

LIMERICK.

The Irish Volunteers Growth of the Movement

KILMALLOCK AND ARDPATRICK INTO
LINE

TWO IMPORTANT MEETINGS

INTERESTING PROCEEDINGS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

A meeting was held in the Castle Hall, Kilmallock, for the purpose of establishing a corps of the Irish Volunteers. Mr. L. Roche, J.P., presided, and amongst those present were—Messrs N Gaffney, J Godfrey, J O'Keefe, J Gaffney, J Cahill, T Manahan, J Keane, James Ryan, E Jackson, Wm O'Grady, John O'Connor, J A Lynch, J C O'Sullivan, J Houllihan, etc.

The Chairman returned thanks for asking him to preside. He explained the objects of the movement and said he was at the inaugural meeting held in Dublin and would give them all the assistance in his power.

Mr. N. Gaffney in an effective speech dealt with different aspects of the movement and said for the purpose of instruction it would be necessary to have the services of an ex-military man.

Mr. John O'Connor—Any man that sold his country for a shilling, leave him out.

Mr. W. O'Grady—No, no.

Mr. Gaffney—As you raised the question I'll answer it. I never knew an Irishman to go into the British army but when he could not get any other employment and it never made him a worse man (hear, hear). The Irish soldiers were as National as themselves.

Chairman—Hear, hear.

Mr Gaffney—and I am well aware of it. I am sorry the question was raised. Continuing, he said he was well aware that in the Fenian times redcoated men were the best Fenians in Ireland, and referred to Colour-Sergeant M'Carthy, Eflin, and John Flood, Kilmallock. A man never sold-himself for the shilling, and if an Irishman joined the British Army he had no Irish Army to list in. Some men might laugh at the Volunteer movement but it was a movement that meant to make Ireland a nation.

Chairman—Hear, hear.

Mr. James Ryan proposed, and Mr. N. Gaffney seconded—"That a regiment of the Irish National Volunteers be formed in Kilmallock, and that it be called the 87th Regiment, Kilmallock Volunteers (Sarsfield's Own)."

The Chairman said with regard to the observation as to military men, one of the first of the rules was to secure the services of a competent instructor and utilise all the ex-military men possible. He was understood to say that the gentleman who drafted it was one of the best Nationalists in Ireland. They were to exclude nobody, and everyone was clearly to understand that the aims of the Volunteers were to secure and maintain the rights common to the whole of the people.

Mr. Joseph Gaffney supported the resolution, and explained the objects of the movement in a lucid and forcible address, in the course of which he referred to the objection raised to ex-soldiers, and mentioned the number of soldiers in the British army who had joined the Fenian Brotherhood.

Mr. O'Grady said he was sorry that the amount of interest in the movement shown by the young people was not up to their expectations. There was a good gathering of the Gaels, but there should be a lot more present. There had been great musters of people elsewhere, but the meeting that night was not as big as they had anticipated, but he hoped that their future meetings would be much larger.

The Chairman said it would be well to pass a resolution calling on local Nationalists to support them.

Mr. O'Grady said they had been summoned, and so had their representatives in public boards, and they were not present.

The Chairman thought at the same time that it would be as well to pass such a resolution.

Mr. John Cahill then proposed a resolution appealing to all local bodies to help the movement.

M. J. Moylan seconded, and it was adopted.

A Provisional Committee was then appointed consisting of Mr. L. Roche, J.P., president; Messrs. E. Jackson and W. O'Grady, treasurers; James Ryan and David Cronin, secretaries.

