

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.

Mr. John Hooney, honorary secretary of the Belfast branch of the National League, reports that at a meeting of the joint committee of the two bodies the following were selected as candidates for municipal honors in Falls and Smithfield wards: Dr M. H. Ancken, proposed by Mr John Fitzpatrick and seconded by Mr Hugh Martin. Thomas F. Murtagh, proposed by Mr Francis H. Connolly and seconded by Mr Matthew Mulhan. Patrick Finnegan, proposed by Mr D. J. McGeenan, seconded by Mr P. McGall. John F. Riordan, proposed by Hugh McGuckin, seconded by P. Callaghan. James McCann, J. P., proposed by James Brennan, seconded by William Terrence, seconded by Jas. O'Neil. Thomas McGulgan, proposed by Thomas Magee, seconded by Francis Blair.

The Hon. R. J. Seddon, Mrs. Seddon and the Misses Seddon arrived in Belfast last week. They visited the quarters of the fire brigade, and then were shown over the York Street Flax Spinning and Weaving company's premises and the Belfast Rope works. In the latter place they were interested in seeing New Zealand hemp manufactured into ropes.

The Children of Mary, St. Patrick's, Belfast, and their many friends had a most pleasant run on Sunday. On their arrival the excursionists dispersed to see the many places of great beauty and historic memories of which Ardrishan is the centre.

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ARMAGH.

Lord Chief Justice O'Brien at Armagh advised recently when addressing the grand jury that: "I was pleased to find from the statistics and the information that the country was in a satisfactory state, and hope that it will long continue so."

The annual synod of the clergy of the archdiocese of Armagh was held last week in the vestry of St. Patrick's cathedral, Armagh. In accordance with the rubric the services of the spiritus sancti was celebrated by Cardinal Logue, assisted by Rev. Canon McCoskey, Crossmaglen. Among the clergy present were: Right Rev. Mgr. Byrne, Dungannon; Deau of Armagh; Right Rev. Mgr. Murphy, Drogheda; Archdeacon; Very Rev. Canon Macklin, Fallontown; Very Rev. Canon McCoskey, Keady; Very Rev. Canon Rice, Cookstown; Very Rev. Canon Dillon, Louth; Very Rev. Canon Clarke, Lordship; Very Rev. Andrew Rogers, Ardara; Very Rev. John Quinn, Adan; Very Rev. Bernard Donnellan, Adan; Dundalk; Rev. James Maguire and Rev. Thomas Boyle, Drogheda; Rev. James Loughran, Ardara; Rev. John Byrne, Ardara; Rev. Edward Mackin, Ardara; Rev. Thomas Larkin, Moynevara; Rev. John McCoskey, Aughnacloy; Rev. Hugh McCoskey, Ballinlirry; Rev. Thomas Cassidy, Mounsthorpe; Rev. Patrick Carr, Ballynacabb; Rev. Jas. O'Riordan; Rev. Thomas McVeery, Carrington; Rev. John Clarke, Cloughcree; Rev. John Cork, Cloughcree; Rev. Hugh McCoskey, Moy; Rev. Bernard Flavery, Coagh; Rev. Thomas Murray, Colton; Rev. Hugh Murray, Cooley; Rev. Arthur Smith, Cooley; Rev. Peter Herley, Cullyhanna; Rev. Patrick Quinn, Crossmaglen; Rev. Patrick Conlan, Castledillonagh; Rev. Patrick Valley, Keady; Rev. William Booth, Cookstown; Rev. Eugene Clark, Dromintore; Rev. Bernard O'Connor, Donaghmore; Rev. James Smith, Portlough; Rev. Joseph Dunne, Tullaghan; Rev. Patrick Hughes, Eglish; Rev. Michael McInerney, Ballygawley; Rev. Patrick Segrave, Kilscurry; Rev. Peter McCoskey, Parkhill; Rev. Peter Sheehy, Eglish; Rev. Bernard O'Garra, Kilscurry; Rev. Peter McNamee, Eglish; Rev. M. J. Quinn, Camlough; Rev. Thomas Hardy, Upper Kilsheilly; Rev. Francis McElvogue, Upper Kilsheilly; Rev. Michael Loughran, Kilsheilly; Rev. Peter Pentony, Kilsheilly; Rev. N. Lavies, Castledillonagh; Rev. James McKee, Knocklough; Rev. Michael O'Brien, Loughlilly; Rev. Thomas Donnelly, Loughlilly; Rev. James Moore, Whitecross; Rev. Bernard Nugent, Lissan; Rev. Thomas McWilliams, Magherafelt; Rev. Peter Sheehan, Pomeroy; Rev. John McDonnell, Carrickmore; Rev. John Segrave, Termonfeckin; Rev. James Powderly, Rev. J. J. McAleer, Tober; Rev. Thos. Tansie, Tullyallen; Rev. Patrick McRory, Tynagh; Very Rev. A. L. Kirwan, O. P., Drogheda; Very Rev. R. J. Hunt, O. S. A., Drogheda; Very Rev. M. Skelly, O. P., Drogheda; Very Rev. Father Lavory, C. S. B. R., Dundalk; Very Rev. Father Keogh, S. M., Dundalk; Rev. Patrick Egan, Armagh; Rev. Michael Quinn and Rev. Peter McNally, Armagh. The business of the synod having been disposed of, the annual retreat for the parish priests was opened by the Very Rev. James Carpenter, C. M. (spiritual director), Maynooth.

