OUR IRISH LETTER.

NEWS FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

What is Being Done by the People at Home—Various Items From Every Section of the Emerald Isle.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

A meeting of the Ulster Land Committee, an almost exclusively Unionist body, was held in the Central Hall, Belfast, on July 16, Mr. James Lee presiding, to consider what steps should be taken with regard to the Royal Commission on the Land Acts. On the motion of the Rev. J. B. Thompson, seconded by Mr. John Megaw, resolutions were adopted declaring that in the composition of the terms of reference of the Royal Commission on the Land Acts they recognize a policy hostile to the spirit of the Land Acts; denouncing the Commission as an insult to their intelligence and a menace to their interests, and deserving of unqualified reprobation; describing the landlord clamor as unreasonable, and the action of the government weak and inconsistent; declaring that it is incumbent on the farmers to leave nothing undone to defeat the monstrous conspiracy, and attributing the success of that conspiracy to the want of direct representation for the farmers in Parliament, and calling upon the Liberal Unionists and the Home Rule Liberals to unite "so that the people may be led forward as in 1850." Resolutions were also passed condemning the appointment of Dr. Traill, and complaining that the tenants had no representation in the Appeal Court, and that Mr. Murrogh O'Brien seems to be denied permission to sit in Ulster land cases. Had they but given as staunch a support to the men of the South and West when they were fighting for reforms in the land laws, their position to-day would not be so bad as it is.

The members of the "'98" Centenary Executive Committee for the Province of Ulster are: J. Clarke, Belfast; Michael McGinn, Omagh; P. Russell, Belfast; Edward Madden, Rosslea; N. J. O'Boyle, Staffordstown, F. McCourt, Moneyglass; Miss Alice Milligan, Belfast; Miss Anna Johnston, Belfast; H. Dobbin, Belfast, Alderman J. O'Doherty, Derry; next highest, Charles Logan, Stewartstown.

Members of the Henry Joy McCracken branch of the Irish National Foresters, Belfast, recently elected the officers mentioned: Bro. McNamara, C R.; Bro. Donnelly, S. C. R.; Bro. Tonan, treasurer; Bro. Loughrey, secretary; Bro. Keenan, assistant secretary; Bro. Molloy, S. W.; Bro Courtey, J. W., Bro. O'Reilly, S. B.; Bro. McGarry, J. B.; Bro. Dr. McKenna, branch surgeon; Bros. Ferguson and McCullagh, auditors.

ARMAGH.

The Catholic Young Men's Society building in Lurgan was destroyed by fire July 16.

John McMurray, Corcreaney, near Lurgan, was killed last week by the horse he was driving knocking him down and pulling a cart over him.

The annual concorsus in St. Patrick's Seminary, Armagh, was held a few days ago. Cardinal Logue presided, and the Right Rev. Mgr. Byrne, Dungannon, was present. Twelve students were examined in the prescribed program of Latin, Greek (oral and written), English composition, Euclid, algebra, ancient history of Greece and Rome, modern history of England and Ireland, and the Christian doctrine. Six of the students passed the examination. The diocesan examiners were Rev. John Quinn, Adm., Armagh; Rev. John Clarke, St. Peter's, Drogheda; Rev. P. Loughran, Carlingford, and Rev. H. McBride, Pomeroy.

CAVAN.

At the assizes in Cavan last week Robert Shannon was imprisoned for one week for taking from a rate collector some cattle seized for money due for taxes.

DERRY.

At Derry assizes last week before Lord Justice Fitzgibbon, William Buchanan was indicted for maliciously shooting with a pistol at Henry McBride in Bishop street. There was no defense. It was an Orange outrage. The sentence of the court was six months' imprisonment with hard labor and at the end of that time he was to find two sureties in £50 each, and himself in £20 to keep the peace and be of good behavior for three years, and, failing that he was to be detained in the interests of public peace and for the protection of the Queen's subjects for a further period of six calendar months. When the prisoner was being removed to jail a great number of sightseers and friends cheered him, and shouted "No surrender."

DONEGAL.

