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.

CONNAUGHT.

GALWAY.

The steeple of the Protestant church in Athenry was struck by lightning during a recent storm. The electricity entered the base and ran up the vacant internal portion 150 feet in height, splitting the structure.

A new sub postoffice has been opened at Levally. Mr. Wm. Taylor has been appointed post master, under the control of Mr. Malone, post master, Ballinasloe.

A vast meeting was held at Corofin, Ballyglunin, on March 5, to promote the interests of the United Irish league, and of Mr. I. A. Glynn, Solicitor Mann, the county council candidate. The brass band of the Tuam Foresters and the fife and drum band of the Corofin branch of the league played national airs.

LEITRIM.

With deep regret we chronicle the demise of Mrs. Owen McGreevy, Knockacarrow, which happened on February 20, at the age of 71 years. Interment was in Ardcarne.

Father O'Reilly, whose death was reported in the Australian papers of recent date, was a native of Carregallen. He was ordained June 10, 1887 for Maitland diocese.

MAYO

We regret to chronicle the death of Miss Egan, Claremorris, which occurred on Feb. 15, at the age of 54. She was the daughter of John Egan, merchant, Claremorris, sister of the former clerk of Claremorris Union, and of the present clerk of the Loughrea Union. High Mass was celebrated, Venerable Arch-deacon Kilkenny, Kilcolman, celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Father Reidy and Rev. Father McDonnell. The remains were interred in the ancient Abbey of Ballinasmall.

On Feb. 23 a serious fire occurred at Gortnahilltia, five miles from Newport, in the dwelling house of Pat Boggin. The fire was caused by a grandchild named Mary O'Boyle setting fire to straw. The child was burned to death; also five cattle. Boggin was badly burned in trying to save the grandchild. A bed in which Boggin had £60 in notes was also consumed.

Crab grubbing and grass letting and grass hiring are doomed in Kilmaine. The days are over for the fine heavy bullocks to walk over the fertile lands of Mayo, to the exclusion of the people. In the very near future the land will resound to the cheery and melodious voices of the contented and prosperous tillers of the soil as they plow and sow and reap the rewards of their industry. And as they thus work no dark shadow of a famine time of a landlord, or of a grabber, will fall across their paths. The land will be their own. Hurrah!

The Balfours are good at pasting up "proclamations," but cannot stop a meeting of the United Irish League. A meeting was advertised to be held in Roundfort, near Ballinrole, last week, and "Champagne" Balfour attempted to "suppress" it, but failed miserably. Many districts were covered with Mr. Balfour's printing prohibiting the meeting, but, Lord bless you! the Leaguers did not mind a bit. In fact, they assembled within 600 yards of the policebarrack and held a most enthusiastic meeting. Gerald will find out that there are fine generals in the United Irish army.

ROSCOMMON.

The death of Mrs Henry Boyd, Lakeview, Boyle happened March 6, at her residence, No 30 Mernon square, Dublin. Interment was in Glasnevin.

SLIGO

On Feb. 26 an enthusiastic gathering of the people assembled in Killargue to form a branch of the United Irish League. John Harte and Charles McMorrow, Nationalists of twenty years' standing, explained the objects of the League and the necessity that existed for it. Proposed by Charles McMorrow and seconded by Martin Boylan—"That we, the Nationalists of the grand Land League days of the Irish National Federation and of the '98 Club, do constitute ourselves the Killargue branch of the United Irish League." "That the press take notice that nothing under the name of 'Killargue' is recognized or supported by the people and that all true Nationalists repudiate same."

Father P. J. O'Grady, who has been chairman of the Colloonery Creamery company, recently resigned. He said he could not devote the time to the business that the position demanded.

A meeting of the South Sligo Executive of the United Irish League was held in Ballymote lately. Mr. J. O'Dowd, Bunninadden, presided. Delegates were present from Geevagh, Ballymote, Riverstown, Ballyrush, Bunninadden, Mullenabrena, Curry Keash, Culfaddal, etc. There was a strong resolution passed calling on the electors of South Sligo to support Mr. P. A. McHugh, M. P., against all comers for the county council.

