

## LIMERICK ASSIZES.

Court at the County Limerick Assizes.—Marysey, murder, to be hanged on the 18th instant, to be given to the County Infirmary. Nicholas, 7 years transportation; James Morrissey, sheep stealing, each to be hanged for 7 years; Ellen Meade, larceny, to be hanged for 7 years; Catherine Rely, child stealing, 12 months imprisonment and hard labour; John Mangan, manumission and hard labour; Cornelius, 6 months ditto, and hard labour; Patrick John Shehan, larceny, 3 months ditto in the reception and hard labour; William Donohue, 6 months imprisonment and hard labour; John and John Mulvill, burglary, trial postponed; prisoners to remain in custody; Patrick George Gentleman, murder, trial postponed till prisoners admitted to bail; Anne Kirwan, coin, imprisoned for 6 months, and give bail for 6 months more; Tim. Devereux, utrumque to Michael Cronin and Thomas Casey, to be hanged for each offence, the second 6 months after the expiration of the first, to be kept at hard labour and give security to keep the peace for another 6 months; John Harragan, like crime, 6 months imprisonment, (having passed base coin to three persons), to be hanged for 6 months, to commence at the expiration of the second; and the third at the expiration of the second; and give securities to be of the peace for 6 months, and give securities to be of the peace for 6 months.

Court at City Limerick Assizes:—Patrick Daly, sheep stealing, to be transported for 7 years; John Fitzgerald, larceny, 7 years transportation; Bett, pig stealing, to be transported for 7 years; Denis, larceny, 7 years transportation; Patrick receiving stolen goods, 7 years ditto; Denis Kennedy, 7 years ditto; William Mara, Patrick Howard Glyn, alias Glinny, each to be transported for 7 years; Anne Freeman, larceny, 7 years ditto. Bridget Agnes Green, larceny, 12 months imprisonment; Kelly, and Honora Williams, larceny, 6 months at hard labour; John M'Cormack, and Thomas Connors, 3 months at hard labour; Michael Sullivan, manumission 6 months, at hard labour; William laughter, 2 months ditto, at hard labour; Michael printing and publishing a seditious libel, to be imprisoned for 6 months; and Eleanor Fitzgerald, larceny, 6 months confinement.

Following issues were tried before the County Sheriff's Court of Limerick Jury, on Thursday, under committed in the City and Liberties, by the 25th of June last:—Samuel Caswell *a. The* for plunder committed on plaintiff's property in and at Ballyclough, damages laid at £488; verdict, 15s. 4d. and 6d. cost.—James Hogan *a. same*, damages laid at £198; verdict, £181 0s. and 6d. cost.—John *a. same*, damages laid at £133 10s; verdict, 6d. cost.—Cornelius O'Shea *a. same*, damages laid at £11s. 0d.; verdict, £681, and 6d. cost.—Paul *a. same*, damages laid at £156 11s. 6d.; verdict, 2d. and 6d. cost.—Cornelius Nash *a. same*, damages laid at £120 0s.; verdict, £111 0s. and 6d. cost.—John M'Namara *a. same*, damages laid at £31 0s.; verdict, 2s. 2d. and 6d. cost.—Laurence Roche *a. same*, damages laid at £16 0s.; verdict, 6d. cost.—James *a. same*, damages laid at £18; verdict, 6d. cost. In two cases the Jury could not give damages in as the issue stated, agreeably to the Act, the plunder of seal and flour, none of which was plundered from out some casks of butter (which were not set forth), out of the Weigh-house, where it was sent for finding £1749 7s. 8d. and 6d. cost, which will be levied on the City and Liberties.—For Plaintiffs, Henry Cooper, Esq.; Agent, William, Esq.—Counsel for the Defendant, Holwell, Esq.; Agent, Thomas Mousell, Esq. A sum of £134 5s. 7d. was returned yesterday, before