Very Rev. John Maguire, Manorhamilton, gratefully acknowledges the receipt of £500 from Rev. Patrick Maguire, of Bundoran, formerly pastor in Irvington, New York, for a marble altar railing in St. Clare's church, Manorhamilton. On a former occasion he also gave a large donation toward the erection of the church.

A rumor causing much uneasiness throughout the congested districts of northwest Donegal is prevalent that the Letterkenny and Burtonport Railway Extension line is likely to fall through. It is said that the ratepayers, while agreeing to a small guarantee, will oppose the large amount asked.

DOWN.

The death is announced of Sir Patrick Jennings, ex-premier of New South Wales. Sir Patrick Alfred Jennings was born in Newry, Ireland, in 1831, arrived in Victoria in 1852, and, after successful ventures on the gold fields, settled at St. Arnaud, where he was a magistrate, and became chairman of the first Municipal Council. In 1863 he settled as a squatter in New South Wales. He received the orders of Pius IX and St. Gregory the Great, and had been created a hereditary [illegible] of the Pope. Sir Patrick Jennings [illegible] in 1864, Mary Anne, [illegible] of Mr. Martin Shanahan, of

Rev. Father O'Laverty, Dundalk, last week closed a mission in the Sacred Heart Church, Dromara. He was assiduous in the confessional, as were the priests of the parish, Rev. Daniel Mallon and the Rev. Thomas McGrath.

FERMANAGH.

An excursion party, consisting of the members of the Brookboro, Lisnaska, Fivemiletown, Maguiresbridge, and Tempo Catholic Temperance Association, proceeded to Howth, July 22. Two special trains conveyed the passengers, who were accompanied by priests. A thousand members visited the favorite watering place.

We record with regret the death of Mr. John Monaghan, at Cahore, Ederney, at the ripe age of 70 years. He was a most exemplary Catholic and sterling Nationalist. During the days of the Land League his name was a tower of strength to the National movement. His funeral was a fine testimony of the respect in which he was held by the people.

MONAGHAN.

Father Brennan, Seminary, Monaghan, enjoys the distinction of being the first native of Enniskillen who celebrated mass for the Twenty-seventh Inniskillings. It took place at Ballyshannon two weeks ago, when the Catholic portion of the regiment assembled in the Rock chapel for divine service.

TYRONE.

At the meeting of the Cookstown Board of Guardians, July 17, the relieving officer reported the admission of a man to the infirmary who went out the next day. The reason given was that the man (a farmer, living in the mountain district) was a confirmed opium eater, and had a quantity of the drug in his possession. The medical officer refused to let him use it and he took his discharge.

At the Court of Petty Sessions, Ballygawley, July 21, William Anderson, Gt[illegible], and Robert Rainey, Altamuskin, were charged with having on July 9 assaulted Francis Mulgrew, a Nationalist, living in the townland of Cronlome, near Ballygawley. Mulgrew, who appeared in court with his head one mass of plaster, said he was knocked down and beaten with "loaded butts" (whips plugged with lead) and he had to get nine stitches in his head. Defendants were fined the sum of 10s. each for the assault, a most inadequate punishment for such a murderous assault. But they were Orangemen, and, as usual, practically went free.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Major F. G. Cullinan, Sub-Sheriff of Clare, on July 18, carried out seizures for non-payment of rent on the Caher estate. The Sheriff left Ennis at an early hour, and was followed by police. One party of police met the Sheriff at Glandaree Hill, while another went with bailiffs to Feakle. While going towards the estate Major Cullinan noticed persons driving cattle off holdings, and, accompanied by a carload of police, galloped in their direction, with the result that he seized nine head of cattle, found to belong to Macnamara and Molony. In the case of another tenant named Kelly, after a consultation among the tenants, he paid the amount of the civil bill decree and costs. The second party of bailiffs found the lands cleared and were unable to effect a seizure. The cattle which were seized were given back by the sheriffs on the amounts being paid.

Miss Delia Marrinan, Miltown Malbay, died recently at the early age of 19 years. Interment was in Kildermo, Father Quinn officiating. Great numbers attended the funeral.

CORK.

