

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 death of Mr. Henry Sadler Peress, Glenard, Galway, occurred March 9, in his 67th year. He was a J. P. and D. L. for Galway and High Sheriff of the Borough of Galway. Mr. Peress was well known in connection with the Galway Blasters, of which he and his brother were masters for forty years. He was the head of the famous Galway distillery which bears his name and was established by his father in 1815.

Rev. John Molony, P. P. Kinvarra, was appointed parish priest of Ennistymon, County Clare. He will be replaced by the Rev. Thomas Burke, P. P., Ballinaderreen.

The death of Mr. Michael Ward, Leenahilly, County Carlow, occurred on February 26, aged 23 years.

In the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Dublin, before the Lord Justice (Justice Ross) in the matter of the estate of Walter Seymour, owner and petitioner, continued in the name of Thomas Dunbar Seymour, the Rev. Chas. Laurence of Lisreegan, Laurencestown, Ballinasloe, was declared the purchaser of the estate at £20,000.

In the Cromwellian time the Laurencses were dispossessed of their estates, which were partitioned and divided among Cromwell's followers. Part of the estate was afterward restored to them, and now the Rev. Mr. Laurence, who is a brother of Dr. Laurence of Beach avenue, Upper Salthill, Galway, has, after the lapse of centuries, secured by purchase another portion of the confiscated patrimony of his ancestors.

Most Rev. Dr. MacCormack, Lord Bishop of Galway, attended and conducted an examination in Christian Doctrine at St. Joseph's Church, Galway, for postulants for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Bishop expressed himself pleased with the correct answering of the school children and obtained for their teachers high commendations.

LEITRIM.

Mr. Thomas Woodward, clerk of the Mohill workhouse, will resign in a short time.

Improvements and repairs are being carried out in connection with the chapel and grounds surrounding it at Clonturk, near Droichead. A number of trees from the districts have been working at the alterations and improvements each day under charge of Rev. F. Cahill. A great number of new trees and ornamental shrubs have been planted in the grounds adjoining the chapel, and it is contemplated carrying out the necessary alterations of a bell-tower and sacristy in the immediate future.

MAYO.

Father Ganly, in the Education and School Department of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, has been appointed by the Most Rev. Dr. Carr successor to Father J. Daly, P. P., Melbourne City.

Most Rev. Dr. McEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, arrived in Ballinrobe last week, accompanied by Rev. John McDermott, C. A. He officiated at the ceremony of reception at the Convent of Mercy and later held a visitation of the clergy at the Deanery.

If the men of Mayo stick to the United Irish League and be true to themselves the vast areas of fertile lands which for many years have been used exclusively for rearing cattle will soon be in their possession, and instead of bullocks grazing on them the families of many now almost destitute will be firmly fixed, and in comfortable condition, too.

Mr. Patrick Rabbit, farmer and shop-keeper, met with a fatal accident on March 6 while returning to his home from Ballinagare with a cartload of provisions. The night being very dark, it is supposed that the horse turned off the road and the cart coming against some obstruction overturned. About 7 o'clock the unfortunate man was found quite dead lying under the overturned cart, some bags of flour and other articles being scattered about.

The Earl of Lucan of Castlebar has been invested by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant with the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick. No doubt the British Government feels under a debt of gratitude to the noble Earl for the wholesale clearances he made of the native Irish off his 60,000 acres in 1851 and 1852. Over ten thousand of the noble Lord's unfortunate tenants were victims of his heartless eviction campaign. He introduced bullocks, Scotchmen and Cheshire asses while exterminating the natives of Mayo.

ROSCOMMON.

The interment of the remains of late Mr. John Lavin took place March 10 in the cemetery, Castlereagh. The funeral cortege, from the Catholic Church, was the largest seen for many years.

The deceased, who was only 44 years of age, was known throughout counties Mayo and Galway as a sincere and devoted Nationalist, and this fact brought large numbers of persons to attend the funeral obsequies. As the deceased was a Mayo man by birth, a large number of people came from that county. The funeral procession which followed the remains to their last resting place, each member wearing a black strap, bonnet, with green ribbon attached, was of enormous dimensions. With regret we record the death of Mrs. Elizabeth MacCormack, wife of Mr. John MacCormack, which took place on March 7, at Ballinaderreen,

at the early age of 34. The deceased was a member of an old and respected Castlereagh family. She possessed many literary attainments, and had not ill health for many years prevented her, she would have attained a high place both in the literary and poetical world. Among her many contributions to literature were the two stories, "Saffron and Sinner" and "All for Love." The interment took place in the cemetery, Castlereagh, the funeral cortege being large.

