

VOL. 1. NO. 5.

DUBLIN, SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 1906.

PRICE ONE PENNY.

FOR THE DAY OF RECKONING.

THE CONVENTIONS.

List of Selected Candidates.

ALL IN HARMONY.

United Front to the Enemy.

SURPRISE IN DONEGAL.

Further Conventions for the selection of Nationalist candidates were held during the past week. The great feature of the assemblies was the harmonious and business-like manner in which the proceedings were conducted.

SELECTIONS.

North Wickford—Sir Thos. Esmond. North Wicklow—Mr. D. J. Cogan. North Tipperary—Mr. Michael Hogan. Wicklow City—Mr. P. O'Brien. North Kilkenny—Mr. Joseph Devlin. Wick's Co. (Osory)—Mr. Wm. Delany. North Tyrone—Mr. Serjeant O'Leary. North Tipperary—Mr. Kendal O'Brien. South Tipperary—Mr. J. Cullinan. Limerick—Mr. P. O'Shaughnessy. East Waterford—Mr. P. J. Power. South Meath—Mr. David Sheehy. East Tipperary—Mr. T. W. Condon. Galway Division, King's Co.—Mr. Haviland Burke. Limerick City—Alderman Joyce. East Limerick—Mr. London. North Meath—Mr. P. White. North Wickford—Mr. Peter French. North Longford—The Hon. E. Blake. North Longford—Mr. J. P. Farrell. West Wicklow—Mr. James O'Connor. North Kilkenny—Mr. James O'Mara. North Westmeath—Mr. Donald Sullivan. Westmeath—Mr. Leo. Ghinnell. East Tyrone—Mr. P. C. Doogan. Queen's Co. (Leix)—Mr. P. A. Meehan. South Louth—Mr. P. A. Nolan. East Cavan—Mr. S. Young. Galway—Mr. C. Devlin. Galway (Connemara)—Mr. Wm. O'Malley. South Armagh—Mr. Wm. McKillop. King's Co., Tuillamore—Mr. Haviland Burke. South Sligo—Mr. John O'Dowd. North Mayo—Mr. Conor O'Kelly. North Galway—Mr. Thomas Higgins. West Cavan—Mr. V. P. Kennedy. North Roscommon—Mr. J. J. O'Kelly. South Down—Mr. J. McVeagh. West Mayo—Mr. Robert Ambrose. South Galway—Mr. W. J. Duffy. South Roscommon—Mr. John P. Hayden. North Donegal—Mr. Philip O'Doherty. North Leitrim—Mr. P. A. McHugh. West Donegal—Mr. H. A. Law.

WEST DONEGAL. On Friday at a convention of Nationalist delegates of West Donegal, held in Dunleavy, Rev. Canon James McFadden, Glenelg, presiding, Mr. Hugh A. Law, the sitting member, was chosen as Parliamentary candidate for the division. Mr. Denis Johnston, United Irish League organizer, was proposed by Mr. John E. Boyle, Dunleavy, and seconded by Mr. John T. Sweeney, Dunleavy, but in order to have a unanimous selection, Mr. Boyle, at the request of the rer, chairman, withdrew Mr. Johnston's name.

NORTH DONEGAL. At the Nationalist Convention held on Friday at Carndonagh, Mr. Hugh Carlin presiding, the delegates chose Mr. Philip O'Doherty, Derry, as Parliamentary candidate for the division of North Donegal. There was a large attendance of delegates. Mr. John Muldoon, the sitting member, received 45 votes, Mr. O'Doherty, 55, and Mr. John O'Hagan, Buncrana, 10. Mr. David Sheehan represented the Division. The selected candidates signed the Party Pledge, and promised loyalty to Mr. Redmond and the Party.

SOUTH ROSCOMMON. At the South Roscommon Convention on Friday, Mr. John P. Hayden was unanimously selected for South Roscommon, with Mr. John FitzGibbon, Chairman of the County Council, in the chair.

NORTH LEITRIM. Mr. Drumkeenan on Friday Mr. P. A. McHugh was unanimously adopted as candidate for North Leitrim.

EAST TYRONE. Uncertainty characterised the proceedings of the Convention for East Tyrone, which was held on Wednesday, under the presidency of Mr. James Mullin, solicitor, at the Ferry Hill, Coolshannon, selected the present member, Mr. F. C. Doogan, as the Nationalist Parliamentary candidate for the division. Mr. Doogan briefly acknowledged the mark of confidence. He would try to meet the approval of the constituency in the future, as in the past, and he was confident of success at the poll. He had fought and won at two General Elections, and he hoped to have a still greater victory at the coming election. Their opponents had some slight majority on the register, but he felt a large majority would hardly be given to capture the historic stronghold of East Tyrone. A committee was appointed to look after the Nationalist interests in the election, and a fund was opened.

