

Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan. The party were received by the Bishop, and after a cordial interchange of courtesies the Lord Mayor and his colleagues drove to the Christian Brothers' Schools, Our Lady's Mount, where they were accorded a hearty reception by the Rev. Superior and Brothers of the famous Order of teachers.

Death of a Centenarian.—On Christmas Eve Mr. Patrick Lyons passed away at the Mitchelstown Hospital at the age of 106. He was a member of an old and respected family, many of whom have been remarkable, in modern as well as ancient times, for their prowess and culture as athletes and scholars. Excepting a little deafness, he retained his faculties to the last, and often conversed on the stirring events of 90 years ago. He attended with a large party the great Tenant Right meeting held by O'Connell at Kelly's Bea, near Ballylanders, in 1839.

Land for Military Purposes.—The War Office has purchased about 18,000 additional acres on the Kilworth Mountains, County Cork, for an artillery range. A military camp is to be formed, and eventually barracks will be erected. All this will necessarily mean the spending of a good deal of money, and it will also signify the adoption of the best means possible to train artillery, according to the military authorities. The method of fixing compensation for the land thus acquired by the war authorities is most unfair to the tenants and to the owners of land, and has already been brought before the House of Commons.

DONEGAL.—Drowned in Loch Swilly—On the night of January 24, two fishermen—Patrick Ferry and his son Edward—belonging to Rathmullin, while running for shelter in Loch Swilly, were caught in a fierce squall of wind and sleet, their boat being capsized. Their friends ashore were concerned for their safety and anxiously awaited their return. At daylight they despatched a boat with the bottom upward floating in the lough. One body was washed ashore, but the other was not recovered.

DUBLIN.—A Prosperous Newspaper.—The *Freeman's* Journal directors have recommended a dividend of 11 per cent. for the half-year ended the 31st December, 1900.

KILKENNY.—Funeral of the Dean of Ossory.—The remains of the Rev. Thomas Kelly, P.P., D.D., V.F., Dean of Ossory, were interred in the vault of the Parish Church of St. Canice, which contains the ashes of three of his illustrious predecessors. The Office and High Mass were attended by large numbers of the citizens and the general public. His Lordship the Most Rev. Dr. Brownrigg, Bishop of Ossory, presided, and the following were the officiating clergymen: Celebrant, Very Rev. Canon Shortall, P.P., V.F., Durrow; deacon, Rev. L. Coughlan, C.C., St. Canice's; sub-deacon, Rev. John Dollard, C.C., St. Mary's; master of ceremonies, Rev. James Doyle, C.C.

Clerical Changes.—The Most Rev. Dr. Brownrigg, Bishop of Ossory, has been pleased to make the following new appointments in his diocese: Very Rev. Martin Canon Howley, P.P., Callan, to be Vicar-General; Very Rev. James Doyle, D.D., President St. Kieran's College, to be P.P. St. Canice's, Kilkenny, and Vicar Forane.

KING'S COUNTY.—Charitable Bequests.—It is understood that Mr. John Gilbert King, ex-M.P., of Ballyfin, Fernbane, who held extensive estates in King's County, has left a considerable sum of money for distribution among Dublin and other hospitals on the condition that each of his tenants, over 1,000 in number, and the members of their families, may have a right in perpetuity of being received free of charge, the same as paying patients in any of the institutions, should they at any time require medical treatment.

SLIGO.—More White Gloves.—Judge O'Connor Morris was presented with white gloves at the opening of the Sligo Quarter Sessions.

Wanted, everyone who has proved the worth of Tussicura to recommend it to their friend.—*.*

The McCormick Harvesting Machine Company built and sold 213,629 machines in the season of 1899. This is the greatest sale of harvesting machines ever made by one company.—*.*

Did you ever read *Helen's Babies*, and do you remember the delightful enthusiasm of little Toddy when he got at the internal workings of somebody's watch and wanted to see 'the wheels go round'? And does it occur to you that wheels occupy a pretty important part in cycles? We have realised this fact, and as an evidence of the attention given the subject, want you to examine the latest Sterling chain, chainless, and free wheels. Built like a watch. New shipment just landed. Morrow, Bassett, and Co.—*.*

Tussicura, Wild Cherry Pectoral Balm, the famous remedy for coughs, bronchitis, asthma, and consumption, has the largest sale of any throat and lung medicine in New Zealand. Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure. It is most comforting in allaying irritation in the throat and giving strength to the voice, and it neither allows a cough or asthma to become chronic nor consumption to develop. Consumption has never been known to exist where coughs have been properly treated with this medicine. No house should be without it, as, taken at the beginning, a dose is generally sufficient, and a complete cure is certain. Beware of coughs. Remember every disease has its commencement, and consumption is no exception to this rule. Obtainable from Messrs. Kempthorne, Prosser and Co., Limited, and all merchants throughout the Colony. Price, 2s 6d.—*.*

People We Hear About.

Mr. Arthur O'Connor, Q.C., has been appointed Judge of the County Courts of Durham, etc. (Circuit No. 2), in place of Judge Meynell, deceased. Mr. O'Connor is an alumnus of Ushaw College.

