

land. Other speeches were delivered, and at the close of the function the Vice-Regal party returned to Boyle.

DUBLIN.—Treasure Trove

The Lough Foyle Celtic ornaments recently declared treasure-trove have been presented to the Royal Irish Academy.

Moore's Birthday

It looks as if Moore's birthday, which was long allowed to pass unheeded in his native city, would in future be an annual event of some importance. This year it was celebrated by an excellent concert composed solely of the poet's Irish melodies. It was organised by the National Literary Society, and was attended by a large and appreciative gathering. Mr. J. J. Rossiter on the preceding evening delivered an 'appreciation' of Moore in the Boys' Brigade Hall. He referred to the fact that it was the custom to decry Moore and his poems, but they should remember the period in which they were written and the audiences to which they were addressed. Moore did a good and great work for his country—he was a missionary poet and his poems helped to break down the barriers of prejudice.

KERRY.—Crimeless

County Court Judge Shaw just missed getting a pair of white gloves at Killarney Quarter Sessions. Addressing the Grand Jury, his Honor said he was very glad to say there was only one bill to go before them; there were two bills which related to the same matter, but as far as his Honor could see, there would be only one investigation, both bills being against the same man. He was glad to hear that the state of the district was very satisfactory, as it had been indeed for a long time past. He had hardly ever anything to say in Killarney, except that the district was peaceful and satisfactory, and his Honor hoped it would long be so. The Grand Jury found no bill in the case submitted to them.

KING'S COUNTY.—Death of a Priest

On Saturday, May 30, the Ven. Archdeacon Phelan, P.P., Birr, passed to his eternal reward at the age of seventy-two, forty-five years of which were spent in the sacred ministry. He made his early studies in Carlow College, and in due course entered Maynooth, where he was ordained for the diocese of Killaloe in 1857. After working in various parishes he was, at the death of Dean Butler, appointed his successor. Archdeacon Phelan was highly esteemed by all classes. He was a man of striking personality. To quote the gifted author of 'My New Curate,' he was 'one of those strong, fearless, earnest priests whom Maynooth sent forth from its halls in the early sixties, who loved their people while they chastised them like a father, and were ready to defend them with their lives and the outpouring of their blood against hereditary enemies. Intense in faith, stainless in life, spotless in reputation, they had handed down to this generation the sacred heritage of the Faith pure and un sullied by a spirit of self-sacrifice and zeal worthy of their great cause.'

MAVO. Lamentable Accident

A lamentable accident occurred near Ballina, by which Dr. M. Lavin, J.P., medical officer of the Belmullet Workhouse and Dispensary District, lost his life. It appears that the unfortunate gentleman was returning to Belmullet with his horse and trap, accompanied by his driver, a man named Malley. When about three miles outside the town of Crossmolina, the horse took fright and the driver lost control of the animal, with the result that the trap was overturned, and its two occupants thrown violently against a wall. Dr. Lavin sustained shocking injuries about the head, and the driver got his collar-bone broken. Soon after the accident they were removed to a neighboring house, where they were attended by Dr. Macaulay (Ballina), Dr. MacHale (Crossmolina), and Dr. Cleary (Ballycroy). From the commencement no hope of Dr. Lavin's recovery was entertained, it being found that the skull was completely smashed. The driver is making satisfactory progress.

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People We Hear About

Mr. Andrew Carnegie's cheque for £300,000 for the erection of a Temple of Peace at The Hague has been received by the Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The late John Boyle O'Reilly left a daughter, Miss Elizabeth Boyle O'Reilly, who inherits a good deal of her father's genius. She has a first volume of her verses in the press.

Mr. Alfred Austin, the Poet Laureate, is just 68. He was educated at Stonyhurst and St. Mary's College, Oscott, from which latter school he took his degree in London. He was called to the Bar and practised till 1869, when he published his second book, 'The Season; a Satire,' and embarked on a literary career. In 1896 he was appointed Poet Laureate.

His Holiness Leo XIII., by Pontifical Brief, has conferred the hereditary rank and title of Roman Count on The O'Clery, one of the King's Lieutenants for London. Count O'Clery, who is a private chamberlain of high rank at the Vatican, received the knighthood of St. Gregory the Great (military cross) for his services during 1867 and 1870 in the Corps d'Elite of the Pontifical Zouaves.

A bronze monument is being erected in New York to the memory of the late Dr. Brownson, whose centenary occurs this year. The learned doctor was born in 1803, and ordained a minister of the Scottish kirk in 1825. Twenty years later he became a convert to the Catholic Church, and at once established 'Brownson's Quarterly Review' for the purpose of spreading and defending her doctrines. His published works fill 19 volumes. Dr. Brownson died in 1876.

A London Radical journalist points out that in 1878 he compiled the following list as the 'Twelve Eminent Radicals' in Parliament: William Ewart Gladstone, John Bright, Peter Alfred Taylor, Sir Charles Wentworth Dilke, Joseph Cowen, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Henry Fawcett, Joseph Chamberlain, Thomas Burt, Henry Richard, Leonard Henry Courtney, and Anthony John Mundella. Of these seven have 'joined the majority' in another sphere; while of the remaining five Sir Charles Dilke long since recanted the 'scatterbrained principles' of his youth, and Joseph Chamberlain is the smuggest member of the Tory party.

At San Silvestro in Capite, on May 23 (writes a Rome correspondent), the Very Rev. William Whitmee, Rector of the church, blessed the marriage of the Nobile da Pozza and Miss Cargill, a Dunedin lady, resident in Rome. The chancel of the church where the nuptial Mass was celebrated was beautifully decorated with plants, marguerites, etc. An unusual feature of the ceremony, which gave great satisfaction, was a musical accompaniment of beautiful violin solos, which the Rev. E. Zepl, Vice-Rector of the church, most kindly rendered. Mr. and Mrs. Da Pozzo are spending their honeymoon at Verice.

A cable message received last week stated that a Civil List pension of £250 has been granted Mr. Justin McCarthy, the distinguished historian and novelist. Mr. McCarthy, who is in his 74th year, has just finished a volume of personal sketches on 'British Political Leaders,' and is now engaged on another volume, 'Portraits of the Sixties,' and is carrying his 'History of Our Own Times' a stage further, and, like Shamus O'Brien, he once carried a pike. That was in 1848, but the fate of the rebel did not befall him, as the 'rising,' which had been arranged for in Cork, did not take place owing to some mistake about the signal on the appointed night. 'It is almost a pity that he cannot be hanged for high treason,' wrote T. P. O'Connor, 'to show how calmly a quiet man could die in Ireland.' Thirty years after Mr. McCarthy re-entered Irish politics, taking his seat in Parliament as member for Longford in 1879. Ten years ago he was chairman of the Irish Party, and few know of the true value of the services he rendered in that stormy period. The patience and dignity, the sacrifice of personal objects, the sweetness of temper and long suffering of trial he exhibited in those years give him, as was well expressed at the time, claims impossible to over-estimate on the attachment and devotion of his countrymen.

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