

OUR IRISH LETTER.

NEWS FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

What is Being Done by the People as some Various Items from Every Section of the Emerald Isle.

CONNAUGHT.

LEITRIM.

Mr. William McCullagh of Drumana, died lately, aged 89 years. The remains were removed from Sligo insane asylum to Drumana, and were conveyed to Annaduff, where interment took place.

Nationalists in Rosskey are falling into line in the United Irish League. A branch will soon be in working order in the district.

At the fair in Mullingar five head of cattle, which were stolen from a man named Smith, residing near Mohill, were discovered. Smith misled the cattle and instituted inquiries, thinking they had strayed. On getting no clue he extended his investigations, and visited various fairs. At Mullingar fair he found three in the possession of Mr. O'Reilly of Granard, and two in the possession of Mr. Brannigan of Longford. They stated they bought them at Arva fair from a man whose description they gave.

MAYO.

At the Franciscan Monastery Bunzcurry, Archill, a venerable member (Brother Peter) departed this life on Monday week at the advanced age of 81 years. Before he became a religious he was known in the world as Mr. Cloran.

At Newport petty sessions John McNeela of Cloggan, Ballycroy, charged James Kelly of Rosturk with assaulting him near Mullanny. The complainant belongs to a grazing family, and the defendant is the man who received the letter which is the basis of the charge of forgery against Sergt. Sullivan of Mullaranny. Kelly charged McNeela with using threatening language toward him on the same occasion. The case attracted much public attention, and there was a crowded court, notwithstanding the composition of the court, the decision and sentence, one month's imprisonment, on Kelly, in face of the overwhelming evidence in his favor, were heard with amazement. This is justice with a vengeance.

Considerable grief was caused by the death of Sister Mary Stanislaus Kostka, of the Roxford Convent of Mercy. For years deceased was connected with the Technical Woolen Mills. The workers, by assiduous attention to business, vied with each other in winning her approbation. Solemn high mass was celebrated. The Rev. P. Hunt, celebrant; Rev. P. Cawley, Foxford, deacon; Rev. W. Henry sub-deacon; and Rev. E. Conington, Bonneconlon, master of ceremonies.

A writer in the world, who has spent a holiday in Achill Island, remarks of the people: "The Achill Islanders are not, as a rule, a bad-looking lot—dark-eyed and dark-skinned, with keen eager faces, often framed in curly hair, and that is woven on hand-locks in the island. It is a deep auburn red, something between crimson and magenta, that is not only becoming to the wearer but makes an exquisite bit of color when seen against a background of bog or purple heather. It seems to be the fashion for the older women to wear a deeper shade of this dye; and the younger the Achill girl, the brighter is the color of her petticoat and bodice. It would be hard to find anything much more picturesque than one of these Achill maidens in her crimson kirtle, riding a rough mountain pony with neither saddle nor bridle, so many of them do, and with creels full of turf on each side."

ROSCOMMON.

With deep regret we report the death of Mr. Malachy Lee, which took place at the residence of his brother, Mr. John Lee, Ballymore, on Saturday, aged 78 years. The deceased belonged to one of the oldest and most respected families in Kilkenny. His remains were removed to the family burial ground at Ballinabur, followed by a large and respectable funeral cortege.

Mr. McHugh, M. P., and Mayor of Sligo, has taken up the case of the grabbed farm mentioned in this letter: "Royal Irish Constabulary Office, Dublin Castle, Sept. 22, 1898: Sir, I have to acknowledge the receipt of a letter dated the 20th inst., signed by you and Mr. I. P. Hayden, M. P., regarding the taking of an evicted farm in the County Roscommon by Constable Egan of the R. I. C., stationed at Templemore, County Tipperary. In reply I have to inform you that I shall have inquiry made into the matter. I am, sir, your obedient servant, N. Reed, Inspector General, P. A. McHugh, Esq., M. P., Sligo."

