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THE CHRONICLE.

DURHAM, Oct. 28th 1897.

OLD IRELAND AGAIN

(Continued from last issue.)

Since "Laudlordism" as it is in Ireland is one of the things we in Canada hear so much about, it may be well to give you an idea of some of the estates I had the pleasure of visiting and I cannot do better than begin with Foulks Court, the Major's Home which may be taken as a representative of the best. Situated in the north west of County Kilkenny, with the old towns of Kilkenny and Thurles some distance apart to the south, the Bog of Allan to the West and the famous range of hills upon which tradition has fixed as the abode of the early warrior wizard, seer—the renowned Phil McCool, skirting like a fringe the eastern and south eastern sides, is an extensive upland plateau, mostly level but in places gently undulating. Through this tract of country a few small streams meander lazily or ripple merrily according to the nature of the river bed. Besides securing thorough drainage for the soil these streams provide a fine sporting "field" for lovers of the finny tribe. Speckled beauties of from one to two pounds' weight are often caught in their season. In this upland, there are several estates differing materially in extent, in appearance and in vertical configuration. Small Irish villages are lying here and there in favorable and convenient situations. Johnston, one of the cleanest and tidiest of these I have seen, is on the Major's estate and he takes special pride in keeping it in good condition and in seeing that the villagers are comfortable.

One of the first things that struck me as peculiar is the miles and miles of solid stone wall to be seen everywhere doing the duty of our fences. Foulks Court in particular is liberally supplied with these for not only is the estate mostly surrounded with such a wall but many of the fields are likewise separated by the same. They are not built of field stone for there are none to be seen but of quarried stone, laid nicely in mortar, and coped with rough stones laid on edge to prevent ready ingress or egress over the walls. Gateways closed with iron gates (wooden ones are occasionally seen) open from field to field, and stiles—the real old-fashioned stile of long ago—enable persons on foot to pass through the walls without the trouble of opening and shutting gates but prevent sheep and cattle from going through. A stile is simple enough. It is only an opening in the wall beginning about a foot from the ground where it is six inches in width and gradually widening to 8 or 10 inches, some three feet up where it widens sufficiently to permit one's body to pass through nicely. On each side at the bottom is a step—the step upon which some of our amorous poets doubtless sat and waited for their "Mary's". Sitting so, would certainly be conducive of sentimental thought. The picture seen by Bryant where no walls or stiles interrupted the vision came up to me as I thought of these forlorn lovers waiting for their nymphs, "lovers walked and woo'd in a forgotten language and old tunes gave the soft winds a voice." Doubtless this was true here also.

Many of these walls are very old. Those along the public highways were mostly built in famine times—about which I heard with sorrow—to provide work for the starving people. This famine labor also I was told accounted largely for the excellent roads of solid Macadam everywhere in evidence.

Let it not be supposed that since this country is the "old country," it is therefore destitute of forest as often in Canada where no trees darken the horizon and a more or less monotonous aspect is the result. This part of Ireland is as well wooded as the country around Durham though the appearance is entirely different. For hundreds of years it has been the policy of land owners to plant trees every season. This especially before steam navigation made timber cheap. The groves and clumps of trees planted in these distant days are now of considerable size and form a respectable forest. The planters of these days understood better than some of our farmers, the value of protecting an exposed field from the winds, of sheltering their buildings, gardens, etc., from the same, and of preserving the moisture in the soil. Many of these clumps are acres in extent, irregularly planted they may be, but generally along the highway walls planted in rows, suitable distances apart and containing thousands of fine trees.