OUR CARTOON.



A YELLOW BIRD That Sang Good Old Irish Tunes.

This is from the "New York American"—Louis B. Parent, night clerk at the Park Avenue Hotel, knew that his wife's Christmas present must be either a bull terrier or a canary bird, but between the two he could not decide until he had compared the cost of each with his pay envelope. Then he knew that there could be no more fitting gift than a silver throated warbler.

The dealer guaranteed the bird to sing and said that if Parent would whistle a few bars occasionally the canary would soon emit floods of joyous music. Mr. Parent clasped her hands ecstatically before the pearly hall of feathers. She asked Parent if it would sing. Parent made a few good excuses for the bird and then took it into the other room of his Harlem flat and sat down to give it the first lesson.

There was a large gathering of Nationalists at the Convention which was held in the Town Hall, Galway, on Wednesday. Mr. Devlin, the sitting member, was unanimously selected as Parliamentary candidate for the borough, on the motion of the Rev. P. Donley, P.P., who presided, seconded by Dr. Nicholas Grealy, J.P.

EAST CAVAN. The East Cavan Convention at Cotehill on Wednesday unanimously adopted the present representative, Mr. S. Young, to go forward for the Division as the Nationalist candidate. The Very Rev. P. O'Connell, P.P., V.G., presided.

COMING CONVENTIONS. MONDAY, 8th January. Louth, North, at Dundalk Town Hall, 2.30 p.m. Cork, North, at Kanturk. Cork, West, at Hanty Town Hall, 12 noon. TUESDAY, 9th January. Mayo, East, at Swinford League Rooms, 12 noon. Sligo, North, at Sligo Town Hall, 1 p.m. Kerry, North, at Listowel Young Ireland Society's Room, 1 p.m. Kerry, South, at Killorglin Butter Market, 1.30 p.m. Cork, South-East, at Bandon, 2 p.m. Cork-North-East, at Fermoy, 12.30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, 10th January. Cork, Mid, at Macroom. Cork, East, at Midleton. Kerry, West, at Tralee Foresters' Room, 12 noon. Clare, West, at Kilrush Christian Schools, 12.30 noon.

FIRST IRISH ELECTION. The polling for South Tyrone Parliamentary election has been fixed by the Sheriff for January 24th. Mr. Russell's fight will, therefore, be the first decided, and the Unionists are so certain of victory that they hope the result will influence the contest in the North and East Divisions of the county, where the dates have not yet been fixed.

CO. MEATH SHERIFFALTY. On the 4th inst., Mr. Edward Rotherham, of Crossruoh, Oldcastle, and Mr. Joseph Lowry, of Kells, were sworn in before Mr. J. M. C. McCaffrey as Sheriff and Sub-Sheriff respectively for the County of Meath. Mr. William H. Spence (John Clark and Co.), solicitor, 37 Westmoreland street, Dublin, has been appointed Returning Officer for the county.

CARDINAL LOGUE Asked to Intervene TO SECURE SETTLEMENT IN NORTH LOUTH.

At a meeting of Dundalk Urban Council Works Committee, which comprises all the members of the Council, held on Friday, Mr. Peter Callan, vice-chairman, presided.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. James Johnson and seconded by Mr. McCoy:— That we, the Urban Council of Dundalk, are strongly of opinion that the differences at present existing between Mr. Healy, M.P. for this division of Louth, and the leading members of the Irish Parliamentary Party should be amicably settled in view of the fact that Mr. Healy has never refused to take the pledge to sit, act, and vote with the Irish Parliamentary Party, and that he has publicly declared his willingness to sign the pledge and abide by whatever conditions his constituents may lay down.

That, as Mr. Healy has been a sturdy champion at all times of Catholic rights and has done yeoman service in the past for the cause of religion and nationality, we would ask our eminent and revered parish priest, Cardinal Logue, to intervene, and by his personal influence, endeavour to bring about an amicable settlement of this difference, and bring a message of peace to his loving and devoted Catholic subjects.

That in view also of the fact that Mr. L. Waldron, M.P. for one of the divisions of Dublin, is adopted by the Party, although he is not bound by the pledge; that Serjeant Dodd is the adopted candidate of the United Irish League in North Tyrone, and that an arrangement has been come to with Mr. Wm. O'Brien and his followers, we feel to see why North Louth should be selected out of all Ireland for a conflict between Catholics and Nationalists, where angry passions will be excited and the ill effects of the contest felt for many years.

The resolution was unanimously adopted. Mr. M. Court, president of the United Irish League branch in Dundalk, leaving the room before it was put. Dundalk, Friday. Mr. T. M. Healy, M.P., arrived here this afternoon.

