

THE MCBIRNE

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Saturday, 8th April, and Following

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS.

Fox—April 5, 1911, at Rathangan, county Kildare, the wife of A. L. Fox, of a son.

WOULFE-FLANAGAN—April 2, 1911, at 122, Lower Baggott-street, Mrs. Woulfe-Flanagan, of Leocarrow Lodge, Boyle, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

LANGFORD and CLARKE—March 30, 1911, at the Cathedral, Bombay, Henry, younger son of the late Captain Langford, 29th Regiment, to Evelyn, daughter of the late Rev. Adam Clarke.

O'CONNOR-BROWNE and FARRAR—March 29, 1911, at St George's Church, Dublin, by Rev. S. F. Howe, M.A., Samuel Francis O'Connor-Browne, youngest son of the late Edmund Browne, C.E., to Emily, eldest daughter of the late John Farrar, of National Education Office, Dublin.

DEATHS.

BELL—April 3, 1911, at 16, Idrone Terrace, Blackrock, county Dublin. Frances Georgina, widow of the late John Alexander Bell, of Jimbour, Darling Downs, Queensland, and daughter of the late Sir Andrew Armstrong, Bart., of Galien Priory, Fermagh. Funeral to Dean's Grange Cemetery on Saturday, the 8th April, at 10 o'clock. Queensland papers, please copy.

GABBETT—April 3, 1911, at Careswood, Castle-martyr, Mary Caroline Gabbett, eldest daughter of the late Wm. Henry Gabbett, Caherline House, county Limerick. Funeral strictly private.

O'BRIEN—On 5th April, at his residence, Beechill, Patrickswell, Dr. J. J. O'Brien, Medical Officer, Clarina Dispensary. Funeral to-morrow (Friday) from Ballybrown Church for Mungret. Age 66 years.—R.I.P.

KILRUSH QUARTER SESSIONS

Action for Slander Against a West Clare Teacher.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

At the Kilrush Quarter Sessions yesterday, before his Honor County Court Judge Bodkin, a remitted action from the Superior Courts for slander was heard at the suit of an old man named Simon Considine, residing near Cooraclare, against Martin Donnelly, assistant teacher in the Cooraclare National School. The alleged slander, for which £200 damages were claimed, consisted in the allegation that respondent accused Considine of stealing some of his straw on the evening of the 19th November last, outside his workman's house, where the straw was being threshed, the plaintiff occupying a portion of the same house. The farm adjoining was once the holding of plaintiff, but had been sold by his son to Donnelly at an auction a few years ago.

Mr. J. J. Gwynn, B.L. (instructed by Mr. McCarthy Morough, solr., Cork), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Cullinan, B.L. (instructed by Mr. Michael Killeen, solicitor, Kilrush), appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff, in his evidence, stated on the evening in question he was in his "linny" or little cabin attached to his part of the dwellinghouse, where he kept straw obtained from Mrs. Breen, a neighbour, and some turf, which he had been tidying up to make room for his wife to get turf, when defendant rushed in at him from the gate leading from the road, saying, "Hello, Shennan, you have stolen my straw. My man has told me; he would not tell a lie in a hundred years, and I will prosecute you."

Counsel said old Considine vehemently rejected the charge of stealing the straw, and brought Donnelly at once to Thomas Flynn, defendant's workman, who with another man was threshing the straw for Donnelly in his workman's house. He asked him, "Did he tell Martin Donnelly that he (Considine) had stolen the straw?" Flynn denied ever having told Donnelly anything of the kind, nor did Considine steal any straw from them. The plaintiff at once placed the matter in the hands of his solicitor, who wrote to Donnelly on the matter, and threatened legal proceedings if he did not withdraw the charge he made against Considine, and instead of doing either he repeated the charge of

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