Sligo men are pushing the Mayo men hard for the post of honor in having the greatest number of branches of the United Irish League. Sligo, as far as can be ascertained, comes close up to Mayo. It now has very active branches in Riverstown, Sooey, Drumfeeny, Colloony, Moylough, Conway's Corner, Birkwood, Magheros, Glenade, Ballinafad, Coolaney, Tourlestrane, Curry, Grange, Cloonacool, Brunninadden, Killargue, Cloonacool, Ballinafad, Cliffoney, Killoran, etc.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

Rev. Mgr. Burke, P. P., Bagnalstown, presided at a meeting held in that town lately, at which John McGrath and Michael Rafter were selected as District Councillors for Nurney. For Fenagh—Charles Nolan and Edward Broughan. For Agha—D. Kearney and William Griffith. Should the latter not go forward, Mr. James Gorman

On Feb. 25 Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, celebrated 8 o'clock mass at the Cathedral, Carlow, and raised from subdeaconship to deaconship the Revs. P. J. O'Flynn and T. Sheehy, for the missions of Dubuque and Davenport, Ia., U. S. A. Minor orders were conferred on J. Kennedy, R. Collins, and P. Leahy.

DUBLIN.

The Rev. John Colgan, S. J., on Sunday, March 13, in St. James' church, preached the annual Charity Sermon in aid of the Christian Brothers school of the parish. The Brothers perform a most meritorious educational work in their devoted labors among the children of the parish, and Father Colgan's appeal was responded to in a generous manner.

Colonel Walter Balfe of Roscommon died at his residence in Fitzwilliam square, Dublin, March 4, deeply regretted.

The funeral of Sister Mary John Gaynor took place on March 8 from the Hospice for the Dying, Harolds-cross, Dublin, of which she was foundress and first superioress. Deceased was in the 73d year of her life, and the 45th in her religious vocation. The Archbishop of Dublin and a great number of priests assisted at the requiem services and attended the funeral to the cemetery of the convent at Donnybrook.

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—ARCHIBOLD—March 2, Clonmethan, Oldtown County Dublin, Thomas Archibold, aged 85 years.

BIGGINS—March 2, at 2 Villa Park, Royal Canal, Patrick Biggins.

BOBBETT—March 3, Doolagh, Balbriggan, Anne Bobbett, of Moat Hill, aged 89 years.

KAVANAGH—March 2, at 6 Vance buildings, Lower Bridge street, John Kavanagh, late of Abercorn road for 20 years the faithful employe of Connolly & Sons, builders, aged 69 years.

O'BRIEN—March 2, at St. Patrick's House, South Circular road, Jane O'Brien, of George's place, aged 97 years, mother of the late Rev. Daniel O'Brien, St. Michan's, and the late Rev. Henry O'Brien, St. Laurence O'Toole's; five of her daughters were in religion—four Sisters of Mercy and one sister of the Holy Faith.

MURPHY—Feb. 27, at 29 Rosborough terrace, North Circular road, Patrick Murphy, formerly of 64 Bolton street, after a short illness, aged 78 years.

CURTIN—March 1, at Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Cornelius J. Curtin, late of Messrs Pim Brothers, George's street, and eldest son of John and Catherine Curtin, late of 29 North Main street, Cork, aged 33 years. R. I. P.

HENRY—Feb. 28 at the Hospice, Harolds-cross, James Henry, of 38 Cork street.

MARA—Feb. 28, at 29 James street, aged 43, Mary Mara. R. I. P.

MURPHY—March 1, at Watermount, Kilcock, Andrew Murphy, aged 63 years.

SHERRY—Feb. 28, at 36 Usher's quay, Michael Sherry

SLATTERY—Feb. 28, at 1 Haigh terrace, Kingstown, Thomas Joseph, only son of William Slattery.