West Limerick Nun's Death

Our Abbeyfeale correspondent writes:—In her 48th year, after only a few days' illness, the death of Sister Mary Berchmans (Barrett), which is very sincerely regretted, occurred at the Convent of Mercy, The Rosary, Abbeyfeale. Her death has closed a truly saintly career—a life full of exemplary exertion in the holy cause of charity. Sister Berchmans was daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Barrett, of Athea, and had spent many years of her spiritual life at the Ballingarry Branch of the Convent prior to returning to Abbeyfeale two years ago. She never tired of ministering to the sick poor, and amongst the poor and destitute her charitable efforts never ceased. It was certainly the promptings of a saintly heart that delighted in gathering round the doors of "The Rosary" the outcasts—the rejected homeless itinerants of the road—and so often succeeded in brightening the milestones of many of those unfortunate despairing wanderers. The depth of such striking acts of charity was an edification, even to the good Sisters around her. The intense pain which, from the nature of her illness, must have attended her last hours, was completely lost in her abandoned resignation, and an intense desire to imitate the patience of her divine Master. His Lordship the Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwer, regretted much his inability to attend the obsequies. Solemn Requiem Mass and office for the dead having been celebrated the interment took place immediately in the Convent Cemetery. The officiating clergy were—Right Rev Monsignor Hallinan, D.D., V.G. Newcastle West; Very Rev Canon Lee, P.P. Abbeyfeale; Very Rev Canon Cregan, P.P. Athea; Rev M Byrne, P.P. Dromcollogher; Rev J Reeves, P.P. Tournafulla; Rev Father Breen, P.P. Templeglantine; Rev W Fenton, P.P. Ashford; Rev C Halpin, C.C.; Rev D O'Riordan, C.C.; Rev Father O'Shea, C.C., Athea. The Chief mourners were:—Messrs Thomas, Edmond, and John Barrett, Athea, (brothers); Mrs Julia Barrett, Mrs Mary Barrett (sisters), May, Mary, Josephine Barrett (nieces), A Ruddle, Miss Ruddle, Mrs O'Connell, Miss J Sheahan, L Buckley, Mrs Buckley, P Barrett, Ardagh; P Barrett, Glenduff; John Barrett, D.C.; James Barrett, John Woulfe, Miss Woulfe, Mrs Hanrahan, Ballylongford; Mr and Mrs O'Connor, Gale Bridge; Mr and Mrs O'Connor, Tullamore House; Mr, Mrs and Miss O'Connor, Colbee; T O'Connor, Gale Bridge; Mrs Wm Hurley, D W Hurley, Athea; D Lane, P O'Kelly (cousins), Edmond and Michael Sheehy, Cratloe (brothers-in-law). Amongst the general public were—Mr and Mrs P Dalton, Miss Maisie Dalton, M Hayes, Miss Hayes, John Hayes, D Danaher, J D Danaher, P Broderick, Miss Broderick, P Moran, Templeathea; T Quaide, Dirreen; James Barrett, Knocknagorna; T Barrett, Dirreen, T J Barrett, do; Mrs and Mr T O'Connell, N T; Batt and Miss Nora Fitzgerald, P Liston, P Chute, E O'Sullivan, Miss B O'Sullivan, T O'Connor, T O'Sullivan, J M'Kenna, Miss Killeen, Mrs O'Brien, W O'Carroll, W M Mahon, T Aherne, Mr and Mrs J Leahy, W Roche, T Aherne, Mr and Mrs James P Woulfe, Cratloe; John J Woulfe, Mrs and Mr R J Woulfe, D.C.; Miss K Woulfe, Mr and Mrs John R Woulfe, Mrs D Kelly, Miss O'Kelly, T White, Miss E White, J Dalton, D.C.; C L O'Connell, James Moran, Mrs Broderick, Mrs Nolan, Mrs O'Keefe. The following attended from the town and district—Messrs D Leahy, solicitor; B C Collins, J P, Co Co; W D O'Connor, Wm M Mahon, Manager National Bank; Dr Phil M'Carthy, P D Lyons, Mrs M O'Sullivan, Dr R B Woulfe, L P S I; Dr H O'Donoghue, L P S I; J Abern, Mr and Mrs E W Forde, Mrs D B Harnett, Mrs D C Broderick, M J Moloney, Mr and Mrs M J Moloney, Junior; Miss M H Harnett, T D O'Connor, T Ryan, Mrs M Shanahan, Miss B O'Connell, M Greeney, J T O'Connell, Miss K Cotter, Miss M Moynihan (Postmistress), J J Curtin, E Leahy, D E Leahy, J P Fitzgerald, M L Harnett, T Fitzgerald, M W Harnett, B Harnett, T O'Connell, N T; J Hanly, N T; P M'Carthy, N T; J O'Kelly, N T; D O'Connor, N T; J Broderick, N T; P O'Connell, N T; Miss A T O'Connor, N T; Mrs C O'Rourke, M J Browne, T P O'Connell, L Collins, M P Moloney, R Walsh, P Flynn, J Flynn, etc.