An old Crimean veteran named Maurice Donoghue, well known, has met his death under very peculiar circumstances. His dead body was found floating in the River Allow, at John's bridge, Kanturk, last week. On the bank was his stick firmly stuck in the ground, and on it his hat, coat and vest, while beside it rested his wooden leg, he having lost a limb in the battle of Inkerman.

Last week Most Rev. Dr. Kelly, Bishop of Ross, paid his first visit to Cape Clear Island to inspect the repairs and renovation which the chapel has recently undergone, and also the new schools. The occasion was availed of by the islanders of extending a royal greeting and reception to the Bishop, who was accompanied by Rev. Father Sheehy, Rath; Rev. Father Kearney, Adm., Skibbereen; Rev. J. Daly, Skibbereen; Rev. W. Murphy, Ballydehob; Rev. E. Cotter, Eherkin Island, and Rev. J. Sheehy, Cape Clear. At Baltimore the party were met by a flotilla of the large mackerel boats.

On Sunday St. Coleman's band, 28 in number, went on their first excursion. They were accompanied by a few hundred persons, also portions of the committee—President, Rev. T. Madigan, and Messrs. Charles Barry, Beach; R. Carroll, Westbourne, George McCall, secretary; William Lyons, Willie McGrath, Thomas Donnelly, bandmaster. The band after arriving in Clonakilty, went in search, not of Hygea, but of Mrs. O'Donovan, the proprietress of O'Donovan's Hotel. After doing justice to the good things the band proceeded to the Ring, where dancing became the order of the day, and after an enjoyable time the band struck up "Home, Sweet Home," which was reached in good time.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.

O'Meara—July 10, at Tipperary, Timothy O'Meara. Adam—July 10, at 13 Friar's Walk, William Adam, aged 53 years. Sullivan—On the 10th inst., at Crowbally, Megeely, Nicholas Sullivan, aged 33 years (late Munster Arcade), fifth son of Patrick Sullivan. Murphy—At William street, off King street, James Murphy (governor). Kelson—July 10, suddenly, at Angra Bank, Waterloo Park, near Liverpool, aged 63 years, Frederick Colthurst Kelson. Hayes—July 11, at 19 Sunday's Well, Joseph Hayes. O'Callaghan—July 13, at 180 (formerly 121) Old Youghal Road, Barrackton, Mary Elizabeth (Mollie), only daughter of the last James O'Callaghan. Kiely—July 12, at Whitechurch, Mary Kiely. Purcell—July 12, at 55 Harbour Row, Queenstown, Kattie Purcell, only surviving daughter of Michael and Ellie Purcell, aged 14 years. McCarthy—At 37 Sullivan's Quay, Michael McCarthy, late of the fire brigade, aged 50 years. Drinan—At Miltown, Charleville, on the 15th inst., Daniel Drinan, in his 73d year. Warren—July 15, at 6 St. Finbar's Place, Cork, Ellen Warren, aged 50 years. Murphy—At Cloughmacow, on the 15th inst., Jeremiah Murphy, aged 82 years. O'Callaghan—At 54 York street, Blackpool, Cornelius (Con), eldest son of James O'Callaghan, aged 26 years. Meany—July 14, at Waterloo, Blarney, John Meany. Maguire—July 15, at Manchester, Angela Mary Maguire. Murphy—On the 15th inst., at the North Infirmary, Cork, Bartholomew Murphy, Goulane, Donoughmore. O'Shea—At Kenmare, on the 14th inst., after a protracted illness, Marianne, the beloved wife of Mr. Morty O'Shea, merchant, in her 46th year. Lynch—July 20, at West End, Mallow, Cecilia Lynch. Hickey—July 21, at Sun View, Carriclough, Bandon (late of North Main street, Bandon), John Hickey, aged 67 years. Madden—On July 20, at 50 Great Britain street, Ann Madden, of Kilbarry. Riordan—At 13 Barrack street, on July 21, Catherine Riordan. Nagle—At 33 Sullivan's Quay, Stephen Nagle. Leahy—July 17, at Liverpool, Mary Leahy, formerly of 41 Grattan street, Cork. Foley—On the 21st inst., at 15 Magazine Road, Cork, Abina Foley, aged 60 years. R. I. P.

KERRY.

