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#### RECENT OUTRAGES. Robberies and Murder denounced by Father Flynn.

Speaking at 11 o'clock Mass in Kells on Sunday last, Rev. Father Flynn, P.P., V.G., referred to the time when Christ had reached the age of 12, how He journeyed with his Mother and Foster Father on the occasion of the feast to the capital. "They took part, we may assume," proceeded the rev. preacher, "in the usual religious celebrations, and when on the homeward journey occurred the incident around which the interest of the Gospel centres. The child Jesus was missing, and for three days His parents sought Him sorrowing. The Gospel tells the circumstances in which they found Him: 'He was in the midst of the doctors of the law, disputing with them and asking questions, and all who heard Him were amazed at His wisdom and answers.' It is worthy of note, too, that in the very same Gospel it is said of Christ that He advanced in wisdom and knowledge. As God He had all knowledge; nothing was unknown to Him; and we must therefore understand the words of Scripture as referring to some kind of experimental knowledge which would come to Him from His connection with men from the exercise of the senses of His body and of His mental faculties. Therein is the model for us all. As Christ who came to teach all truth put Himself at the feet of these doctors of the law and asked them questions, and as later still, and at a time when he was denouncing these very doctors for their hypocrisy, He would say to the people: 'The Scribes and Pharisees have sat on the chair of Moses. All things, therefore, that is said to you observe and do; but according to their works do you not, for they say and do not.' If all this be true, as it is, is it not quite clear that with Christ as our model, His teaching as our guiding principle, there is a very serious obligation on every one of us to seek instruction in our religion, and to seek it, too, from

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those who are qualified to give it? And yet we have it that many people are above all instruction. They are a law unto themselves. They are the blind being led by the blind. The teachings of the Catechism, instructions and sermons are not in their line, and if they listen to them at all it is in such a way-in on one ear and out on the other-as if they had no concern for them." The rev. preacher then went on to explain what every Catholic should know about his religion. " Now to-day," he continued, "with all our opportunities, there is not much likelihood that any of us will grow up without acquiring the necessary instruction for our state, but what is of more consequence is that any of us, apparently forgetting the plain words of our Catechism, take it on ourselves, helped, perhaps, by the casual, irresponsible, and ill-qualified orator, to form a creed and a code of morals of our own, quite at variance with God's law, and from the consequences of which nothing but invincible ignorance can save us. You know as well as I do that murder, public and secret, is notably on the increase; that robbery and theft are of daily occurrence; and yet the law of God has it: 'Thou shalt not kill,' 'Thou shalt not steal.' It is no excuse to say we are not governed as we ought to be. We are suppressed, and we have lost all faith in Saxon promises. All quite true; but two wrongs do not make a right; and whilst we are quite justified in demanding a change of government, and re- latter figures, as legal effect had not yet been given sisting the present de facto government by every legitimate means, we must take care that our resistance is within the Ten Commandments of God. Murder, whether it be the murder of vich man or a poor man, policeman or civilian, is murder. No man may take away his neighbour's life unless in self-defence, or when delegated by competent authority. I would hope, then, that sympathy with such atrocities would find no place amongst us. We can never forget that murder is one of the blackest crimes: it robs a neighbour of one of his most valued possessions -his life; it spreads the darkest gloom over a position of his client. Mr. Lardner explained that family; it sends a soul into eternity without a moment's preparation; and if these considerations are not enough, we should be mindful of God's own description of retributive justice: 'In what' measure we mete out to others, in the same it will be meted out to ourselves. Whoever shall shed man's blood, his blood shall be shed." is something to be grateful for, perhaps a great deal considering the times we live in, that the brand of Cain is not on this parish. But what about the Seventh Commandment? What about those who, in the dead of night, break into peaceful homes, and who hold up people on the public highway, and, under threats or otherwise, rob them of their money or property? They may wear their masks, and be disguised before men. but before God there is no disguise: He sees and knows them all, and in His sight they are simply undisguised rogues and ruffians. It is, God who has said. 'Thou shalt not steal.' He also who has said, ' Heaven and earth may pass away, but My Word will not pass away; and sooner or later the vengeance of God must overtake suchmiscreants. 'He who builds his house at another t man's charge is as if he gathered stones to build in the winter.' For a time things may prosper with him, and he may grow rich at another's ex- | Rural Council, and two delegates from each of pense, although, indeed, it is not usual that even such luck would attend the unjust man. But what of his peace of mind? 'Conscience makes cowards of us all,' and the man who steals his neighbour's property, or wilfully damages it, must

tions which will be flashed upon him on the law.