For the past fortnight a misdeed conducted by the Jesuit Fathers Rowley, O'Reilly and Daly, was held in Strokestown. Devotions commenced each evening at 7 p. m., followed by a most impressive sermon and lastly a benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament. In the memory of the oldest inhabitant of Strokestown, never had such crowds been witnessed at any of the missions. At last news on Sunday Father Daly gave his farewell sermon and said he visited all parts of Ireland—north, south, east and west—and never had the same amount of Catholics and the world has never seen such a gathering. The signatures to the document were those of James Madigan, John Molloy, John Delahunty, John Delahunty, Patrick Burke, Thomas J. Delahunty, and James Madigan.

the Jesuit Fathers a hearty "godspeed" from Strokestown.

The death of Mrs. Donnellan, Church street, Strokestown, lately, removed a most esteemed resident. Mrs. Donnellan was sister to the late lamented and highly esteemed Thomas Higgins and niece of the late Father Gormley, Carmelite Order, Dublin. She was a member of one of the oldest families in the county. The funeral to the family vault at Humblin on Thursday, the 28th inst., was one of the largest and most respectable ever witnessed even by the oldest inhabitants to leave this locality. The remains were enveloped in a highly mounted and massive oak coffin and was drawn in hearse by four horses.

There was a meeting of Knocknarea club held on Sunday. Mr. Edward Killfeather, president. Present, James McGlorin, treasurer; committee—Pat Molloy, Con McHugh, Pat Carty, John Healy, Henry Banks, James Sweeney, Thomas Devanney, Dan McLogan, Michael Bree, John Hart and M. J. Flannery. After the subscriptions were handed in the chairman reminded those present of the coming demonstration in Sligo.—Hugh Cryan, secretary.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

The following clerical changes were recently made in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin: Rev. John Breen, C. C., Kildare, has been appointed C. C. to Ballyglass parish; Rev. Daniel Gilligan, P. P., Douane, has been placed in control of the parish of Rahin, and Rev. T. Monahan, C. C., Ballyglass, has been appointed to succeed him as P. P. of Douane. Very Rev. John Delany, vice-president Carlow College, has been appointed C. C., Kildare. He is succeeded by the Rev. Father Ingress, and Rev. Father Brophy, Maynooth, has been made junior dean.

DUBLIN.

Mrs. Thomas Doyle of Carlow died Sept. 20, deeply and widely regretted. She was the last surviving child of the late Thomas Tracey, Lasgarvan, and cousin to Cardinal Moran and late Cardinal Cullen. Solemn requiem mass was celebrated in the parish church, Carlow, on Sept. 22, after which the remains were interred in the family plot in Temple Peter funeral was numerously attended. American and Australian papers please copy.

Recent deaths in Dublin: READER—Sept. 23, at 10 South Terrace, Incalcore, Annie Reader. REDDY—Sept. 23, at St. Monica's Home, 38 Belvidere place, Elizabetha Reddy, late of Wellington street.

MCCLEAN—Sept. 29, at 64 Lower Dorset street, Annie McLean.

MAY—Sept. 28, at the incurable Hospital, Donnybrook, Miss B. M. May, late of Kildare street.

BRANAGAN—Sept. 29, at 3 Grangegorman place, Michael Branagan.

CATHCART—At 43 Pleasant street, Mrs. Jane Cathcart.

GEARY—Sept. 29, at 8 Lower Abbey street, Sept. 23, at the Hospice for the Dying, James Hogan, late of Fishamble street, an old member of Dublin Newspaper Machinists' Society.

LYNCH—Sept. 23, Annie Lynch, aged 22 years, formerly of Clondalkin.

ROCHE—Sept. 30, at 18 Middle Gardner street (the residence of H. B. Fitzgerald, Esq.) Catherine Roche (the faithful friend of the family for over forty years).

SMULLEN—Sept. 30, at 15 St. Mary's road, off Church road, Mary Smullen.

MCCABE—Sept. 26, at 23 Stonebatter, Mary Jane McCabe.

MULLIN—Sept. 27, at 23 Leinster avenue, Dublin, William Mullin, late of Galbally, Tipperary, aged 70 years.

BARLEY—Sept. 25, at Hotel Swords, Mary Barley.

MARKS—Sept. 26, 1898, at 12 Heald row, Aston's quay, Morris Marks, aged 68 years.

BROCK—Sept. 24, at 1 Bolton street, Michael Brock.

BYRNE—Sept. 24, at Traux Cottage, Donnybrook, Kathleen Byrne, aged 9 years.