A public meeting in support of the amnesty movement was held in Tralee, July 18, in the Market Square, and was addressed by Mr. T. Harrington, M. P.; Mr. John Daly, Mr. Michael Lambert, president of the Dublin Amnesty association; Mr. Michael Flavin; Mr Edward Harrington. Addresses of congratulation were presented to Mr. John Daly at the Young Ireland Society. Mr John Daly said he was not a politician, he did not believe in speech-making. He had never dreamt of prescribing any man's political feelings or opinions. He believed that the true Nationalists of Ireland had never descended so low as to usurp to themselves the only claim of serving Ireland. He hoped the people of Tralee would not be sundered by faction.

Mrs. Kate Cahill, nee Guiney, died July 17, at Gloutane, Brosna, deeply regretted. Her many relatives and friends in the United States will learn of her demise with great sorrow.

July 18, died Mrs. Catherine O'Sullivan, Kilquane, Castleisland, deeply and deservedly regretted.

Rev. Timothy McCarthy, of Killarney, lately ordained, will, after a few months in Tralee on temporary duty, proceed to Australia. Rev. Michael Godley has been appointed to the pastoral charge of Glenbeigh and Glencar, vacated by the death of Rev. Thomas Quilter. Father Godley was over 20 years a C. C. in Ballybunion, with the Rev. M. O'Connor, P. P., the venerated soggarth of Harenc estate fame. Father Godley has been C. C. in Dingle, and is much beloved and esteemed.

LIMERICK.

William Cronin, a carman of Limerick City, was drowned during the recent regatta while trying to get on board a steamer.

Mr. John Daly, ex-political prisoner, was recently a candidate for membership in the Shannon Rowing club, but was rejected. To emphasize their disapproval of the snobbish course of the rowing club, the people of the city of Limerick had a boat built for Mr. Daly. The presentation was made July 15, on which occasion there was a most patriotic and popular demonstration. The members of the Shannon Rowing club are in a most unenviable position because of this wanton insult to a man who had suffered so much for his country.

Major Kiggel, J. P., of Cahara, Glin, agent to the Creaghe estate, has intimated to the tenants that consequent upon the death of the late owner, Mr. John Fitzstephen Creaghe, Dublin, the property will be sold.

TIPPERARY.

Patrick Kennedy, of Pike street, Thurles, was killed by a train at the Thurles railway station, or near it, July 20.

WATERFORD.

Mr. James Anthony, Bonmahon, was drowned while bathing, on July 19. It appears he was much esteemed by the people of the district.

Patrick Murphy, fireman on the Waterford and Central Ireland railway, while oiling the engine in Thomastown fell off and was killed. He was aged 20 years.

Rev. John Quealy, pastor of St. Charles' church, Woburn, Mass., who died July 4, was a native of Waterford, and was born there, 1820. When he was aged 26 he was ordained priest in St. John's college, Manor street, Waterford. His first mission was in Liverpool. For two years he was in Malden, Mass., and then in Woburn.

The anniversary of the death of Thomas Francis Meagher was commemorated on Sunday, July 11, by a monster procession from the Old Tower in the manor to Ballybricken. Addresses were delivered by Alderman Power, T. F. Meagher, Michael Wyse and the worthy patriotic editor of the Waterford Star. As usual, Mr. O'Mahoney indulged in language which eminently fitted the occasion.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

Thirty-five pupils of the Convent of St. Brigid, Tullow, entered the examinations of the Kensington Society of Science, Arts and Letters, and all passed. Some obtained prizes and medals.

DUBLIN.

The Provisional Committee appointed at the conference of Nationalists to carry out arrangements for the formation of a Central Registration Association of all sections of Nationalists for the city of Dublin, met at the National club, Rutland Square, last week. Mr. John Long occupied the chair.

The scrutiny took place last week of the votes for the vice-presidents, treasurers and Dublin Committee of the '98 Centenary movement. The following were elected: Vice-presidents—Mr. P. H. Meade (Mayor of Cork) and Mr. H. Dixon, Jr. Treasurers—Mr. William O'Brien, Mr. William M. Murphy, Count Plunkett, Mr. P. Gregan, Mr. F. J. Allan and Miss Maud Gonne. Dublin Committee—Messrs. Patrick Hoctor, David Plummer, James Doyle, Patrick Flood, J. P. O'Brien, E. Leamy, John O'Shaughnessy and J. N. O'Beirne.