#### DILLON'S BRIDGE RAID SEQUEL.

## Malicious Injury Application. Question of Police Pay.

At the Navan Quarter Sessions on Tuesday, before his Honor Judge Fleming, K.C., the application of Sergeant Mathews, R.I.C., for £2,500 damages for personal injuries sustained on the occasion of the raid on Dillon's Bridge Police Barracks, on the 31st October last, was men-Messrs. W. H. Shannon and Son, solicitors. Dublin), appeared for the applicant. Mr. J. C. R. Lardner, B.L. (instructed by Mr. Montgomery) appeared for the County Council of Meath; and Mr. James Campbell, B.L. (instructed by Mr. J. M. Magee), appeared for the Navan Rural District Council. Mr. Dockrell said under the circumstances it would not be fair to ask his Honor to hear the case at the present stage regarding the pay of the police, which was in a state of transition. When the sergeant was injured on the 31st October the pay of a police sergeant, with bonus, amounted to £163 a year. Since then a scheme has been instituted to increase the pay both of the R.I.C. and the D.M.P., and although it was not yet in operation there was no doubt but it would be. It would require an Order in Council to make it operative. When it became law the need not say that the variation in amount would mean a considerable difference to his Honor assessing the amount of compensation for the in juries. Apart from that there was the question of vindictive damages, which was pending before the Court of Appeal. Under these circumstances, counsel said, it would be unfair to ask his Honor to decide the case now, and he suggested that it be adjourned to the next sessions. His Honor asked Mr. Lardner how he could explain that in the case heard in Trim, District Inspector Molloy swore positively that Constable Agar was in receipt of £234 a year, plus allowances which brought it up to £258, and that statement was unchallenged. Mr. Lardner-We have no means of challenging the evidence, for in these cases the police give no assistance to the County Council. which had to come into court merely as a court of inquiry. Vie had no information given us His Honor-You left the figures unchallenged. Mr Lardner-How could I challenge it? It may be that the County Councils are bodies that should get no information from the Executive. That matter may be challenged elsewhere. Continuing, counsel opposed the application to have the case adjourned, and pointed out that there was a difference between a claim for injuries and the claim of dependents following death. In a case like the present, compensation could only be based on the suffering of the injured man and deprivation of earning power. It might be that the pay of the English recruits would be greater than that of Irishmen they had known so long, but that could not affect the assessment in this case. Mr. Campbell followed and argued similarly. His Honor said Mr. Dockrell had very fairly stated, on behalf of the applicant, that his present rate of pay was £165, and that under an Order in Council they expected the amount would be into the report of the Commission. It would be absolutely impossible for his Honor to try the

creased to £202. He could not deal with the case until he had the whole materials, and he would therefore adjourn the case to next sessions. It was right to say that a similar course was taken by other County Court Judges, and he had also seen it stated that an appeal was pending in the Court of Appeal, and the Lord Chancellor was bringing together all the members of the Court of Appeal to fix the basis of compensation to be awarded to injured policemen. He was obliged to Mr. Dockrell for stating the real legal his reason for objecting was that he would not be taken as assenting to the proposition that the compensation should be based on the rate of pay. Mr. Dockrell said he was surprised at the objection of his friends as lawyers. Mr. Lardner-Neither of us are surprised at you. If you could get this case adjourned for three years you might get compensation based on the pay of a district inspector. I hope as a result of your Honor's observations that in such cases the police will give particulars of earning to the County Council in future. His Honor-I expect counsel to disclose all facts within their knowledge. Mr. Lardner-We could not get that information.