On Feb. 16, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Stenson, of Cashel, died, Mrs. Stenson, of Cashel, in all respects. For 91 years she led a life of saintly virtue, and gave to the service of the Church in the person of her son—the Very Rev. Canon Owen Stenson—the greatest treasure of her heart. He was with her in her last illness, which was the more easily borne because of his presence and the presence of the faithful clergy of Curry. Her children's children, even to the fifth generation—an almost unparalleled blessing—are alive. Solemn High Mass for the happy repose of her soul was offered up in Curry Church on Saturday by the Very Rev. Canon Loftus, assisted by the Rev. W. Flynn as deacon, the Rev. E. J. Doherty as sub-deacon, and the Rev. B. Quinn as master of ceremonies.

SILGO.

The death of Mrs. Kim, Colloony, happened on March 9. She was a member of a highly respected family of Riverstown, and her demise is deeply regretted.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

Mrs. Alexander has been elected unopposed, as District Councillor for the Leighlin Division of Carlow.

The people in all the districts in the county are taking deep interest in the elections and are determined, as far as they can prevent such, that none but a Nationalist shall represent them.

Mr. Joseph O'Brien, Tuillow street, Carlow, died March 9 from pneumonia, deeply and widely regretted. The interment took place in St. Mary's cemetery, after Office and High Mass in the Cathedral. Great numbers attended the funeral.

DUBLIN.

Deep regret will be felt at the death of Mr. Thomas Molloy, which occurred at 3 Woodstock Villas, Terenure road, Dublin, March 10. Mr. Molloy was a worthy citizen, liberal and charitable. Mr. Molloy was for some years Nationalist representative of the North Dock Ward as Councillor and Alderman. He retired from the Corporation two years ago.

The translation and publication of the Brehon Laws of Ireland was commenced in 1852 by the late great Irish scholars, John O'Donovan and Eugene O'Curry, but until this year the work has dragged along until almost half a century has gone by, and the great Irish scholars who translated them have been dead thirty-eight years. While Great Britain was annually robbing Ireland of \$15,000,000 the government donated beggarly sums each year for the work on the Brehon Laws. This year the magnificent amount of \$1,000 has been donated for the purpose.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.

HARDING—March 10. Robert Harding, of 29 High street. **HUBBARD**—March 10. at 1 Rutledge terrace, Dorset avenue, Mrs. Mary Hubbard, aged 75. **KELLY**—March 8. at St. Mary Magdalen's Asylum, Sisters of Charity, Donnybrook, Lily (third daughter of the late Joseph Kelly, 35 Pembroke road, Dublin). **MOLLOY**—March 10. at 3 Woodstock Villas, Terenure road, Thomas Molloy. **PURCELL**—March 9. at 14 Lower Dominick street, Joseph Purcell. **TYNDALL**—March 9. at 20 King's Inns street, Mrs. Susanna Tyndall, aged 66 years. **FLEMMING**—March 9. at 12 North Portland row, John Fleming, D. M. P. **REILLY**—February 15. at Granby row, Christopher Reilly. **BATES**—March 9. at 22 Portland row, Honora Bates. **CROTTY**—March 8. at 59 Belgrave square, Hannah Crotty. **HICKEY**—March 7. at 8 Grant's row, Mary Hickey.

KILDARE.

The Electors of Hillcock Division met at Straffan lately to hear the candidates for the seat on County Council express their views on the very grave questions involved in local and national administrations. Candidates are Mr. John Field, Kildare, and Mr. James Cummins, Windgates.

The recent overflow of the river Barrow has caused an epidemic of fever in and around the town of Monasteran. The Athy Town Commissioners have demanded that the Government at once commence the drainage of Barrow. They feel it is too bad to be robbed of \$15,000,000 annually in over-taxation and then to be killed by disease caused by neglect.

