

# WEEK'S REVIEW

## What Our Friends in Ireland Are Doing.

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#### INCES HEARD FROM.

### NEWS THAT CANNOT BE OBTAINED ELSEWHERE.

## LEINSTER.

(By our Special Correspondent.)

### DUBLIN.

William Lyons, one day last week, reported at the Kilmainham police station, that a lodger in his house, No. 12 North terrace, Inchicore, named Morogh, who was about 60 years of age, and a clerk in the Inchicore Railway Works, had been found dead in his bed, a short time, previously, with his throat cut. It appeared that the deceased was lodging in Mr. Lyons' place for the past fourteen years, and that he was a single man. It appears that the deceased had been suffering for some time with a bronchial affection. He was a native of Ballyjamesduff, County Cavan.

At Clontarf, last Tuesday, while a tram-car conductor, named Laurence Nolan, aged 22 years, residing at No. 4 Rutland place, was attempting to board the front platform of one of the cars, near Vernon avenue, on his return from dinner, he missed his footing and fell, and one of the wheels passed over his right foot. He was immediately taken to Jervis Street Hospital, where it was found necessary to amputate the leg. The man is progressing as favorably as could be expected under the circumstances.

The Dublin city death rate continues distinctly alarming. The deaths registered for the last week in February numbered 217, and were 82 over the average. The deaths from syphilitic disease amounted to 71, being 15 over the number for the preceding week, and 52 in excess of the average for the sixth week of the last ten years. The weekly summary of the Registrar-General's weekly returns for 1906, shows that the Dublin city death rate for last year was 24.5 per 1,000 of the population.

The return of the Irish Militia for the last year, recently issued, shows that the total strength of the militia was 22,930, which was 2,381 below the number enrolled, the difference being accounted for by 1,089 absent from training, with leave, and 1,292 without.

The full enlistment of the Irish Militia is 29,950, and the deficiency is accordingly 4,950. This is not a good showing for a body of troops that is avowedly intended to be a nucleus for the regular army.

Mr. William Kealy, a licensed victualler, of Strand road, Sandymount, Dublin, died suddenly at his residence a week ago Monday. He became ill while lying in bed, and his cousin sent for Dr. Denham, of Sandymount road, who, on arriving, found life extinct. Mr. Kealy had been suffering from kidney disease for some time past.

Mr. George Ernest Penton, L.R.C.S.I., having passed the necessary examination, has been admitted a Fellow of the Irish College of Surgeons. The following gentlemen have passed the primary part of the Fellowship examination: Mr. F. Warren, Mr. J. M. Crawford, Mr. S. R. Godkin and Mr. H. Pringle.

In the House of Commons one day last week, Secretary Gerald Balfour intimated that the government had nothing to add to their offer of last year regarding the Christian Brothers' Schools in Ireland which offer was considered entirely inadequate.

A Dublin gentleman named John Barry, aged 35 years, recently committed suicide at No. 30 Gardiner place by shooting himself with a revolver. He was in business with his father, who is a hide merchant.

A sailor named Robert Humphreys, on board one of Messrs. McCormick's coal vessels, fell from the rigging into the sea, outside Kingstown Harbor, and was drowned, one day last week. The body was not recovered.

Early in March the acting officer, Master Shapland Morris Tandy, who was appointed in the room of Master Davis, deceased, took his seat for the first time in court.

The Irish National Fund is now well started towards the fifth thousand (\$20,000), and subscriptions are still coming in steadily.

The Rev. Richard A. Maxwell, Superior General of the Christian Brothers in Ireland, has joined the Council of the Gaelic League.

A gentleman in the 100th Co. Common, acting as one of the legal members of Parliament on the subject of the Financial Relations.

The Lord Lieutenant has appointed Davy Tuckey, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be Assistant Land Commissioner. Successor Major D. O'Sullivan, stationed at Dublin, has been ordered to India, by the transport Deaura.

### WICKLOW.

The town clerk of Wicklow has received a letter from the High Sheriff, Sir Henry Cochrane, of Woodbrooke, in reference to a resolution proposed by the Wicklow Commissioners at their last meeting, asking him to call a meeting to consider the Financial Relations Committee's report. Sir Henry very courteously refuses to do any such thing, and tells the "C's" to make their own arrangements until the House of Commons is ready to tend to the subject.

The complaint of the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company, that the electric tram-cars to Dalkey

are being run at express speed, will be investigated by Major Marindin, the Board of Trade Inspector.

