

people living

Disastrous bog slide

The incessant rain of the past few days is responsible for another serious bog slide near Castlereagh. The movement took place on Thursday morning near the villages of Cloonfallive and Annagh on the estate of Mr. Worthington, about three miles from the town of Castlereagh. The estate on which the movement took place is a congested district, and for years the tenants on the property have been endeavouring to induce their landlord to drain this bog, which has been a constant danger, but without effect. There are about 2,000 acres in the Cloonfallive and Annagh bogs. It is dotted over with little hamlets, the occupants of which endeavour to eke out an existence on the small plots of land reclaimed from the moving mass now in motion. In wet seasons like the present these poor people live in a constant state of alarm that thousands of acres above them will break free from their frail foundation,

It happened 100 years ago

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With Pauline Scott

and sweep down upon them. This is practically what happened to those families living in the vicinity of Cloonfallive last night. Preceded by an appalling sound, like nothing earthly, some thousands of acres were set in motion and the occupants of the houses threatened were aroused from their beds to find the bog swiftly closing in on them. Alarming their neighbours, their first thought was their stock, which they released and then they proceeded to save as much as possible of their household effects, and making good their escape before their homes were cut off from the dry land. Immense fissures opened all over the bog, from which water rushed in

torrents and swept all before it. The movement proceeded for about 200 or 300 yards, blocking up the main roads and destroying crops and everything in its march. Before daylight the alarmed families made their way to Castlereagh and applied to Mr. John Fitzgibbon, member of the Congested Districts Board to come to their rescue.

The veto first

The Prime Minister's announcement in Parliament on Monday regarding the Veto Budget question has cleared the air a good deal and the political crisis has been considerably allayed.

The Veto is to be taken up first. After Easter resolutions

will be submitted to both Houses dealing with the proposed reform of the Lords, and until they have been disposed of the Budget will not be touched. They will, of course, be passed in the Commons, but whether the Upper House accepts them or not it matters very little as in that event the Government will refuse to continue in office, and the electorate will be asked whether the will of the people is to be thus audaciously ignored. In the event of the Government being again returned to office, and that seems a foregone conclusion, the King would be asked to intervene in what would be an unparalleled situation in the political history of this country.

Petition recalled

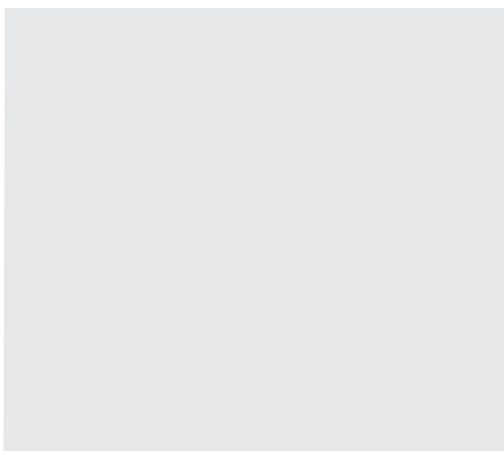
Next Monday will be the one hundredth anniversary of a most important event in connection with Catholic Emancipation, namely the centenary of the introduction of the Catholic petition by Henry Grattan in the British House of Commons. The Catholic Committee in January 1810, prepared a petition in Parliament asking for unconditional emancipation and entrusted it to Lord Fingal to carry to London. Accordingly the Earl of Fingal proceeded to London and gave the petition to Grattan, who on February 28th duly presented it to the House of Commons, advocating the claims of the Catholics. In the event, after a protracted

debate, the motion for going into Committee with the Catholic petition, which was so ably backed by Grattan, Sheridan, Parnell, Newport, Hutchinson, Ponsonby and others, was lost by a majority of one hundred and four.