KILKENNY.

The County Kilkenny Grand Jury last week awarded Police Constable Brady, Castlecomer, the sum of five hundred pounds sterling for injuries sustained while making an arrest.

KINGS.

The death of Miss Lucinda Helen Gill happened on March 4, at her home, Saffin, Birr, at the early age of 16 years, deeply and widely regretted. In the Clonbullogue County Council District the men nominated for office under the new County Council law are Joseph Hume, Clonad, and James Moore, of same.

Bernard Gilligan, of Turravn, and Eugene Hennessy, Ferbane, have been nominated for the district of Ferbane as County Councillors under the new Local Government law.

LONGFORD.

We regret to chronicle the death of

Rev. James Brady, late C. C. of Ballymahon, which sad event took place at his father's residence, Loughdavin, County Cavan, March 1. He had been in failing health, but it was only in November last he gave up active missionary duty in Ballymahon. He was in the thirty-third year of his life and the eighth of his sacred ministry.

LOUTH.

Mr. John Devlin, of Mandestown, Ardee, died March 10, aged 73 years, deeply regretted. Funeral to Dromin Cemetery was numerously attended.

MEATH.

Died—March 10, at Dunboyne, Thomas Byrne, aged 40 years. March 9, at Girley Kells, Bridget Conlan, mother of Christopher Conlan, 56 Mountjoy street, Dublin, aged 87 years. March 10, at Dunlavin, John Fay, aged 73 years.

QUEEN'S.

A convention of twenty-eight representatives of the districts of Ballinakill Division was held at Ballinakill lately to select a County Councillor for the division. The Rev. J. Connolly presided. Dr. Davison proposed Mr. D. Ryan as a candidate, but there was no second. Mr. Patrick Brennan, Clinton House, and Mr. Patrick Foyle were also proposed, and on a division Mr. Brennan was selected by fourteen votes to thirteen given for Mr. Foyle.

County Council nominations are M. Fitzpatrick, Deepcreek; C. P. Hamilton, Roundwood; Edward Conroy, Maryborough.

WESTMIDLAND.

At the meeting of the governors of the Westmeath County Infirmary, held March 9, the following resolution was proposed by Rev. the warden of Wilson's Hospital, seconded by Rev. E. O'Reilly, Adm., and unanimously adopted: "That we, the governors of the Westmeath County Infirmary, desire to express our regret that the Government has so modified the condition for admission of children into industrial schools as to keep out children who hitherto have been eligible, and that copies of this resolution be sent to two M. P.'s for the county, the Chief Secretary, the Lord Lieutenant, chairman of the Board of Guardians, and town Commissioners in Ireland."

Hepental in Moyrove, 1797 (from Watty Cox's Magazine).—In the beginning of the year 1797, a year before the rebellion, a party of the Wicklow Militia, commanded by a fellow of the name of Hepental, but better known as "The Walking Gallows," was stationed in the village of Moyrove, in Westmeath about ten miles west of Mullingar. According to their accustomed manner of persecuting the humble and defenceless peasantry, they forced themselves into a cabin belonging to a poor aged man named Smith, who was sitting at the fire combing his revereed locks. Two young men, his sons, were in bed, as was the wife of the old man. The ruffians, in their usual privileged phraseology, began to insult the father with the appellation of rebel and Papist. From words they proceeded to blows. They struck the old man to the floor, where he lay bathed in his blood. They then dragged the two youths from their bed, and naked as they were, forced them into the streets, where they put cords about their necks, and Hepental by turns suspended them over his shoulders (being a man of considerable stature) until they were dead. Children's feet were bound to a cart and their mangled bodies dragged through the village until the military monster had satisfied himself to the fullest extent of his dreadful taste for cruelty. The following morning the hangman, Hepental, proceeded to the house of a man named Edward Carroll, a blacksmith. The old man and his two stalwart sons were hard at work in the forge. The murderer had the three unfortunate men dragged out on the road and without trial or ceremony had them shot. A young man named Ward who was charged with robbery, in order to save his life, swore that the Carrolls were United Irishmen and Defenders and that they had manufactured pikes for the use of the insurgents—Westmeath Guardian.

Died—March 9, at 20 Earl street Mullingar, John Flood.

