

of Limerick.

To the Venerable Archdeacon Halpin, V G. The Very Rev Dr Hammond, P P, V G, proposed and the Very Rev P Lee, P P, V F, seconded the following resolution—

“The Most Rev Dr O’Dwyer having received from his Holiness the Pope the Letters Apostolic appointing him Bishop of Limerick, and he having announced his intention of being consecrated on the feast of SS Peter and Paul, we consider it our duty to present his lordship with an address of congratulation on the occasion.”

Passed unanimously.

Proposed by the Venerable the Archdeacon, and seconded by the Rev John Conway, P P— “That, acceding to the express wishes of his lordship, it is hereby resolved—That, with great reluctance, we abandon the idea of presenting him with the testimonial, at least for the present.”

Proposed by the Rev Thomas Browne, P P, and seconded by the Rev Joseph Bourke, Adm— “That the Revs Dr Meehan, P P; William Molony, P P; T R Shanahan, P P; Father Ronan, S J; Cornelius Conway, Adm (St Michael’s), be appointed as a committee to direct the illuminating of the address.”

The Venerable the Archdeacon was moved to the second chair, and a very warm vote of thanks was proposed by the Very Rev J. Lee, P P, V-F, seconded by the Rev T R Shanahan, P P, to the Dean.

After a brief reply, the proceedings terminated.

### LIMERICK LUNATIC ASYLUM.

The monthly meeting of the Governors of this Asylum was held to-day in the Board-room of the Institution, Lord Massy presiding. Other members present—Lieut-General Lord Clarina, Mr Robert Hunt, J.P., and Mr James Harris. Dr Courtenay, Resident Medical Superintendent, read the minutes of last meeting, which were signed.

#### STATE OF THE HOUSE

For month ending 8th June, 1886.—Remaining in asylum on 11th day of May, 1886, 232 males, 243 females; admitted to 8th June, from the city of Limerick, 4 females; from the county, 4 males and 4 females; discharged during above period, to the county, 5 males and 3 females; to the city, nil; died, from city, 1 female; from county, 1 female. Remaining in the asylum on the 8th June, from city of Limerick, 54 males and 84 females; from the county, 177 males and 162 females; total, 231 males and 246 females. Vacancies, 19 males and 4 females.

Dr Courtenay, in his monthly report, stated that a prisoner named William Smith, undergoing sentence for robbery in the county gaol, had been sent in there, as insane by order of the Lord Lieutenant. The man belonged to Nenagh and really ought to be sent to the asylum of that district, and not to the Limerick Asylum. He was admitted on the 13th May, and on the 16th he (Dr Courtenay) wrote to the Inspectors asking that an order should be made to transfer the patient to his native county. The crime for which he was punished was committed in Nenagh, and the man had never been in Limerick except while he was a prisoner. This being a depot prison, cases of this kind were liable to be sent to that asylum.

Chairman—This appears to be a rather hard case.

Lord Clarina considered they ought to communicate with the Prisons Board to have the man transferred to the district asylum of the county to which he belonged.

Dr Courtenay—There is no power to transfer from one asylum to another.

Lord Clarina—Yes, but this would prevent like cases in future.

Dr Courtenay read the letter he forwarded to the Inspectors of Asylums.

Mr Hartis thought a resolution would strengthen the doctor’s hands.

Lord Clarina then proposed the following resolution:—“William Smith, a native of Nenagh, having been committed to the Limerick male prison to undergo a sentence of imprisonment, and having subsequently become insane, he was sent to the Limerick District Lunatic Asylum for treatment; therefore the cost of his maintenance improperly falls on the county Limerick. Under the circumstances, the Governors of the Limerick District Lunatic Asylum request that the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums will be good enough to communicate with the Prisons Board in order that they may issue such instructions to the governors of prisons as will ensure prisoners who may become lunatics being sent in future to

tory was also adjourned to the report of the medical officer.

Mr Forrest was instructed to prosecute Mr P. Ryan for storing timber in Ellen-street.

Mr Forrest—He complained of a few cinders being allowed to accumulate in his neighbourhood, and he himself has a turf boat of timber stored in the street.

A Member—Who is this Mr Ryan?

Mr Forrest—He is chairman of a league down there. He has not obeyed the notice I served on him.—Adjourned.

### BRUTAL MURDER NEAR BROADFORD.

As we briefly announced in our last issue a shocking murder was committed at Cooleygorman near Broadford on Thursday night, between seven and eight o’clock. The fatal occurrence does not appear to be the result of an agrarian dispute, and from the facts which are reported it would seem that early on the day in question a dispute took place in a public house at Newcastle between two brothers named Pat and Morty O’Donnell and a man named Larkin. Blows were struck, and ultimately the police interfered and put an end to the affray for a time. Fearing, however, a renewal of hostilities, the constabulary accompanied Larkin out of town when he was proceeding home in the evening, but after parting with the man he was overtaken by the O’Donnells, who are alleged to have left their cart and dragged Larkin off the vehicle on which he was riding. They first kicked him and beat him, as alleged, in a brutal manner, and then he was struck with a large stone, the effects of which put an end to the poor man’s sufferings next day. It is stated that three boys attempted to interfere, but two of them were knocked senseless with a blow, and the third becoming terrified at the fate of his companions, withdrew from the scene. The prisoners, with a man named John Murphy, who was in their company, were subsequently arrested.