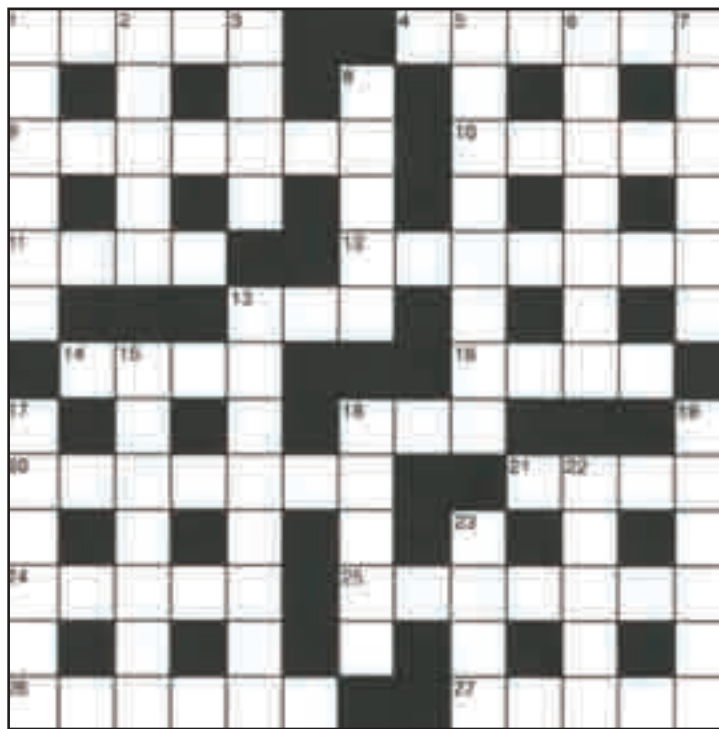
Meeting in Ballinaheglis

On Sunday last after last Mass, a large and enthusiastic meeting was held under the auspices of the Land and Labour Association in Ballinaheglis. The Chairman Joseph O'Grady said the object of the meeting as they all knew was to strengthen their branch of the Land and Labour Association, an organisation which was accomplishing an enormous amount of good throughout the country for the labourers and the small tenant farmers and they also wanted to see the land in that parish equitably divided amongst the people who lived there. They had more claim to it than outsiders (applause).

SCRIBBLE BOX



CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 A heavy blow (5)
- 4 Bread shop (6)
- 9 Receptacle for cigarette butts (7)
- 10 British boxer, Frank _____ (5)
- 11 Measure of ground (4)
- 12 Japanese art of paper folding (7)
- 13 Vase (3)
- 14 Flat open tart (4)
- 16 Clarified butter (4)
- 18 Lumberjack's tool (3)
- 20 Exhausted (3,4)
- 21 King's title (4)
- 24 Song of praise (5)
- 25 Household chore (7)
- 26 Rat or mouse, eg (6)
- 27 Meagre (6)

DOWN

- 1 Beverage sachet (3,3)
- 2 Wedding official (5)
- 3 Wife of Henry VIII, Catherine _____ (4)
- 5 Village featured in *The Archers* (8)
- 6 Copy (7)
- 7 Somerset town (8)
- 8 British poet (5)
- 13 Rare (8)
- 15 Nautical rope (7)
- 17 Correct, appropriate (6)
- 18 Caper (5)
- 19 Altitude (6)
- 22 Holiday island (5)
- 23 Mind, intellect (4)

SUDOKU

The rules for Sudoku couldn't be easier. All you have to do is fill the empty squares so that each row, each column and each smaller 3x3 block contains all the numbers 1 to 9. In order to work out a number, you'll need to eliminate the numbers already in the square's row, column and 3x3 block. As you get more experienced you'll find there are several more basic techniques or 'strategies' that you can adopt but let's not over-complicate matters more than we need to at the start ... good luck ...

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			3		5			
		5				8		
4		7				1		5
	6	9				7	2	
5			8		9			3
6		1	5		3	9		7
9								6

Across: 1 Thump, 4 bakery, 9 ashtrey, 10 burno, 11 acre, 12 origami, 13 urn, 14 fan, 16 ghee, 18 axe, 20 run down, 21 sire, 24 psalm, 25 ironing, 26 rodent, 27 scant, 28 DOWN: 1 Tea bag, 2 usher, 3 part, 5 ambridge, 6 emulate, 7 yeovil, 8 byron, 13 uncom-

TOP5 singles

- 1 1 Under Pressure (Ice Ice Baby) **Jedward feat. Vanilla Ice**
- 2 2 Everybody Hurts **Helping Haiti**
- 3 In My Head **Jason Derulo**
- 4 4 If we ever meet Again **Timberland feat. Katy Perry**
- 4 5 Fireflies **Owl City**



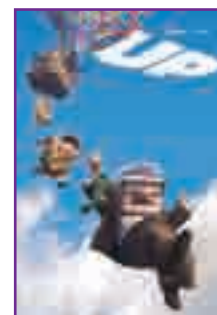
TOP5 albums

- 1 1 Glee The Music: Vol 1 **Original Cast**
- 3 2 Sunny Side Up **Paolo Nutini**
- 7 3 Lungs **Florence and the Machine**
- 4 4 The Fame/the Fame Monster **Lady Gaga**
- 5 American VI: Ain't No Grave **Johnny Cash**



TOP5 DVD rentals

- 1 1 Up
- 2 This is it - Michael Jackson
- 2 3 Alvin And The Chipmunk
- 6 4 Gran Torino
- 5 5 The Curious case of Benjamin Button



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