## JOHN TWISS

## John Twiss of Castleisland

Farewell my dearest sister Jane, your fond and last adieu,

At the early age of thirty-five I now must part from you,

For the murder of James Donovan I am now condemned to die

On the ninth of February ninety-five upon the scaffold high.

John Twiss from Castleisland its true it is my name

I never did commit a crime, why I should deny that same

I own I was a sportsman, with spirit light and gay,

But paid spies and informers, my life they swore away.

On the twenty-fifth of April eighteen ninety-four,

That was the night, dear sister Jane, long years you may deplore

When I was taken prisoner, the police to me did say

For the murder of James Donovan we arrest you on this day.

It was at the Cork assizes my enemies all swore

That I shot James Donovan and laid him in his gore

The jury found me guilty, the judge to me did say

On the ninth of February, ninety-five, will be your dying day.

But when I heard my sentence passed to the judge – I did say

The jury found me guilty without the least delay.

I swear that James Donovan I never yet did know

May the Lord forgive my enemies who proved my overthrow.

My blessings on the Mayor of Cork, and the people there also

In thousands they petitioned, to release me they did go

But my enemies were determined I should my life lay down

For paid spies and informers – "A traitor to the crown".

My last hour is approaching, I hear the death bell toll

The hangman he has pinioned me, I must now give up my soul

You know that I am innocent is all I have to say

May the Lord forgive my enemies, on all their judgement day.

(Source: Séamus Mac Mathúna (ed) Traditional Songs and Singers, Comhaltas Céoltóiri Éireann, Dublin, 1977, p.40)

The last of the agrarian crimes we are going to look at is the clubbing to death of James Donovan, an emergency man on a farm in the Glenlara district near Newmarket in Co. Cork by two men on an April night in 1894. John Twiss, whom we have already mentioned, of Cordal, near Castleisland, a convicted Moonlighter, noted poacher and a thorn in the side of the police, was tried, convicted and executed for the Glenlara murder. Twiss affirmed his innocence of the crime in a remarkable speech from the dock after he had been found guilty. The speech, though rambling and repetitive, was notable for its strange idioms, its striking images and its patent honesty. It elevated the poor, ignorant countryman to another level and gave credence to his claim that the was "of the blood of gentlemen."17

> The Old Linerick Journal p.39 Willian Twiss

Robert Robert Donoughmore Co. Cork on Elizabeth Hely, Donoughmore Co. Cork a relative of the Hely Hutchisons

Joh-1862c George

Mary

George Twiss + Jack Cathy Conol

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TWISS	They Hanged John Twiss
JOHN 82.1 Jan	312 John Twiss + Timothy Callaghan remanded on a clarge of breaking into The house of William Harthell Meentelline
	on X mas rive + laking 13-0-1. About 10-15 involved.
822 Jan	24L4 Cork Winter Assizes.
	Twise' house (Andmora) about 4 miles from The scene of the crime, Father Robert, Britler George, Sister Many.
	Twies found quilty. Put back for sentence Tuny disagreed re Callaghan + he was discharged.
82.2 Jan	27R5 Judge: John Twiss you are 20 years of age. Not implicated in stealing The money. The object was
	Sentenced to 18 months.
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83.10 Apr	13R1 John Twiss + 2 Convers arrested at Condal or Morday night as They were leaving the house of a man named
	Prendiville where They had been, it is alleged, on a moonlight expedition.
83.10 Apr	20RG Wed. Special heaving before H.F. Consider RM Tralee. John Twiss, Hugh Conor carpeter + John Conor.
	Twiss just after 15 months in Mountjay. Only a few
	Twiss just after 15 months in Mountjay. Only a few days out. Twiss health seems to be in a critical condition. Charged That on The 9th, of April They allacked the house of John Keeffe Glowtone N.T. and
	the house of John Keethe Gloudere N.T. and demanding arms. They had just left the house with a
	revolved and ammunition which Keefle had given them
	(a lady's clock with the hood drawn over his head).
	The other 2 were arrested at The same Time quite close to the house about 110 Clock. Remarded to 20th.
83.15 July	27R4 John Twiss 2 years. The Conors 12 months.
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94.2 May	WALZ Remarded at Market police barracks, Not represented.
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94.25 May	WIGRS
94.3R Jul	S 30 R2 Twiss + Keeffe remanded
94,4 July	WIR45 More extraordicary evidence.
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CAHERCIVEEN BOA Mr. El ETTZGERALD (chaire