GAVAN.

The Agric-Olt of recent date, discussing especially the return of refugees after the "twelfth" concluded thus: "The better half of the Orange men's character was exemplified in a striking manner. A County Antrim parish priest, Rev. James Hamill, collecting funds for the erection of a church at Carnmoney, had his appeals placed in all quarters. Great, however, was his surprise on getting from a trooper in Rhodesia a subscription of £2 toward the worthy object, sent by a young Orangeman named Gillespie, native of Antrim parish. Let others say what they may, we maintain that in that single act there is material worth a hundred speeches and an arguery of hope that the unnatural hatred which existed so long is becoming, in the words of a prominent statesman, when referring to quite another matter, a genuine 'thing of the past.'"

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DERRY.

On Sunday last the remains of the late Mr. Johnston, Ballyshannon, were interred in Garrison. The funeral was the largest in the district for many years. Symptomizing a tragic cause from Donaghadee, Killyclogher, Belleek, Passau, Killybeggs, Ballyshannon. The chief mourners were: Christopher Johnston brother, John and Porteous Johnston and Thomas Elliot (step-nephew), William and Lytle Doudass (cousins). At the grave the Rev. C. O. O'Keefe read the funeral service.

DONEGAL.

The quarterly meeting of the Ballyshannon Teachers' Association was held on Saturday last. The president, Mr. McGowan, occupied the chair. Other members present were: The Misses Kerrigan, Messrs. P. Connolly, Lynch, McIntyre, Nihan, Wolfe, Dick, Daly, Ward, Frockleton, Mackintosh, McGovern, Keon, Mrs. McGovern, Mrs. Mulhern, Mrs. McShary, Miss Lynch, Messrs. P. Connolly, Keenan, E. Doherty and P. Doherty. This resolution was unanimously adopted: "That we are deeply dissatisfied with the action of the Treasury in still refusing to pay the arrears of school fees, and we approve of the action of our central committee respecting this matter."

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FERMANAGH.

The people of Fermanagh are, as far as possible, supporting the national cause. Here the great desire for unity in the Irish Nationalist ranks is deep and strong. They realize but a mediocre share of success will attend the efforts for the national good, so long as the country is represented by three or more sections, each claiming to be the only true exponent of the people's will and desires.

MONAGHAN.

A young man named Corrigan was admitted to the County Monaghan Infirmary last week, suffering from shocking injuries. He was building a cock of hay, and the man who was "forking" thoughtlessly left the fork standing against the cock, prongs upmost. When Corrigan had secured the hay he proceeded to slide down, when he was caught by the hay fork, one of the prongs running clean through the thigh.

TYRONE.

