

Irish News

ARMAGH—An Unprovoked Attack

While the members of the Armagh Catholic Boys' Association were returning by train from Warrenpoint, where they had been holding their annual excursion, they were subjected to a fierce fusillade of stones by Orange roughs.

CORK—Death of an Old Citizen

The death took place recently, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. James Talbot Power, Stillorgan, of Mr. Thomas Hayes. Deceased was one of the founders of the firm of T. Lyons and Co., Cork, and showed his practical sympathy with the people during the memorable year of '48 by becoming secretary of the famine fund. He was the intimate friend of Daniel O'Connell and other Catholic public men prominently identified with the Emancipation movement.

A New Hall

The Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Cloyne, opened a new hall for the Queenstown Young Men's Society recently. The building and equipment cost £3000.

An Ancient Ceremony

The ancient civic ceremony of 'throwing the dart' (says a Cork paper) was performed on August 15 by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Alderman Joseph Barrett, supported by the members of the Corporation and a large company of representative city and county residents. According to the time-honored custom the dart was cast into the sea midway between Poor Head and Cork Head, the line here marking the limit of Corporate jurisdiction as granted in several charters from the days of the Plantagenets.

DERRY—An Orange Split

Something of a sensation has been caused in Orange and Apprentice Boy circles in Derry by the public intimation that Mr. John Alexander, Governor of the Apprentice Boys, has tendered his resignation of that office. Mr. Alexander and Mr. Wm. Moore, M.P., quitted the platform at the Orange meeting on the walls on the intimation from the resident magistrate that the meeting intended to be held would be illegal owing to the prevailing riot, and Mr. Alexander's conduct was to be the subject of Apprentice Boy consideration at a special conference. In the meantime Mr. Alexander has handed in his resignation.

DONEGAL—The Gold Mine

In reference to the Donegal Gold Mine, located on the Shaftesbury property in Inishowen, a Londonderry correspondent is enabled to state that the Earl of Shaftesbury has visited the place, and having met the prospectors and gone over the ground, expressed himself in terms of the highest approval and assured them of his desire to afford them as landlord the fullest facilities and all reasonable encouragement in their undertaking. The preliminary working is begun.

DOWN—Orange Rowdiness

From time to time (writes a Dublin correspondent) the Orangemen of Ulster give the public some striking specimens of civil and religious liberty as it is understood by the bigots who still flourish in the northern province. At Ballyward, County Down, on August 20 a number of Gaelic Leaguers, who had been attending a Feis in Newcastle, were set upon by an organised Orange mob, containing over two hundred, and beaten in a most brutal manner. Volleys of stones were thrown at the defenceless excursionists, notwithstanding that some of them were women. Many of them received serious wounds which bled profusely. A block of granite weighing 18lb was flung into one of the brakes. Had it struck anyone he or she would undoubtedly have been killed on the spot. A young man named Smythe had a narrow escape from the murderous missile as it actually grazed his head.

DUBLIN—Charitable Bequests

The late Mr. John McQuaid, of Stormanstown, Glasnevin, bequeathed £100 each to the Hospice for the Dying, Harold's Cross; the Little Sisters of the Poor, Kilmainham; St. Brigid's Orphanage, St. Vincent's Orphanage, and the Dublin Working Boys' Home.

The Horse Show

The annual Horse Show of the Royal Dublin Society was held at Ballsbridge. The display was an exceptionally good one, and attracted a large attendance of visitors, including the Lord Lieutenant, the Countess of Dudley, and the Duke of Connaught. The Art Industries Exhibition also attracted a large number of admirers.

Death of a Professor

The death is reported of Mr. James O'Toole, M.A., R.U.I. Deceased, who was the son of ex-Superintendent O'Toole, had been in failing health for some time, and passed away on August 14. His career was very distinguished and brilliant, both in his Intermediate and University course, and his many friends mourn the loss of one of the most distinguished mathematical students who ever graduated in the Royal University. Mr. O'Toole was a Professor in University College, Dublin; in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth; and in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe.

A Destructive Fire

The uncertainty of everything in this world (writes a Dublin correspondent) was brought forcibly to mind by the fire which broke out on Saturday morning, August 19, at Ballsbridge. Had the wind been blowing in an opposite direction at the time, there would be no Horse Show in Dublin this year. As it was, in the course of a short space of time damage to the extent of £6000 was done. With ready resource, however, the promoters of the show set an enormous number of men to work and had the damaged portion of the premises restored and fit for use on Tuesday. News of the fire created much alarm in the city, and no wonder, for the Horse Show means much to the citizens. Its abandonment would spell disaster to many, who had expended large sums in anticipation of the event. However, all's well that ends well. The Horse Show of 1905 has turned out a grand success.

In Memory of Two Brave Men

The Lord Lieutenant has announced his intention in a letter addressed to the Lord Mayor, of subscribing £25 to a fund which is being raised in Dublin for the purpose of erecting a permanent memorial to Constable Sheehan and Mr. Fleming, who lost their lives in a sewer at Burgh quay into which they went to rescue a party of workmen who were overcome by a sudden discharge of gas.

A Peculiar Industry

Amid the decay of many Irish industries (writes the 'Westminster Gazette') one industry is certainly flourishing in that country—the lion breeding industry in the Zoological Gardens, Dublin. Since the establishment of the Gardens in 1857, no fewer than 230 cubs have been born and thrived—a rare occurrence with animals of the kind born in captivity. The sale of the youngsters has formed a valuable asset to the Gardens.

GALWAY—Golden Jubilee

The celebration of the golden jubilee of the Augustinian Church, Galway, took place on Sunday, August 27, when the jubilee sermon was preached by the Rev. Peter Yorke, San Francisco.

A New Church

The dedication of the new Church of St. Brigid, Aranmore, took place on September 3. The dedication sermon was preached in Gaelic by the Rev. Father Conway, Glenamaddy. Father Farragher, the parish priest of Aran, is to be congratulated on having, despite very great and exceptional difficulties, brought the work to its present stage of completion. He was for a long time struck down by illness, and the remoteness of the district, the difficulties of transit, made his task no light one. The church is built throughout of Irish materials—native limestone, granite, and Connemara marble—and nothing has been left undone to make the building worthy of the ancient fame of Ara Na Naomh.

KERRY—Influx of Visitors

The influx of tourists to East Kerry districts this year has been unprecedentedly high. The generality of the visitors hail from America.

An American Prelate

The visit of the Archbishop of Philadelphia to Lismore was availed of by the clergy of the various dioceses in Ireland who are spending their holidays there to present his Grace with an address of welcome. His Grace and also the Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise, who presided at the luncheon given in honor of the Archbishop, referred in their speeches to the necessity for Home Rule.

KILDARE—A Popular Priest

The Rev. J. Bolger, Rhode, has been appointed to Carragh parish in succession to the late Rev. Father Kinsella. The appointment is alike popular with clergy and laity. Father Bolger took a very prominent part in the Gaelic revival, was vice-president of Rhode branch of the Gaelic League, and the members of that body presented him with a public address on his departure from among them to take up his pastoral duties in the diocese of Kildare.

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