

People We Hear About.

A marriage has been arranged between the Hon. Frank Russell son of the Lord Chief Justice, and Miss Mary Ritchie, daughter of Mr. C. T. Ritchie, M.P., President of the Board of Trade.

Mr. Charles Murphy, of the North-East Bar, son of the late Mr. Edmund Murphy, Chief Receiver of the Land Judges' Court and Local Government Arbitrator, Dublin, has been appointed to a Legal Commissionship on the Gold Coast. Among his colleagues of the North-East Bar Mr. Murphy was greatly esteemed.

Monsignor Potron, O.F.M., Titular Bishop of Jericho, who presided recently at the ceremony of the translation of the Relics of St. Valentine, in the Franciscan Church, Glasgow, has been through two wars, saw the charge at Balaclava, and heard the boom of guns at Sebastopol. He is entitled to wear the V.C. and Montenegrin medal for services rendered as chaplain in the field.

The marriage of Admiral Dewey and Mrs. Hazen, widow of the late General Hazen, took place at St. Paul's Catholic Church, New York, on November 8. The wedding was private and of the simplest character, only Mrs. McLean and Mrs. Ludlow, who are the bride's mother and sister respectively, and Lieutenant Caldwell, Admiral Dewey's aide-de-camp, were present. A dispensation was required for the ceremony, Admiral Dewey not being a Catholic. The Admiral has gone down fifty per cent. in the estimation of all the narrow-minded bigots since his marriage.

In the Christmas number of the *Brisbane Age* are a number of photographs of the leading public and business men of Queensland, among which is that of Mr. A. J. Callan, M.L.A., and brother of Mr. J. B. Callan, of Dunedin. Our contemporary says:—Mr. Albert James Callan, M.L.A. for Fitzroy, was born in Dublin in December, 1839, and educated in the Jesuit College in that city. He arrived in Victoria with his father, Dr. Callan, in 1856. He came to Queensland in 1860, and after engaging in pastoral pursuits for many years, settled in Rockhampton in 1880. In 1889 he was elected Parliamentary representative for the Fitzroy electorate, and has since continued to represent that constituency, being at each election returned by large majorities. Mr. Callan is a popular man, and has done much to promote the progress of his important electorate. He takes a deep interest in mining, and in everything that promotes Queensland's progress.

Mr. William Mulholland, Q.C., of the Northern Circuit and of Lincoln's Inn, has been appointed to succeed the late Mr. T. H. Jordan as County Court Judge for Circuit No. 26. The circuit is one of the most extensive in England, covering sixteen towns in the counties of Stafford, Warwick, and Salop. The new judge, who was born in the year 1843, is a son of the late Dr. J. S. Mulholland, of Belfast, brother of the distinguished novelist, Lady Gilbert (Rosa Mulholland), and brother-in-law of the Lord Chief Justice. He was educated at the Royal University of Ireland, and there graduated Master of Arts. For some time he practised at the Irish Bar. In 1875 he was called to the English Bar, in 1894 he was appointed Queen's Counsel, and in 1896 he became a bencher of Lincoln's Inn. He has had much experience of common law work, chiefly in Liverpool, where he practised until 1894. His colleagues at the Bar, with whom he is personally popular, have received the news of the appointment with much satisfaction.

Mr. William Ludwig, the famous Irish baritone, was born in Dublin in 1847. He is descended from the old Irish family of Ledusachaibh, which, in its various Anglicised forms of Ledwich, Ledwith, and Ledwidge, is still met in many parts of Ireland. The first mention of the name in Irish records occurs in the *Annals of the Four Masters*, under date of A.D. 1146. Mr. Ludwig received his early education at the schools of the Christian Brothers in his native city and studied afterwards at the Catholic University of Ireland. His first appearance on the stage took place at the Gaiety Theatre, London, where, under the management of Mr. John Hollingshead, he remained for six years. He afterwards joined the Carl Rosa Grand Opera Company, and during nine successive years sang the first baritone rôles in all of that impresario's productions. He is distinguished for breadth of style, clearness of enunciation, dramatic intensity, a magnificent voice, and a noble stage presence; these, and a personal magnetism which words cannot describe, serve to make Mr. Ludwig what a leading New York critic has entitled him, 'The greatest male singer that Europe ever sent to America.'

A great engineering work was opened by the Queen in person, on the 14th October, 1859, now forty years ago. It was the Loch Katrine Water Works for the supply of Glasgow. Her Majesty then saw the volunteers for the first time, as her special guard of honour. Recently the 3rd Lanarkshire Regiment held its fortieth anniversary dinner in commemoration of the memorable event in which they had taken a prominent position. The regiment sent a dinner invitation to Captain Charles O'Neill (late of the 3rd Lanarkshire, and who commanded one of the companies on the occasion referred to), Major Cassells, the secretary, stating that 'there are some of us to the front, and we will keep you in mind at the meeting.' The following is a testimonial in favour of Captain O'Neill from Lord Elcho, now the Earl of Wemyss: 'London, 1863.—I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the zeal and intelligence which Captain Charles O'Neill has shown as a volunteer officer. We are also indebted to him for a system of scoring in rifle-shooting, viz., by adding hits to points, which has been adopted by the National Rifle Association, and is, indeed, now in general use.—ELCHO.' The Captain Charles O'Neill referred to in the foregoing is (says the *Freeman's Journal*) Mr. Charles O'Neill, M.I.C.E., afterwards M.P. for Thames and Surveyor-General of New Zealand, at present a civil engineer in Sydney.

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