Very Rev. Bernard Murphy, the esteemed and venerable pastor of Termon, died at Carrickmore on Sunday, July 11. He was born at Magherafelt in 1833. He was in the Dunboyne establishment for two years, and was ordained in 1861. In the same year he was appointed to a curacy in Clonoe. Father Murphy was transferred from Clonoe to Carrickmore (Termon parish) in 1869. Then he was brought face to face with the work of the rack-renter, for it descended in every town and far around Carrickmore. Towards the end of the same year an agent for an estate noticed every tenant for an exorbitant rise in the rent. Father Murphy grasped the situation. The poor people were overloaded, and could not pay the threatened impost. Delay would mean ruin. Father Murphy held meeting after meeting of the tenants, instructing them to bid defiance to the rack-renter, and in less than a week had every tenant Protestant and Catholic, leagued against the extra charge. Success crowned the plan. The rack-renter had to yield to the formidable combination. Father Murphy's league was the first to effectively grapple with the rent office in Ulster. In 1876 he became pastor of Killybegs, but still preserved his attachment for the people of Termon, and in 1881 was again transferred to Termon, Carrickmore, where he ruled as pastor until death called him to his reward. In 1886 eviction processes were scattered broadcast on an estate in the parish. The tenants were face to face with a terrible crisis. In answer to the sheriff's demand for a substantial reduction of rent was made. The evictions went on. Father Murphy accompanied by Canon McCarty, pastor of Donaghmore, followed the sheriff and staff from house to house. The third day the eviction brigade was withdrawn, and the landlord, yielding, gave a reduction, wiped out most of the arrears, bore the cost of the evictions, and reinstated the evicted tenants. Father Murphy was a great teetotaler during life, and was a great temperance advocate. He was a rigid disciplinarian, most punctual in his duties,

so closely did he stand to his post. The Church lost a devout member, the Irish cause a sterling Nationalist, and his death is deeply regretted by people of all shades and classes of the community.

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MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Much need now exists for an organization as virile and useful as the Land League was in 1880 and 1882. Landowners are again on the war path, and evictions are taking place on many estates in Clare. The most distressing proceeding of seizure is also giving the unhappy farmers sleepless nights and many days of pain and misery. The keen struggle between landlord and tenant of the Caher estate, near Claret, has culminated in the carrying out of the first batch of long threatened evictions, and the ejecting of seven of the tenants, who took the most prominent part in the fight, including Mr. James Carr, chairman of the Caher Tenants' Defense Association.

CORK.

The memorial of Deeny Lane was lately unveiled in the Crawford Municipal Schools of Science and Art, Cork City.

On Sunday the verdant hills of Lyre, bathed in the glowing sunshine, were the scene of an impressive religious ceremony, witnessed by hundreds of the faithful. The solemn consecration of their beautiful cemetery by Most Rev. Dr. Browne. The ground comprised in the cemetery, on which the handsome chapel stands, was known to the Rev. Canon Murphy, who was then P. P. of Banteer, in 1857 by Mr. William Cough, of Ballygarrett, Mallow, at a nominal rent for 99 years. The plot contains two acres, and is splendidly laid out, the whole being surrounded by a thick plantation, which serves to guard the sacred edifice and the last resting places of the people from the storms which sweep from the mountains. Much improvement has been effected in the parish by Father Healey, and particularly by the present pastor, the Very Rev. Canon Murphy, who for fifteen years has labored for the spiritual and temporal welfare of his flock. The parish, though large in area and comprising a poor district, is well supplied with churches and schools. A large assemblage was present, many coming from Millstreet, Kanturk, Mallow and other distant localities. The ceremonies opened at 11 a. m. by Mass, "Missal Cantata," celebrant, Rev. T. M. O'Callaghan, Mallow. Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Cloyne, presided at the solemn functions. The Very Rev. Canon Morrissey, Banteer, assisted at the pontifical throne. The Rev. J. Greene, Castlebar, and Rev. Father Shanley, Glenties; Rev. M. Brew, Kanturk, and Rev. J. Townley, of Middleborough, Engham, occupied seats within the sanctuary. The consecration sermon was preached at the suggestion of the mass by Rev. P. A. Sheehan, P. P., Doneraile.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK. Crawford July 26, at 1 Kimberly Villas, Military road, Charlotte (Charlotte) wife of Charles Crawford. Macchane, daughter of Pierce and Maria Lyons, Harborough, Wellington road, Wexham, July 26, at Behan House, James Wiseman, in his 77th year, Furell July 27, at Marston, Gertrude Mary Purcell, McCarthy July 26, at the North Fever Hospital, Cork, Michael McCarthy, Mulgrave road, Cork, aged 11 years six months. Beutley, June 26, at Queen's College Lodge, Western road, Nicholas Beutley, aged 57 years. O'Donoghue July 22, at Henn street, Killarney, James Gleeson, aged 25 years, youngest son of Thomas and Hannah O'Donoghue. Foley July 21, at 15 Magazine road, Cork, Abina Foley, aged 40 years. Cahill July 22, at Market street, London, Patrick Cahill, aged 74 years. Leahy July 26, at Abbeyfeale, Elinor, relict of David D. Leahy, aged 75 years. French July 27, John French, aged 63 years. O'Callaghan July 20, at the Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Passage West, Reverend Mother Mary Teresa O'Callaghan. O'Callaghan July 13, at 180 (formerly 121) Old Youghal road, Barrackton, Mary Elizabeth (Mollie), only daughter of the late James O'Callaghan. Collins July 14, at Louisa Hill strand, Youghal, Margaret Collins, of Lee View, Sunday's Well road, Cork. Meany July 14, at Waterloo, Blarney, John Meany.