Mr. M. J. O'Driscoll (clerk) read the fol-wing letter from the Local Government oard relative to the nonpayment of rates by

have had before them your telegram of 25th ultimo, in reference to the failure of Knight of Kerry to pay the poor rates on his property in the Cabirciven Union on his property in the Cabireiveen Union re the month of July last, with the re-that tenants, of holdings valued at and

hirriveen Union was read, and the Local vernment Board expressed a hope that Sanitary Authority would give earnest tention to the recommendations of their edical Inspector, &c. :—

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The first case of fever which came under "The first ease of fever which came under enotice of Dr. Walker, the Medical Officer the district, was on the 8th of April; the se occurred in the townland of Curraheen the northern part of the Glenbeigh Electral Division. Three other cases have since curred in the same townland. Three of, see have been removed to the hospital lathereiveen. The disease has been pronounced the Medical Officers to be enteric fever. The st person attacked had been employed lat staleisland, where interic fever is prevalent. ast person attacked had been employed as astleisland, where interio feyer is prevalent, and where, in all probability, the disease was antracted and imported by this patient into the Glenbeigh district. Since the 8th of pril Dr. Walker has been called to attend out twenty persons in the Gwalands of room, Coolnaharrigle and Ballinakilla, in a southern part of the Glenbeigh Electoral division. Symptot these actives here believed the southern part of the Glenheigh Electorial Division. Seven of these patients have liesh removed to hospital. In all the cases which have occurred in these townlands the type of disease is typlus fever, generally of a mild form. As far as I have been able to learn the first person attacked was a child of John Moriarty, of Drount. This child took ill early in March, and was not attended by a doctor. Persons reciding in the neighburyhood to in March, and was not attended by a doctor. Persons residing in the neighbourhood frequently visited the house during the child's illuess, and several of these subsequently contracted the disease, as also members of Moriarty's family. The disease, in all probability, originated in consequence of the unsanitary condition of Moriarty's dwelling, there being insufficient provision for ventilation and a large quantity of manure within a few feet of the entrance door, the emanations from which enter the house, vitiating the air. Moriarty's house is a fair type of most of the houses in the district. The periodical outbreaks of fever which occur are doubtless due to the very unsanitary conditions under which the people live. With a view to spamping out the disease I have recommended that all patients be at once recommended that all patients be at once reproved to hospital and the infected house
thoroughly funigated with sulphur, and
limewashed; all infected articles of bedding
and clothing disinfected or destroyed, and the
sub-sanitary officer to make a careful inspection of the district with 2 view to
having all muisances attacted. The
fever ambulance at present in use is
quite unsuitable for the purpose. I have
therefore recommended that a suitable anbulance be provided and left at Glenbeigh so
as to avoid the delay which occurs through
having to send to Caherciveen for the ambulance when patients have to be removed to
hospital. Owing to the distince of some
parts of the Glenbeigh district from the four
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parts of the Glenbeigh district from the fever hospital at Caherciveen it has been suggested that a temporary hospital should be provided at Glenbeigh. I think this is a matter deserving the serious consideration of the guardians, as it is a guarter of the utmost importance that all cases of typhus fever small be recorded by serious consideration of the preventive measures carried out. This at present cannot be effectually done owing to the distance the patients have to be removed, many of them not being in a fit state for such a long journey. The number of patients which have come under notice since the inception is twenty-three; of these three have died.

"In conclusion I would strongly urge on the Sanitary Authority the great nocessity which

THE NEWMARKET MURDER.

To-day a special Gourt was held at Newmarket by Mujor Hutchinson, R.M., before whom two young men named John Twiss and Eugene O'Keeffe were brought up in custous charged with the murder of James Donoran at thenlars on the 21st of April 1st. Twiss has been under arrest for some weeks past, and had been remanded on two previous occasions. As has been previous stated, he is the some weeks past, and had been remanded on two previous occasions.

akilty, prosecuted, and Mr. P. R. Fitzgibbo solicitor. Newmarket, represented both d

esent during the proceedings.
District-Inspector Thomas Mousen and Dr.
R. Verling the dispensary doctor of New-urket District, having been examined.