#### Navan Profiteering Committee.

· A meeting of representatives of the Navan Rural Council and Urban Council was held in the Courthouse on Wednesday for the purpose of establishing a local Profiteering Committee. Mr. J. P. Kelly presided. Also present were-Messrs. J. P. Timmon, J.P.; C. Owens, T. Bowens and J. Keappock. It was decided that six members of the new Urban Council, six members of the the societies in Navan should form a committee and appoint two ladies to attend.

threshold of eternity: 'What doth it profit a man realise, if he has any conscience left, that every to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his day he lives he carries a millstone around his own soul?" In conclusion, Rev. Father Flynn neck, and that he is least of all prepared to give exhorted his congregation to know and fear God,

# ORISTOWN.

#### Abortive Meeting on Sunday.

A move was made to start a branch of the Back to 'the Land Association at Oristown on Sunday last, with a view to securing some of the ranch farms in the district for distribution amongst was to have been held at the chapel at 2 o'clock on Sunday evening, but owing to the aggressive action of a strong opposing party the meeting was not held. It seems that a large farm in thotioned. Mr. K. B. Dockrell, B.L. (instructed by locality, containing over 300 acres, originally owned by Dominic Moore O'Ferrall, was recently sold by private treaty to Mr. Con Gavin, Loyd, Kells. The farmers, some of whom had portion of this farm taken on the eleven months system. are now agitating for the division of the ranch amongst the uneconomic holders and landless men of the district, but the labourers argue that when portion of the ranch was held by the farmers they refused, or reluctantly gave, the grass of cow to the labouring men, whereas Mr. Gavin had given every labourer in the locality the grassof his cow and calf. At a o'clock on Sunday, evening a large crowd of Gavin supporters, bearing a small banner inscribed "Up, Gavin!" assembled on the road opposite the chapel, and when the speakers in support of the Back to the Land movement arrived on the scene they were boohed. Mr. O'Keeffe, organiser of the Back to pay of a sergeant would be £292 10s., and he the Land Association, tried to reason with the crowd ,but it was all in vain. He was told that he and his supporters could not hold a meeting. Rev. Father Harte, C.C., who arrived on the scene, counselled the men to try and settle their, differences in an amicable way, and were it not for his presence serious trouble would likely have ensued. For over an hour the argument between the two parties was continued. Mr. O'Keeffe demanded freedom of speech, and asked one of his opponents to try and make peace whilst he exlained to them the object of the meeting, which. he added, was all for the benefit of the labourer. The Gavin supporter whom Mr. O'Keeffe had addressed made a motion with his hand and said was all no use. President Wilson would not? make peace there. When 4 o'clock came the rain. holding of the meeting was still determinedly; maintained, the projected meeting was abandoned a

#### CHILDREN'S PANTOMIME IN NAVAÑ.

What proved to be a very pleasant surprise was prung on a favoured audience on the evening of Friday, oth January, in the Picture Hall, Navan. This was the production of the pantomime, "Red Riding Hood" by a number of little schoolgirls. Their conception of the different characters and general make-up, as well as the clear and faultless delivery of their lines, was very creditable, and when it is considered that the whole piece was staged and prepared by them without any outance of these children was marvellous. The "parts!" were preceded by a concert, in which various members of the enterprising little troupe took part, each item being received with vigorous applause, which was richly deserved. A little venture of this kind deserves encouragement, and it is to be hoped that the elders will see in these promising youngsters the material that could, with very little training, be utilised for many a deserving purpose, and we look forward with pleasure to another treat from these talented little misses. The following are the names of the performers:--Miss Eileen Kennedy, Fairy Queen; Miss Molly Mileady, Prince; Miss Ena Ward, Red Riding Hood; Miss May Farrell, Dame Margaret; Miss Molly M'Nally, The Wolf and Goblin; Miss Alice Mileady, Miss Norah Smith, Miss Louie Ryan, Fairies; Miss May Walsh, Mabel Mulvany: and Bridie Ward.

#### Sacrilege at Kingscourt.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH RAIDED.

the crib which had been erected in the sacred edifice before Christmas. Up to the present nooutrage, which is condemned by all classes and creeds in the district. It is evident that a sacrilege of this nature would not be committed by an Irishman, so that the perpetrators may be looked committing crimes which politicians are endeav- of £300. ouring to use to blacken the fair fame of our .country.

