

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.

Miss Nellie F. Bohan of Ock... was received recently into the order of the Sisters of Mercy at the convent of the order in Wexford. Religious name, Sister M. Ita Joseph.

A great public meeting on behalf of the evicted tenants was held at Loughrea on St. Patrick's Day. All sections of Nationalists were represented. Father Nobilly presided.

The vessels of the Allan line are about to resume their sailings from the port of Galway for America. It is hoped that Ireland will under the new form of local government be enabled to keep her children at home in the future. The Irish nation must be rebuilt up at home.

LEITRIM.

Mr. John P. McNiffe presided at the last meeting of the Drumkerrow United Irish League. It was proposed by Mr. James Gallagher and seconded by Mr. John O'Rourke and carried, "That we hereby tender to Mr. Patrick Dolan, vice-president of our branch, our warmest approval of his candidature for this County Council District, and beg to assure him that he enjoys our fullest confidence, and we call on the electors to come to the poll to a man for him, and thus show their unflinching adherence to the principles of the United Irish League." Next meeting on Sunday, April 9th.—S. McGrail, Honorable Secretary.

The rather sudden demise of Mrs. John Murray, Corrib, Carrick-on-Shannon, will be read with deep regret by her numerous friends. She was an old inhabitant of Carrick-on-Shannon. The Rev. Fathers Burke and Hughes were in constant attendance on her, and soothed her last moments. Her son, Mr. James Murray, has been for many years the trusty foreman of P. Barrett & Co.

MAYO.

Judge Dane was recently presented with a pair of white gloves at Castlebar a few days ago, as there was not a criminal case on the calendar for trial.

His Grace, the Most Rev. Dr. Carr, Archbishop of Melbourne, visited Westport lately, and was the guest of the Sisters of Mercy. Among the community there are some of his relatives. Dr. Carr, in his earlier missionary life, was curate in Westport, and kind recollections of him are still green in the minds of many of the older inhabitants. On leaving Westport His Grace visited Ballinacorney.

ROSCOMMON.

J. J. Burke, Coroner for Roscommon, held an inquest lately on the body of Joseph Doherty of Greagharna, who met his death under singular circumstances. The police alleged death was caused in consequence of having been rubbed with some corrosive sublimate for some disease.

The new church at Tarmonbarry will be consecrated on Sunday, May 24, by the Most Rev. Dr. Clancy, Bishop of Elphin. It will be an occasion of great joy to the people and priests of the parish, and to the Bishop, during whose time it was begun. High Mass will begin at 12 o'clock; immediately after there will be a sermon by the great Jesuit preacher, Very Rev. J. S. Connee, rector of St. Xavier's, Gardiner street, Dublin. It was he the Archbishop selected to preach before the "Health Congress," composed of the most learned men in every county of Europe.

With regret we chronicle the death of Mr. John Flanagan, which occurred on the 21st of March, at Cloncur, the residence of his brother, Mr. Thomas Flanagan, president of the Tuisk branch of the U. I. League. The deceased was 32. The large funeral cortege to Killooly amply testified to the esteem in which he was held.

SLIGO.

On March 23, at the age of 44 years, was laid to rest in the historic old graveyard of Ballysadare the remains of Mr. John Battelle, National School teacher. He was taken ill three or four days before. For twenty-seven years he taught the National School at Drummin, with credit to himself and advantage to the public. Respectable and prosperous merchants in the County of Sligo and beyond the seas owe their success in life to the solid education imparted by the deceased. And although precluded by the cramped and cast-iron code of the National Board from taking part in politics, he had the head and heart, the aims and aspirations of a sterling Irishman; and few patriotic movements originated in his part of the country that had not his solid co-operation and support. In his death the National Teachers have lost a warm friend and fearless advocate. For years he occupied the positions of chairman and secretary of the Ballymore Teachers' Association. He was kindly and genial in his disposition, and the very soul of hospitality. His manners were simple, and he was as guileless as a child, but where principle was involved, or a righteous cause to be sustained, he was as earnest, steadfast and stubborn. His funeral was the largest ever seen in the district.

LEINSTER.

Inspector, recently made two most favorable reports on the progress of the Carlow Union male and female schools.