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The remains of Mr. Harry Snow, who was drowned at the harbor opposite Loftus Hall few weeks ago, were found near Annewstown during the week Mr. Frayne was drowned at the same time. Johanna Hannigan, 65 years of age, of Portland, died suddenly in Carrick on Neer Hospital last week.

LEINSTER.

Rev. E. W. Burke, of Bagnalstown, has been promoted as domestic prelate to the Pope. Mr. John Dawson, Stoneyquarter, Tulloo, has been elected collector of poor rates for Carlow. The ordination took place at the Presentation Convent, Carlow, of the Rev. F. Horan, Edenderry. Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, officiated. Present: Very Rev. J. Foley, president St. Patrick's college, Carlow; Rev. J. Cullen, Adan, Carlow; Rev. M. J. Walsh, rector, Kilsbeg, and the Rev. F. W. Ingres, of the College, Carlow.

Died July 18, at Cloneygath, Bagnalstown, of pneumonia, Mary Ann Nolan, aged 63 years. Interment in Newtown.

DUBLIN.

Miss Maggie O'Donnell, Pontenoy street, Dublin, while riding on a bicycle from Dunlisk last week was crushed to death under an electric car. The people of Saggart are going to erect a memorial to their late rector, pastor, Rev. M. J. Walsh, brother of Rev. James Walsh, Skerries. A meeting of the Joint Executive Committee of the Edmund Burke Centenary commemoration, consisting of representatives from the National Literary Society, the College Historical Society and the Literary, Dramatic and Musical Society was held on Friday night at 4 College Green, Dublin. Mr. Charles Dawson in the chair. Also present: Messrs. O'Leary, Curtis, E. R. McC. Dr. E. H. Ryland, John O'Mahony, John Peart and J. W. Boucher. It was resolved that a general committee be formed of distinguished literary and eminent persons to make arrangements to celebrate the centenary. St. Mary's Dominican Convent, Kingstown, recently celebrated its golden jubilee. On June 10, 1847, six nuns of the order in Cabre founded the institution. These pioneers were: Mother M. Aloysius Purcell, prioress; Mother M. Ursula Maher, sub-prioress; Sisters M. Agatha Moran, Sister M. D. Disette, T. Fitzgerald, T. Scannell, James McCarthy, W. Mullins, J. Giblin.

At the Tralee Petty Sessions, before Major Deane, R. M., and a numerous bench of justices, the court was occupied for a considerable time investigating charges against publicans for breaches of the licensing act. Six publicans were before the court, all visited by the police on the same evening. Sunday, July 13, Acting Sergeant Kennedy and Constable Cogan donned civilian's clothes and went to public houses. In some instances they accosted scouts and asked could they get a drink, and were asked to wait until the police patrol had gone, and were then admitted to find several persons drinking. In another instance they followed people in, and were asked by the publican: "Well, gentlemen, what can I be doing for ye?" While in one case one of the men found drinking said: "I'm standing, gentlemen, what will ye have?" Edward Lucitt was fined £5, Honoria Ryle, £3; Patrick Freeman, £3, John Denny, £3, and John O'Rourke, £2. A case against Emoud McElligott was dismissed, the men found on the premises being guests.