## Forthcoming Charity Concerts.

A concert in aid of the Navan District Nursing Association and the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be held in the C.Y.M.S. Hall, Navan, on ] are in a position to announce that some of the

# RIVAL PARTIES AT Strike of County Council Officials.

#### MEATH ASSISTANT SURVEYORS AND OFFICE STAFF OUT.

of the Meath County Council on Monday, the five C.Y.M.S. Hall, Mr. Michael Murray, Pre- usual tale of disaster and wreck. Many ships assistant surveyors and the office staff went on sident, occupying the chair. Mr. C. Magrath, were lost, and the toll in human life is great. In the small farmers and landless men. A meeting strike, and have been since out, the county work, Vice-President, explained the occurrences as a consequence, being almost at a standstill. The at Oristown on Sunday. A number of memcounty buildings are being picketed, and the only bers got threatening letters on the day beofficers remaining at their posts are the County Secretary (Mr. J. J. Grennan), the County Surveyor (Mr. Quigley), and Mr. Montgomery, Co. Solicitor. The affected officers are the Accountant (Mr. Grogan), the second Assistant Secretary (Mr. P. Weldon), the correspondence clerk (Miss M'Dermott), and the County Surveyor's clerk (Mr. C. Corcoran), as well as the Assistant Surveyors. It appears the Assistant Surveyors have made repeated applications for an increase in their present pay, which they regard as totally inadequate, and they brought matters to a climax by their application, which was before Monday's meeting, in which they gave the committee the choice of increased salaries or cessation of work. The staff had another joint application in, and neither application was considered, with the result that desks were vacated, and all are out on strike. There were no further developments up to the time of writing, but the Chairman of the County Council (Mr. Thomas Halligan) was in Navan on Thursday, and probably steps will speedily be taken to effect an equitable settlement.

#### Strike at Clayton's Mills.

WORK TO CEASE ON FRIDAY.

at Clayton's Mills, Navan, are to cease work on J Friday evening (16th inst.). On inquiry of one of the principal leaders of the Transport Workers we were informed that the strike was strictly one for increased pay, for which application was made as far back as last September. The proprietors offered terms of settlement which were not acceptable to the men, the suggested increase began to fall heavily, and as the opposition to the being regarded as totally inadequate. Negotiations have dragged on since, but are now, we are informed, definitely broken off, with the unfortunate result foreshadowed. From another source we are informed that Clayton's offered a rise which was not accepted, and also suggested arbitration, which was likewise turned down. The Transport Workers' official told us that all the men, with the exception of some foremen, were to come out.

#### Kildare Ex-Captain Suspended.

At the last meeting of the Central Council, G.A.A., Mr. Larry Stanley, late captain of the Kildare County football team, was suspended pending "his supplying a satisfactory explanation to the Kildare County Committee of his conduct side help, we are bound to say that the perform- in the Kerry v. Kildare benefit match played at Croke Park last October."

#### Croke Park Tournament.

The fixtures in the tournament organised to provide funds for the improvement of Croke Park have at last been made. Navan has been selected as the venue for the Meath v. Cavan match, the date of which is February 15th. Great interest is centred on the struggle between these two teams, following the draw at Virginia some

#### Meath Farm Sales.

On Monday, 5th January, Messrs, Patk, Smith and Son, auctioneers, at their salerooms, Navan, disposed of three small farms of land, for each of to refrain from criticising him at meetings. which there was much competitive bidding, and In other words he wanted a free leg. He the prices obtained ranged high. A farm at Jor- asked the meeting what they thought of the danstown, Tara, the property of Mrs. Tobin, containing 24 acres 1 rood 20 perches, statute, held he was here to-night. Mr. Magrath-So do I. under a yearly tenancy at the yearly rent of £24 A party of miscreants broke into St. Mary's 45. 8d., was purchased by Mr. John Horan, with a certain matter was brought against Roman Catholic Church, Kingscourt, and stole Bective, for the sum of £1,610. A farm at Kil- Mr. Morgan, Secretary, and he, having made messan, the property of Mrs. Sheridan, containing 3 acres 3 roods 25 perches, statute, held in fee body has been made amenable for this dastardly simple, subject to an annuity of £2 15. 8d., was purchased by Mr. Thomas Noonan, solicitor, Navan, in trust, for the sum of £405. Another farm at Kilmessan, the property of Mr. Peter Comey, containing 5 acres and 4 perches, statute, for elsewhere, possibly a section of the gang of held in fee simple, subject to an annuity of £: desperadoes who have invaded our country and are 145, 2d., was sold to Mr. John Clawe for the sum

#### Cattle Drive at Kilcairne.

A daylight cattle drive off the Murphy estate. Kilcairne, took place on Wednesday, when beasts the property of Mr. M. Brady and Mr. Clarke were quietly taken off the lands by a considerable crowd, and brought to their respective owners. January 29th. Apart from the appeal which the Mr. Blake took charge of his animals, we undernature of the good work by these admirable stand, but Mr. Clarke left the responsibility on charitable organisations must make to those who i the drivers. The crowd assembled in the foremost distinguished artistes have consented to take party intended to proceed to execute similar work part, including Miss Madeleine Spicer. So aside at Follistown, but the arrival of the police prefrom the natural claims of the benefitting organisa- | vented further activities, at least for the time tions the musical bill of fare is quite sufficient to being. We are informed that the cattle were Full particulars will be given in our next issue, as the nature of their operation permitted.

