

IRONICLE—WATSONS, PROPRIETORS.

The following is the plan adopted for a valuation of the County Cork, for the purpose of equalizing the levy of the County Assessments:

The course to be pursued, should afford the occupiers the best practicable means of choosing valuers, without risking the confusion and the defeat of the intended measure, which would be the result of an election, purely popular and indiscriminate.

The occupier on each ploughland or townland, who has paid the highest county cess for the last assizes, (such qualification to be certified by the high-constable of the Barony) to be a deputy from that ploughland, for the purpose of nominating three competent persons to act as valuers, at a parochial meeting to be convened by the high-constable, giving ten days' notice thereof, posted on the usual place for posting presentment notices; and announced at the respective places of public worship.

Such deputies when assembled to choose a chairman,—who shall be entitled to a casting voice in case of an equality of votes—and to nominate three persons, as fit and proper valuers by a majority of votes, and without confining the choice to any particular class, whose names and residence shall be forwarded by the chairman with all convenient speed to the high-constable, who shall at the next petty sessions for the district, return them to the Magistrates assembled.

That one of the persons so nominated, all of whom should have notice to attend, shall be then selected by the Magistrates as parochial valuator; and when one valuator for each parish shall be thus appointed, a General Baronial Petty Sessions shall be convened, and the Magistrate shall direct any three, five, or seven of them as they shall think expedient, to value any one parish in the barony, to be then named by them.

Such valuations to be then sworn according to the form of the oath hereunto annexed, and the valuations to be immediately proceeded on by a distinct valuation of each ploughland or townland, and without omitting any ground within the parish, however inconsiderable in value it may be, or whether heretofore assessed or not.

The valuation when complete, according to the tables furnished for the purpose, to be signed by the valuers, and placed in the hands of the high-constable, who shall lay it before the Magistrates, at a second petty sessions to be convened for the barony; and the Magistrates shall then nominate an equal number of the other valuers that have been selected, with those who have been engaged in the first valuation, and so in continuation until every parish in the barony shall be valued, always providing those valuers for every parish after the first, which will be valued by three, five or seven, at the discretion of the Magistrates, and securing the attendance of one at least who has valued in another parish, and who, if he shall be as competent and as judiciously chosen as he should be, will preserve the Unity of Principle, and the Uniformity of valuation throughout the barony, which is indispensable.

If the occupiers or other parties concerned, shall neglect to carry into effect the arrangement thus prescribed for appointing valuers, the nomination of them shall then rest exclusively with the Magistrates, at the petty sessions in the respective districts; and in all cases where it shall be found impracticable, to obtain a satisfactory estimate of the acreable contents,—Surveyors to be employed by the high constable, on the most moderate terms, consistent with the proper execution of the work.

The Baronial valuation when complete to be posted in each Parish, and ten days allowed for any complaint or objection to it.

Three persons to be chosen and sworn by the Magistrates at the Petty Sessions, at which the return of all the Parochial valuations shall be made, to act as arbitrators, and to hear and determine on the objections that may be offered, and the correctness generally of the valuations that have been made for the whole Barony; and to make such alterations and amendments therein as they shall see just and proper, with an appeal from their adjudications to the Magistrates at a general Baronial Petty Sessions, whose decision shall be final and conclusive as to the Baronial valuations.

The standard prices already named having been considered rather too low for Barley, and not adequately proportional as between Barley and Oats, the following standard, including one for Butter and Pork, is now recommended for general adoption throughout the County:—

Wheat 15d per Stone, or 25s the Barrel of 20 Stone—Barley—9d. per Stone, or 12s. 8d. the Barrel of 14 Stone, and 28s 6d. the Barrel of 3d Stone.—Oats—7d. per Stone, or 9s. 9d. the Barrel of 14 Stone, or 20s. 7d. the Barrel of 33 Stone.—Butter—£3 the Cwt. Currency.—Pork—25s the Cwt.

The Valuations conformably to these prices, which are manifestly a moderate estimate for the probable averages, to be the absolute value of the land. The measure will be incomplete, if the territorial value and resource of the County shall not be thus ascertained.

When the county book shall be framed on the materials to be thus provided, it will of course be laid before the

Mr. Blackburne will hold a Sessions under the Insurrection Act, in the County of Limerick Court, on Monday next; there are 6 for trial. The Court will, until some future notification to the contrary, sit at Limerick only. The Sessions will be held at Six-mile-bridge on the following day.

This day, Mr. Blacker will hold a Court under the Insurrection Act at Mallow. Ten persons tried at Fermoy, on Monday, were acquitted.

The body of Ryan, a tenant of Mr. Thomas Gabbett, who had been missing for some time past from his house at Ballyvorneen, near Cahirculish, was found this morning, considerably burned, in a dyke near his habitation, by Constable James Belcher, of Mr. Balmer's Police, who, as soon as he perceived the body, proceeded to apprehend the persons suspected of the murder, and they are now in custody. William Gabbett, Esq. of Caherline, with a party of Military and Police, has been most indefatigable in searching the neighbourhood since the body was found, which presents a most horrifying spectacle—one leg and one arm chopped off, and the bowels burst out, from the effects of fire. Ryan's wife has also been taken into custody on strong suspicion. The body was wrapped up in a bag, and put under the side of a turf bank in the water.