The death of Mr. William Spillane, occurred at his residence, George's street, Limerick City, July 25th. He was president of the St. Vincent de Paul society, and an auditor of the National Bank and a member of the public boards in the city.

The weather in Limerick lately has been all that could be desired. The potato crop is a very promising one, notwithstanding the blight made its appearance in several places, but not to any extent. The hay crop is splendid and farmers are busy at it. The yield is twice that of previous years.

Rev. Father Brophy, who for some years has been attached to the Augustinian church, George street, Limerick, is to be transferred to Hythe, Kent.

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Last week a very fine bullock, the property of Mr. B. Furlong, Ballygarrna, Lady's Island, rushed madly from the pasture. The animal was missed and search was made, but no trace could be found. After two days it was found in the topmost portion of Cloughcastle Castle. The castle had been carefully searched previously without avail, and it would seem to be utterly absurd to make search for the animal in the apartment which it managed to reach. It had gone up the narrow stone stairway and on until it securedly wedged itself in a narrow and dark passage. When the beast was found it appeared to be a question of pulling down the castle or cutting up the bullock. Fortunately, it was possible to give food and drink to the unfortunate beast, but turn it could not, and it was a matter of extreme difficulty to drag it from the passage and bring it down the long narrow stairway. It is recorded that some years ago another ox took refuge in the Castle of Cloughcastle and hid himself in some of the very edge of the stoniest battlements.

Died July 5, at Springvale, Enniscorthy, John Byrne, aged 63 years. On July 23, at Clonmains Castle, Margate, relict of the late Richard Ood, aged 71.

There is a place in the Doggy of Wicklow named Antrim, but it is not the one where the historic battle was fought. It has a population of only 151.

who were accompanied to Kingstown by the Very Rev. Dr. Dowley and Father McEann of Castleknock. Mrs. Harriet Daly, during her life, gave the nine hundred pounds sterling each year. When Dr. Murray, Bishop of Maliland, died for six years found a convent in his diocese, eight of the Community of St. Mary's went on the Australian mission. There are five branch houses connected with the first convent: two in the archdioceses of Sydney, and there are sixty-seven religious. Three years later, seven sisters founded a convent in Wicklow. Fourteen thousand pupils have been put through.

Died July 4, at Piper Hall, James Slattery.

Leo XIII. has made Very Rev. Dr. Thomas Tyran, P. P., Newbridge, a domestic prelate.

Michael Mahony, who was a representative of the County Kildare militia at the jubilee parade lately sustained serious injuries in falling from a ladder in Duke street, Athy. Mahony was engaged in cutting ivy from the house of Mr. Lawler, when the ladder slipped and he was thrown to the street and came in contact with iron railings.

The Festival of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel, was commemorated at White Abbey Kildare, Sunday. High mass was offered, Rev. W. F. Byrne, celebrant, Rev. P. C. Murphy, O. P. M., deacon, Rev. M. Cosgrave, sub-deacon, and Rev. J. Hart, master of ceremonies. The Rev. J. Butler preached a very eloquent sermon. In the evening there was a procession of the blessed sacrament and vespers, after which Rev. Father Butler preached again. The Gaiety-House Order has been established in Kildare since the thirteenth century and has from this ancient town given many distinguished sons to the Church. It is happily a flourishing circumstance, and is well appreciated and appreciated over a widespread area.

Bridge Moore, tenant on the McCurtuey property, Co. Wick, in the Castlebar Union, has had her rent on the farm, containing sixteen acres, reduced from £7 10s to £6 10s.