### WEXFORD.

A week ago Wednesday, Dr. D. P. Murphy, Coroner for North Wexford, held an inquest on the body of a girl who met her death under strange and shocking circumstances. She was the daughter of a small farmer named Felix Boyle, who hails from a village called Coolcarney, and on the day indicated she was engaged in cutting manure from the yard of her father's house to a field some distance away. Having emptied the cart the girl was returning when, feeling fatigued, she took a seat on the vehicle. The wheel of the cart struck a huge boulder, with the result that the vehicle was turned over, crushing the unfortunate girl to death, her neck being broken. The horse, in its frantic efforts to free itself, actually beat out its brains. Some time after when one of the girl's relatives arrived on the scene, he found her bruised and mangled, and the horse lying dead between the shafts of the cart. The jury after hearing evidence of the above facts, returned a verdict of accidental death.

The tenants on the estate of Mr. James Bogan, of Tincurra, at Ballybawn, near Glynn, have agreed for the purchase of their holdings under the Land Purchase Acts. The rental was about £180 a year and the tenants agreed to purchase their holdings for eighteen years' purchase, so that the total purchase money is about £3,300.

The tenants of Mr. Nicholas Lambert, of Roxborough, on his estate situated at Mullintra, near Taghmon, have also agreed to purchase their holdings at eighteen years' purchase on the new terms. The rental amounted to about £140, and the total purchase money was about £2,200.

John Monahan, a small farmer, living at Killak, near Ennisorty, made a desperate attempt at suicide a few days ago, for some time past he has been subject to acute pains in his side, and his mind has become unbalanced. He was removed to Ennisorty Lunatic Asylum.

### KILKENNY.

It is alleged that on the afternoon of the last pig-fair of New Ross, a party of men from Waterford, on their way back to the city by car, fired on a farmer on the roadway, about a mile outside New Ross. The farmer fired on behalf of the County Kilkenny, and his name is Murphy. The Roscommon police have the case in hand.

### KING'S COUNTY.

Lt. W. D. Byrne, of the Kilkenny Militia, Fifth Battalion, Royal Irish Regiment, is to be employed on probation as an Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Coast of Africa Constabulary. Capt. R. T. Kirkpatrick, First Leinster Regiment, at Tipperary has also been appointed for employment with the Uganda Rifles.

Judge O'Connor Morris recently obtained a decree of ejectment against Thomas Dignan, of Derryablen, under section 7 of the Land Act. The rent due was £15, with law costs amounting to £14 6d. A warrant directed to the Sheriff of the County was issued.

At the last meeting of the Thomastown Board of Guardians the Master reported that Mrs. Malloy, the Workhouse matron, had died.

### LONGFORD.

A meeting of the Longford Board of Guardians was held one day last week under the presidency of Mr. James McCann, chairman. There were also present, in addition to the chairman, twelve ex-officio and twelve elected guardians. Mr. Michael McCann moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Charles Burridge, and carried unanimously: "That we, the Longford Board of Guardians, protest emphatically against Mr. J. H. Baldwin's insidious device to delay or avoid redressing the awful wrong of the overtaxation of Ireland, as declared by the Royal Commission, who were men of supreme pre-eminence as statisticians, administrators, financiers and statesmen, and we consider that besides thus reducing the Royal prerogative to a farce by issuing a commission upon a commission, the government is guilty of a distinct breach of faith in appointing a second commission, inasmuch as Mr. Goschen solemnly promised, when appointing the Financial Commission, that the grievances should be remedied, and we call upon Mr. Goschen to keep his promise."

### WESTMEATH.

The season for net fishing on the Shannon, at Athlone, opened on a recent date. Reports from various parts of the river, down to "Killaog," state that, in consequence of the floods, the net fishermen were unable to go out. In Athlone some of the oldest fishermen do not intend to take out licenses, the prospect of the season seems so bad, and should the present condition of the river continue for any length of time, it will be ruinous to both anglers and nets. The fishing opened on the first day of the month, and though the pursuit was followed with the greatest industry by a large number of fishermen, less than a dozen salmon had been captured.

On the night of February 23rd a sad fatality occurred on the railway, immediately outside Streamstown station. A gauger named Thomas Costello, who worked on the line between Streamstown and Horseleap stations, was walking along the railway, about 10 o'clock, going to his home, when the night milk overtook and ran him down, killing him instantly.

An extraordinary affair is reported from Mullingar. Among the children placed out at nurse, by the Board of Guardians, was a girl named Mary McDonnell, and while the child was at school, a few days ago, two women and a man called for her, stating that they had been sent by the Guardians. Neither the child nor the women have since been heard from.