On Wednesday last, an inquest was held by James Bennett, Esq. Coroner, and Michael Furnell, Esq. on the body of Denis Casey, who was waylaid, and dreadfully beaten, the week previous, on his way home from this City. Verdict of "Wilful murder against Patrick Morony, James Keogh, and Thady Raleigh, aided and assisted by others." Serjeant Holmes, of the Police, quartered at Nicker, was mainly instrumental in developing the above, by the activity and intelligence he evinced on the occasion.

The house of Thomas Slattery, a farmer, residing on the lands of Faha, in the barony of Kenry, in this County, was attacked on Sunday night last; the windows were broken and stones thrown into the room where the family were lying, but no person entered the house. It is supposed this outrage occurred in consequence of the activity of Slattery, who is Land Bailiff to Counsellor John Fosbery.

On Thursday night, a gang of fellows attacked and burned an Orchard House belonging to Mr. Daniel O'Brien, of Tolnagee, and beat three men who were guarding the Orchard, and one of them, Maurice Reidy, in so dreadful a manner that his life is despaired of.

Seven men were committed to Ennis Jail on Wednesday, charged with burglary and robbery in the barony of Tulla.

At the desire of the Magistrates of Ballin-garry Sessions, Mr. Vokes has sent a Chief Constable, and a detachment of Constables of his Establishment of Police, to that town.

Major Wilcocks is inspecting the Police in the vicinity of Fermoy.

The Roman Catholic Chapel of Castlegar, in the east liberties of Galway, was totally consumed by fire on Friday evening last, in consequence of the want of caution in extinguishing a fire kept for the purposes of a Parochial school, to which the Chapel had been appropriated during the week.

The Crown and Civil business at Kilrush Sessions was comparatively light.

Michael McMahon, of Moyne, near Kilrush, died about ten days ago, in consequence of being gored by his own bull. The poor man lived only a few days after the accident.

Commissioner Sir John Mortlocke, after inspecting the Excise Department in this City which he approved of most highly, proceeded on Thursday, for Dublin.

The tenth Report of the Commissioners of Irish Revenue Inquiry has been just published. It states that the direct Foreign Trade of this Country is almost exclusively confined to the ports of Dublin, Cork, and Belfast, and recommends some only of the Irish ports to be retained with their complete establishments as in Scotland. The following it mentions as the only ports requiring Officers of the rank of Collector, and Comptroller:—Dublin, Cork, Waterford and Ross, Limerick, Galway, Londonderry, Belfast, Sligo, Drogheda, Newry, Strangford, and Baltimore. The other minor ports will be consequently sunk.

In conformity with the recommendation of the Revenue Commissioners, it is expected that Tralee and Kilrush will be shortly added to the collection of Limerick.

Commanders A. D. Y. Arbuthnot, and R. H. Barry, the seniors of their rank who were employed at Algiers, are promoted to the rank of Captain.—Lieutenant Andrew Drew, first of the Thetis, is promoted to the rank of Commander and Mr. Arthur Hood Rowsell, Mate, to the rank of Lieutenant, for their service in defence of Cape Coast Castle.—Mr. Thomas Cobbe, late of the Terror bomb, and Mr. Davis, of the Bulwark, are promoted to the rank of Lieutenants.

The London Gazette of Tuesday advertises considerable sums of money, bonds, &c. belonging to the following individuals who have died in India, and which have been committed to the charge of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Judicature at Madras:—

Captain David Carnegie Stewart, Surgeon John Cook, Lieutenant C S Watson, Lieutenant Henry Harvey Sher, Lieutenant-Colonel George Mollie, Major Hester Petroselli Ellis, Brevet Captain Robert Holt, Lieutenant Henry King, Assistant-Surgeon Francis Field Affleck, Surgeon Gilbert Briggs, Major John Fotheringham, Edward Hold-Cruttenden, Esq. Lieutenant Alexander Borthwick, Lieutenant G L Harrison, Lieutenant Henry Bolton, Quartermaster-Serjeant C O Keefe, Lieutenant William Ke, Lieutenant William Cairo Lockhart, Lieutenant C Lewis, Assistant-Surgeon David London, Lieutenant John Jones, William Harrington, Esq. Lieutenant Richard Shanahan, Quartermaster Michael Smyth, Captain William Pitchford, Lieutenant G Roberts, John H Pearson, Esq. Captain Lieutenant G W Poignand, Lieutenant William Armstrong, Lieutenant W E Charlton, Lieutenant George Payne, Lieutenant Charles Sheridan, Captain George Moore, Major General W H Rainford, Surgeon John Hastie, and Captain Paul Poggenpohl.

The Rev. Mr. Harrigan, O. S. D. the founder of the new Dominican Chapel, in Glentworth street, has arrived in town, from Rome.

Major Freeman will preside at the meeting to advocate the right and obligation of the laity to read the Scriptures, at Cork, on the 29th Inst.

Doctor Woodroffe's Lectures on Surgery commence in Cork on the 15th November.

Surgeons Crampton, Hewson, &c. will deliver a course of Clinical Lectures during the winter at Meath Hospital, Dublin.

Robert Vincent obtained the first Hebrew Premium at the late examination in Trinity College.

Wednesday, the Market Jury seized prints of light butter, which the Mayor sent to the Widows' Alms House.

Committed, to the County Jail, by Edward V. Fitzgerald, Esq. William Meany, Thomas Hannan, and Patrick Halloran for being of an armed party who violently assaulted Maurice Reidy, and set fire to his house and orchard, Tolnagee, in this County, on Tuesday night last. By the Rev. Josiah Crampton, J. P.