Another thing that makes the place beautiful is the variety of scene everywhere spread before the eye. West and South-west of the Manor house extend a series of artificial lakes, many of which contain several islands of perhaps an acre or less in extent. Some of these were excavated generations ago, first to provide work for the tenants when crops failed, and secondly to attract wild game to the preserves on the estate—both legitimate purposes surely. Additional little loughs are being formed from time to time by the Major in parts of the estate unsuitable for tillage. Considerable taste is displayed in the artistic designs of these lakes and nothing is more romantic than to row over the deep clear water, following the devious courses between the islands now covered with tall sedge or reeds which distinctly show the tracery of their feathery tops, clear against the sky overhead. Rustic seats are placed on the islands and isthmuses between the lakes, where on a bright morning one can sit in the balmy atmosphere and listen to the song of bird, the hum of bee, the croak of frog, the awakening of insect, and the drip, drip, drip of the water as it trickles over miniature waterfalls in the artificial channels connecting the lakes. It is truly a place to develop a naturalist, for here all nature can be seen at her best, and no better opportunity could be afforded for studying the habits of the myriads of tiny insects which here have their haunts. The largest of these lakes, about twelve acres in extent is drained during the summer months, and from the moist bed there springs up a thick growth of reeds, which reach in places, by actual measurement, a height of over twelve feet. These ripen and die before winter and the now flooded surface becomes frozen and forms an excellent skating pond. Add to this the gentle curvature of the roadways, which as in the sister Island defy the surveyor's rule, and take their course quite irrespective of right angles and squares and you have a landscape which presents quite a picturesque appearance, and in which dead level monotony is out of the question. But I must postpone the remainder till I reach London as my "Jarvie" is waiting to take me to North Wall Quay to embark for the Metropolitan city. With best wishes, I am yours faithfully,

N. W. CAMPBELL.

Continued next week.

GENERAL.

Lord Aberdeen received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at Princeton University.

Jubilee Stamps will soon be at a premium as the Post Office Department supply has been exhausted.

The Russell County Fire Fund now amounts to nearly \$200,000. \$50,000 will be required if the Central Committee is to be enabled to carry out its plans.

Percy Bacon from near Orillia had his eye pierced by a lead pencil in the hands of a school-fellow. He was brought to Toronto for treatment, but it is feared he will lose his sight.

Mrs. Louisa Villeneuve has been arrested on a charge of murdering her husband at Rayside. The Coroner's Jury returned a verdict on Friday last against the woman, and, with her two alleged accomplices, the Chartrands. She was remanded till Tuesday.

Two infants were abandoned in Toronto on Sunday night. The first was found on the doorstep of Loretto Abbey, Bond St. The second was discovered in front of Thomas Malone's house, 24 Sackville street, at 9 o'clock. Both were taken to the Infants' Home.

About day break on Sunday morning last, an awful disaster occurred on the New York Central Railway, running from Buffalo to New York. When near New York four cars left the rails and plunged into the Hudson River, causing the loss of nineteen lives. A number of passengers on board were from Toronto and other Canadian places.

Ottawa, Oct. 23.—A special from Victoria, B. C., says that Sir William Van Horne, before the British Columbia Board of Trade yesterday, said that the Canadian Pacific had decided to engage actively in the Yukon trade, and had already contracted for two steamers to be placed on the all Canadian route via the Stikine River.

Wingham, Oct. 23.—While working in the bottom of a well on the farm of Thomas McGill, Culross, C. Mornington of the Wingham steam pumping works was overcome by gas. A rope was thrown to him. As he was fast losing consciousness, Mornington merely threw the rope around his leg and was drawn out feet first. He soon revived.

The ninety-second anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar fought the 21st Oct. 1805 was celebrated with more than usual ceremony on Thursday last. The Nelson Monument on Trafalgar Square, London, England was decorated with garlands and the foot of the column was hidden beneath wreaths, including one from Canada on which was inscribed:—"England expects every man to do his duty." The celebration was general in all British Seaports.

The Hamilton directors of the Saw-Bill gold mine in North Ontario have received notification of the dispatch of the first gold brick from the mine to the head office at Hamilton. It is said to weigh 180 ounces to be worth about \$3,000, to be the output of ten days' run of the stamp mill, and was produced by less than 250 tons of ore. The announcement of the result of the first run at the Saw-Bill dam sent the price of Saw-Bill stock away up. At the close of last week this stock was quoted at \$2. On Tuesday in Toronto, as soon as the word was verified, from \$2.75 to \$3 was bid and as high as \$3.50 asked. The holders were not anxious to sell, even at more than double, and in some cases even triple what their holdings cost them, and the excitement was very great. Indeed it has not yet subsided altogether. An incidental result of the encouraging report from the Saw-Bill is a stiffening in other Ontario mining stock. A number of our citizens hold stock in this mine.

The Ontario Legislature has been called to meet on Nov. 30th.

McIntyre's private bank at Dutton was entered by burglars, who blew open the safe and carried off over \$1000 on Sunday morning last.