The door then opened, and two people came into the house. When the two men came into the room one of them struck his father, who was in bed at the time. That man struck his father on the head with a gun. The other man said. "Come away Jack; you have done enough to him." They then went away, but they dragged him out before they went away. The man who struck him the gun then dragged him out. They then shot his father with the gun in the yard. He heard two shots. His father came back into the bed again, and the men didn't come in anymore. His father had only his wrapper on when they dragged him out into the yard. When he came back to bed he was bleeding from the head. The lamp was like the fellow who used to give him the riding. That was the man who had the gun. He was a bigger man thair the other man.

Witness was then asked if he could identify the man if he say him again, and he said he could, pointing to the man. Eugene Keeffe. The other man who did nothing to his father was the prisoner now present, John Twiss, whom witness pointed to. The tall may was

The other man who due nothing to me space, was the prisoner how present, John Twiss, whom witness pointed to. The tall man was dressed in grey and the small man had black clothes, and had no hair on his face. When they were beating his father with the gun the triggers fell off it. He threw them out into the yard.

Cross-examined by Mr. Fitzgibbon, Cross-examined by Mr. Fitzgoboon, some-tor—He got a stroke that night hinself, about two o'clock he thought, in the hip. He had not slept at all until the two men came to the window. When the men came in his father was awake.

On being asked who was "Jack" that was recordinged by the other man, the winness

in his father was awake.

On being asked who was "Jack" that was mentioned by the other man, the witness pointed out the prisoner, John Twiss.

On being asked which of them had the gun, the witness pointed to the prisoner, Engene Keeffe. Jack lived in the same house that Keeffe lived. Keeffe told him so about a week ago. He knew Keeffe about a week. They also call him John Keeffe. He was told to say nothing by anyone, and he was asked nothing by anyone, and he was asked nothing by anyone. The Kenneallys asked him did he know who killed his father; and he said he did. That was on the morning of the 21st of April.

Mr. Wright said that on that occasion he did not propose; to offer any further evidence. They had not completed their case on—

Mr. Fitzgibbon—Have you settled on remanding the prisoners?

Mr. Wright—On that evidence we are cartainly entitled to a remand.

Major Hutchinson—On that swidence I would return them for tra'l is necessary. A prima facia case was perfectly established.

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Mr. Wright so to complete the case just at present. He would require at least a remand of seven days to enable him to proceed with the prosecution.

The accused, were then remanded in our today until Saturday, 13th inste

TRALEE TOWNS' IMPROVEMENT COURT-MENDAY. (Selon Captain Reogn, n. M., R. M'Cowen D., and R. Latchford, J.P.)

mens O'Brien and John Shea were fined for

drunkenness. Patrick Casey was fined 2s 6d for drunken-ness and disorderly conduct at midnight on

were fined in this Court for llowing dogs at large without being muzzled

PETTY SESSIONS.

(Before the same Bench with Colonel owan, J.P., and Dr. F. J. Falyey, J.P.)

EMBEZZLEMENT BY A SERVANT GIRL young woman named Nora Connell

since, and it was then round she new priated several sums of money. Captain Keogh—What is the amount she made away with? Head-constable Cusack—From fa-tomers, £24.

headed guilty, and elected to be tried by he Bench.

By the direction of the Court, a charge of

By the direction of the Court, a charge of larceny was entered, and she was sentenced to three months imprisonment.

Captain Keogh said the term would have been longer but that å girl in her position should not have been entrusted with the collection of monies.

ILLEGAL COURSING

A young man named Daniel Breen was charged with coursing with dogs on the lands of Huggard Minors, at Lismore, on

Indis of Huggard Minors, at Lismore, on list May.

Mr O H M'Cowen prosecuted, and Mr B O'C Horgan defended.

A young fellow named Denis M'Elligott said on the day in question he found the defendant in a portion of the demesne, in which were numbers of pheasants and hares. The defence was that the defendant was employed with a man named Talbot, whose land adjoins Mr Huggard's, and the dogs having got over the boundary the nan was endeavouring to get them back, when the gamekeeper came upon him.

LICENCE TRANSPER.

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Mr D De C M'Gillycuddy applied for a transfer of a spirit license to Wm Hannafin from his daughter, who held it for a house in Moyderwell.

The transfer was granted.