CONRY—Sept. 24, at 50 Wellington road, Dublin, Edith Marie (Edie) third daughter of Edward Conry.

EGAN—Sept. 23, John P. Egan, 38 and 40 Greville street, Mullingar, aged 57 years.

HARRISON—Sept. 23, at 19 Northbrook road, Kate Harrison, late of Montpelier Manor, Monkstown.

DOYLE—At 56 York street, Arthur Doyle, grandson of the late Michael O'Reilly, Eagle Hill, County Wicklow.

MAY—Sept. 28, at the incurable Hospital, Donnybrook, Miss B. M. May, late of Kildare street.

MOLLOY—Sept. 26, at Gurtacur, Mary E. Molloy.

KILDARE.

Elizabeth Sweeney, late of Freshford, County Kilkenny, died lately in Cyprus Lodge, Booterstown. Burial was in Dean's Grange; funeral numerously attended.

The funeral of Mrs. Maria Lawler, Ballymore, to Moore, on Oct. 2, was numerously attended. Deceased was much esteemed by the residents of the surrounding districts.

KILKENNY.

Mrs. William Walsh, Goresbridge, died Sept. 27, aged 35 years, deeply regretted. Office and high mass held in the parish church and at the great attendance at them and at the funeral showed how greatly esteemed is the family, and the sincere regret felt for the death of Mrs. Walsh.

Members of the Callan Branch of the Gaelic Athletic Association recently presented an address to their vice president, Mr. Michael Skelly, on his marriage. The signatures to the document were those of James Madigan, John Molloy, John Delahunty, John Delahunty, Patrick Burke, Thomas J. Delahunty, and James Madigan.

LONGFORD.

The sale of the estates of Colonel H. Wentworth, King-Harman to the tenant under the Land Purchase Act is almost complete. The tenants on the Ballinamuck and Legan portions have signed agreements to buy at eighteen, and in some cases eighteen and a half years' purchase, and the negotiations are going forward for the completion of the sale of the Keenagh portion. As the landlord is we believe anxious to sell as soon as possible, it is almost certain the bargain will be completed in a short time. Mr. T. W. Delany, solicitor, is acting for many of the tenants.

IRISH—THREE

With regret we chronicle the demise of Mr. Edward Kiernan, which occurred at Aghnacilffe, at the age of 72 years. Mr. Kiernan was a thorough Nationalist and a well-known figure in his neighborhood, having been a member of the Grand Board of Guardians since the League days till he retired in March last. He was highly respected by all classes in Longford, and the fact was testified to by the large and respectable cortege that accompanied his remains on Sept. 19 to Dunbegun Cemetery. Requiem ceremonies were performed by the Rev. James Sheridan, Columbkille.

LOUTH.

Mr. Patrick Mooney, auctioneer, Ardee, put up for sale an extensive farm at Strickillen. Mr. James Gannon, solicitor, bid £3,100, but this did not reach the reserve figure. Subsequently the farm was sold to Mr. C. McKeever for £2,250.

Cardinal Logue opened on Sunday the bazaar inaugurated by the Rev. Patrick Segrave, Faughart, in order to aid the fund for the completion of the beautiful Church of St. Bridget which is being erected within a short distance of the birthplace of the Patroness of Ireland. The bazaar was held within the building. There were a large number of attractions, including a café chantant.

MERRI.

Fathers Malachand Leo of the Presentation Order are conducting a retreat for the men's branch of the Holy Family in Navan. Week before Father Reilly, O. M. I., conducted the retreat for the women's branch of the association.

A meeting of Kildalkey (Betsy Gray) '98 Branch was held on Sunday the vice president Mr. Patrick Cleary presiding and a large number of committee members present. Two delegates were appointed to attend convention to be held in the City Hall, Dublin.—Matthew McNamee, honorary secretary.

QUEEN'S.

The talented and tireless traveler, Mrs. Frances Helen Beale (nee Fitzgerald) a zealous Catholic, has returned to her native town, Mountmellick, after six months' pilgrimage in Egypt and Palestine. Five or six years ago, as a "Protestant Pilgrim" her "Journal" of a ten-day trip to the Continent gave novel and graphic pictures of celebrated cities and shrines with impressions of Rome and Pope Leo, which took away all surprise at Mrs. Beale's conversion. It is to be hoped this gifted lady will give now to her numerous friends notes from the Holy Land.