Diphtheria is prevalent in the township of Coradoc, also in Artemesia. See Flesherton Correspondence.

A writ has been issued on behalf of W. H. Ponton, late teller at Napanee, against the Dominion Bank Inspector Bogart and the Pinkerton Detectives claiming \$50,000 damages for the proceedings against him in connection with the recent robbery at Napanee.

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At the same time and place there will also be offered for sale that valuable store property in the Town of Durham consisting of Building Lot No. 28 on the eastside of Garafraza street in said Town of Durham as shown on a plan (Edgewood Survey) of part of lot No. 25 in the First Concession East of Garafraza Road of the Township of Gloucestre by David Gibson, P.L.S. Dated July 1854 and filed in the Registry Office for the County of Grey. On this lot is to be erected a good substantial two storey modern brick store and a warehouse.

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VARNEY.

Mr. R. Barber has had a severe attack of Neuralgia in the head which has kept him in the house for a few days.

Mr. Mat. Barber while feeding his bull got knocked down and the animal tramped on one of his legs and fractured a bone in his ankle which will keep him in the house for a couple of weeks.

Mr. Editor you missed the best feed in your lifetime by not attending the Harvest Home Festival last Monday night. When I tell you your lips will water for a month after.

The Anniversary services held in the church last Sunday were largely attended morning and evening, they were conducted by Rev. Mr. Humphries of Priceville in an able manner. Monday night a large crowd assembled at the Hall to do justice to the fine spread that was so amply provided by the ladies. After tea was over a lengthy program was disposed of, consisting of instrumental music by Mr. Jones, recitations by Mrs. Kitching and others. The Durham choir gave some choice selections. Rev. Mr. Ferguson of Durham made a nice speech about "pleasantness" as also did Mr. Humphries who is the mother of them all. The Rev. Mr. Kitching filled the position of chairman in a very able and acceptable manner and all enjoyed themselves and feel profited by being in attendance to help on a good work. Proceeds \$50.

Market Report.

DURHAM, Oct 20th, 1897.

Fall Wheat.....	75 to 78
Spring Wheat.....	75 to 78
Oats.....	21 to 21
Peas.....	40 to 42
Barley.....	30 to 30
Hay.....	5 00 to 8 00
Butter.....	14 to 14
Eggs per doz.....	14 to 14
Apples...per bag.....	50 to 50
Potatoes...per bag.....	40 to 50
Flour per cwt.....	1 60 to 2 40
Oatmeal per sack.....	1 75 to 1 90
Chop per cwt.....	60 to 75
Turkeys per lb.....	7 to 8
Geese per lb.....	4 to 5
Ducks per pair.....	40 to 50
Chickens per pair.....	20 to 30
Dressed Hogs per cwt.....	5 00 to 6 00
Hides...per lb.....	6 to 7
Sheepskins.....	35 to 60
Wool.....	17 to 20

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Somebody who but claims to ha of information at in the Revue des the means by wh the European po other while he w writer refers to Hamid is really th ian clockmaker in stantipole, and of features, which a menian artisan in ness for making l of Armenians. He ter important as h Sultan's bent of n came Sultan he liv anthropo and was music, of the lives and of the novels of son du Terrail, and of whom remains li The net result of a was a dreafter liv or less unreal and great projects. He dinary and detail period, and will then stration that may days, during which and irritable. To carry out his pl of all in gold. "I b chandise," he is fo withstanding the fin Turkey.

THE SULTAN is always overflowing he wants of the State he has at his disposal sure, which contains ered by a line of Sulta sacked the East for was from this treat Hamid took the neckl stowed upon the Gerri the same time that W away from Constan trunks filled with pre 3,000,000 francs. In the has gathered by means pots a private fortune to make him the rich Europe next to the C agement of this fortun closest attention. He l money since his youth Murad spent money lav brothers detested one a had Moliere's "Harpago and presented under o id the Miser." One of A first acts after coming was to order the destru theatre. Stamboul's on where the piece was play

But Abdul Hamid show buying of souls; the thing a cunning that conceals t of the transaction. He i things theatrical in such r visitor is amazed at the lu about him. He passes th tiful gardens and pavilion lines of fierce-looking Alb in a hall dazzling with

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