ALLEGED MALGOUS'INJURY.

Mr. D. De C. M'Gillycuddy summoned
Miss Cherry Jeffcott for malicious injury to
a wall at the Spa.

Mr. E. Downing appeared for Mr. M'Gilly-

cuddy, and Mr. O. H. M Cowen defended.

Mr. M'Gillycuddy said a portion of Miss Jeffcott's avenue ran alongside his premises. Jeffeott's avenue ran alongside his premises. There was a cottage of his which recedes a little from the avenue, and in order to cut away the prevailing blast at the Spa, he put up two timber uprights in a bed of masonry which he had sheeted up. The work was in his own property, and it was to this timber the damage was done. Five shillings would cover the damage, but it was not for the damage he was proceeding.

In cross-examination, he said the boards projected five feet over the wall facing the avenue. There were more unsightly things on the avenue, and he did not consider it unsightly. It was only up an hour when it was interfered with.

Michael Dwyer said on the day he put up the boarding Miss Jeffcott came on the outside, put up a ladder, and asked him if he was going to remove it. He said he was not, and she got a spade and hand saw and cut it

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and she goe a speak down.

Mr. M'Cowen submitted the case was one for the County Court, and where Miss Jeff-cot, semoved the warding believing she had a right to do so, the damage could not be held to be malicious.

The Bench imposed a fine of 1s, compensation of and allowed os costs.

HORRISLE CRUELTY TO CATTLE.

A man named Thomas M'Elligott was charged by the constabilisty with cruelly ill-treating a number of cattle on the 21st of last month

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rate for assistance. Head Constable rate for assistance. Head Constable asset and a party of police drove out and telled the disturbance.

Capt. Keogh read a letter signed by Wed.

cy were themselves the cause of the row, id did not want anyone punished: Head-bonstable Casack stated that with

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the defendants were fined. John Colvin, and costs, and James Colvin, 10s and fs. The other defendants were lined 5s.

Margare Connor, wife of a Stuff Sergeant, issued summons for assault and abusive language lagainst the wives of two other soldiers amned Shiel and Fitzgibbon.

Cross summones were issued against Con-nor and his wife, and Connor had a summons against Mrs. Shiel for assault.

Mr. O. H. M'Cowen appeared for the com plainant and Mr. J. M. Morphy defended...

Mr. J. M. morpay denomes... Evidence having been given in each crass, the Bench dismissed all cases except the sour-mons against Mps. Shiel, and she was fined 2s 6d and costs.

PEDLALS' LICENSES

Constable G. Hewitz summoned a man named John Humanin for selling articles through the town without a pedlars' licence. He was fined is.

UNITEENED DOGS.

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Several parties were fined for having unlicensed or unmuzzled dogs.
Capt. Keogh said in future he would impose 5s line for having unlicensed dogs.
Sarah Donovan was fired 1s for seashing three pages of glass in a window belonging to a woman named Hanoria Neville.
The court soon after adjourned.

LISTOWEI MAY FAIR

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Listowel, Monday.

At this old established fair to-day there was a large aftendance of buyers from Tralee, Limorick, Tipperary and Dublin, and if prices did not rule as high as could be desired, a good deal of business was transacted, at prices which were as good as any that have been obtained for some time past. Quotations—Yearlings sold at from £3 to £6; two year olds, £6 to £9; incalf heifers, £7 10s to £12; beef (scarte), 56s per cwt: £7 10s to £12; beef (scarce), 56s per cwt; sheep 30s to 50s.

LISTOWEL PETTY SESSIONS.
There was no Petty Sessions Court held on londay. Monday.

TERRIBLE NAVAL DISASTER.

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Editourgh, Seturday,
An accident occurred this morning in connection with the visit of the German fieet to
the Firth of Forth. H.M.S. Galates, which
arrived to-day at Queensferry, fired a salute
in honour of the visitors.

A salute of eighteen guns was being fired
under the charge of Instructors Warren and
Robert Lawrence. The touth round was
fired, by Warran, and a moment later the
explosion occurred. Lawrence's head was
blown to pieces, and Whitehead had his left
arm blown off at the elbow, while two other
men sustained slight injuries. The nature
of the explosion is not stated.