A LADY KLEPTOMANIAC. On Friday, at Marlborough street, London, Mrs. Esther Benjamin, 45, living in Fairholme road, West Kensington, was remanded on bail, charged with the theft of a belt from the premises Swan and Edgar, Ltd. An assistant stated that she saw defendant pick up a belt and bundle it rather hurriedly beneath her coat, and afterwards leave without paying. A witness said Mrs. Benjamin was in affluent circumstances and a property owner. She was very benevolent and respectable.

JURY OF WOMEN To Decide on the Fit of a Gown.

A new precedent has been established in the American courts. The first jury of women has been impanelled by a Virginia judge to decide on the fit of a Winchester lady's gown.

The trial, says the "New York World," grew out of the dissatisfaction of Mrs. Juliet Hathaway, a musician, with garments made for her by Mme. Zentmyer, a French dressmaker. His Honor Justice Johnson was struck by the thought that a jury of women ought to be in a position to decide the case more satisfactorily than one composed of men. Accordingly five ladies were selected to make the "atmosphere" of the case more complete. Plaintiff and defendant dispensed with counsel.

Mrs. Hathaway opened her side of the case, and, while explaining the circumstances, donned one of the skirts in controversy, and, after looking herself over at the French-plate mirror, entered into the details with a fluency of speech that convinced the court that the judge had done well in fortifying himself with a jury of women.

Then came Mme. Zentmyer's turn. Judge Fatigued. Two hours had elapsed, and the jury was not in the least fatigued. Justice Johnson, however, breathed a sigh of relief when all was over. He gave hurried instructions to the jury, which was marshalled by a deputy into an adjoining room.

Soon there were heard emanating from the jury-room loud exclamations and an occasional highly-pitched shriek. After half-an-hour the jury's "deliberation" was abruptly ended by the court unlocking the door and informing the ladies that they should have by that time rendered a verdict.

The jury filed into the room and solemnly took their places. "Ladies of the jury," began the court, "have you agreed upon a verdict?" "We have, your honour," said the forewoman. "We have found for the defendant, and assess the costs against the plaintiff." Three were for the former and two for the latter. "Victory!" exclaimed Mme. Zentmyer, as she rose triumphantly and embraced three members of the jury she thought had voted in her favour. She could tell it by the smiles in her direction that hovered over their countenances. She paid no attention to the other two. The entire assemblage, including jury and spectators, then became involved in a most animated discussion that fell fair to last until dark. Justice Johnson, finding himself for a moment unobserved, escaped into the street.

LATEST NEWS.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH. FOUR PERSONS CHARGED WITH MURDER AT CLONMEL.

Clonmel, Friday. The investigation into the charge preferred against James Connell, his mother, Mrs. Connell, and two women named Hamilton and Curran, of having murdered Michael Connell, father of the first-named, on the 23rd December at River street, Clonmel, was resumed today. The affair has created a sensation. Evidence was given by Mrs. Ryan, who lives in the same tenement, of having heard a quarrel on the night in question, and the old man crying that he had been beaten by a member of his own family.

SOUTH DONEGAL CONVENTION.

Donegal, Friday. Mr. J. G. Swift MacNeill was unanimously selected member for the Division at today's Convention. Canon Sweeney, P.P., Killybegs, proposed, and Mr. Michael Cassidy, J.P., Ballyshannon, seconded his election. Mr. James Dunlevy, Chairman of the Co. Council, presided.

GALWAY SHOOTING OUTRAGE.

Later inquiry shows Mr. Michael Doyle called a meeting of the Kiltulla Branch of the United Irish League, at which only a few attended; and later Mr. Michael Connolly called a meeting, and those attending took up the reins of office. Since then the working of the branch of the League in Kiltulla has been arrested, and it is said that those who accepted cards have had their dwellings raided.

MR. JOHN BURNS. Declaration for Home Rule

Mr. John Burns, in his election address issued on Friday, says that in the past four years he has been ashamed of, as the nation is now disgusted with, the Administrative blunders, departmental scandals, appalling waste, and political evasion and dishonesty of the late Government. As a candidate dealing with immediate questions, he is in favour of such legislative independence for Ireland in Irish affairs as will enable that country to revive her industries, maintain her population, and stimulate her social and agrarian prosperity in accordance with Irish ideas, the imperial supremacy of the Federal British Parliament, in imperial matters affecting all sections of the United Kingdom to remain inviolate.

CO. KILDARE SHERIFFALTY.

On Friday, before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Johnson, Captain H. E. de Courcy Wheeler, of Robertstown House, made the statutory declaration as High Sheriff for the County of Kildare. Mr. Charles Daly, at the same time, made the statutory declaration as Under Sheriff.

