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WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 7, 1897

Ameer of Afghanistan has addressed a letter to the British Agent at Cabul, by whom it has been despatched to the Government of India, putting forward the views he has already expressed as to the Afridis and others. It appears that the Afridi Mullahs sent an embassy to the Afghan ruler tendering their allegiance and asking him to help them with money, arms and troops. In reply the Ameer told them that he would pass through their country to meet Dufferin they made no representation of their condition, or the circumstances which they were placed, and now, that they had got into trouble, they come to him for assistance. He took to lecturing these zealous devotees on the duties of the religion profess with more than usual earnestness. "I have entered into an alliance," he says, "with the British Government in regard to matters of State, and up to the present time no breach of agreement has occurred on the side of the British, notwithstanding that they are Christians and we are Moslems, and followers of the religion of the Prophet and of four Caliphs of the Prophet. How can we, then, permit a breach of the agreement? What do you say about the verse of the Koran, 'Fulfil your promise?' To fulfil his promise is the duty of the Moslem. God, on the day when the first promise was taken, asked all Moslems whether he was their God or not. They said, 'Yes, you are our God, and our Lord.'" And on the day of the Resurrection the first question will be about the observance of agreements. "I will never," he says, "without cause or occasion, swerve from the agreement, because the English up to the present time, have in no way departed from the line of the boundary laid down on the map agreed upon with me. Why then should I depart? To do so would be far from justice. It would not, at the instance of a few self-interested men, bring ignominy upon myself and my country." It was mentioned earlier in the Chronicle that the Ameer had written a book, and it is clear that the ruler of the Afghanistan is not indisposed to display his literary talents. He does not intend to

his absence. His Honor said if the people of this country wanted to have trial by jury abolished they should say so, but if trial by jury were abolished they would have a hullabaloo throughout the length and breadth of the country. At the same time what he would do in this case was, he would reduce the fine to 10s, but he would not let any juror off altogether.

WILL OF MR JOHN B C GOODBODY, CLARA.

The London correspondent of the Nation says, that probate of the will dated August 11th, 1891, of Mr John Barclay Clibbon Goodbody, of Drayton Villa, Clara, King's Co, merchant, a member of the Society of Friends, who died on the 17th May last, aged 44 years, has been granted to his brothers, Frederick Robert Goodbody, of Drayton Villa, James Ellis Goodbody, of Thomsville, Limerick, and Lewis Goodbody, of Upton, Clara, solicitor, by whom the value of the testator's estate has been affirmed at £21,568 4s 9d, including £5,900 in England. The testator bequeathed to his brothers, James Ellis Goodbody, and Lewis Goodbody, £1,000, and to his sister, Mary Catherine Goodbody, £250. He left all the residue of his property to his brother Frederick Robert absolutely.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES PEGUM, GLIN.

At a specially convened meeting of the Glin Co-Operative Dairy Society, Limited, held on October 4th, Mr J. P. Fitzgerald presided. Also present—Messrs P Fitzgerald, M M'Donnell, J Hogan, P O'Shaughnessy, T Costello, T Culhane, J G Fitzgerald, Michael Fitzgerald, and M Normyle. The following resolution was proposed by Mr M O'Donnell, seconded by Mr Thomas Costelloe, and carried unanimously:—"That we, the Committee of Glin Co-operative Dairy Society, take this opportunity of expressing our sincere and heartfelt sorrow at the death of our respected Chairman, Mr James Pegum, and that we tender to his family and friends our condolence in their bereavement."

LIMERICK PROTESTANT ORPHAN SOCIETY.

The usual monthly meeting of Committee of this Society was held on Tuesday, 5th inst.—Very Rev. the Dean of Limerick, Chairman.

MEMORIALS.

A Memorial on behalf of two children was read for first time.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

The Committee considered a report from the Council of Female Orphan Training School, and applications relative to employment for two of the elder boys on the List.

The Quarterly Location Returns were examined.

Collections in aid of the Funds of the Society will be made in St. Mary's Cathedral, on Sunday next, and also in Croon Church.

Oct 6th, 1897.

BROADFORD, COUNTY CLARE, ATHLETIC SPORTS.

These sports were held on Monday under most favourable circumstances, the weather being all that could be desired and the attendance large and fashionable. Amongst those present were:—Mrs and Miss Phelps, Messrs. Phelps, Mr J O'G Delmege, D L, and party, Mr J D Going, J P; Mrs Going, Rev S W King, Mr and the Misses Bentley, Hurdlestown; Dr M J Ryan and the Misses Ryan, Mr P Lynch, B L. The Boherbuoy Brass Band played a choice programme of music. Dr Ryan and Mr Lynch, B L, were most painstaking in looking after the

consider a resolution to be proposed for acceptance, viz:—To apply and pay out of the Impment Rate, assessed and levied on the Borough of Limerick, the costs and expenses of promulgating a Bill in Parliament for the following, and other purposes: To extend the Boundary of Borough of Limerick, to provide for the transfer to the Corporation of Limerick, of undertakings and powers of the Limerick Markets Trustees, to extend the Borrowing Powers of the Corporation, and authorise issue of Corporation Stock; to reduce a quarter of the Council from one-third to one-fifth of its members; to lower the Municipal Franchise to the Parliamentary Franchise, and for other objects set out in detail.

The attendance was not nearly so large as might have been expected, having regard to the importance of the subject, but the proceedings were very protracted, having occupied three hours and a half, when the further consideration of the matter was adjourned to a future meeting of the Corporation, after it has been discussed by the Town Council.

The Mayor presided. There were also present Alderman Hall, Alderman O'Mara, Mr T MacMahon-Cragan, Mr R Nash, Mr M Doran, Alderman Carr, Mr D Begley, Mr P Tracey, W E Conaghan, Mr James Ellis Goody (Bannatyne & Sons), Mr William Holliday (E Hotel), Mr E J Long, Mr Peter McGuire, Kavanagh, Mr Stephen Hastings, Mr P B Mr James Wallace.

Alderman O'Mara inquired how many ratepayers they should have to go on with the meeting?

Mr Dundon—The resolution must be carried by at least a majority of five.

The Mayor—That is a small majority.

Mr Hastings—I presume this is the meeting of the citizens advertised to be held?

The Mayor—Yes, sir.

Mr Hastings—I should like to know how long we are to wait, for the meeting at present does not seem to be large. I should like to know how long we are to wait?

Alderman Hall said he should express his surprise at the indifference of the Burgesses.

Mr Peter McGuire complained that notice was not given to the Burgesses, inasmuch as no circulars had been sent to them. He asked several ratepayers about the meeting they said they had heard nothing for about it.

The Mayor—It has been posted all over town and advertised in the papers.

Mr Dundon said they could not issue circulars as the Act of Parliament did not provide for expense.

Mr Begley agreed with Mr McGuire. He never saw the posters until he came to the Hall.

Mr Dundon—There were two meetings of the Corporation summoned, and Mr Begley was a member.

Mr Begley—There was not a single poster on the Ennis Road where I live.

Mr McGuire—Nor on my road.

Mr Hastings—I met a well-known member of the Corporation a gentleman of long experience and a large owner of property that he had no meeting of the citizens to be held but a meeting of the Town Council, and when Mr McGuire was so badly informed as that it is not that outsiders should be badly informed.

The Mayor—It was fully advertised.

Mr Hastings—If the meeting has fallen through I don't think we should be kept waiting.

The Mayor—Is there a quorum necessary for the meeting?

Mr Dundon—It appears plain that there