A STEAMER DISABLED

A New York caldegram states the British steamer G. R. Booth, Brunswick for Bremen, passed on 10th May, in lat. 41, long. 66, is disabled; Campania, signalled Do you want assistance. The Received no reply. The steamer G. R. Booth had her engines stopped and no signals set. The Campanian passed within 100 yards of her and signalled.

nd Juror asked if they had the ac-

f this line before them. yous said they had not. The Board would be the people to get the for them. The line was not paying. atchford thought if they commun th Bir Thomas Esmonde, M.P., he

et any information they wanted for Te had done good work in reference ngle Railway, and he took that opof moving a vote of thanks to him Grand Jury for the very able way he carried through everything in with the Diugle Railway.

ussey-I don't think he carried out

tchford-Of course, he did not sucrely, but he did his best. I beg to That the best thanks of this County and Jury be hereby conveyed to Sir Samonde, M.P., for the time, talent, y he expended in furthering all matmportance in connection with this nd for the promptitude with which ly assisted the Grand Jury and the s in bringing the scrious disaster red on the Dingle Railway before nment."

skey said they should be very much Sir Thomas Esmonde, but if he all the Irish members into one he make the Liberal Government as the last Government (laughter). onard seconded the resolution.

tler-I think you ought add to that that you regret the other members ollowed his example (laughter). chford-Bettermake that a separate

Elligott-Oh, better not be pertehford's resolution was unaniopted.

ER FOR BALLYHEIGUE.

rand Jury room on Monday oven-rench said that Col. Crosbie had ting himself to get the Congested oard to erect a small pier for small where in the neighbourhood of e. He had a very encouraging a member of the Congested Dis-d, and he (Mr. Trench) thought a from the Grand Jury on the substrengthen Col. Crosbie's hands. that the attention of the Conriets Board be called to the urgent or a small boat slip or pier at for the use of the fishermen there up to the present, diprived of any hing, and the Grand Jury urged gested Districts Board the great of granting this application as a possible. Copies of the resoluordered to be forwarded to the ibers, with a request that they application.

hford seconded the resolution. passed unanimously.

IT PIER AND RAILWAY. rand Jury room, on Monday, rising out of the presentment alt Fier and Rallway which 2555 15s 10d on the barony of

by said the gress receipts of the s £896, out of which the Lime-Naterford Company get 60 per would leave £162 9s 3d for the barony. The line was worked rick and Waterford Company, ctors and secretary had nothing do but to sign receipts for the get, and for signing receipts and they charge £178 13s 3d. A

one clase of inings than that could not possibly exist.

Illycuddy — Havn't we tried, ain to stop that?

y said they had, but be now hey do not pass the present-barony was paying nearly ar for this instead of having a credit. He referred to the

At Newma has on Seturday, before Major Hutchinson, E. L. Lihn Twiss, of Cordal, Castleisland, and Eugeno Keeffe, of Glenlara, County Cork, were again brought up on remand, charged with the wilful murder of James Donovan, Glenlara, on the 20th April last, Great public disaction is expressed at the manner in which the necused have been remanded so repeatedly, and it is now generally believed that this is done with a view to avoiding the recessity of bringing the case on at the approaching assizes in Cork, so as to ensure a change of venue at more remote date.

Mr. H. W. Wright, Croom, solicitor, Clona-kilty, prosecuted, and Mr. H. H. Barry, solr, Kanturk, and Mr. P. R. Pitzgibben, solr, Newmarket, represented the prisoners. There were also present—County Inspector Gibbons, and District Inspectors Irwin, Lis-towel, and Coarco, Kanturk