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Last week a very fine bullock, the property of Mr. B. Furlong, Ballygarrna, Lady's Island, rushed madly from the pasture. The animal was missed and search was made, but no trace could be found. After two days it was found in the topmost portion of Cloughcastle Castle. The castle had been carefully searched previously without avail, and it would seem to be utterly absurd to make search for the animal in the apartment which it managed to reach. It had gone up the narrow stone stairway and on until it securedly wedged itself in a narrow and dark passage. When the beast was found it appeared to be a question of pulling down the castle or cutting up the bullock. Fortunately, it was possible to give food and drink to the unfortunate beast, but turn it could not, and it was a matter of extreme difficulty to drag it from the passage and bring it down the long narrow stairway. It is recorded that some years ago another ox took refuge in the Castle of Cloughcastle and hid himself in some of the very edge of the stoniest battlements.

Died July 5, at Springvale, Enniscorthy, John Byrne, aged 63 years. On July 23, at Clonmains Castle, Margate, relict of the late Richard Ood, aged 71.

There is a place in the Doggy of Wicklow named Antrim, but it is not the one where the historic battle was fought. It has a population of only 151.

would be accompanied to Kingstown by the Very Rev. Dr. Dowley and Father McEann of Castleknock. Mrs. Harriet Daly, during her life, gave the nine hundred pounds sterling each year. When Dr. Murray, Bishop of Maliland, died for six years found a convent in his diocese, eight of the Community of St. Mary's went on the Australian mission. There are five branch houses connected with the first convent: two in the archdioceses of Sydney, and there are sixty-seven religious. Three years later, seven sisters founded a convent in Wicklow. Fourteen thousand pupils have been put through.

Died July 4, at Piper Hall, James Slattery.

Leo XIII. has made Very Rev. Dr. Thomas Tyran, P. P., Newbridge, a domestic prelate.

Michael Mahony, who was a representative of the County Kildare militia at the jubilee parade lately sustained serious injuries in falling from a ladder in Duke street, Athy. Mahony was engaged in cutting ivy from the house of Mr. Lawler, when the ladder slipped and he was thrown to the street and came in contact with iron railings.

The Festival of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel, was commemorated at White Abbey Kildare, Sunday. High mass was offered, Rev. W. F. Byrne, celebrant, Rev. P. C. Murphy, O. P. M., deacon, Rev. M. Cosgrave, sub-deacon, and Rev. J. Hart, master of ceremonies. The Rev. J. Butler preached a very eloquent sermon. In the evening there was a procession of the blessed sacrament and vespers, after which Rev. Father Butler preached again. The Gaiety-House Order has been established in Kildare since the thirteenth century and has from this ancient town given many distinguished sons to the Church. It is happily a flourishing circumstance, and is well appreciated and appreciated over a widespread area.

Bridge Moore, tenant on the McCurtuey property, Co. Wick, in the Castlebar Union, has had her rent on the farm, containing sixteen acres, reduced from £7 10s to £6 10s.

Mr. F. Horan was lately ordained priest by His Grace, Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin in the Presentation Convent, Carlow.

A soldier named Doherty, native of Tullamore, was drowned while bathing in the River Brossa, near Hill.

Thos. Froudman, who was drowned while bathing at Black Bushes, on the Grand Canal, near Edenderry, was only 16 years of age. His body was found entangled in weeds.

Francis and Peter Quinn, who were accused of having caused the death of Thomas Finlayson at Curlew lately, have been liberated. A particle of evidence was not against the men.

The Fairy Queen, tourist steamer, carried a great number of pleasure-seekers to Farranbarry from Athlone on Sunday. A great number of persons from Longford were also there, and a most enjoyable time was had.

Mr. Michael Collins of Dublin road, Drogheda, who died July 14, was interred in the New Cemetery after office and high mass. Funeral cortege was long and representative of all the people.

Miss Kate Landy, only daughter of the late Nicholas Landy, Westfield Cottage, Kells, died July 9, at 35 Rathdown road, N. C. R. Dublin. Interment was in Moylagher, after office and high mass in St. Columbkille's Church.

The Bellow family have 10,593 acres of land in this county. The Coote family, who came here with Cromwell, have over fifty thousand acres of land in the county.

When it became known that Mr. John P. Hayden had been elected unopposed for South Roscommon, there was great jubilation in the town of Mullingar.

In the sad affliction which has overtaken them, the parents of Miss Mary McCormack, Mullingar, are heartily sympathized with. The funeral on Sunday was composed of a very large cortege.

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