CLUSKEY—Feb. 14, at 12 New Bride street, Patrick Cluskey (late 174 North King street).

LOWRY—March 2, at 21 Turvey avenue, Kilmainham, Margaret Frances Lowry.

BUTLER—Feb. 28, at Rathfarnham, John Joseph Butler, aged 29 years.

KENNEDY—Feb. 23 at Grand Hotel, Feydey-sur-Leysin, Switzerland, Mary Kennedy, 127 and 128 Great Britain street, Dublin, aged 23 years.

CREIGHTON—Feb 14, at 85 Capel street, Mary Frances Catherine Creighton.

KILDARE.

The Nationalists of Churchtown district held a meeting in Athy lately to indorse the selection of Mr. S. Heydon as County Councillor for the district. Rev. P. Rowan presided. Mr. T. Orford proposed the selection he approved of, and Mr. L. Darby seconded. Mr. L. Heffernan, Kilmeade, proposed that a vote be taken between Mr. Heydon and Mr. E. Plewman. Mr. Brophy seconded. Mr. James Kelly urged united action, and ultimately Mr. Heffernan withdrew his motion and Mr. Heydon was unanimously chosen.

With deep regret we chronicle the demise of Sister Mary Peter McDonald of the Presentation Convent, Maynooth, in the 50th year of her age, and the 27th year of her religious life. She was a daughter of the late Colonel McDonald, and cousin to the Most Rev. Dr. McDonald, Archbishop of Edinburgh, and the Bishop of Aberdeen.

KILKENNY.

Mrs. Connellan, Coolmore, died at Tramore, County Waterford, Feb. 24. Her remains were removed from Tramore on Monday following and interred in Inistiogue cemetery. Funeral cortege long.

LONGFORD.

A public meeting was held in St. Mel's Hall, Longford, on Feb. 26, to select candidates to represent the districts under the Local Government law. The Longford fife and drum band paraded the town previous to the meeting and before proceedings commenced played a selection of national airs in the hall.

The new chapel of the convent of Our Lady of Succor at Newtownforbes was solemnly dedicated by Right Rev. Dr. Hoare, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacholse. Pontifical High Mass was celebrated in the new edifice. The chapel commands a splendid view of the quaint old village, and is very picturesquely situated. The Pontifical High Mass was celebrated by the Bishop, Rev. M. Burke, deacon; Rev. F. Cahill, sub-deacon; Rev. T. Maguire, Bornscoola, assistant deacon at the throne, and Rev. C. O'Farrell, Mohill, assistant sub-deacon; Very Rev. Canon O'Farrell, assistant priest; Rev. W. Murray, master of ceremonies. The other clergymen present were: Venerable Archdeacon Smyth, Granard; Rev. W. Whyte, Tarmonbarry; Rev. M. Corcoran, Scrabby; Rev. J. Casserly, Killashee; Rev. Joseph Skelly, Newtownforbes; Rev. J. Manning, St. Mel's College, Longford; Rev. T. Hourican, Drumsna; Rev. P. Kiernan, Longford; Rev — Maguire, Newtownforbes; Rev. — Ledwith, Edgeworthtown; Rev. — O'Hara, Mohill; Rev. J. Dawson, Ballinamuck; Rev. Father Farrington, Rush, County Dublin. A very eloquent sermon was preached by Rev. Father Naughton, S. J.

LOUTH.

Died.—FAY—Feb. 24, at 21 Scarlet street, Francis George Fay.

GERAGHTY—Feb. 19, at Painstown, Michael McDermott, aged 9 years.

MEATH.

Mr. Nathaniel Lacy, clerk of the Union in Kells, and his brother, clerk of the Union in Navan, have resigned.

Nationalists are making a good record in their selections of representatives on the new self-governing boards created under the Local Government law.

