

driven off the trespass, they put the animals back again, and defied him to remove them. They would not, he said, allow him to make up the fence.

Mr Corbett then cross-examined Mr Clerihan. He asked him how long he held this farm, and Mr Clerihan replied that he had it since December last.

Mr Corbett—How did you get it?  
Mr Clerihan—I got it from the Court of Chancery.

Mr Corbett—How did you get it?  
Mr Clerihan—By proposing for it.

Mr Corbett—Before you got it was Coonan not in possession of two acres? He was.  
Was he evicted afterwards? No, he was evicted before I took it.

Did you hear that the League took it up? Did Father Gavin go to you about it? He did.  
And did you not promise that you would allow Coonan to remain on using the place until you paid him £20?

Col Kingsley—That had nothing to do with the question.

Mr Corbett—It has everything to do with the question of title which is involved in the case.

Chairman—Does this matter of a promise of £20 amount to an agreement?

Mr Corbett—Mr Clerihan promised my client that he was to have the place until he was paid £20, and my client acted on the assumption that he had this right. To Mr Clerihan—Have you heard of a League meeting being convened, or of its being about to be convened until you gave the understanding that you would pay him him £20? No.

Did you and Father Gavin and another have a conversation about this matter? There was a conversation.

What was said about it? Until you gave him the £20 was he not to have a claim on the place? No.

Did he not keep the animals on the land since this conversation and arrangement? I gave him no permission.

Was it not on the 3rd of January the arrangement was entered into? I will not answer that unless their worship direct me to do so.

Colonel Kingsley—I do not see what it has to do with the case.

Mr Corbett—It has a lot.

Chairman—Were the animals trespassing on this disputed piece of land?  
Mr Clerihan—They were on my land over the entire farm.

Chairman—Did you give him permission to have them there? No.

Did you object to his having them there? No.

Mr Corbett—Was it not after the conversation with Father Gavin that the animals were put there? They were there always.

Colonel Kingsley—What is your title? It is a yearly tenancy from Mr Frenn, and the court.

Colonel Kingsley—Was there any reservation to Coonan? No.

Mr Corbett—As regards the charge of threatening language, it is a criminal prosecution, and unless your worship believe the defence is a fabrication you have no jurisdiction as a colourable case of title exists. Even though my client may have no rights in a court of law, in this criminal proceeding, I submit there is a sufficiently strong question of title involved to oust your jurisdiction.

Chairman to complainant—Did you warn Coonan not to keep the animals there before the occasion for which he is summoned?  
Complainant said he did not.

Chairman—We cannot admit that any outside conversation could touch the legality of the complainant's title, and we have decided on giving a decree for one penny compensation and costs.

Mr Corbett said as regarded the criminal charge of threatening language, his client had an idea that he had authority in the place, and that was sufficient to set up a colourable title. He submitted that their worship had no jurisdiction.

The Chairman said the question really was, not whether he had a title, but whether he considered himself that he had a title, and the magistrates believed there was a certain shadow of title, or that Coonan believed he had a shadow of title; but they wished it to be understood that outside conversations would not be taken in modification of decisions and fixtures of courts of law. They would dismiss the case.

**ASSAULT ON A POLICEMAN.**  
Martin Hickey was summoned by Constable Darcy for drunkenness, and in a second summons was charged by Constable Moran with assault.

Both constables alleged that defendant's conduct on the occasion was very bad, while the defendant complained that he had been ill-used by the police. He produced a pledge certificate, and as there was nothing against him previously he was only fined 10s for the assault. The charge of drunkenness was adjourned for three months.

Constable Melid summoned James Hickey, a brother of the defendant in the preceding case, for being drunk and disorderly at Portroe on the 16th inst, and had him fined 10s.

**TRESPASS.**  
John Hayes summoned Thomas Boyle for trespass of cattle on his corn, and obtained a decree for 5s, with costs.

**SWINE FEVER ORDER.**

and our first step is to send our engineer to prepare a plan and specification, and to fix the value of the site. We can then come to terms with the owner of the plot proposed to be taken.

This suggestion was agreed to.  
The Board then adjourned.

**DEATH OF MR. CHARLES E. CURLING, J.P.**

We deeply regret to learn of the death of Mr Charles E N Curling, J P, agent on the Devon Estate, which, our Newcastle West correspondent writes, took place on Friday at Harrowgate, whither he had gone a fortnight previous for the purpose of recruiting his health. The best relations have always existed between Mr Curling and the tenants on the Devon Estate, which is a very extensive property. By the people of Newcastle he was most highly esteemed, and he was never found wanting when his aid became necessary in promoting any project for the benefit of the town. He was an old member of the local Board of Guardians, and as a Grand Juror of long standing he took the deepest interest in county matters. His premature demise has caused the deepest regret in Newcastle and its neighbourhood, as the following expression of public opinion, which our correspondent supplies, will show.