Mr. P. J. Gaynor, youngest son of the late Mr. George Gaynor, of Tullywood, Monte, has been sworn in a solicitor in the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland. Mr. Gaynor served his apprenticeship with his brother, Mr.

John Gaynor, Athlone, and intends practicing in Stokesdown.

Surgeon Major Ashbury, who occupied the position of medical examiner to the troops in Mullingar, for a number of years, has been transferred to Malta.

It is reported that all the tenants on the Dames-Longworth estate have agreed with the landlord to purchase, the terms being eighteen months' purchase.

### MEATH.

A fatal shooting accident occurred at Grange, near Carnalstown, causing the death of a young man named Patrick Brady, of Church Lane, Kells. Deceased and his brother-in-law, Jas. Reilly, left Kells for the purpose of catching birds, and while so engaged Brady was struck by a shot fired by Joseph Williams, a farmer, from a position in which he could not see the deceased, who expired in a few minutes. Williams has been admitted to bail by the Kells magistrates.

### LOUTH.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Felix Whately, an old and respected inhabitant of Dunkirk, who, during an active and useful life, was esteemed by all who knew him for his integrity and worth. About a year ago Mr. Whately acquired the interest of Messrs. Russell, in the Park street foundry, where for thirty years previously he had served them faithfully and well. Unfortunately he did not live long to enjoy his proprietorship. Some months ago his health began to fail and gradually grew weaker, he ultimately died Feb. 25th.

Net fishing for salmon has begun on the Boyne. Owing to the fact that an appeal is pending against the new regulation of the Fishery Insuper taking 20 yards off the length of the nets, the men used the old nets. Only two salmon were caught in Drogheda and Mornington.

## MUNSTER.

### CORK.

On the evening of a recent date, in the Assembly Rooms, Cork, Mr. John Daly delivered an interesting lecture giving graphic details of the sufferings of himself and his comrades in English prisons. The Mayor (Mr. P. H. Meade) presided, and there was a large and enthusiastic audience present, representative of all shades of Nationalist feelings. Mr. Daly disclaimed any idea of starting a new Irish party, or interfering with any section of the Irish Parliamentary forces. He advocated unity of all Irish Nationalists, and said that he was conducting his efforts to the cause of Amey.

Last Monday, in the Queen's Bench Court, Dublin, in the matter of Francis O'Shaughnessy, petitioner, William Kinmonth and Thomas Credon respondents, involving the disputed election of two councillors for the West Ward of the city of Cork, the candidates being George J. O'Donnell, William Kinmonth, Patrick Casey and William O'Connell, the court made a scrutiny of the votes, and in the result declared that the voting was as follows: O'Donnell, 115; Casey, 105; Kinmonth, 102; O'Connell, 89. Mr. Casey was accordingly declared elected in place of Mr. Kinmonth.

Lord Castletown resorted to an unusual procedure when he sold at Donaghadee, stock and cattle of one of his tenants under a distress warrant. One day last week Lord Castletown's bailiffs entered the lands of Richard Connel, a tenant of his, residing at Clogheen, and seized some horses, cattle, sheep, carts, etc., to satisfy a sum of £50, rent due by Connell Mr. Levinge, Lord Castletown's agent, was the only bidder at the sale, though most of the farmers of the district were present.

On the evening of one day recently an outbreak of fire occurred in the drapery establishment No. 5 Barrickstown, opposite the Military Barracks, Cork, occupied by Mr. John Murphy. The proprietor and a number of neighbors succeeded in extinguishing the flames, which were confined to one of the rooms, the contents of which were destroyed.

The Fermoy Board of Guardians, at their last meeting, passed a resolution bringing under the notice of the government the injury done to the Irish National School system, by requiring an average attendance of seventy in each school, in order to secure the services of an assistant teacher.

The Protestant Board of Nominations have elected Rev. Canon Bruce, of St. Luke's, Cork, Protestant Dean of Cork and Rector of St. Finbar's Cathedral, in room of Dean Archdall, who has been appointed Protestant Bishop of Killaloe.

Dr. Hartland, whose death on the West Coast of Africa, the day after he paid his last visit to a patient who like himself, succumbed to an attack of "Coast Fever," was well known in Liverpool.

### KERRY.

The death is announced of John Day Stokes Courtmaurice, Judge of the Indian Courts, recently appointed to an important position at Dhawan. Mr. Stokesmaurice entered the Indian Civil Service in 1881, having obtained a very high place at the competitive examination when he was about nineteen years of age. He was the son of Dr. Fitzmaurice of Tralee.