GOOD FOR THE BUDGET.

Mr. Asquith's forthcoming Budget will be the richer by £120,000 by the granting of probate on Thursday on three estates exceeding £1,000,000.

STORY OF THE WEEK

Saturday.

A resolution defining the attitude which the Irish Reform Association intends to adopt at the General Election was passed at a meeting of that body. The Liberal leaders having accepted the devolution policy, the hope was expressed that the leaders of all parties would accept the compromise. Mr. Chamberlain discussed Home Rule in a speech at Birmingham, and held that the Liberal Party were under the control of Mr. Redmond. The Executive of the United Irish League of Great Britain issued a manifesto instructing Irish Nationalists to vote Liberal. The Council of Russian Workmen decided to declare the great strike off on Monday, and afterwards to proceed to organise an armed insurrection for January 22nd. Sunday. Stormy weather prevailed, resulting in disaster at sea. A schooner was wrecked on the Dublin coast, but the crew were saved. A vessel was wrecked and three lives lost on the Down coast near Donaghadee. Monday. Mr. Walter Long told his constituents in South Bristol that he would not withdraw from his present constituency for a safe seat in an Irish constituency. In an official communication issued in St. Petersburg, the Government declared its intention to repress vigorously any preparation for the rising, and to crush any attempt at insurrection by all means in its power. Tuesday. Unionist demonstration in Belfast. The Duke of Abercorn, Colonel Wallace, and Mr. Moore, M.P., the principal speakers, were refused a hearing, the proceedings being characterised by scenes of the greatest disorder. A remarkable demonstration on behalf of the tenants of the estate of Sir George Colthurst was made in the Cork Courthouse on the occasion of the sale of holdings on the estate. A letter addressed by Mr. Healy, M.P., to Father Donnellan, P.P., Dundalk, on the pledge question was published. Mr. Healy having reviewed the circumstances and former contests in North Louth, said that he would go forward as heretofore on the basis of the Pledge. The situation in the Baltic provinces had become critical. The authorities are adopting rigorous measures. A heroic battle, in which 300 were killed, is reported from Bukhara, and a fight between workmen and dragons in Riga, in which many lives were lost. Mr. T. M. Healy, K.C., addressed a meeting of his supporters in Dundalk. A resolution expressing confidence in Mr. Healy and pledging his return was adopted. Wednesday. Mr. Walter Long addressed a meeting under the auspices of the Irish Unionist Alliance in Dublin. Firm maintenance of the law and fair and equal treatment of all classes and creeds in Ireland was, he claimed, the record of the late Irish Administration. The ex-Secretary, he stated, had no authority from the Prime Minister or the Cabinet for saying that it was the intention of the late Irish Administration to govern Ireland according to Irish ideas. Mr. T. W. Russell opened his South Tyrone campaign at Aughnacloy. A hostile element in the audience created such tumultuous scenes that the police had to be requisitioned, and after an exciting half-hour the meeting broke up in disorder. Thursday. Mr. William O'Brien spoke in Cork. He expressed satisfaction at the agreement by which intercommunal conflicts would be avoided at the elections. Discussing the conciliation, he said there was no reason why all sections of Nationalists should not unite to extract by independent co-operation from any English Government the maximum of concession for Ireland. Comparative peace appears to have been restored in St. Petersburg, but armed conflicts are reported from some districts in the provinces. Mr. Chamberlain was refused a hearing at Derby. Over 4,000 persons attended the meeting, and the proceedings throughout were uproarious. There were stormy scenes at a meeting in the Rotunda in support of the candidature of Mr. J. L. Mahon, Liberal Unionist, who is opposing Mr. T. C. Harrington, T.C., M.P., in the Harbour Division. The police had to intervene. Friday. The Dundalk Urban Council Works Committee, which comprises all the members of the Council, unanimously adopted a resolution expressing the opinion that the differences between Mr. Healy and the leading members of the Party should be amicably settled, and asking Cardinal Logue to exercise his personal influence to arrange such a settlement. Mr. John Burns issued his election address, in which he states that he is in favour of such legislative independence for Ireland as is necessary for her industrial development and social and agrarian prosperity in accordance with Irish ideas. Mr. Philip O'Doherty was accepted Nationalist candidate for North Donegal at the convention at Carndonagh. Mr. P. T. McHugh was unanimously adopted for North Leitrim. ADULTERATED MILK. William Fanning, a milk vendor, 44 Donnybrook road, was fined £2 in the Southern Divisional Police Court for selling milk which had been adulterated with 16 per cent. of added water. CENTENARIAN'S DEATH IN WORKHOUSE. Mrs. Fanny Allen, an inmate of Watford Union Workhouse, died on Friday, aged 102. Deceased was a native of the town.