

recommended by the Courts of Justice Commission in 1826, and by the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the state of the poor in Ireland in 1830, should be carried into effect.

4th. That the office of sub-sheriff should be made permanent, and paid entirely by salary with no interest in fees—the fees being paid in aid of the taxation out of which the salary is defrayed.

5th. That the inquiry into the state of the law of Judgments in Ireland, which was recommended by Lord Cairns, Lord Selbourne, Lord Hatherly, Lord O'Hagan, Sir Joseph Napier, and Mr. Justice Lawson, as urged in 1866, be now undertaken, so as to remedy the evils arising from the complicated, antiquated, and oppressive system of sheriff's sales of land by writ of *feri facias* at suit of a judgment creditor, which are erroneously ascribed to the operation of Irish Land Act of 1870.

VI.—*Proceedings of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland.*

TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION.—SIXTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 18th May, 1875.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35, Molesworth-street, the Right Hon. Mountifort Longfield, LL.D., Ex-President, in the chair.

Mr. John O'Hagan, Q.C., read a paper on "The Exclusion of the Evidence of the Accused in Criminal Cases"

The ballot was then examined, and John McKane, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, was declared duly elected a Member of the Society.

SEVENTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 22nd June, 1875.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth-street, the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Lawson, Ex-President, in the chair.

W. J. Hancock, F.I.A., read a paper on "The Temporary and Permanent Business of Friendly Societies, with some Suggestions for making the latter secure, through the agency of Post Office Insurance and Savings' Bank Departments"

W. Neilson Hancock, Esq, LL.D., read a paper entitled, "Some complaints against the Irish Land Act, traced to want of Local Jurisdiction in Equity, and to defects in the office of Sheriff, and in the Law of Judgments in Ireland."

The ballot for the election of Members of Council was then examined by Daniel Thomas Tracey, Esq, and James Alexander Rynd, Esq., scrutineers, and the following were elected:—Messrs William J. Hancock, William Findlater, John R. Garstin, Professor Donnell,

Henry Dix Hutton, David Ross, E. D. Mapother, M.D., James McDonnell, Professor O'Shaughnessy, William Graham Brooke, Henry L. Jephson, and John Norwood, LL.D.

The ballot for members was examined, and James McCann, Esq., Edward Graves Mayne, Esq., and Thomas John Overend, Esq., were declared elected.

TWENTY-NINTH SESSION—FIRST MEETING.

[Tuesday, 16th November, 1875.]

Professor Ingram, J.L.D., F.T.C.D., delivered the opening Address. The Report of the Council was read by Mr. Joseph T. Pim.

The ballot having been examined, Richard M. Barrington, B.L., Henry Bruen, Esq., M.P., Henry Holt, Esq., B.L., Samuel Morley, Esq., M.P., and R. H. Inglis Palgrave, Esq., were declared duly elected Members of the Society.

VII.—*Appointment of Charity Organization Committee.*

At the December meeting of the Council of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland, it was resolved to appoint a committee to consider and make suggestions upon the subject of charity organization.

- 1st. To collect further information as to the working of charity organization in London, New York, Elberfeld, and other places.
- 2nd. To collect information as to the working of charities in Dublin, and to suggest the branches of charity organization that could be best undertaken by charitable bodies in Dublin.
- 3rd. To collect, through existing charitable organizations, information as to the causes of pauperism, and to suggest means by which such information may be more completely and systematically collected.

The committee to consist of Professor Ingram, LL.D., F.T.C.D. (Vice-President), as chairman; The Very Rev. the Dean of the Chapel Royal; Major H. Le G. Geary, R.A. (Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General); John Lentaigne, Esq., C.B.; Edward Gibson, Esq., M.P.; William Findlater, Esq.; Professor O'Shaughnessy; David Ross, Esq.; William J. Hancock, Esq.; John R. Garstin, Esq.; Henry Dix Hutton, Esq.; Dr. Henry H. Stewart, M.D.; John O'Hagan, Esq., Q.C.; the Honorary Secretaries—Dr. Hancock, Constantine Molloy, Esq., and Joseph T. Pim, Esq., and such other members of council as wish to join. The honorary secretaries of the Society to be secretaries of the committee.