On Friday a magisterial investigation was held before Major Rolleston, R.M., at Newcastle. District Inspector Barniville prosecuted, and the accused, who are in the employment of Mr J B Levers, J.P., Glanduff Castle, were not professionally represented. The first witness examined was a man named Michael Boyce. After describing the dispute in Newcastle, he proceeded to say that he went home with the deceased man Michael Larkin, whose sister and Mrs McCarthy and a person named Hartnett were also in the car. When they arrived at Pat Don’s, of Abavulka, they were suddenly surprised by the two O’Donnells, who attacked deceased. They dragged him off the car despite the cries of his sister; witness saw the two prisoners strike deceased with stones and sticks; Pat O’Donnell had a stick and his brother Mort a stone when he came up; he saw the two O’Donnells beating deceased down; witness attempted to protect deceased, but received a blow of a stone in the back from one of them; seeing the great danger he fled with his life; the deceased appeared to be in the best of humour while in their company coming along the road. He was inoffensive and showed no disposition to quarrel with any person; he had no appearance of drink; he afterwards saw deceased at Sullivan’s house, Cooleygorman, where he had been removed to, saw him take a little milk and water; the deceased, a little after his removal to Sullivan’s, asked to be removed home; those were his last words, and he died in a few minutes afterwards.

Margaret Larkin, sister of the deceased who naturally was in a very nervous state, deposed that having heard of the row in Newcastle she asked the O’Donnells, “Are you going to kill my brother?” and Mortimer O’Donnell turned round and called her indecent names. She went to the police to get them to see her brother safely out of town.

One of the accused at this juncture smiled at the witness, who appeared greatly agitated, and this conduct met with a deserved reproof from the district inspector.

Continuing, the witness said shortly after the police had left them the two O’Donnells and Murphy overtook them on the road with their horse and cart; the two O’Donnells immediately attacked her brother who was in a second cart which was following the one in which witness was seated; she shouted to the boys who were in the cart with her that her brother was struck; she saw him trying to get clear over the ditch from the prisoners; the two O’Donnells pulled him back into the middle of the road, and beat him with sticks; they continued beating and kicking him for some time; she threw herself on

her brother who was on the ground, to save him; the two boys, Hartnett and Boyce, who were in the cart with witness, also interfered for his protection, but Hartnett got a blow of a stick from one of the O’Donnells, and was thrown down; Boyce ran away; she raised her brother to his feet; his face was resting on her bosom, and was covered with blood; he was very weak, if not senseless; she saw Pat O’Donnell again take up a large stone (like that produced), made at her, and struck her brother with it in the right side of the head; he fell out of her arms from the effects of the blow; he gave a loud snore, and frothed out of the mouth after receiving the stroke; she saw Hartnett opposite lying senseless; another boy named Moekler, who was in the cart with her brother, also attempted to interfere, but was knocked senseless by a blow of a stick from one of the O’Donnells; at this time Mr Levers, in whose employment the O’Donnells were, came up, and rendered assistance; the O’Donnells then went away on the road, and subsequently a carman named Maurice Riordan came up with his side-car; he was proceeding home from Newcastle, and conveyed Larkin on it to the house of Mr Richard Sullivan, Cooleygorman; she was aware that an ill-feeling existed between the O’Donnells and the deceased; her elder sister and the deceased received a very severe beating from the two O’Donnells at Tullilise about twelve months ago; the deceased used to be striving to avoid them.

Patrick Moekler deposed that John Murphy, the third accused, did not take part in the attack on Larkin, nor did he make an attempt to interfere.

Some further evidence was given, and the inquiry was adjourned till Thursday, the accused being remanded till then without bail.

An inquest was held at Broadford on Saturday touching the cause of death, and the following verdict was returned:—“That we find deceased, Michael Larkin, bachelor, aged about 24 years, died from a fracture of the skull, caused by some blunt instrument; and from evidence we believe that the fracture was caused in the fight which took place between the deceased, Michael Larkin, and Pat O’Donnell and Mortimer O’Donnell.”

### RAIDS FOR ARMS IN THE COUNTY OF LIMERICK.

MOONLIGHTERS SURPRISED.  
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

In the same locality where Larkin was murdered on Thursday night, within a mile of the Glanduff police barrack, and in close proximity to the house in which the remains of the murdered man were lying, a desperate raid for arms was made on Sunday, while the people were at Broadford mass. The house of John McCarthy, of Glanduff, was surrounded by a disguised and armed party who burst in the door, and took away his gun. From thence they proceeded to several other farmer’s houses in the neighbourhood of Curramore, and almost in every case succeeded in taking arms. They attacked the residence of Mr Bastable, solicitor, and carried off his revolver. The house of Breshahan, which was attacked, it will be remembered, only very recently, was re-visited at midday, when young Breshahan again made a most courageous resistance singlehanded, firing on the attacking party (numbering about 20 men), and then followed them through the mountains for about fifteen miles. Intimation having reached the Glanduff police barrack, Sergeant Monihan and Constable Quigley followed them; being afterwards joined by several gentlemen in the neighbourhood, who took a most active part in the pursuit, including Lord Muskerry, Mr M Aherne, Mr Langford, and Police Inspector Barnaville, and a contingent of police from Drumcolloher, Newcastle, and Glenquin, who followed them through the mountains on foot beyond Rockchapel, and at one time were close to them, particularly Lord Muskerry and Sergeant Maguire, the latter firing on them, and it is supposed with some effect, as one of them was seen to fall. The moonlighters, however, being strinned and barefooted.

Thorne and Paul square, London.  
Frederick Thorne  
Adela, daughter

Craigh—June 8th  
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Craigh, of Craigh  
Preston—June 8  
Elizabeth, Adela  
B. Preston, age  
Walker—June 8  
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30 years.