WESTMATH.

Mr. Matthew Connell Harbor street, Mullingar, died Sept. 27, Office and high mass were held in the Cathedral Interment was in Rathconell. Funeral numerously attended.

WEXFORD.

The death is announced at St. Sevan, France, of Mrs. Howard, sister to Mr. John E. Redmond, M. P.

Mr. Hugh Kennedy, who farmed extensively and resided at Gladran, near Gorey, died suddenly lately. He was aged 58 years. Interment was in Craanford Cemetery. Funeral cortege long. Office and high mass was numerously attended.

Miss Clooney of New Ross, who died a short time since was a niece of Gen. Clooney of the Patriot Army of '38, who wrote a history of the terrible time in which he played an important part. A very singular coincidence was that her death happened on the date of the famous battle of Ross, but there was such an extra amount of '98 sentiment, and a great demonstration in the town that her death was lost sight of.

An edifying ceremony took place in the chapel attached to the Convent of St. John of God Wexford, lately, when the following young ladies were professed: Miss Brennan, Tipperary (in religion Sister Mary Dominick); Miss Gaynor, Tipperary; (in religion Sister Mary Dymphna); Miss Kilsheane, Kerry, (in religion Sister Mary John); Miss Baggot, Limerick (in religion Sister Mary Patricia); Miss Kinsella, Carlow, (in religion Sister Mary Rita). The ceremony was performed by Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, and was attended by a number of relatives and friends of the professed ladies. The following clergy were present: Very Rev. Father Scanlon, Cloughjordan; Rev. Thomas Murphy, Claphin St. John of God, and the Rev. Father Doherty.

WICLOW.

A shocking accident is reported from Ovoca District. A man named Williams, who was attending a steam threshing machine, was killed through the bursting of the boiler of the engine. Denis Byrne, died at Lough Dan, Roundwood, Sept. 29, at an advanced age.

At the meeting of the Ballyglass Board of Guardians, Mr. E. P. O'Kelly, chairman, presiding, the Board had under consideration the Clogher Union resolution regarding the refusal of the Local Government Board to sanction the appointment of Miss Anne Eliza McGill as rate collector. Mr. M. Harbourn—I think the board ought to declare emphatically for woman's rights. I think they should be allowed to take part in every office—chairmanship

and everything else. I propose that the resolution be adopted; it may further the cause of woman's rights to some extent. Chairman—I think women would succeed in getting in money twice as well as men. Mr. Keogh—The Town Commissioners of Carlow have a lady rate collector who is most efficient. After some discussion the chairman said that to show their sympathy at all events for Miss McGill they should adopt the resolution. Mr. Harbourn—Yes, give the ladies a chance. The resolution was adopted.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Mr. Martin Donnelly of Cooraclare National Schools passed Larough, with "special distinction," the first class papers set at the last July examination.

Mr. J. C. Mahony had a very narrow escape from being fatally injured on Sunday. Mr. W. J. Brew, Bellvue, was on his way to church when he heard cries for help proceeding from one of Mr. Mahony's fields on the Fort road. At first he thought it was some boys skylarking, but on the cries being repeated he immediately scaled the wall, and getting into the field, found Mr. Mahony jammed against the boundary hedge by an infuriated young bull. The gentleman, who appeared to be in an exhausted condition, had the animal's horns clutched with both hands, but as the unequal struggle had evidently been going on for some time it is questionable if Mr. Mahony could have held out much longer. Mr. Brew fortunately carried a heavy walking stick and taking in the situation at a glance loudly called on Mr. Mahony to let the brute loose but at first he felt disinclined to do so, replying that if he did so the animal would kill him. Eventually, however, Mr. Brew got him to do so, and he then belabored the savage beast with his walking stick, who showed no further inclination to attack and sullenly moved away. Mr. Mahony was quite exhausted after his struggle.

On Tuesday the high mass for the repose of the souls of the deceased bishop and priests of the diocese was held at the Cathedral, Ennis. The Lord Bishop presided.

CORK.