Mr. Millar, late station master at Carlow, has officially taken up the duties of the station master in Tralee, since the departure of Mr. Lacy. Mr. Millar will be succeeded in Carlow by Mr. Mellwaine, of Clara station.

### LIMERICK.

One evening recently, Mr. John Carroll, chairman of the Kilmallock Board of Guardians, was proceeding home by car after the meeting of the Board, when his horse became restive in the main street, and ran away, and when rounding the King's Castle, one of the wheels of the trap struck against the base of the building. The vehicle was smashed, Mr. Carroll precipitated on the road. When picked up he was unconscious. When he recovered consciousness he was taken

to the Kilmallock Medical Hospital, where he was at once attended to by Messrs. Macnamara and Downes, and accounts Mr. Carroll was given as improved.

At Abbeyfeale, early one morning last week, a fire broke out in the premises of the Sisters of Mercy Convent, at el. Father Casey, who celebrated mass at the convent, saw flames issuing from the boiler room, where he was the chapel, and instantly gave the alarm. A large crowd immediately gathered, and after a short time succeeded in quenching the burning house the roof of which was destroyed.

A Limerick man named Patrick Lyons who was acting as caretaker on a farm at Castleconnell, from which a man named John Burke was evicted, has been arrested, charged with discharging a gun at Burke, and otherwise assaulting him. Burke took possession of an out-house, and in a fight with his brother he should remain or not, the assaults were alleged to have taken place.

In Limerick, an inquest was held on the body of the unfortunate young man, Leddy, who was drowned over a month ago, in the effort to save his wife, who had thrown herself into the river. The body of the wife has also been discovered, many miles away, near Pallaskeeny.

The Spring Assize was opened in Limerick, on March 6th.

### CLARE.

In the Court of Chancery in Dublin, the case of Conine vs. Sperry, referring to the right to hold a fair, otherwise than the old fair of Sperry Hill, came up again. The plaintiffs, Capt. O'Callaghan and Mr. Collins, owner and lessee of Sperry Hill horse fair, had obtained an injunction, last June restraining James Sperry and Jeremiah Ahernt from holding a horse fair in Knais, on days preceding the Sperry Hill horse fair. The plaintiffs now applied for an attachment against three other persons, named Michael Macnamara, Patrick Maloney and Maurice Quinlan, for having disobeyed the injunction order, by assisting to hold a fair on the 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd of last June being days preceding the Sperry Hill fair. The three persons sought to be attached had obtained the Vice-Chancellor's order that attachments should issue against Macnamara and Maloney, with costs of the motion.

### TIPPERARY.

Last Tuesday at a place called Scar, Ballydoole, near Clonmel, between Cahill and Clogheen an Army pensioner named Phil Smith, only two months home from India, got married to an elderly woman named Fraher, who has a cottage and a plot of land. There was a wedding celebration at the bride's house, and several people went into the place, including two parties of young men, one from Clogheen and the other from Dunhill, both of which were uninvited, and between whom quarrels soon arose. Among the Dunhill party were two brothers, Patrick and Michael Duddy, the former of whom was knocked down by a blow of a stone on the forehead, which killed him almost instantly. The police arrested two of the Clogheen men, named Flynn and Barrett, on suspicion of being implicated in Duddy's death, and they were remanded by Mr. Taylor, J. P. for eight days.

The National Teachers of the Tipperary district have presented Mr. Isaac Craig, B. A. with an illuminated address on his severance from Tipperary, expressing the great regret they feel at his removal, who for so many years won by the kindness the sincere respect of the teachers of Tipperary. The illuminating of the address is a masterpiece of its kind. The bordering is of a decorative style, beautiful in coloring.

It is intended to apply to the Tipperary Grand Jury at the forthcoming Assizes, at Clonmel, for permission to erect a memorial to the late Charles J. Kitchham, the Irish patriot, at the opening of the new street between Dr. Barry's and Mrs. Fitzgerald's establishments.

### WATERFORD.

Under the presidency of the Mayor, Alderman Knox, the Waterford Corporation held its first meeting under its new fiscal powers as a grand jury, in the latter part of February. Several presentments were passed for carrying out the provisions of the Parliament (Vote) Act, keeping the court-house in repair; and Mrs. Powers, a shopkeeper, was allowed compensation for malicious injury to property. A presentment was also passed, approving of the Waterford Town Council acting in conjunction with the Grand Juries of the Counties of Waterford and Kilkenny, or either of them, for the purchase of the present toll bridge and ferryboat rights across the river Suir, at Waterford.