The Irish language classes in connection with the Celtic Literary Society have been meeting continuously throughout the summer, and will meet every Thursday evening. There are five classes in full working order—an advanced students' class, a ladies' primary class and three other classes using Father O'Growney's first, second and third "Easy Lessons in Irish." Beginners of either sex will always find some of the advanced students willing to bring them through the opening lessons. The classes meet at 32 Lower Abbey street, and those desirous of acquiring a knowledge of the vernacular should not neglect to avail themselves of the opportunity.

It is with regret that we record the death of Rev. Father Reginald, of the Passionist Order, St. Paul's Retreat, Glen Osmond, Adelaide, June 25. He was born in Dublin in 1852, entered the novitiate of the Passionists in 1869. In due time his superiors employed him in the missionary field. His labors extended over the United Kingdom. In 1884 he was elected rector of St. Saviour's Retreat, Broadway, England. In 1887, rector at the retreat of his order at Harborne, Birmingham. There, having fulfilled his term of office, he volunteered for the Australian mission. Since his advent there he has been almost continually engaged in giving missions and retreats, the most recent being one to the ladies of Sydney at Rose Bay Convent.

The Right Hon Richard J. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand; Mrs. Seddon, Miss Seddon, Miss Marie Stuart Seddon, and Mr. Crowe (private secretary to Mr Seddon), who on Friday night stayed at Leopardstown Park as the guests of Mr James Talbot Power, on Saturday drove into Dublin and paid a visit to the old Parliament House and Trinity College. Later on the party were entertained at Leinster House by the Council of the Royal Dublin Society. Replying to the toast of his health, Mr Seddon made an interesting and eloquent speech in which he expressed warm appreciation for all he saw in Dublin, and the courtesy and kindness shown to him. The party also paid a visit to the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House and to Power's distillery, and in the evening they left Kingstown.

July 19, the funeral rites of the Rev. William O'Connor, C. M., were performed at St. Vincent's college, Castleknock. Father Geoghegan, C. M., celebrant. The funeral cortege then started for the graveyard in the college grounds. In the procession were Vincentian Fathers and novices, the boys and girls of St. Vincent's Orphanages in Dublin, under the care of the Sisters, and many lay mourners. The family of the deceased priest were represented by his brother, Dr. O'Connor, of Blackrock, Cork, Mrs. O'Connor; her sister, Mrs. Adams and Judge Adams. A Cork correspondent states that the death of Father O'Connor caused the greatest grief in Cork. His father, the late Mr. Daniel O'Connor, was one of the oldest and most respected citizens, and Father O'Connor was long a pious missioner and eloquent preacher at St. Vincent's church. One of Father O'Connor's sisters, Sister Philomena, is a Sister of Charity at Dover, another, Sister Cecilia, is an Ursuline nun at Blackrock, Cork.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.

Landy—July 9, at 35 Rathdown road, N. C. R., Dublin, Kate Landy, Westfield cottage, Kells, county Meath. Leonard—At 68 Rosemount, Kilmainham, Julia Maria Leonard. Reilly—July 12, at Sir Patrick Dun's hospital, Mrs. Catherine Reilly, of 11 Francis street (late of Kells), widow of Michael Reilly. Kearney—July 16, at Chapelrod, James Kearney, aged 61 years, late Ordnance Survey Department. Boyle—July 16, at 17 Lower Baggott street, George P. Boyle, son of the late Richard Barington Boyle. Conlon—July 16, unexpectedly, in train from Drumsna to her residence, 27 Brennan terrace, Portland row, Ellen, fourth daughter of Mary and Patrick Lynam, Porterstown, county Dublin. Field—July 15, Mrs. Anne Field, aged 72 years, relict of Nicholas Field, of Bray. Meldon—July 14 at 18 Wood quay, late of Lower Bridge street, Anamaria (Mina) Meldon, aged 13. Coffey—July 10, Quinsbro road, Bray, James Coffey, aged 61 years. Whelan—At 5 St. Helen's terrace, Clontarf, James Whelan, late of 13 Thomas street. Cummins—July 20, at 4 Redmond's Hill, George Cummins, late of Coultstown, county Kildare. Mooney—July 20, at Holly Ville, Terenure, Thomas Mooney, aged 66 years, regretted by his sorrowing wife and son. Dunne—July 12, Limelawn, Clonsilla, Margaret Mary, aged 9 years, youngest daughter of Patrick and Mary Ann Dunne. Farrell—July 6, at 54 Montjoy street, Julia Farrell, Delvin. O'Flaherty—July 19, at 36 New street, Caroline O'Flaherty.