At recent civil service competitive examination in Dublin Mr. John Kent of the Presentation Brothers' School, Kinsale, passed successfully, securing the seventh Irish place, and securing 50 per cent of the total marks required.

A fatal accident occurred on the Cork Brandon and South Coast railway at Assolas near Skibbereen, a station, last week the victim being an old and respected navy man named Jeremiah Murphy. The train from Pallinure passed over his body. He was unable to "whitehead" who went through a long term of imprisonment in connection with the dynamite scare.

On Friday an eviction took place under very sad circumstances. John Murray and his relatives were evicted from the lands of Barada, three miles from Dungourney. A posse of police from Castlemary and Killeash were present, but no resistance was offered. The greatest sympathy was manifested by the people for the evicted. Previous to the eviction proceedings, the committee, who is popularly known as "Captain Murray," made an offer through his friends to the agent to pay £20 in hand which is a year's rent. The lands are of a particularly barren kind and the dwelling house, a thatched one, in which Murray resided, had scarcely a vestige of a roof, and the entire surroundings presented a most abject spectacle. The Dungourney Branch of the Federation will look after Murray's interests.

In "Lone Grogan Barr" on Sept. 27, was held with fitting ceremonies the Feast of St. Finbar here, under the shadow of the Grogan Mountain. It is the shrine where the great saint labored in the early days of his career, and it was fitting that on the occasion of his feast day the Catholics of Cork should gather around the hallowed spot and do honor to him who had done such noble work for the faith. The spectacle witnessed was edifying in the extreme. From near and far people assembled at the shrine buried in the rugged beauty of Grogan, and joined fervently the ceremonies. Three thousand persons were assembled around the walls of the sacred shrine. The train, the bicycle, the wagonette, the donkey cart, the outside car all had pilgrims, and as one got into the poorer and more distant parts of the district, the laborer, unable to afford himself the luxury of a cart, was to be seen walking whether the wind whirled or not. The ceremonies opened at 12 o'clock with solemn mass (Miss Cantata) celebrated by the Rev. P. Hurley, Inchigeela. At the conclusion of the mass the panegyric of the saint was preached by the Very Rev. Canon McCarthy of Mauritus and the proceedings closed with benediction of the blessed sacrament.

Recent deaths in Cork: GRAHAM—On Sept. 27, at 1 Sunview Terrace, College road, Johnston Graham, ex-seigneur, R. I. C., aged 75 years.

KELLY—On Sept. 27, at 2 Woods street, Cork, Mrs. Kelly.

O'SULLIVAN—On Sept. 25, at 20 Gillybally Terrace, Jeremiah O'Sullivan, late of Dunmanway.

O'MAHONEY—On Sept. 25, at Fergusa Coachford, Kate O'Mahoney, Bridgestown.

BARRY—John Patrick Barry, Middleton, aged 8 years.

O'MAHONEY—On Sept. 30, at 19 James street, Cornelius O'Mahoney, aged 58 years.

BRENNAN—Sept. 30, at Shandon Villa, Common road, Hanora Brennan.

JORDAN—On Sept. 29, at 308 Barney street, John C. Jordan.

O'CALLAGHAN—On Sept. 31, at the North Presentation Convent, Clarence street, Sister Mary Francis O'Callaghan

in the 73rd year of her age, and 39th of her religious profession.

DWYER—On Sept. 24, at 1 Beechwood place, Douglas road, Ellen Dwyer, Killumney, aged 67 years.

TRACEY—Sept. 24, at 8 Chapel Hill, Thomas Tracey.

SHEEHAN—On Sept. 24, at Meads town, Mrs. Johanna Sheehan.

O'CALLAGHAN—On Sept. 25, Hannah O'Callaghan, Knockroe.

FORDE—Sept. 26, at 54 Grattan st., Denis Forde, late of Donoughmore.

MURPHY—On Sept. 28, at his residence, Caherlag, John Murphy.

CALLAGHAN—Sept. 29, at 23 Summer Hill, St. Luke's, Timothy O'Callaghan.

KERRY.

Most Rev. Dr. Coffey, Bishop of Kerry, lately administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to 250 school children at the parish church of St. Finian, Waterville. After a severe and exhaustive examination of the children in the Christian doctrine, the bishop expressed himself pleased at the answering. The assistant priests were Rev. M. O'Reilly, Dromid; Rev. J. Casey, Valentia; Rev. Moriarty, Dromid; Rev. Father Bronson, Caheriveen and the Rev. Father Cronin, Caheridaniel.