## EXECUTION OF MARY MACKESY FOR THE MURDER OF HER MOTHER-IN-LAW.

At four o'clock yesterday afternoon this unhappy culprit finished her mortal career on the scaffold over the new County Gaol, in view of at least 8,000 persons of every age and sex. The multitude present exceeded beyond any execution every former assemblage of the like nature. Under any circumstances a public execution is confessedly an awful spectacle, but the unusual incident of a woman condemned for the murder of her own mother-in-law, whose death she offended laws ordain shall be expiated by the sacrifice of another life, imparted a more deep and terrific shade of interest to this solemn exhibition. On return to prison on Wednesday after judgment was had upon her, the usual spiritual consolations were administered, and she became fully sensible of the enormity of her guilt, having resigned that seeming torpor or indifference which marked her conduct all through the trial. She evinced the utmost penitance, and made a full and voluntary confession the subsequent day. She acknowledged having murdered her mother-in-law, and that the instrument she used was a heavy clothes beetle, with which she struck her aged victim on the head, and produced almost instant death. She wholly and entirely exonerated her husband from any knowledge or participation in the crime.—The husband was in town during the trial, but employed no counsel to defend her, nor would he give a shilling to provide her the usual dark dress worn by females on their last ignominious exit. He was in prison to see her the day before the execution, and parted his ill-fated consort without any appearance of concern. He is the proprietor of some cows and several acres of land near Newcastle in this county. The only cause assigned for the atrocious murder committed by his wife is this. The mother-in-law was entitled to an acre of the farm and two cows, in the event of not agreeing with her son's wife, and taking house for herself. There was some bickering between the two females, and the wife apprehensive she would withdraw, resolved to preserve the cows and ground for her husband and children, by sending the old woman to a premature grave!

A strong guard of the 56th Regiment was posted at three o'clock yesterday round the iron bound area in front of the prison, and the necessary preparations having been completed, the convict was seen walking from her cell at a slow pace towards the fatal scaffold, attired in a loose white habit and resting on the arms of two Roman Catholic Clergymen, to whose earnest prayers she answered in a strong voice. She appeared to be a very ignorant uneducated creature, and frequently hesitated in the attempt to repeat the words uttered by her spiritual attendants. One of the Clergymen exhorted her in the Irish language, with which she was perfectly familiar, and made her responses fluently. On ascending the terrace she knelt between both Clergymen at the foot of the drop, and recited the Litany, after which she mounted the scaffold, and was launched into eternity with a pious ejaculation on her lips. There was little struggle, her sufferings were short, and she died quietly. The vast multitude before the prison dispersed in a few minutes, and after hanging the usual time, the body was conveyed over to the County Infirmary for dissection.—Her trial appears in fourth page. This was the only capital conviction at the Assizes.

The assertion of the ill-fated Margaret Mackesy after conviction, that she was pregnant, arose from the impression that her being in such a situation would be the means of having the Prerogative of Mercy extended to her for a short period—as upon examination of her body this day, in the presence of six Professional Gentlemen, it was ascertained beyond all doubt that she was not pregnant. The result of the examination fully justifies the prudence of the course pursued by the Learned Baron, in this novel and interesting case.

## BIRTHS.

At Cahirsaveen, county Kerry, the Lady of John Primrose, jun. Esq. of a daughter.

In Merrion-square, East, the Lady of Edward Lucas, Esq. of Castle Shane, of a son.

At Greenhill, King's County, the Lady of Francis L.

## PROTESTANT SOCIETY.

SEVERAL PERSONS who on FRIDAY, suggested that a PUBLIC MEETING should be held on MONDAY next.

## Legislative.

RESOLVED by the Grand Jury Limerick, at Spring Assizes, that we, the High Sheriff and Grand Jury, cannot separate without expressing the maintenance of the Legislature of Great Britain and Ireland, is essential to the welfare of the people of both countries.

John Croker, High Sheriff,  
J. J. FitzGerald, Knight of the Glin, Foreman,  
George E. Massy,  
Aubrey De Vere,  
William T. Moswell,  
De Coney O'Grady,  
John Bolton Massy,  
George Tuffill,  
Richard Burke,  
H. Considine,  
T. H. Royle,  
Peter Low,

## Parliamentary.

WE, the undersigned Grand Jury Spring Assizes for the County of Limerick, with great satisfaction the introduction of the Bill into the House of Commons, and that the wisdom of Parliament shall ensure the permanent tranquility of the United Empire.

J. J. FitzGerald, Knight of the Glin, Foreman,  
Richard Bourke,  
H. Considine,  
Peter Lowe,  
John Vandeleur, Lieutenant Colonel,

## To the Right Worshipful.

WE, the undersigned Grand Jury, convene a Meeting on an early day, to consider the Bill introduced by his Majesty's

Richard Bourke,  
Thomas Roche,  
William Roche,  
John O'Brien,  
Stephen Roche,  
John Roche,  
Joseph Harvey,  
William Howley,  
John Kelly,  
William White,  
John Rochford,  
Paul Rochford,  
David Hunt,  
Peter O'Brien,  
Patrick Hogan,  
William Ryan,  
James Myles,  
Francis O'Shaughnessy,  
Richard Bodkin,  
Andrew Creagh,  
John O'Hara,  
Francis J. O'Neill,  
William Lowry