WEXFORD.

Miss Gumbriel, of Phillipsburgh avenue, Dublin, has obtained £50 damages from Michael Murphy, Ballygarret, Colevin, for breach of promise of marriage.

Mr. Dr. Brown has been pleased to promote the Rev. J. Walsh, C. C., Loughmole, to the pastoral charge of Oyégate, vacant through the demise of the lamented Canon Hore.

The remains have been found of Laurence Kelly, aged 17 years, Cotman, Ennisceorthy, who was drowned in the River Slaney, Dec. 27 last, by the sinking of the boat in a storm off "The Point of Park."

Died—March 5, at High street, Wexford, Annette Florence, March 4, at Moorfield, Wexford, John Codd, March 5, at Killlogan, Eithard, Mark Cooney, March 3, at Poulpastry, Mary Henrick, aged 55 years. March 3, Maggie Redmond, Ballylusk, March 10, Nickaree, Ellen White, aged 54 years.

Mr. Mark Cooney, of Killlogan, Eithard, died March 5, deeply and widely regretted. Mr. Cooney was a native of Killlogan, his family being a branch of a very old and most respectable Tachman family. He was a brother of Very Rev. John B. Cooney, O. S. F., Clonmel, the eloquent Franciscan. He was also the brother of Mr. Patrick Cooney, Dublin. There was Solemn Office and Requiem High Mass in Templetown Church previously, and at the grave the last rites were performed by Very Rev. P. D. Kehoe, O. S. F., Wexford, and Rev. M. Kinsella, Poulfurf.

WICKLOW.

Miss Elizabeth Kearney, in religion

Sister Mary Augustine, only daughter of Mr. Kearney, Great Southern and Western Railway, Limerick, received the white veil at St. Mary's Convent, Wicklow, on March 7. The ceremony, which was very impressive, was performed by Very Rev. Canon O'Donnell, Wicklow.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Most Rev. Dr. MacCormack, Bishop of Galway, has promoted the Very Rev. John Molony, P. P. Kinvara, County Galway, to be parish priest and V. G. Ennistymon. At the recent meeting of the Ennistymon Board of Guardians he was appointed chaplain to the Workhouse at a salary of £70 per annum.

Died—On the 27th of February, at Lisnasr, Kilmihill, Mr. Francis McDermott, aged 86 years.

Mr. John Malone, Derrynahilla, attended at Scariff during past week to establish a branch of the United Irish League. Mr. Malone has already formed branches in Bodgeke, Feakle, Broadford, Newmarket-on-Fergus, Quin, Killysheen and Tulla.

The death of Mrs. O'Neill, Colmanstown, Labasheeda, occurred at her home on Feb. 21. The large funeral was representative of every class.

CORK.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. Maurice O'Flynn, King street, Cork, who for a number of years carried on the business of seed merchant. The deceased was an active member of the Cork Young Men's Society, where he was held in much esteem.

A meeting of the Cork Irish pipes and their sympathizers was held at the offices of the Gaelic League on March 2, to establish a club with the object of popularizing the music of this ancient Irish instrument, and encouraging a more general interest in its study among the Irish people. Alderman Phair presided.

Recent Deaths in Cork—**POWER**—March 9, at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Rosera, Mary Power, Cluncurragh, Killorglin, in the 39th year of her age and the 19th of her religious profession.

DESMOND—March 9, at 17 Well lane Justin Desmond, aged 21 years.

KELLER—On March 9 at Macdonough house, Macroom, Peter Keller.

GOULDING—On March 9, at Sans Souci Lodge, Blackrock road, Mrs. Ellen Goulding, late of Kerry Pike.

O'BRIEN-CORKERY—On March 8, at Rose Cottage, Kenmare, Daniel O'Brien-Corkery.

NEENAN—At Hawthorne Terrace, Queenstown, Theresa Neenan, formerly of Clarence street, Cork.

KEOHANE—March 7, at Rockvale House, Lislevane, Mary Kehoane, of Lislevane and Bandon.

CALLAGHAN—At Ballinacorney, Monksdown, Markeret, Callaghan.

NOYNIHAN—At Kenmare, March 8, Johanna Noynihane, mother of the late Rev. Arthur Noynihane, aged 80 years.

