side of the Barrow, there was a blow to be struck in the good cause, wherever there was a tyrant landlord to be faced or a tenant victim to be rescued, there Mr. Mahon was sure to be found, full of fiery zeal, brimming over with daring resource, never knowing when he was beaten, and, whether vanquished or victorious, ever ready for the fight. When in October, 1881, the League was proclaimed and pounced upon, Mr. Mahon was amongst Mr. Forster's subjects. He was arrested early in the morning of October 27, and hurried off to Naas Jail. The imprisonment told seriously on his health; a lung delicacy declared itself, and when he was liberated, a few months later, he was warned by his doctor that his life could be saved only by a sea voyage and change of climate. He then resolved to emigrate to Australia, where his ability, industry, and strength of character have raised him to honors which are denied to the patriotic Irishman in his own country.