Clare Lunatic Asylum Meeting of Management Committee

APPLICATION FROM ATTENDANTS

THE PROPOSED AUXILIARY AT TULLA

The monthly meeting of the Clare Lunatic Asylum Committee of Management was presided over by Mr. P. J. Linnane, J.P. The other members present were—Rev. A. Clancy, Messrs. M. Considine, and Patrick J. Hogan.

STATE OF THE HOUSE.

Admitted from last meeting, 8 males and 6 females; discharged, 4 males and 3 females; died, 1 female; remaining in house, 228 females. In Ennis Union Lunatic wards, 4 males.

REPORT OF R.M.S.

In his monthly report, Dr. O'Mara, R.M.S., said that advertisements had been issued for tenders for steam fittings, etc., which would be submitted. It would be necessary to advertise for the usual annual supplies of coals, to be considered at the next meeting. Owing to the illness of the Engineer and Head Attendant it was necessary to provide substitutes during the month. The health of the inmates was good. The usual orders were made.

FITTINGS

The tender of Messrs. Curtis and Sons, Dublin, was accepted for all items of plumbing and steam fittings required.

INSTALMENTS OF LOANS.

There was a letter from the Board of Works notifying the Committee that they were now prepared to issue the first instalment of loans of £2,350 and £960 for the new sewerage works on receipt of requisition.

NEW AUDITOR.

The Local Government Board wrote informing the Committee that Mr. William Boughy would in future audit the accounts of the Asylum in place of Mr. Cyril E. Browne, transferred.

AN APPLICATION.

There was an application from the married attendants on the staff that they might be allowed the cash value of their allowances while sick in their own homes.

The Resident Medical Superintendent was authorised to ask the L. G. Board to sanction the payment of these allowances.

The attendants also applied for the cash value of their washing.

This was marked "read."

RESIGNATION OF THE LAUNDRESS.

Miss Julia O'Donoghue wrote resigning the position of laundress.

The resignation was accepted, and it was decided to appoint Teresa Scanlan as laundress.

Jane Anne Daly was appointed second-class attendant, and it was decided to advertise for a third class attendant.

CONTRACTS.

After a discussion, it was decided that the tender of Mr. John Byrne be accepted for shoulders of bacon at £3 5s. per cwt., inasmuch as Mr. Honan made a mistake in his tender last month.

With reference to the tea contract, for which Messrs. Peter M'Mahon and John Moroney were accepted last month, the Commissioners decided that in the event of Mr. M'Mahon having a further supply of similar tea in stock, it would be accepted by the Committee, provided that the chests were marked consecutively and stood the test of the tester.

There was a letter from Mr. William Griffin to the effect that he had made a mistake in his tender for waterproof sheeting, but the members decided to hold him to his contract.

PROPOSED AUXILIARY ASYLUM AT TULLA.

A report on plans and specifications in connection with the above was read from Mr. W. H. Byrne, Inspectors' Architect, and.

On the motion of Mr. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Considine, the following was unanimously adopted:—"The drawings and specifications to be amended, so as to give full information as regards the proposed water supply. The drawings to be amended so as to show thereon the sewage disposal works. The additional lands for the employment of patients, etc., will be acquired when necessary, but before the patients come into occupation. The drawings to be amended with regard to the accommodation of the administration staff. The drawings and specification to be amended in connection with technical alterations, etc., as suggested by Mr. Byrne in his interview with Mr. Sheehy