John Doyle, Whitebog, Ballylinan, died suddenly March 20, aged 60 years. He arose at 4 a. m. and died a few moments later. The coroner's inquest proved that he died from syncope. He had suffered from asthma for some time previous to his death.

On Passion Sunday the beautiful little church of St. Patrick at Newtown, Bagnalstown, was the scene of an interesting religious ceremony in connection with the blessing and erecting of the new stations of the cross. Mass was celebrated by the Rev. P. Keenan. Immediately after Mass the Right Rev. Monsignor Burke preached an eloquent sermon on the Passion and Stations of the Cross. He announced that he had received from the Most Rev. Dr. Foley the Papal document attaching the indulgences to the stations, and thanked Miss Lynch, Feagh, for her great generosity in making so costly and worthy a presentation to the church. The stations are oil paintings, enclosed in very ornamental frames, and add very much to the beauty of the church.

DUBLIN.

The death of Sister Mary Isabella happened at the Convent of the Sisters of Charity, Waterford at the age of 24 years. The deceased was the only daughter of Lieut. Col. Moagher, St. Germaine's, Killiney.

Sister Marie Rose of Jesus died March 5, at the Convent de la Passion, 60 Rue St. Jean, Mamelers, Sarthe, France. She was a daughter (Ellen) of Peter and Catherine Brogan, Wharton Terrace, Haroldscross, Dublin.

In St. Michael's Cathedral, Priory, Hereford, a young Irishman was recently ordained by the Right Rev. Dr. Hedley, Bishop of Newport. He is Rev. Michael Caffrey, O. S. B., son of the late Mr. Joseph Caffrey, of Dublin, and grandnephew of the late Mr. J. J. Murphy, Q. C., Master in Chancery. Father Caffrey was educated at St. Gregory's College, near Bath.

The death of the Very Rev. William Walsh, Prior of St. Augustine and St. John's, happened at the Convent, Thomas street, Dublin, April 3, at the age of 80 years. He passed the greater part of his life in the Convent. Father Walsh was born in Gruguenamagh, County Kilkenny in 1819, and entered the Order of St. Augustine in 1842, was ordained priest in 1845.

The death, after a short illness, of Terence O'Neill, Balbriggan, occurred on Saturday of last week. He was suddenly stricken with a painful malady, which, despite all that the most eminent medical skill procurable could do to ward off the dread blow, terminated fatally. A man of great probity, thoroughly straightforward, a good Irishman and a devoted and obedient child of the Church, Mr. O'Neill so comported himself during his life as to win the esteem and respect of all who knew him.

At a recent meeting of the members of the Royal Society of Antiquarians, held in 8 Steven's Green, Dublin, Mr. F. Birington Ball, M. R. I. A., read a paper descriptive of Clondalkin, Tallaght, and other places in the west of the county, which the society purpose to visit on the 12th of April. Leaving Dublin by the South Circular Road, they first came to Dolphin's Barn, which, probably, derived its name from some member of the Dolphin family. Along the highway, over the main road to Limerick and Cork, they came to the village of Crumlin, the church tower of which was of considerable antiquity. There were the fragments of a tombstone there said to have been erected to the memory of one of Queen Anne's waiting women. Cromwell was said to have camped near Crumlin, and King William did so after the battle of the Boyne. Drinnagh Castle, their next object of interest, was regarded by the Duke of Ormond during the Civil War as a place of great solidity and strength, and before the battle of Rathmines he had some idea of fortifying it, and making it his headquarters. Clondalkin was remarkable as the site of one of the three round towers still to be seen in the County Dublin. In the sixteenth century Clondalkin was accounted one of the walled and good towns of the country. Tallaght bore few traces of its antiquity and former greatness, as the chief seat of the Archbishops of Dublin for five centuries. Tallaght was said to derive its name from the fact of its being the burial place of nine thousand of the earliest colonists who were carried off by the plague in one week. The number of cists found in the neighborhood showed that it was a place of interment in early times. Tallaght Castle, built for protection from the mountain tribes by the Archbishop of Dublin, Alexander de Bickenor, in the fourteenth century, was sold in 1822 to Major Palmer, Inspector-General of Prisons, on condition that the building, then in a ruinous state, should be demolished. Old Bawn, an interesting old house of the seventeenth century, now falling into decay, and some Cromlechs in the district having been described, the lecturer went on to speak of Rathfarnham Castle, an Elizabethan building, erected by Archbishop Loftus. The castle played an important part in the subsequent history of Ireland. The lecture was illustrated with limestone light views, and was listened to with much attention, and was loudly applauded at the close.