towel, and Cosgro, Kanturk. A shabbily dressed individual adorned with A shabbily dressed individual adorned with a profusion of red hair describing himself as John Brosnan, of Castleisland, deposed that he was a labourer. He knew the prisoner John Twiss since he (witness) was a child. They had been in company several times together in Castleisland and other places. He recollected the 20th of April last, that was the fair day at Castleisland. He saw Twiss at the fair that morning. Twiss was talking to some man with a black moustache and curly black hair. That, conversation was going on outside Maurice Murphy's door in the Main street. He (witness) did not hear what they were saying. He again saw Twiss shortly afterwards. Twiss followed him up shortly afterwards. Twiss followed him up the town. They had a conversation and a couple of drinks together, after which they parted company. He again saw Twiss when the two Cromins were fighting, between three or four o'clock. They were fighting outside Conny Connor's door and all along up the flags. They did not burt each other, and there were no blood stains on them. The conversation he had with Twiss was after they had the drinks in the morning. then asked him if he had Marshall's revolver yet. He (witness) replied that he had. Twiss then asked him to give him the loan of it, and (witness) replied that he would. Twiss said he wanted it as he was going a journey into the County Cork hunting and he then asked him (witness) if he had any ammunition, and he (witness) replied that he had not. Twiss then said that he would get ammunition himself. He (witness) said the revolver was below in Dr. Harold's farm at Crageen, and that he would go and bring it, which he did. He had the revolver in a ditch. He brought it and gave it to Twiss under a gateway in the street. Twist then asked him (witness) to go with him, and he replied that he got enough before and that he would not go any more. He (witness) had been on a little excursion before and had got into trouble over it. Twiss after getting the revolver walked away in the direction of home. The revolver was a seven chamber one, central fire. He (witness) had bought the revolver from Marshall. Before parting Twiss made him kiss a small little book swearing to keep secret, and to tall nobody anything that was between the two of them. He never got back his revolver. I wiss was quite sober when he last saw him that evening.

Cross-examined by Mr. Fitzgibbon, solicitor—His last employer was Jerry Sheehan, of Scartaglin. He (witness) was out of Tra-lee Gaol since last October. He was in there for moonlighting. He might have been imprisoned more than a dozen times within the last three years. He gave Marshall 4s. for the revolver. He bought it for blackguard-ing. He was done out of his revolver and money now.

Mr. Fitzgibbon—Do you swear, sir, you don't expect more than 4s. Do you expect money for swearing here to day?

Witness—I can't say—I suppose I must get something. I cannot be here for nothing. I could earn money besides it. I was not promised any money and did not see any money yet.

ing me along. I was taking a drink when Sergeant Motorey came in and questioned me about Twiss and I told him all that I have told now.

Cross examination continued-He knew John Poweit. He siels nothing but is 60 from him, and it was Twiss who put him up to do it. That was in Castleialand. That was all the money he ever stole from any one. Since last Wednesday ho was in Newmarket. He was only in one moonlight attack.

Re-examined by Mr. Wright-It was on the occasion of the one moonlight attacks which was in Powell's house that he got the Is 6d. Powell handed it out. He did not moonlight that house alone. Four others were with him, and Twiss was one of the men who were with him when they moon-lighted Powell. He did not "make up" that story at all. What he told Sergeant

Murray was the truth. Andrew Shannon, of Newmarket, a sheriff's bailiff, and Denis Donovan, son of the murdered man, also gave evidence, but it did not concern any of the accused.

Mr. Wright said that was all the evidence he had to offer them that day, and he would ask for a remand for eight days to produce further evidence in support of that case.

Mr. Barry, solicitor, said that having regard to the fact that the Assizes were now at hand, he would ask to have the respand only to Monday or Tuesday.

Mr. Wright said that a remand to Monday or Tuesday would be useless to him. He had important information at his disposal, which would be actively followed up by the police with a view to producing witnesses in port of it. It could not surely be said that the police were in any way inactive in the matter, considering that up to the present he had examined thirty witnesses, and when they considered that the police inquiries extended not only in the county Cork, but over the county Kerry, they would easily recognise that it would take days and days to get the witnesses they required to prove the facts that had been placed before them.

Mr. Barry said that the prisoners had now been in custody nine weeks. There had been nine remands, and a large body of police were engaged investigating the case, and surely it was time, if it were not the object to exhaust the means of the unfortunate people, that the case should be brought to a He would ask that an assgrance begiven that this would be the final remand, and that the case would close on the next day.

Mr. Wright I can give no such assurance

Mr. Fitzgibbon also objected to a length ened remand, and said that in Twiss's case it was particularly a hardships as he was now

going on three months in cool.

Mr. Barry - & think there should be a definite closing of the case.

Mr. Wright-Your opinion I have a great, respect for, but at present we don't intend to take it.