A large public meeting of the people of Newcastle and the tenantry of the Devon Estate was held at the Courthouse to-day (Saturday) to give expression to the sorrow and sympathy felt at the death of Mr Chas E Curling.

On the motion of Mr P O'Shaughnessy, J P, seconded by Mr C L Curtin, P L G, the Very Rev Dean Hammond, P P, V G; was moved to the chair.

Mr Jas D Leahy, C E, proposed and Mr John Condon, solr, seconded that Mr John Flanagan act as secretary.

Amongst those present were—Rev Father Quinlan, C C; Messrs George J Sheehy, J P; D Leahy, C E; Dan Leonard, Jas Pitts, John Condon, solr, Miel H Wolfe, Patk O'Shaughnessy, J P; C L Curtin, P L G; Thos Earlight, J J McSweeney, Ballintemple; Thomas Ambrose, P L G; Wm A Roche, John Kennedy, Jerome Coakly, John McDunnell, Wm Phelan, Thomas Hurlay, Maurice Roche, J F Sheehy, V S; D Kennedy, Chas McCarthy, solr; John Morrison, R Nash, Maurice Curtin, Jas O'Sullivan, Dromin House; C C Harnett, Michael McCoy, junr; J Griffin, J P Leven, E Kennedy, Michl Murphy, Mathew O'Mahony, J Byrnes, Clerk of the Union; Bryan E Sheehy, C E; Edward Sheehy, P Harnett, Jerh O'Susa, &c.

Dean Hammond said they had assembled on this sad occasion of sorrow to express their sincere sympathy with Mrs Curling and her family, who were stricken with heavy grief in the great loss they had sustained. The people had lost a good, kind and considerate an agent as any people could have. In his dealings with the tenantry he was kind and most considerate. He never showed a disposition to tyrannise over the people, no matter how humble or poor they were, and the cases of hardship on the estate were very few, indeed it would compare more than favourably with any other estate in the country. Personally he found him friendly, kind, and always considerate, and this large meeting begged to tender to Mrs Curling and her family their deepest sympathy.

Mr G L Sheehy said he wished to endorse every word that fell from their respected chairman, and he could do so from personal knowledge. He was managing the Devon property, which ranged from the banks of the Deel to those of the Feal, and that estate would bear comparison with any estate in Ireland. It was with heartfelt sorrow they all heard of his death, which he knew they deeply and sincerely deplored, and he was glad the people and tenantry had come together to mark the sympathy they all felt for their dear departed friend. He proposed, and Mr James Pitts seconded, the following resolution, which was unanimously passed:—"That we, the people of Newcastle West, and tenantry of the Devon estate, have heard with sincere sorrow of the lamented death of Mr Charles E N Curling, J P, receiver over the Courtenay property, beg to tender to his bereaved wife and family our deep and heartfelt sympathy in the great and irreparable loss they have sustained. We cannot remain silent on this sad and solemn occasion, having experienced during the twenty-one years of his close connection with the estate many acts of great kindness and indulgence received at his hands, and whose uniform courtesy won for him the esteem and regard of all who had public or private intercourse with him, and we pray God, in His great mercy, to reward our kind and beloved friend."

Dean Hammond said that it would be a source of great consolation to Mrs Curling and her family to hear of this large meeting of the people, and the sense of deep sorrow they had expressed for her and her family.

It was decided that a floral wreath from the people of the town and the tenantry be placed on the coffin on Monday.

A vote of thanks was passed to the rev chairman, and the proceedings terminated.

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Mrs Athill, brocade bag and Japanese tray; Mrs R Bingham, glass, china, and leather and brass things, etc; Miss Busk, pincushions, etc; Mrs Chichester, of Hall Barum, war; Mr Crunden, Japanese bronzes; Mr George Clark, photo frame; Mr Hill, Austrian glass, and French china; the Countess Dowager of Idlesleigh, embroideries and straw plait boxes; Mr Lewis, enamel writing set; Mr Henry Lewis, silver things; Mr Parkes, silver and brass things; Mr Philips, brass things (old Russian) and Venetian glass; Mrs Pilcher, silver box; Mrs Phelps, Jersey pottery; Mrs Rice, china flower pot; Mr Smith, silver things; Mr Samuel, silver buttons; Mrs Tillotson, embroidery, etc; Mrs Upton, Robins, a pair of old Chinese porcelain dishes; Mr Vaughan, old engravings framed; Mrs J L Vincent, Russian painted wood articles; the Lady Jane Van Koughnet Carisbad glass; Miss Webb, photo frames.

Mrs Vincent also begs to thank Mr McCarthy for lending her 3 screens, 2 tables, etc.; Mr Ledger and Mrs Gordon O'Neill, for printing her raffle tickets free of charge, and Mr Stewart for lending her a glass show case. Mrs Vincent will announce when her raffles are to be drawn. At present several of the tickets remain unsold. As the number was limited in each raffle, Mrs Vincent must dispose of them all. The first claret cup, jug and glasses in basket stand—has been raffled, and was won by Miss R Phelps, Ticket No. 1.

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