Recent deaths in Dublin.—CASEY—March 25, at Inchicore, Dublin, Mary Margaret Casey.

CONNOLLY—March 28, at Newtown, Celbridge, Rev. P. F. Connolly, C. O. R. I. F.

DOYLE—March 28, at Mercer's Hospital, John Doyle of 38-Old Kilmainham, aged 80, youngest son of the late Peter Doyle, engineer.

DUNNE—March 29, at 93 Upper Church street, Mrs. Catherine Dunne, aged 58 years.

FLANAGAN—March 28, at 75 Angler street, James Flanagan.

FREEMAN—March 28, at 22 Gratian Parade, Drumcondra, Margaret Freeman, aged 62 years.

GRAY—March 27, at Palmerston, Chapelzod, Mrs. Deborah Emily Gray, aged 65 years, of 7 St. George's avenue, Clonliffe road.

HOGAN—March 29, at 30 Wentworth place, Cornelia Bivignat, relict of the late John Hogan, the eminent Irish sculptor, aged 84 years.

McMAHON—March 27, at Dardistown, Santry Stephen McMahon.

O'GUILIN—March 27, at the Richmond Asylum, Joseph O'Loughlin.

REILLY—March 28, John Reilly, 91 Lower Trivone street, aged 28 years.

McEVROY—March 26, Mrs. Margaret McEvroy, wife of the late James McEvroy, aged 95 years.

O'NEILL—March 30, at the Square, Dalbriggan, Terence O'Neill.

GURRIN—March 25, Rosemount, Dundrum, Bridget Gurrin of Caracasta County Mayo.

MAGRATH—March 28, at 25 Mountpleasant square, Kate Magrath.

VAN EESBECK—March 25 (Lady Day), at Avondale, Corbally, Limerick, Sarah Josephine, the dearly beloved wife of Francis Van Eesbeck.

HARRY—March 21, at 16 George's place, Michael Barry, late of Scillaheen, Tipperary.

KILDARE.

The memorial to Father Prendergast and the men of '98, to be erected in Monasterevan, is in the hands of Mr. James Walsh sculptor and monumental worker, of Carlow. The memorial will be the design of the old Celtic Cross, with national emblems. The cross will stand seventeen feet high, and be inclosed with a substantial railing three feet high. The entire work will be under the immediate supervision of Mr. Francis Bergin, B. E. Kildare. All moneys in connection with same are lodged in the Hibernian Bank to the credit of the Memorial Committee.

The work of completing the Maynooth College Church was begun last week, the contractor being Mr. Connolly, who will complete eighty-four feet of the tower before June, 1900. The late Mr. Hague had prepared and perfected all the plans and specifications.

KILKENNY.

Mr. William Coughlan, of Cruttings, died March 27, at Donnycarny, Dublin, deeply regretted. Interment was in Glasnevin.

Mr. Samuel Morris, M. P., has been elected County Councillor for the Dun-kitt District of County Kilkenny. His opponent was Capt. Bloomfield of Newpark, Ferry Bank, who had not the shadow of a chance to be elected.

The work which has been carried out at the Cathedral of St. Mary, Kilkenny, has added to the magnificence of the fine building. The improvements have been steadily progressing since Most Rev. Dr. Browning became Bishop. A new sacristy and chapter house have been erected and connected with the main building by a cloister, the whole designed by the late Mr. William Hague. The interior has been decorated after designs by the famous ecclesiastical artist, Mr. W. J. Westlake. Several marble altars and a marble pulpit have been added. The new marble font added. The comfort of worshippers and the befitting ornaments of Catholic ceremonial have also been attended to. The Cathedral has been fitted throughout by a perfect system of heating. The seating of the Cathedral has been renewed. The altar fittings and church furniture have been brought up to the standard of cathedral requirements. The improving hand has been made visible everywhere within and without, where the cathedral grounds have been enlarged and beautified. The total expenditure since 1884 amounts to twenty thousand pounds, and has been judiciously made to produce the best effect, and make of the Cathedral of Ossory what the great associations of the historic See demand.

KINGS.