### ULSTER.

### ANTRIM.

A meeting of the Ulster Land Committee was held at Ballymena on a recent date, under the presidency of Mr. Andrew Kennedy. Resolutions were adopted, on the motion of Rev. Mr. Boston, Kells, declaring that the committee observed with regret and alarm that such hostility had been displayed by the landlords toward the Land Act; on the motion of Mr. G. Nelson, seconded by Rev. Mr. Malna, that, in order to be able to carry on his industry, the farmer should have extensive relief in rent, and have his farm sold to him compulsorily; on the motion of Mr. Dismore, that the necessity for relief to the farmer was greater than at any time for the past forty years, and that the action of the Chief Land Commissioners, in raising rents, had destroyed public confidence in Ulster.

Messrs. Hartland & Wolf, of Belfast, have just laid the keel of a new triple screw White Star liner, 680 feet long, which is intended to do the journey across the Atlantic, from port to port, inside of four days. The new vessel, which will have a guaranteed speed of twenty-seven knots per hour, and cost about £1,000,000, has been a long time in contemplation.

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On the afternoon of a recent date another strike took place in the Belfast textile trade, the weavers of the York street factory, about fifteen hundred in number, leaving in a body, after the dinner hour. They object to the new rules posted in accordance with the new Truck act, and before leaving they tore down the obnoxious regulations.

A prisoner named Benjamin Thomas Collins, aged 40, a boiler maker and a native of Glasgow, who was undergoing sentence of nine months' imprisonment for bigamy, recently hanged himself in Belfast jail, from one of the iron bars of his cell window. When discovered by a warder he was quite dead.

### ARMAGH.

A most successful concert and entertainment took place on the evening of February 25th, in the Armagh Catholic Reading Room, the house being crowded to the doors. Rev. John Quinn, A.M., president of the institution occupied the chair, and a number of other clergymen were present. The programme was opened by Mr. Michael Donnelly, who allured the feelings of the audience with "The Boys of Wexford." Songs were contributed in good style by Miss Jennie Webb, and Messrs. J. J. Dolan, S. Rogers and J. Brennan.

### DOWN.

At a meeting of farmers held at Derryleek, near Newry, under the presidency of Mr. John O'Hare, (Vice-President of the Newry Board of Guardians), resolutions were passed demanding a reduction of 60 per cent in rents until the second term rents should be fixed; and in order to prepare for the worst those present bound themselves to discourage by every legal means in their power, the buying of goods and chattels which may have been seized, or the taking of a farm from which a tenant has been evicted for the non-payment of rent.

One day last week the body of a small farmer named Edward Fitzsimons, who lived alone and was unmarried, was discovered in his house, in the townland of Ballyhargen, near Downpatrick, burned beyond recognition. Beside him lay the body of his favorite dog, burned in a similar manner, and the entire house, including the roof, which had fallen in, was entirely destroyed.

An accident occurred at Newcastle a week ago Monday, which Frank Magee lost his life. The deceased who was foreman laborer for Messrs. Martin, builders of Belfast and Dublin, was engaged at the new hotel in Newcastle, now in course of erection for the Belfast and County Down Railway Company when he fell a height of forty feet to the ground, death being instantaneous.

In Downpatrick, one day recently, a horse trainer named Robert Drysdale died in the County Infirmary from the effects of injuries received from the kick of a horse. The deceased was training a young horse for Mr. Herbert Crozier, of Ballyvaughan, when the animal kicked him on the head, inflicting injuries that resulted in his death.

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At the meeting of the Board of Governors of Omagh Asylum, the appointment of a resident medical superintendent, at the sum of £100 per year with rations and apartments, was under consideration. Dr. Moon, of Dungannon, was declared elected, out of some seven candidates. The vacancy occurred through the resignation of Dr. West, who obtained an appointment in Tipperary.

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### CONNAUGHT.

A writer in the London "Daily Chronicle" bears testimony to the splendid work being done by the Sisters of Charity, at Foxford, in the revival of the women industry. The Foxford woolen mills, though only established five years ago, have progressed wonderfully and proved an enormous boon to the population of the district. The enterprise of the Sisters does not end with the factory. They teach girls cookery, dairy work, laundry work, etc., and encourage the people to rear poultry, superior breeds of fowls being given out to the peasantry by the Congested Districts Board.