Sir Herbert Kitchener, commander of the British forces in Egypt, is said to be an Irishman. There is no honor for Ireland in this. It is rather the other way. An Irishman doing England's dirty work is not a pleasant sight for the real Irish. The Sirdar, however, is a kind of Irishman, that is all. He happened to be born June 15, 1850, in Gunsborough Villa, between Ballylongford and Ballycunlon. In all else but the place of his birth he is British. We give this, not because of any pride in Kitchener being born in Kerry, but as so much information for our readers. Kerry men don't covet Irishmen of this character.

Sunday last the new Catholic church at Rathca, Lixnaw parish, was opened for divine worship. Hundreds of persons thronged to witness the ceremony of dedication. The new church is a great boon to an important section in Father O'Riordan's parish, on which two churches are already erected—one in Lixnaw and the other in Irmonee. Many parishioners had to travel long distances to attend divine worship. Now the pretty little Gothic church erected in Rathca affords the parishioners facilities for hearing the word of God without incurring serious personal inconvenience. The ceremonies commenced at 10:30 o'clock with the dedication of the church. Then followed Father O'Riordan's dedication sermon.

LIMERICK.

The Irish Church Mission Society, with headquarters in Dublin, has commissioned one Dr. Long to invade Limerick city and give free medical advice and attendance to all so desiring. Of course, only the very poor want free medical advice, as it was only the starving poor wanted soup in the days of the "New Lights" in the west of Ireland. Dr. Long's visit is another invidious attempt at proselytizing which the priests of the city were quick to perceive and denounce. Father Cregan and Tierney have exposed the trick. Consequently Dr. Long is not sleeping on a bed of roses. Demonstrations not of a wicked nature, still of no uncertain meaning, have been made before the "dispensary" that may result in the doctor realizing that the people of Limerick intend to dispense with his dispensary.

The death of Mr. Joseph McCaffrey, Wellington street, Clonmel, lately removed a figure long and familiarly known. Mr. McCaffrey was a native of this town and had reached the patriarchal age of 83 years. He practically lived all his life in Clonmel, and was, under the old Board of Superintendence of the Grand Jury, the last Deputy Governor of the County Prison. After a service of thirty years he retired on a substantial pension about twenty years ago. The remains were removed to St. Patrick's cemetery for interment.

WATERFORD.

Mrs. Lennon, Dungarvan, died recently aged 73 years, widely and deeply regretted. She was niece of the late Most Rev. Dr. Connolly, Archbishop of Armagh, and Primate of all Ireland, and sister of late Rev. George Crolly, Professor of Theology, Maynooth College, who died in 1887. Her son, Father Lennon of Portaferry, one of the most respected priests in the diocese of Down and Connor, arrived in Dungarvan a few hours after her death, while Mr. George Lennon, Manager of Dungarvan Gas Works, was beside the bedside of his dying parent up to the final moment of her demise. Every member of the family passed away before her with the exception of a younger sister—a member of the Order of Mercy Nuns at Ballinrobe, County Mayo. The late Mr. James Lennon, husband of the deceased, successfully managed the gas company's works and held the position of clerk of works for Dungarvan Union. He died in 1889.

We regret to record the death of Mrs. Mary O'Ryan of Shanacoole. Deceased was wife of Edmond O'Ryan, mother of Dr. John O'Ryan, Ardmore, and Rev. Thomas O'Ryan, sister of the Rev. Wm. Flynn, S. J., Dublin. One of her daughters is a member of the Presentation Order.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

The secretary of the Thomas Davis Literary and Debating Society, Belfast, at meeting held in 117 Victoria street, delivered an address of which the title was "What John Bull Owe Ireland." He dealt with the financial relations between Great Britain and Ireland and Ireland's robbery of three million per annum. He showed how it was recognized by some English members and referred to Mr. Stead's work in Review

of Reviews. After the singing of the National Anthem the proceedings terminated.