The death of Mr. Andrew Bell, Ballagare, happened on March 28, at the patriarchal age of 82 years. His many friends in the United States will learn of his demise with regret.

The death of Dr. Hubert K. Costello, of Ferbane, a well-known provincial member of the medical profession, occurred recently. A few days previous the deceased was granted three months' leave of absence from his dispensary duties in the hope that it would enable him to recruit his health.

The Very Rev. Patrick Canon Sheridan, D. D., V. G., P. P., died at his residence, the presbytery, Ferbane, March 27, after only two days' illness. The very reverend gentleman was apparently in the best of health until Saturday, and his demise was unexpected. The late Dr. Sheridan was parish priest of the ancient parish of Ferbane, which includes Galen, in which are the ruins of the fifth century ecclesiastical houses. Determined to erect a church worthy of the parish and its glorious traditions, and to meet the needs of the town, which is one of the busiest in Clonfert diocese, he carried out his scheme within the past five years. He also erected a splendid parochial house, nearly finished, with schools and other buildings required for a parish of the size and importance of Galen. Other works which Dr. Sheridan accomplished were the introduction of the nuns and the foundation of a convent, under the charge of the members of La Sainte Union des Sacres Coeurs, in Ferbane, the establishing of an inter-

mediate school there and other parochial undertakings. It was the means of saving the Clara and Banagher Railway line from becoming derelict, by personal appeals to the Loan Fund Commissioners, who at length, yielded and wiped off a debt of £30,000 due on the little useful system. Completing his course in Maynooth, the late canon was ordained in 1855 to the curacy of Longford, and he subsequently became parish priest of Drumshabo, County Leitrim, whence he was transferred twenty-five years ago to the important parish of Ferbane.

LONGFORD.

Mr. George Campbell, auctioneer, lately put up for sale a farm of land at Currygrane, Newtownforbes, belonging to Mrs. Isabella Harris, containing twenty-seven acres, and held at a yearly rental of £27. Mr. George Geelan, New York, purchased it for the extraordinary sum of £1,005.

LOUTH.

Mr. Daniel Magowan was lately knocked down in a street in Drogheda by a runaway horse and fatally injured.

MEATH.

Mrs. Bridget Ward, Monknewtown, was recently evicted by the Earl of Sheffield. The Wards were in occupation of this holding for 105 years.

The death of Mr. Leonard Shell, well-known owner, trainer and rider, occurred lately at the residence of Dr. Sullivan, Navan, where he had lain since he received the fearful injuries through the falling of Dunlough in the Meath Hunt Cup at Navan, on March 14.

QUEEN'S.

John Flynn, assistant night porter at Maryborough Railway station, was killed accidentally at the station March 24, while in the discharge of his duty.

WESTMEATH.

The death of Mr. John Fitzpatrick of Mount street, Mullingar, happened on March 26, at the age of 70 years, deeply and widely regretted. Interment was in Kilmoran. Funeral cortege long.

WEXFORD.

The ceremony of reception took place in the beautiful Convent Church of the Sisters of Mercy St. Michael's, Wexford, recently. The young lady who received the white veil is Miss Nellie F. Bohan, name in religion, Sister M. Ita Joseph. Sister Joseph is the third daughter of Mr. Michael Bohan, Ochilberg, County Galway. The ceremony was performed by Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, assisted by the Rev. G. Hartley.

The following students of St. Peter's College, Wexford, received Tonsure and Minor Orders from the Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Lord Bishop of the diocese, at the ordination held recently in the college chapel: David Hore, Kilmore; Owen Kavanagh, Screen; Jeremiah King, Adamstown; Hugh McCarthy, Glenbrien; Denis Murphy, Castlebridge; James Nolan, Kilrush; Andrew O'Brien, Clonroche; Daniel O'Keefe, Rathnure; Isaac Scallan, Wexford.

We regret to chronicle the demise of Miss Johanna Carty-Ballinleck, which happened lately at Old Pound, Wexford. The deceased lady was in her usual health up to a week previous to her death, when she contracted a cold, which terminated so fatally. For thirty years the deceased had been attached to the household of the late Mrs. Moody, Rathaspeck, where she was held in the highest esteem. The interment took place on Lady Day to the family burial ground, Flanderscourt, and was very largely attended.