Most men when they enter the House of Commons remain silent for a long time in order to learn the ways of the House. Mr. T. P. O'Connor, however, who was 52 on October 5, was ordered by Mr. Parnell to speak the very night he took his seat. It is 30 years since he first went to London in search of a situation, and 20 since he was returned to Parliament.

Mrs. Harriet Crehan, mother of Miss Ada Rehan, the gifted Irish-American actress, died at her home, Brooklyn, New York, on January 15. Mrs. Crehan, whose maiden name was O'Neill, was born in the city of Limerick, Ireland, 77 years ago. She went to the United States 35 years ago, with her husband, Thomas Crehan, a shipping merchant. Their eight children accompanied them. Four still survive.

General Wolseley, who, perhaps, finds the adulation of Field-Marshal Earl Roberts, K.G., just the least bit trying, is about to make an extended tour of Canada and the Hudson's Bay territory, where some of his earliest triumphs were achieved. After that he would like, it is hinted, to go on to Australia, if an invitation were sent to him to come to the Commonwealth with the Duke of York.

Lieutenant á Beckett, the young Catholic officer whose character was unjustly aspersed and afterwards vindicated by the recent court-martial at Dover, has been elected a member of the Junior United Service Club, which numbers Earl Roberts and Sir William Butler among its members. His election is practically a vote of confidence in the young officer from a representative military organisation.

The transfer of a member of Parliament from the floor of the House to the Reporters' Gallery is much more rare than the reverse process. Mr. D. Crilly, who represented North Mayo up to the general election, has just made the change, having been appointed the Parliamentary correspondent of the *Dublin Daily Independent*. Mr. Crilly is known in Irish literary life as a capable journalist, a poet, and a critic. To a much wider circle he is known as a clever, warm-hearted Irishman.

Brevet Brigadier-General James Kavanagh, for over 40 years connected with the famous Sixty-Ninth Regiment of New York, died on January 7 in his home, Brooklyn. Sixty-nine years ago he was born at Carrick-on-Suir, Tipperary, Ireland. Though but a young lad, he took part in the '48 movement, for which he had to flee from his native land. He became captain in the Sixty-Ninth Regiment. He led the charge at the first battle of Bull Run and earned the life-long friendship of Thomas Francis Meagher for his bravery on that occasion. 'The Fighting Little Major,' as he was called, with Colonel Nugent, led the historic charge of the Irish Brigade at the battle of Fredericksburg and fell dangerously wounded within a hundred feet of the enemy's position at Mary's Heights.

The fact that Father Maher's work on Psychology is in its fourth edition, combined with the praise of such able non-Catholic psychologists as Messrs. James and Ladd, of Harvard, and the present action of London University, are eloquent testimony to the merits of a really great book. Students of Tullabeg in the seventies, says the *Freeman*, remember Michael Maher as one of the then 'leaders of the House.' Father William Delany, S.J., who, by the way, is Father Maher's uncle, was at that time rector of the College, and Tullabeg was in its most brilliant period. At least half a dozen of the 'boys'—including Father Maher—had graduated at London University, and so critical a visitor as Professor Mahaffy was immensely struck with the high standard of the school. Old school-fellows of Father Maher will recognise in his fame and honors the fruit of a brilliant promise, and will rejoice, moreover, for the sake of St. Stanislaus' College.

MESSRS. DWAN BROS., the well-known hotel brokers, of Willis street, Wellington, report the sale of the following hotel properties:—Mr. Thos. Haywood's interest in the lease and furniture of the Criterion Theatre, New Plymouth; Mr. Robert McCaullagh's interest in the Clarendon Hotel, Picton; the freehold of the Terrace End Hotel, Palmerston North; Mr. W. Cole's interest in the lease and furniture of the Okarameo Hotel, Blenheim; Mr. H. McClelland's interest in the lease and furniture of the Family Hotel, Otaki; Mr. H. G. Keith's interest in the lease and furniture of the Southland Club Hotel, Invercargill; Mr. H. L. Whitty's interest in the lease and furniture of the Ship Hotel, Picton; Messrs. Nordy and Gallagher's interest in the lease and furniture of the Star Hotel, Auckland; Messrs. J. Nathan and Co.'s interest in the freehold of the Post Office Hotel, Palmerston North; Mr. George Anyon's interest in the lease and furniture of the Record Reign Hotel, Gisborne; Mr. M. Killeen's interest in the furniture of the Red Lion Hotel, Wanganui; Mr. H. C. Green's interest in the lease and furniture of the Junction Hotel, Spring Creek; Mr. R. F. Priddle's interest in the freehold and furniture of the Grosvenor Hotel, Blenheim; Mr. Thos. Taylor's interest in the lease and furniture of the Princess Hotel, Wellington; the lease and furniture of the Alton Hotel, Taranaki; Mrs. M. McKenzie's interest in the lease and furniture of the Porirua Hotel, the lease and furniture of the Manukau Hotel; Mr. Bernard McGuire's interest in the lease and furniture of the Terminus Hotel, Picton; Mr. John Hunter's interest in the lease and furniture of the White Horse Hotel, Ngahauranga; Mr. John Williams's interest in the lease and furniture of the Stratford Hotel, Stratford; Mr. John Innes's interest in the lease and furniture of the Taratahi Hotel, Carterton.—*.*