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Loughrea, etc. Most of those in attendance had been farmers in good circumstances whose names recalled lively recollections of stirring scenes in the campaigning days. On the motion of Mr. John Kelly, of Coolin Abbey, Loughrea, seconded by Mr. P. McDonough, Ballaghdown, Mr. Thos. Tully, Curragh, Loughrea, was called to the chair. Mr. Francis Tully and Mr. Kelly were elected secretaries, and resolutions calling for a National Convention of the evicted tenants of Ireland to be held in Thurles, as the most convenient center, were unanimously adopted.

A great demonstration was held at Ballyforan, one day last week, for the purpose of getting the people interested in a memorial to the government, to relieve them, by a free grant of the whole, or a portion at least, of the tax for the Suck drainage. The tenants assessed for the drainage are in many cases absolutely unable to pay the tax, which in some cases is more than the rent; but they do not intend to combine against the repayment of the loan but to try to get the government to give a free grant to relieve them, as otherwise they would be left on the roadside.

### ROSCOMMON.

At the last Petty Sessions at Roscommon, a case which had been repeatedly adjourned for the convenience of the plaintiff, came on for hearing. The plaintiff, John Cooney, sheriff's bailiff, charged John Byrne, farmer, Thomas Byrne, a small boy, and son to the farmer, and Martin Connaughton, farmer, with rescuing a cow from him which he had seized by virtue of a warrant in connection with the Suck drainage levy. Evidence having been given, John Byrne and Martin Connaughton were returned for trial to next assizes in Roscommon and were allowed out on bail, themselves in £10, and two securities in the sum of £5 each. The case against the boy, Thomas Byrne, was dismissed.

The imposing ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new Catholic church for Roscommon, is announced to take place on St. Patrick's Day, Wednesday, 17th March. The site selected for the new church is at the rear of the Club, in the field situated between the Court House and Convent of Mercy.

The Rev. E. H. Conington, P. P., has been promoted from the parsonage of charge of Atymas to Killybeg, by Most Rev. Dr. Lytton. Rev. Father Henry, O. C. Keltimagh, has been appointed to succeed Father Conington as Parish Priest of Atymas.

Thomas Gandy, who was arrested on the 12th of January, on a charge of assaulting a young man named Thorne, from Scragg, at Ardara, was released on bail, last week, as the injured man had left the County Infirmary, completely recovered.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. John Brady, which took place at Steel, near Tulsk, at an advanced age. The deceased was a member of an old and respected family.

### LEITRIM.

The scheme for opening up the tourist traffic on the Shannon is likely to be fully realized. This splendid waterway has too long been neglected, though it offers wonderful attractions of the most varied kind. The proposed scheme will connect Kiltanna with Drogheda, and Leitrim, a distance of over 100 miles, by a service of steamers. The estimated cost of these boats is £14,000. A company entitled the Shannon Development Company, Limited, has recently been registered with a capital of £20,000, with a view to working the scheme.

### SLIGO.

The sad news reached Sligo last week by telegram, that a most promising young gentleman, Mr. J. D. Vernon, J. P., solicitor had died at Kew, near Melbourne, Australia. He was the eldest son of Mr. W. T. Vernon, secretary to the Grand Jury, and it was only about a year ago that he passed a distinguished examination, and was admitted as a solicitor to the High Courts of Justice in Ireland. Just as he commenced what was likely to prove a most successful professional career, he was attacked with a very serious illness which necessitated his departure for a warm climate. It was hoped that for a short time and a residence in South Australia would bring him round, but it was willed otherwise by Him who directs all things.

The numerous friends of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gilmartin, of Rimbane, will regret to learn that they have lost a very promising boy, at the early age of 19 years. The funeral was largely attended, and showed the high esteem in which deceased and his friends are held in to locality.

The Rev. W. J. Walker and Rev. T. Sharkey, both of Moynooth College, were ordained to the priesthood on Sligo Cathedral, one day recently, by Most Rev. Dr. Clancy, Bishop of Milne.

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### CONNAUGHT.

A writer in the London "Daily Chronicle" bears testimony to the splendid work being done by the Sisters of Charity, at Foxford, in the revival of the women industry. The Foxford woolen mills, though only established five years ago, have progressed wonderfully and proved an enormous boon to the population of the district. The enterprise of the Sisters does not end with the factory. They teach girls cookery, dairy work, laundry work, etc., and encourage the people to rear poultry, superior breeds of fowls being given out to the peasantry by the Congested Districts Board.

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