## BACK TO THE LAND.

NAVAN BRANCH.

A well attended general meeting of the Following a meeting of the Finance Committee above was held on Tuesday night in the Europe last week-end, and left in its train the fore, and those who sent them had been well paid for doing so. When he got that letter, instead of frightening him, it only made him more determined than ever. When they got there they were met by a party of hooligans of the worst type, who thought to prevent them from walking on the road, but they (Back-to-the-Land party) not long there until they showed the opposition whother they would walk on the road or not (hear, hear). 'Mr. O'Keeffe, and Mr. Bell got a bit knocked about at first, but it was for want of local organisation, but when they got together and pro- Navan has been the putting out of action of the geeded to the chapel, there they mot the Catholic Curate, who advised them to hold their meeting. The opposition party, who came to the meeting in Navan the previous Tuesday, used the priest's name, and at Mass that day he denounced them for doing so; they should then understand that the Catholic Curate, at all events, was heart and soul with their own movement (hear, hear). They (Back to the Land) left it to the priest to try and settle with the opposition some way or another. He (Mr.) Magrath) asked them if they would abide by what their priest told them, and they Writing on Thursday evening, we are in a posi- said they would not abide by President tion to announce that the entire body of workers Wilson or by the Pope, let alone the priest, Well, continued Mr. Magrath, if it hadn't been for the priest they would not have been long on the road; they would have skirted more quickly (laughter). They took the priest into their confidence, and, acting on his advice, they held a private meeting in Mr. Mullen's house and formed a branch and elected Father Harte as President (applause). He (Mr. Magrath) desired to take the opportunity now of returning thanks to Denoill, J.P., J. McOlew, M., Gartland, their Oristown friends for their kindly re- | Co. C.; J. A. Law., J.P.; J. Gammons, ception of them, and also to Father Harte Co. C.; T. Halligan, J.P., Co. C. for his kindness. A vote of thanks was

> The Secretary reported that at a committee meeting the previous day a resolution was passed consenting to give to the racecourse committee their portion of the Fifzherbert estate provided they deputed two of their members, with four members of the branch, to buy the rest of the estate. Mr. Magrath said he was a member of the committee and objected to that, inasmuch as the race-coruse company might send their representatives to see Mr. Fitzherbert and if he refused to accode to their request they could return and say they had fulfilled their part of the bargain. suggested a proviso that the racecourse would not be allowed until the remainder of the estate was purchased. Proceeding, he criticised the action of Mr. O'Keeffe in meeting and discussing the business of the meeting, before the meeting was held, with those interested in the race-course. If the branch consented to that sort of thing their movement was not going to go much further. It was unanimously decided to call upon Mr. O'Keeffe for an explanation. Mr. Magrath further charged Mr. O'Keeffe with having, at Oristown on Sunday, in presence of Mr. Boylan, Assistant Secretary, asked him man who asked that. Mr. Boylan-I wish

Oristown branch for their kindly reception.

A charge of dilatoriness in connection an explanation, resigned his position. He J. Collins. Cannon Street, Kells, was driven from also admitted that the letters addressed to prominent members by the Oristown in the shop securing a rear light. The car was opposition, had been addressed by the found the following morning in a ditch near Headparties in his house, and that he supplied fort Bridge. The mudguards and axles were the addresses. Several members paid tribute badly damaged, and Mr. Collins had great diffito Mr .Morgan's activities on behalf of the branch, and it was pointed out that the addresses were given innocently.

Mr. H. Casey appeared before the meeting in reference to a grievance, respecting a house, that a member named Huggins was said to labour undert. He explained to the satisfaction of the branch and said he was prepared to hand over the house to Huggins. Other matters having been discussed in committee the meeting adjourned.

