

By the Lords Justices and Council of Ireland.

A PROCLAMATION.

*MAZIERE BRADY, C.
SEATON.*

WHEREAS by a Proclamation of the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of Ireland, bearing date the 2nd day of May, in the year 1849, in pursuance of the provisions of an Act passed in a Session of Parliament holden in the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled "An Act to extend the Jurisdiction, and regulate the Proceedings of the Civil Bill Courts in Ireland," it was appointed and directed, that from and after the Hilary Sessions then next ensuing to be holden in and for the County of Westmeath, the Division of Mullingar, as theretofore constituted, should be divided into two Districts for the purposes of said Act; one of said Divisions to consist of the Baronies of Moyashel and Magheredernon, Corkaree, Mullingar, Fartullagh, and Moygoish, and to be called the Division of Mullingar, and the Town of Mullingar was the Town nominated for holding Sessions for the said District; and the other of said Divisions to consist of the Baronies of Delvin, Half Fore, and Farbill, and to be called the Division of Castletowndelvin, and the Town of Castletowndelvin was appointed the Town for holding Sessions for said District.

And whereas, by an Act made and passed in a Session of Parliament holden in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled, "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Civil Bills, and the Courts of Quarter Sessions in Ireland, and to transfer to the Assistant Barristers certain Jurisdiction as to Insolvent Debtors," it is amongst other things enacted and provided, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being, from time to time, by and with the Consent and Advice of the Privy Council of Ireland, to alter the Divisions and Districts for holding of Sessions in any County or Riding now existing, or hereafter to exist; and to divide the several Counties, or any of them, or any Riding or Division of a County,

including all Counties of Cities, and Counties of Towns, Boroughs, Towns, and Places, into as many Divisions or Districts as shall be thought proper or expedient for the purpose of more conveniently hearing and determining Causes by Civil Bill, and of transacting all such Criminal or all such other business as may be cognizable or determinable at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and to appoint one or more convenient Town or Place. Towns or Places, in any such Division or District in which a Civil Bill Court, and a Court for transacting such Criminal and other business as aforesaid, or a Civil Bill Court only for hearing and determining Causes by Civil Bill, shall be held; and from time to time to alter any such Division or District, or any Town or Place, as to the said Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, for the time being, with the advice aforesaid, shall think fit.

And whereas, a Memorial hath been presented unto us, by the Grand Jury of the said County of Westmeath, setting forth and stating that the Bridewell which had existed in the said Town of Castletowndelvin had been abolished as utterly unfit for the reception of Prisoners, and that the Prisoners to be tried at the Quarter Sessions in said Town had to be conveyed at considerable inconvenience and expense from the County Gaol at Mullingar; and praying that the said Town of Castletowndelvin should be discontinued altogether as a Sessions Town for Criminal Business, and should be continued as a Sessions Town solely for hearing and determining Causes by Civil Bill, and for purposes of Registration of Voters.

Now We, the Lords Justices of Ireland, by and with the consent and advice of the Privy Council of Ireland, do, in pursuance of the powers vested in us for that purpose, hereby appoint and direct, that from henceforth the said town of Castletowndelvin shall cease to be a Town for holding Sessions for transacting Criminal Business, cognizable or determinable at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace. And We do further appoint and direct that for the purpose only of the administration and transaction of such Criminal Business, the said Baronies of Delvin, Half Forg, and Farbill shall be reunited to, and form part of the said Division of Mullingar. And We do

ther appoint and direct that the said Proclamation of the said 2nd day of May, 1849, shall in all respects stand confirmed, save only as the same is varied by this Our Proclamation.

Given at the Council Chamber, Dublin Castle,
this 13th day of November, 1856.

E. Horsman.

R. Keatinge.

GOD save the QUEEN.