QUEEN'S

Patrick Dowling, farmer, died suddenly in his home at Bornashone, near Mountmellick, Feb 22. Cause of death was hemorrhage of the brain.

Died.—PURCELL—Feb. 11, at Durrow, James Purcell, merchant, Durrow, and brother of the late Rev. William Purcell, C. C., Marlborough street, Dublin. He was 82 years of age.

A public meeting was held Feb. 26 at Grogan, to select County and District Councillors for the Rathdowney Electoral Division. The Rev T. Rockett presided. Attendance numerous. There were a number of candidates for the office of County Councillor, but the meeting selected Mr. Daniel Quigley. The following were selected as District Councillors: Rathdowney—Messrs. John Campion and Patrick Flynn. Kyle—Messrs. John Campion, Clonmeen, and Michael Whelan, Graigue. Errill—Messrs. Hennessy and Dowling. Rathsaran—For this division no definite decision was come to. Three candidates are in the field. The candidates are Patrick Doherty, Knockheel; Tim Davin and Edward Costigan.

WESTMEATH

County Council candidates for the district of Mount Temple are Mr Patrick Duff, Mr. Thomas Maher, Moyvoughley; Mr F. W. Russell, Lissanode; Mr. H. A. S. Upton

With regret we chronicle the death of Father John Sherlock, at the Parochial House, Rochfordbridge, on March 5, aged 88 years He officiated in Birmingham, England, for many years.

WEXFORD

Thomas Kinsella, of Clonsilla, near Gorey, was found dead in his home on Sunday, Feb. 26. When his wife left home for Mass deceased was in his usual condition of health On her return she found him lying dead on the floor.

A meeting was held in Shambogh on Sunday to select district councillors for that division of the New Ross Union. Rev. Father Cahill, Rosbercon, presided. Thomas Forrestal, John Mullally, James Holden, and M Cassin were proposed and seconded. There are but two seats, and a contest is expected.

With regret we record the death of the Very Rev. Thomas Canon Hoare, P. P., Olyegate, which occurred Feb. 25. He was descended from an ancient Norman family, whose members held the faith. At the age of 13 years he entered, in 1858, St. Peter's College, Wexford. In 1864 he went to Maynooth, and was ordained priest in 1871 by Rt. Rev. Dr. Furlong, Bishop of Ferns. His first curacy was in Clongeen, and subsequently in Screen. Gorey, and in 1892 he was appointed parish priest of Oylegate.

Died.—HAMILL—Feb. 19, at 15 Ardmoulin avenue, Belfast, James Hamill, ex-sergeant, R. I. C., father-in-law of Mr. John Nolan, master Enniscorthy Workhouse, aged 72 years.

KEANE—Feb. 19, at High street, Wexford, of consumption, Timothy Keane, aged 12 years.

KEHOE—Feb. 16, at Coolgarrow, Bridget Kehoe, at an advanced age.

KEHOE—Feb. 18, at John street, Wexford, William Kehoe.

RUTH—Feb. 15, (Ash Wednesday), Thomas Ruth, aged 58, for more than forty years at Ardamine, Gorey.

BUTLER—Feb. 27, Ballykelly, Walter Butler, aged 76 years.

DOYLE—Feb. 26, at Scurlogue, John Doyle, aged 36 years.

FORTUNE—Feb. 26, at Kellystown Mill, Rathaspick, Laurence Fortune.

PRENDERGAST—Feb. 26, at Carrigan street, Wexford, Mrs. Catherine Prendergast, aged 86 years.

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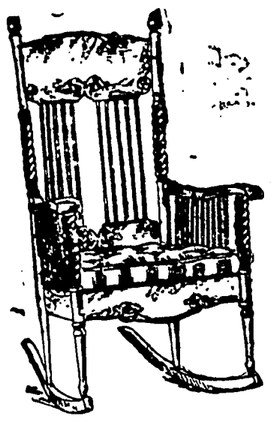

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