#### MARTRY BRANCH.

At a largely attended meeting in Mertry a recognise their duty to the poor and afflicted, we noon and had Kilcairne cleared before the police branch of the Back to the Land was formed, there being about lifty intending members present. After the officials were appointed and a committee formed, there was some discussion on the local ] a satisfactory answer to that question of ques- and keep His Commandments. That is God's attract lovers of harmony-vocal and instrumental. treated gently, and the party proceeded as legally join the branch are cordially invited to attend. summoned, and the flames were subdued in a Joseph Smith, Hon. Sec.

#### STORM AND FLOOD,

### Lands and Houses Flooded.

A storm, the velocity of which has been esti-

mated at 200 miles an hour, broke over Western Ireland the full force of the gale was felt, but the amount of damage recorded is comparatively small. Some houses were knocked, and hay and straw were scattered about in all directions. The most serious resulting damage in Meath has arisen from the heavy floods which followed the torren-'tial and prolonged downfall of rain. In Navan the Boyne and Blackwater overflowed their banks, and the occupants of several low-lying houses on the verge of the rivers had to remove to higher apartments. A great deal of land has been inundated, both in Kells, Navan and Trim districts, At the entrance to Blackcastle, Navan, the river flowed well over the embankment, and people say they have not seen it rise so high for a quarter of a century. The most serious result of the flood in plant which is supplying a great many establishments with electric light. The current has not beer available this week, and the affected premises have had to do with all classes of makeshifts to pull through, even the ordinary candle being availed of by many. On Wednesday there was a notable diminution of the flood in the river, and on Thursday a great part of the little island at the junction of the Boyne and Blackwater had made its appearance. It is hoped that in a short time the flood will have abated so far that the lighting inconveniences will be removed. Everything considered, people have a great deal to be thankful for, especially from the fact that no casualties are reported as a result of the almost unprecedented storm and rainfall. On Thursday evening the electric light was renewed in Navan, the flood by that time having abated to a very

#### MEATH COUNTY INFIRMARY.

Rev. N. Cooney, Adm. (Chairman) presided. Also present:--Rev. J. O'Connor, C.C.; Rev. L. R. Wynne, Messrs. P. J. Kennedy, J.P.; P. Boyle, Co. C.; William A SERIOUS CHARGE.

passed to Father Harte and also to the Mr. J. J. Grennan, Secretary, Co. Council, forwarded a complaint from the Secretary of the War Pensions Committee (Mr. J. Cuddy), alleging that two ex-soldiers, while in the institution, had not received the treatment to which they were entitled, and further alleging unkindness on the part of some of the nursing staff (names not mentioned). There were further allegations that a patient with a broken leg was roughly treated. Mr. Kennedy said this Society were naturally the protectors of these old soldiers; 5s. a day was paid. in respect of them, which was over the regulation charge of the other patients. The complaint was, at present, only an allegation, and those who could should throw light on it. The Rev. Chairman said he had visited these men before an official complaint was made; the allegations were made but at the time he did not attach much importance to the matter, but now he thought it would be better to have the matter inquired into. Mr. Kennedy moved that the Rev. Chairman, together with the Rev. Mr. Wynne, Rev. J. O'Connor and J. A. Law, investigate the matter and report to the next meeting, and this was unanimously agreed to. Mr. Kennedy remarked that it was stated that a respousible gentleman-Dr. Timmon-stated that there were good grounds for report. If a gentleman of his position corroborated an otherwise rather loose statement it was their duty to investigate it. .

#### Motor Damaged at Kells.

A hackney motor car, the property of Mr. M. his door on Sunday night whilst the driver was culty in manipulating her home.

#### Alleged Cattle Stealing.

BROTHERS RETURNED FOR TRIAL.

Charged with the larceny of cattle the property of Mr. W. Cullen, Blanchardstown, at a special court in Navan on Monday week and remanded to Dunshaughlin Petty Sessions, two brothers, named James and Joseph Morris, were brought before the Court there on Wednesday, and Mr. Cullen having identified the cattle, the accused men'were returned for trial to the Spring Assizes in Trim.

### Another Navan Fire.

The slaughterhouse at the rear of Academy St., near Mr. B. O'Brien's licensed premises, and the ranches, and the meeting adjourned until Sunday property of Mr. P. Tuite, victualler, Luclow St., next, at 2.30 p.m., when all who are intending to took fire on Thursday night. The fire brigade was