WHITE—March 8, at Ovens, Catherine White, aged 89 years.

KILBRIDE—On March 8, at 126 Blarney street, John Kilbride, aged 41.

RYDER—March 4, at 4 Greenmount Terrace, Friar's Walk, Mary Ryder.

O'CONNOR—At 40 Sheares street, Nora O'Connor.

RANDALL—March 5, May Randall, aged 20 years.

OLDEN—March 6, at 2 Cathedral street, Agnes Ann Olden, aged 11 years.

KEYS—On March 4, at 67 Warrier square St. Leonards, Hastings, William A D Keys.

It is regretted "schrechers" of the words in the Bible—they are not preachers in any sense—are causing serious trouble in and around Queenstown just now. The people do not want to be persecuted by a band of fakirs, who can quote glibly the words of the Scriptures, but never practice what they intend to convey.

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KERRY.

Most Rev. Dr. Coffey, Bishop of Kerry, has appointed Father, O'Brien, P. P. Kingwilliamstown, to the parish of Cahirciveen, in succession to the late Rev. Canon Brosnan.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. Daniel O'Brien-Corkery, which took place March 8 at Kenmare. Mr. Corkery, who was a brother-in-law of Messrs. Stephen and John Perry of Cork, had been ailing for a considerable period. The deceased was an extensive land proprietor and held a prosperous business concern in Kenmare.

At the Killarney Petty Sessions last week Patrick Scannell (father), John Scannell, Peter Scannell and Patrick Scannell (sons), and Nano Scannell (wife), were summoned at the suit of Tom Rahilly, Lord Kenmare's bailiffs for assaulting them on February 10, Knockabade while restraining the cattle for rent. The evidence of the bailiffs was that they seized the cattle about 8 o'clock in the morning, at which they were attacked by the defendants with pikes and sticks. Quirk was stabbed in the neck with a four-pronged pike and the other two were struck and knocked down. The defendants swore there was no seizure and no assault. The bench believed the assaults were committed, but as they were not of a serious nature the defendants would not be sent to the Pines amounting in the aggregate to 10 pounds were imposed on them to which an appeal was lodged.

LIMERICK.

There has just died in the Croon hospital a remarkable personage Mrs. Mary Cahill, who at the time of her demise had attained the wonderful age of 108 years. It is remarkable that her husband, who died in the same institution last June, had attained the age of 106 years.

CROOM ABOO.

At a meeting of the Croom Board of Guardians lately the following resolution was proposed by Mr. Riely seconded by Mr. James Butler, and passed unanimously: "Resolved, That we, the Croom Board of Guardians, hereby call on the Nationalist candidates and electors of this important county to arrange at once where a Unionist candidate is in the field to suppress all personal interest for the National cause and present a united front to fight the common enemy by selecting one Nationalist candidate for each division."

At a meeting of the Limerick Corporation lately Mr. John Daly, Mayor, presiding, the freedom of the city was formally conferred on Mr. Thomas J. Clarke, one of the political prisoners recently liberated. Mr. Clarke attended and the council was decorated. The Mayor in presenting the certificate of freedom in an oaken casket said that such presentations were at one time reserved for those who came to the city with the brand of the foreigner and the invader. It would read like a chapter of romance that Clarke and he, who had worn chains in a British dungeon for the sake of Ireland, should now be the recipients of such honors in Limerick. Clarke might be called a revolutionist and dynamiter, as he (the Mayor) was but he had only flung himself into the cause to bring around what the people of Limerick enjoyed to-day, without subjection to foreign power or influence outside their own land. Mr. Clarke said he believed the honor was conferred on him because he was a man of the stamp of John Daly, and had worn felon fetters for many years. He would endeavor to prove himself worthy of the honor done him by the Corporation.

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TIPPERARY.

The branches of the United Irish League in the county are putting themselves in shape for a practical campaign against landlord tyranny and against the grabbing of evicted farms. So the enemies of the grand and heaven-blessed cause of "the land for the people" had better look out. No triflers are wanted in Tipperary.

Gen. Massey is a County Council candidate for that portion of the county named as Ballycotton. He is making a vigorous campaign.

