

case with costs. But why was this respectable young man arrested and thrown into gaol?

White Gloves again.

In receiving what he accurately described as 'the traditional gift of white gloves' as an emblem of a crimeless calendar in the city and county of Limerick, Judge Adams said: 'He drew no inference and made no conclusions, but he repeated that there was not within the dominions of their good lord the King a city or county more free from serious crime than the city and county of Limerick.' Yet it is necessary to have recourse to coercion to govern the county.

MAYO.—A Distinction.

The Very Rev. James Daly, President of the Diocesan College at Ballyhadereen, has received, through the Most Rev. Dr. Lyster, Bishop of Achonry, the degree of Doctor of Divinity, conferred on him in Rome.

MEATH.—Death of a Priest.

A venerable priest died in the early part of last month in County Meath in the person of the Rev. James Owens, of Mornington, who passed away at the ripe old age of 85. Father Owens was a Roman student, but ill-health beset him so early in life that he was never able to undertake any missionary duty. He spent his years in Mornington, ministering to the poor and educating the young and devoting a great part of the private means he possessed to the charitable institutions in the district.

MONAGHAN.

At the Monaghan Quarter Sessions during the hearing of a case, his Honor Judge Craig, K. C., asked the Sub-Sheriff (Mr. W. H. Swan) for an explanation as to why he had been absent on the opening day of the sessions, and had failed to present him with the customary pair of white gloves on the occasion of there being no criminal business.

TIPPERARY.

The death is announced of Mr. John Hunt, P. C. Lanally, father of the late lamented Rev. T. Hunt, of Dublin. He was a successful farmer, and was one of the oldest and most respected members of the Clerical Board of Guardians. The funeral was one of the largest that ever passed through the town.

A Venerable Nun.

There died recently the oldest Sister of the Community of Nuns in the Convent of Merv, Cahur, at the patriarchal age of 83 years. Her name was Miss Catherine O'Connor, in religion Sister Mary Augustine, a native of the County Wexford. The deceased lady was one of the first nuns who made the foundation of the Mercy Order in Cahur.

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People

Mr. R. A. Isles, who has for 63 years served as a member, and latterly as chairman, of Cirencester Board of Guardians, has resigned his post. Mr. Isles is a convert, having been received into the Church in 1884.

Father Sheehan, author of 'My New Curate, on whom the Holy Father has bestowed the double honor of a D.D. and a special medal in recognition of his services to Catholic literature, is engaged on a new work, which (says the 'Ecclesiastical Review') is likely to astonish the Philistines still more than his first anonymous venture into the field of clerical novels.

Reports have been circulated for some time by certain newspapers, representing the young King of Spain to be mentally and physically incompetent. Minister Storer, who recently returned to the United States from Madrid on leave, characterises these reports as nonsense. The fact that Alfonso has been carefully trained in accordance with Catholic ideas, may be accepted as the basis of false stories disseminated with regard to his mental qualifications and so forth.

Mr. T. W. Russell is perhaps the most striking figure in the British Parliament. According to the 'Daily News,' his personality largely governs the Irish debate. It represents, of course, a great reinforcement for the popular cause. His line is still Unionist, but it is anti-Government, and, above all, it revives the Crusading spirit of Liberalism in its best days—the passion for large change, for a great human settlement. Mr. Russell's own side are beginning to hate him bitterly. They aim at dislodging him from his seat on the high benches below the gangway on the Tory side. They try his quick spirit, but they do not move him. Day by day he renews his plea in short, nervous sentences, beaten out like hammer-strokes.

Rev. Reginald Collins, the latest recipient of the D.S.O., is the same Father Collins who, in the Egyptian campaign of '85, gallantly helped in the defence of McNeill's Zereba, when, it will be remembered, the square occupied by the Mannes was rushed and even broken by a large Arab force. His personal courage on this occasion—for which he was mentioned in despatches—went far to avert what might justly be termed a catastrophe. Lord Wolseley, late Commander-in-Chief, has a portrait of Father Collins hanging on the wall in his room, to which he alludes as that of one of the finest soldiers and comrades of his acquaintance.

General Sir William Butler has presented to the London Irish Literary Society the MS. of his Cromwell lecture, so that its publication may be effected in the manner most agreeable and beneficial to the body before whom it was lately delivered.

Mr. Robert Romney Kane, County Court Judge and Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the counties of Carlow, Kildare, Wexford and Wicklow, died towards the end of March, at his residence in Dublin. Deceased was a son of the late Sir Robert Kane and a brother of Rear Admiral Kane, who, when captain, commanded and saved H.M.S. Calhoun in the hurricane at Apia in 1889, when so many ships were destroyed. He was also a brother of Rev. Robert Kane, S.J., the distinguished preacher. A son of the deceased, Lieutenant Harold Kane, was killed in the fight at Fort Itala last December.

The following particulars regarding the Lord Mayor of Cork, appeared in a recent issue of 'Donahoe's Magazine':—The Right Hon.

Edward Fitzgerald is a man with rather an eventful career. He commenced life as a carpenter, but the rare gifts of head which he possessed were bound to bring him into public notice, and some 16 years ago he consented at the request of his friends to stand for a position as Poor Law Guardian. Though perfectly unknown at the time to public life, and though having to face and wage a stiff fight with the established representatives of the division which he contested, he was elected at the head of the poll. Since that time he has been the man of all others in the public eye of his native city. Whatever position he sought he secured it. He was High Sheriff of the city some 11 years ago, and were it not for the unfortunate split which divided all Irishmen at that time, and which, not unnaturally, had its effects on the municipal life as well, he would have been elected Mayor of Cork the following year. Nine years ago he was elected alderman for the ward he represented, and has held that position since, and now he enjoys the distinction of being the first Lord Mayor elected to that position by the popular vote, which is the predominant one in the Council of the Borough of Cork. He is the representative for the City on the Agricultural Board in the Department of Technical Instruction for Ireland. The exhibition project was his idea alone, and in bringing it to a successful issue he has gathered around him a number of leading representative citizens to whom he has imparted much of his own tireless energy, with the result that wherever they go all over the country, from the southernmost part in Bantry or Skibbereen to the Maiden city in Londonderry, they have been received with a remarkable display of public enthusiasm.

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