KILDARE.

On July 8, Festival of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel, was commemorated at White Abbey, Kildare. High mass was celebrated by Rev. W. F. Byrne, Rev. P. O. Murphy (prior) deacon, Rev. Mr. Cosgrave, sub-deacon, and Rev. J. Hart master of ceremonies. The Rev. J. Butler preached. In the evening there was a procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Vespers. The Carmelite Order was established in Kildare in the 13th century, and has from this ancient town given many distinguished sons to the Church. It is happily in flourishing circumstances and its good influences is felt and appreciated.

KILKENNY.

The annual concert, theatricals and distribution of prizes took place in St. Brigid's convent, Goresbridge, July 19. The specimens of painting and needlework afforded proof of the efficiency of teachers and the industry and artistic talent of the children. The paintings included Irish and foreign views in oil and water colors, flower and fruit pieces, poonah painting on white and colored silk, tables, fire-screens, Iris-ware, etc. The plain and fancy needlework comprised articles in Mountmellick, crewel and crochet work, cushions, coseys, etc., in all the newest shades and designs. The dancing and recitations were up to the usual high standard.

Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Toronto, Canada, is at present visiting his native place, Mooncoin. The village is about seven miles from Waterford City.

KING'S.

A young fellow named Proudman went with a comrade to bathe in a part of the canal known as the Black Bushes, near Edenderry, last week. Proudman became entangled in the weeds, and in his efforts to extricate himself became exhausted.

Mr. William A. Gowing, Coroner for the Tullamore division, held an inquest at Edenderry, July 18, on the body of an old woman named Caroline Birmingham, found dead in a small house she inhabited close by the town. The deceased lived alone, and was in receipt of 1s. 6d. per week outdoor relief. Her neighbors regarded her as being extremely poor. There was not a particle of food in the house, but the police on searching found £33 10s. in silver and notes tied up in rags.

LONGFORD.

During the past week the Land Commission Court sat in the courthouse, Longford, and heard of fair rent appeals. Several appeals were heard on the estate of Lord Annally. The tenants alleged in these cases that in 1875 the rents were raised by Mr. Matthew Weld O'Connor, the agent, and that in consideration of the increased rent Mr. O'Connor undertook to erect new dwelling houses and offices. This promise was not carried out in many cases. The court reserved judgment. There were a dozen appeals by the landlord on the King-Harman estate, and though the valuations of the court valuers were in all the cases under the rents fixed by the Sub-Commission, Mr. Wilson, for the owners, proceeded with the appeals.

LOUTH.

Died, July 18, the result of an accident at Dalkey, Maggie O'Donnell, Church street, Ardee.

Rev. Thomas Taaffe, P. P., of Tullyallen and Mellifont, has issued an appeal for funds to enable him to erect a new church.

The evicted tenants of the Massereene estate at recent meeting passed this resolution. "That we, the evicted tenants of the Massereene estate, avail ourselves of this opportunity to convey to the friends and relatives of the late Mr. Nulty, ex Mayor of Drogheda, our heartfelt sympathy for the great loss they have sustained in the death of so highly esteemed a gentleman, and in particular we deplore the loss of so impartial a Justice of the Peace and a genuine supporter of the National cause and a friend to all in need, especially the evicted tenants on the Massereene estate."

MEATH.

Patrick Carroll was drowned while bathing in the Blackwater, Navan, last week.