With regret we chronicle the death of Mrs. Ellen Davin, Ballyliskey, mother of Mr. John Davin, Irish-born, Clonmel. Deceased had reached the fine old age of 84 years.

Father Morrissey, son of Mrs. Morrissey, Molough Abbey, near Newcastle, was recently ordained at the seminary in Leeds, Lancashire, England, and appointed to St. Patrick's, Leeds, in place of Father Mulcahy, who has to return to Ireland.

WATERFORD.

Capt. Jacob of the Waterford Steamship Company, was found dead in his room in Bristol March 9. Deceased was for many years in command of the river steamer between Duncannon, in the County of Wexford, and Waterford City.

The Waterford Grand Jury has awarded £200 as recompense to Policeman Patrick McNally for injuries sustained when trying to arrest a man named Power, who kicked about somewhat.

At the sitting of the Waterford Grand Jury March 9 a deputation requested them to pass a resolution asking the Local Government Board to leave Kilkuliseen District in County Waterford instead of changing it under the new act of Kilkenny, because were this done it would cause great inconvenience to all residing in the district. Having heard the views of the deputation, a resolution was passed unani-

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

On Sunday, March 5, the remains of Mr. Patrick McCann were removed from Rosemount Cottage, Fooma, for interment at Cargin. Everywhere throughout Donegal the news of his demise was received with sorrow. The funeral cortege was one of the largest witnessed in the district for many years. On arriving at Cargin, the coffin was borne to the church, and after the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass had been offered up, the Rev. George McKay, Moneyglass, delivered an affecting sermon, in which he referred in eulogistic terms to the many virtues of the deceased. The remains were afterward removed from the church and consigned, amid demonstrations of sorrow, to their last resting place. The Rev. George McKay, C. C., read the funeral services and officiated at the grave.

Mr. James Pearson, secretary of the Engineers, Craneman, and Fireman's Trades Union, has been nominated elected Councillor for the Shankill Ward, Belfast, under the Local Government law.

On March 9, the remains of the late Mr. P. J. O'Hara, M. D., were removed from the residence of his father, Mr. Henry O'Hara, Ballysloan, for interment in the family burying ground at Craigbilly. The cortege was one of the largest seen in the neighborhood for years.

On Sunday, March 5, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Cookstown, the Rev. B. O'Connor, Portadown, on the invitation of the Very Rev. Canon Rice made an appeal on behalf of the new convent in Portadown. The reverend preacher pointed out the advantage the community of nuns were to children in Cookstown and Portadown, more especially the latter, where the youth of the parish are forced to live in such un-Catholic surroundings, so that their faith and morals must be sustained by all the helps that religion can supply. He knew the Cookstown Catholics understood and appreciated this.

CAVAN.

The Nationalists in the county are making fine way in having Nationalists nominated for seats on the new Government boards. Everything will be done to have them elected.

DERRY.

The monthly meeting of the Lavey (South Derry) Branch of the Irish National Federation was held March 5 at Rocktown. Mr. Daniel Murphy, vice-president, presided. The chairman, referring to the retirement of Mr. John Dillon from the chairmanship of the Irish Parliamentary party, spoke eloquently of the estimable services, the many sacrifices made by him for the Irish cause. Many spoke of the elections, and the chairman was of the opinion that the four district councillors and county councillor they were interested in would be returned unopposed.

Mr. Hugh O'Kane, Moneyneena, died rather suddenly on Feb. 25. This last public act was the unobscured gift of a site for the new Catholic Church to be built at Moneyneena, and though he did not live to see the foundation stone laid, yet his name will be inseparably associated with the sacred office and in many a fervent prayer he will be remembered. Mass for the dead was celebrated in Moneyneena Catholic Church by the Rev. P. Doherty. At the conclusion the reverend gentleman spoke of the estimable qualities of the deceased.

DONEGAL.

A representative meeting of the voters of Ballyshannon district under the Local Government act was held in the Commissioners' Hall, Market House, to elect a candidate to represent the district on the County Council. The large hall was filled by representatives from each town and in the parishes of Killybarron and Innismacshant.

DOWN.

The Drake and Gorham Traction Company applied to the County Down Grand Jury last week for power to construct an electric line of communication between Bangor and Donaghadee. Sanction was given.

TYRONE.