Mr. Fitzgibbon-As the case at present stands it is quite apparent that the Crown must be terribly fearful of their witnesses,

Major Mutchinson said that under the dirprisoners uptil Saturday usat.

vestigution of the matter to the chairman. D BRIBERY OF A GRAND
RY OFFICIAL
Before the Kerry Grand Ju

in putation in the writing! rand Jury Officer after the come the keeping in repair the streets of Killarney. The letters he understood stated to Mr. Hynes that he would get a sum of money if the contract were given to Mr. Counihan. He now applied that Mr. Counihan be allowed clear himself

Slater's Directory of Ireland published in 1894 contains the names of public officials, schools, private residents and commercial people in Dingle and also the names of a number of farmers in the peninsula.296

In the report of the Congested Districts Board for the year ended 31st March, 1895, it was reported that the Blasket Island Pier and breakwater and the Slea Head road had been completed—the pier and breakwater at a cost of £384 and the road at an expenditure of £285 as against an estimate of £365.

So far as one could judge from the local papers, there was no public protest in Dingle in connection with the judicial murder by hanging of John Twiss of Cordal, Castleisland, in Cork jail on the 9th February, 1895, on a charge of killing a caretaker named James Donovan, who had resided at Glanhara, near Newmarket, on the 21st April, 1894.

At the Inquest, where a verdict was returned amounting to wilful murder against the British Government, of which "honest" John Morley, as Chief Secretary, was the responsible minister in Ireland, it was proved that Twiss had protested his innocence before he stepped on to the scaffold, and had stated that he had been approached in his cell before his conviction, by a police officer named Irwin who offered him his life and liberty if he swore that the men responsible for the murder were Messrs. Maurice Moynihan, Tralee, and Michael Power, Cork, who were suspected of being connected with the Irish Republican Brotherhood.

The Chief Secretary, who had refused to reprieve the doomed man, declined to risk prosecuting newspapers which had described the execution as a cold-blooded murder.

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Slater's Directory of Ireland published in 1894 contains the names of public officials, schools, private residents and commercial people in Dingle and also the names of a number of farmers in the peninsula.<sup>296</sup>

In the report of the Congested Districts Board for the year ended 31st March, 1895, it was reported that the Blasket Island Pier and breakwater and the Slea Head road had been completed—the pier and breakwater at a cost of £384 and the road at an expenditure of £285 as against an estimate of £365.

So far as one could judge from the local papers, there was no public protest in Dingle in connection with the judicial murder by hanging of John Twiss of Cordal, Castleisland, in Cork jail on the 9th February, 1895, on a charge of killing a caretaker named James Donovan, who had resided at Glanhara, near Newmarket, on the 21st April, 1894.

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In July, Sir Thomas Esmonde, who had been returned unopposed as the Parliamentary representative of West Eerry, visited Dingle, and was presented with an address signed by Father Scollard, C.C., and Messrs Gerald Maguire, J.P., Chemist; Daniel Griffin, Thomas Burke, Timothy Gallavin, Timothy O'Connor, Stephen Hickson, Maurice E. Fitzgerald, Ventry, and Timothy O'Flaherty, Kilfountain.

The loss on the working of the Tralee and Dingle Railway for the half year amounted to £3,208 19s. 2d.

In August a paragraph in the "Kerry Sentinel" dealing with the "patron" held in Castlegregory stated:—

"In former days the 'patron,' which is now held in Castlegregory, was held on the Brandon side of Loughill in that beautiful level warren where the first chapel in that parish decidated to the honour and glory of the Blessed Virgin was erected. This 'patron,' in the Irish language is entitled 'La le Muirah na Deeha.'"

In administering the Sacrament of Confirmation in Ballyferriter on the 29th of this month, the Catholic Bishop (Dr. Coffey) expressed regret that the children had not been prepared in the Irish language as on his previous visitations he found that the children so prepared had shown a much more intelligent knowledge of the Christian Doctrine than those prepared in the English Catechism.

During the year the Brandon Creek landing place and approach road were completed by the Congested Districts Board (which came into existence on the 5th August, 1891) at a cost of £921 for the landing place and £144 for the Approach Road. A protection wall at a cost of £381 was also built and rocks removed for an expediture of £97.

In the Dingle peninsula the following included the areas registered as Congested—Dingle, Dunquin, Kinard, Kilmalkedar, Kilquane, Marhin, Ventry and Dunurlin.

Minard was not included.

There was a deficit of £1,684 in the working of the Tralee and Dingle Railway Company for the half-year ended December, 1895.

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