QUEEN'S

While the train for Maryborough was on the way to Waterford one day last week a fireman named Patrick Murphy was oiling the engine and somehow fell off and was instantly killed.

The annual concert and distribution of prizes took place in St. Bridget's Convent, Mountrath, last week. The decorations of the hall consisted of paintings by the ladies of the convent. At the close the parish priest, Rev. E. Brennan, distributed the prizes and thanked the Rev. Mother, community and children for the delightful entertainment.

WESTMEATH.

Mary Taaffe, who resided with her uncle in Multyfarnham, died suddenly last week.

With regret we chronicle the death of Miss Louisa Adelaide Savage of Mount street, Savage. The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at the New Cemetery, after service in All Saints' Church, Mullingar, and was attended by large numbers of the townspeople.

The interment of Miss May McCormack, Earl street, whose death was widely and deeply regretted, was in Washington Cemetery. Funeral cortege was long.

WEXFORD.

Dr. Murphy, Coroner for North Wexford, held an inquest on the body of a carman named Pat Connors of Newtownbarry, who was found July 17 at Ballycarney lying on the roadside with his neck broken. Connors was a fine young man of 27 years, and was in the employment of Mr. Doyle, Newtownbarry. On Saturday morning he left for Enniscorthy in his usual health, and on the same night was found near Ballycarney with his neck broken. He came by his death through falling asleep on the load, off which he fell. Verdict, accidental death.

With regret we announce the death of Mr. Laurence Rossiter, at Barrack street, Wexford, July 12. Mr. Rossiter was one of the best-known men in Wexford. At an early age he became connected with the great Devereux firm, which carried on such an immense business in Wexford years ago. He was a member of the Wexford Young Men's Society. Interment was in St. Michael's, Faythe. Funeral cortege long.

The Synod of the Diocese of Ferns met in St. Peter's College last week. The Most Rev. the Lord Bishop presided, and was attended by the Very Rev. Dean and Chapter of Ferns. The Bishop delivered a very able and practical discourse to his clergy. The annual retreat was afterward commenced, his Lordship presiding. The Lector was the Very Rev. Canon O'Neill, Killanerin, and his assistant readers the Rev. T. M. Ryan, Horeswood, and the Rev. T. O'Connor, Castlebridge. The chanters were the Rev. M. C. Hayden and the Rev. D. Bolger, Wexford. The canons of the diocese read the lessons. The choir at Benedictine was led by the Rev. P. Doyle, Camolin; the Rev. E. Aylward, Adm., Wexford; the Rev. Jeremiah O'Connor, Enniscorthy; the Rev. J. Busher, Tinahealy. The sacred discourses were preached by the Very Rev. Father Nichol, O. M. I., Dublin.

WICKLOW.

The Wicklow grand jury has sanctioned the construction of a line of railway from Rathdrum to Glendalough.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. James Slattery, at Piper Hall, Blessington. Mr. Slattery was a sterling Nationalist, and was greatly esteemed by all. His familiar figure will be missed both in Naas and Blessington by friends. The funeral cortege was a very large one, and by its dimensions bore silent but eloquent testimony to the regard in which the deceased was held.

Died—July 18, at Sugarloaf, Kilmurray, Mary Doyle. July 20, at Athgraney, Hollywood, Mrs. Maria Keely, daughter of Mrs. O'Connor, Stephenstown, Naas. July 10, Glentague, Arklow, John Byrne, aged 72 years.

CONNAUGHT.

GALWAY.

On July 15, at Turloughmore, Poor Law Union of Galway, Dr. Patrick Glynn was appointed medical officer in room of Dr. Golding, elected to the vacancy at Headford, caused by the death of Dr. C. J. Blake.

Most Rev. Dr. McEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, last week visited Spiddal, and administered the sacrament of confirmation to a great number of children. He also visited the parishes of Carraroe and Lettermullen. The welcome of the poor people was enthusiastic. The hills blazed with fires and Great Man's Bay was covered with boats. Too much praise cannot be bestowed on the Rev. Father Healy, the pastor. Six hundred and fifty children were confirmed. Exclusive of the candidates for confirmation, over four hundred persons took the total abstinence pledge. Carna, Roundstone and Clifden will also be visited for the purpose of visitation and confirmation. Before returning he will consecrate the church at Louisburgh, Mayo.