It appears that Mrs. McElderry of Ballymoney, and her daughter were bathing at a place called the "White Rocks" in Ballycastle, last week. Mrs. McElderry got out of her depth and sank. The cries of both ladies attracted the attention of Alexander Hamill and Joseph Wilson, who were working at the pier. Hamill, at great risk, plunged into the sea and with great difficulty, succeeded in bringing the lady to the shore.

ARMAGH.

William Henry Clark was accidentally killed by being thrown from a horse on the Keedy road, near Glavin's Mills. The horse was frightened by a lamp on a bicycle.

The foundation stone of the new Convent and schools of the Presentation Nuns of the Sacred Heart, Portadown, was laid last week. The Sisters have been for ten years on the lookout for a suitable site and the one obtained is situated in Thomas street. The new convent will be three stories in height, faced externally with brick and relieved with cut stone dressings; severe yet pleasing in appearance, with an absence of superfluous ornament, but admirably arranged internally.

Members of the William Orr Branch of the 98 Centenary Association held a meeting last week. Mr. Thomas McCabe presiding. Attendance was large. Several patriotic speeches were made.

DERRY.

Mr. William McKenna, merchant, Clones, Monaghan, recently presented three beautiful stained glass windows to the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Magherafelt, as memorials of his parents and family.

Tenants on the Bath estate, Rathmullen, are making arrangements to purchase their holdings, under Section 40 of the Land Act of 1886. Each has almost agreed to offer a sum of money equivalent to seventeen years of the present annual rent on his farm or holding.

The Board of Works recently undertook repairs to the Old Castle and Abbey of Donegal, these antiquities being vested in that body. Now, it appears, dissatisfaction exists in some quarters concerning what are considered to be the insufficient steps taken to preserve the ruins of the Abbey. These are rapidly tottering into decay, and it would seem the body mentioned has not been liberal enough in its expenditures to insure that the relics would remain intact for still further generations to mark where the illustrious book of the Annals of the Four Masters were compiled. It is stated that the alleged remissness of the Board of Works in regard to this portion of the antiquities has excited the attention of the Board of Guardians, whose voice in the matter might have a desirable effect. The venerable appearance of the old castle has been to a large extent, destroyed by ivy, but this was largely necessary for the purpose of the masonry, which has made the walls and loopholes staunch and good. The windswept hall, where the broad fireplace, with its admirable ornamental tracery, suggests nights of revelry in a bygone period, has been cleared of the accumulation of years, and, altogether, as far as the Castle is concerned, an improvement has been effected which the antiquarian may regard as of national significance.

FERMANAGH.

Dr. Edward Thompson, eminent physician and surgeon of Omagh, County Tyrone, will oppose Mr. Archdale in North Fermanagh. Dr. Thompson will stand as an Independent Unionist at the request of an influential representation of the electors.

MONAGHAN.

Mr. William McKenna, merchant, Clones, has presented to the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption in Magherafelt three beautiful stained glass windows as memorials of his parents and family.

Miss Margaret McManus, an evicted tenant, and her brother, Owen McManus, returned to Monaghan from Armagh last week, having undergone imprisonment for trespassing on the lands from which they had been evicted. Miss McManus states that during her incarceration His Excellency, Earl Cadogan, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, sent an emissary to her on four different occasions to inquire into the facts of her case. She alleges that she has purchased the holding for which she was imprisoned for trespassing on, under the Ashbourne Act, and that she is in possession of documents to prove the fact. On her return to Monaghan Miss McManus proceeded to Mullinavon, where the farm is situated. She found that the houses had been demolished. She declares that the landlord or his agents have had no part in the destruction of the houses, but believes it to be the act of a neighbor. Miss McManus has served Mr. John Gray, the gentleman who occupied the chair at petty sessions on the occasion of her eviction, with notice that she is about to proceed against him to recover a sum of £1,125 for false imprisonment.

STORY OF PEACE.

Briggs—I'm thoroughly ashamed of my town. I wish I could move away from it.

Gray—Why? Call your militia back out when the call came?

Briggs—No, it ain't that. We can't support a baseball club there any more.

"Fifteen years ago," said the aged brother, addressing the congregation, "I gladly gave my heart to the Lord."

"And that's the only cheerful gift he ever made," whispered the deacon, whose business it was to collect the annual subscriptions.