LEITRIM.

Very Rev. John Maguire, Manorhamilton, lately acknowledged the receipt of £200 from Rev Patrick Maguire, formerly pastor in Irvington, New York, for a marble altar in St. Clare's church, Manorhamilton. On a former occasion he gave a good donation toward the erection of a church.

MAYO.

The Bellmullet Board of Guardians recently passed a resolution requesting the local government to increase the number of men working on the new pier, to relieve those suffering from want of employment, but that sapient body actually reduced the number of men working on the pier, and has considerably added to the great distress now making sad havoc among the people. This is but one sample of the many outrages perpetrated on the Irish people under English rule.

Rev. M. J. Munnelly, C. C., Mass Villa, Belmullet, in a recent issue of the Dublin Freeman's Journal reported the great amount of suffering and want existing in his district, and requested assistance in money and clothing for his sick and poverty-stricken people. Under an Irish government of any kind these people would be self-supporting, but England has ruined the land and the people.

Bebe D. Nally, Rockstown House, Balla; Thomas B. Kelly, chairman Ballina Committee, and P. J. Malone, treasurer, Ballina, are after sending out an appeal for funds to enable them to erect a suitable monument to the memory of the Irish heroes who died in the struggle for freedom in 1798. On the coast of Kilcommon, near Killala, the French invading expedition landed. It will also commemorate that event.

ROSCOMMON.

We regret to chronicle the death of John O'Beirne, high constable and baronial cess collector, which took place on the feast of SS. Peter and Paul, at Shannon View, Ruskey. His large funeral was a proof of the high esteem he was held in by his many friends in the county Longford and surrounding counties. During the fifty-one years he was a public official he was never known to do an act of unkindness.

SLIGO.

The Royal Humane Society awarded John Rourke, of Sligo, a testimonial for having on May 12 dived overboard from the ship Port and rescued a man named Devine from drowning in Sligo harbor. Great credit is due to Rourke, as it was midnight when the accident occurred, and he had to contend with the darkness and a strong tide.

Mrs. Elizabeth McNiffe, George's street, Sligo, died July 10. Requiem services were performed by Fathers McDermott and Humphreys. Great numbers attended the funeral.

The interment of Miss Emily Margaret O'Hara, Annaghmore, took place on July 11 in Rathbarron Cemetery. Funeral cortege was long, and the coffin was completely covered by the numerous floral offerings.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. Thomas Conlon, Laragan, at the age of 78 years. Since the death of his son, the late Rev. P. Conlon, Foxford, deceased was in failing health. Comforted by the ministrations of his clergy, and lovingly attended by a faithful wife and family, his end was happy. A large farmer and an extensive road contractor, deceased had business relations with many persons, who were always his friends, and at his funeral on Saturday last a large concourse of mourners attended. The clergy of the deanery being away on retreat, several friends were unavoidably absent from the funeral, at which Archdeacon O'Rourke read the service. Among those present were Edward, Hugh and James Conlon, Charlestown (sons); Hugh and Patrick Conlon (brothers); Hugh Conlon, J. J. O'Hara, M. Coleman, M. McDonough, Coolaney; M. Henry (chairman of Swinford Board of Guardians); John Hardiman, solicitor; James Colleran, J. J. Walsh, John Rogers, N. T.; B. Moffit, P. J. Finan, Charlestown; J. Kennedy, N. T., Curry; P. Bierne, P. L. G.; F. Gallagher, P. Kaveney, James Nicholson, T. Conry, E. Burke, E. Simpson, J. Mullen, P. Harte, Collooney; J. R. T.; P. Gilooly, D. P. Bree, J. T. Hart, T. Higgins, J. F. Begley, P. Cullen, P. McKim, J. Hamilton, M. Rooney, N. Burns, etc.

Woes of a Wanderer.

Watts—"You sourely do have a good time; nothing to do but eat and sleep."

Weary Watkins—"Yas, that's all I got to do, but I'd ruther put in some of the time drinkin'."—Indianapolis Journal.