WICKLOW.

At Lower Granahy, on March 28, died Mrs. Bridget Byrne, after a tedious illness. Interment was in Balleboys funeral cortege long.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Mrs. Dougherty, teacher Bodyke Nation School, has been promoted to first division first class. She resigned on pension on Feb. 1 last.

The death occurred at the Convent of Mercy, Clonakilly, County Cork, lately of Miss Ana Bourke (in religion Sister Mary Colman), eldest daughter of the late Dr. Thomas Bourke of Kilmaloe, and niece of the late Rev. Michael Bourke, Kilmalely, Ennis; Rev. Peter Bourke, C. S. S. R., and Rev. Patrick Herley, P. P., Killolemon, King's County; Sister Coleman was for more than twenty years a member of the community at Clonakilly.

CORK.

Six years ago a tenant named Matthias Casey was evicted from his farm, near Donoughmore Cross. Soon after the eviction the derelict holding was taken by a neighbor, thereby causing much irritation in the locality. Recently, however, an arrangement was arrived at by which the former tenant, for a consideration, has withdrawn all opposition to the person in occupation.

A beautiful addition to the internal finish of the great Cathedral at Queenstown, is the representation of the Grotto at Lourdes, with the statue of the Blessed Virgin, and the grotto afford a fitting and convenient place for pious worshippers close to the main entrance of the Cathedral, immediately inside the door leading to the southern aisle. The grotto, with the cave and the whole combination, stands 13 feet high by 10 feet wide. The commission to execute it was intrusted by the Most Rev. Dr. Browne to Messrs. Fleming Brothers, builders, Anne street, Cork.

Ray. D. Foley, P. P., Durrus, died

in Dublin March 28, deeply regretted. He was a native of Carrignavar, and was ordained in 1870, when he was appointed to the curacy of Monkstown. From there he was transferred to act as curate to the late Dean Neville, and subsequently he served in succession in the parishes of Watergrasshill and Tracton, Carragh and Kilmuney. In the latter parish he spent sixteen years, and, as in the other districts, he was beloved by the people. Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan promoted the deceased to the pastoral charge of Durrus in the latter period of '97. Here he labored with zeal and piety for but a short time, when his health failed and he was obliged to surrender the responsibilities of his position. Since then he sought to recruit his health by every conceivable means, aided by medical help, but all proved unavailing. On the receipt of the news of his death, the Very Rev. Canon Hegarty, Glanmire, and the Rev. T. Murphy, Crosshaven, proceeded to Dublin and accompanied the remains to Cork. The body was conveyed to the Cathedral. The coffin was placed in the mortuary chapel attached to the church.

Recent deaths in Cork.—FITZGIBBON—On March 27, at Bank place, Malow, Patrick R. Fitzgibbon, solicitor.

COTTELL—On March 26, at 21 Maymount Terrace, Charles Cottrell, Sr. O'KEEFE—On March 26, at Dublin Pike, Denis O'Keefe, aged 65 years.

WEBB—On March 28, at Exmont place, Kanturk, Henry Webb, M. D., aged 88 years.

MURPHY—March 20, at Rochestown, Catherine Murphy.

SHEA—Tuesday, March 14, 1899, Norah Shea, Tipperary, daughter of the late Theobald and Margaret English, Tipperary.

ROSE—March 20, at No. 1 Nicholas street, Mary Jane Rose.

Daly—On March 31, at Knockalyre, Daniel Daly, aged 80 years.

SHANAHAN—On Holy Thursday at Millford, Charleville, Daniel Shanahan.

FAHEY—On Good Friday at Kilmacra, at an advanced age, William Fahey.

CANTILLON—On Good Friday, at 63 Friar's Walk, James Cantillon.

DESMOND—On March 30, at Gurteen, North Bandon, Mrs. Catherine Desmond.

WALSH—March 30, at 15 Mary street, Joseph Walsh.

O'NEILL, March 30, at Kilbarry Cottage, Michael O'Neill.

COLLINS—At Shannon street, Bandon, Margaret Collins.

QUINLAN—On March 28, at Farnthomas, Newtownstewart, Denis Quinlan, aged 82.

BACON—March 28, at 2 Belmont Terrace, Barrackton, James Bacon.

LYNCH—March 27, 1899, at 71 Blarney street, Wm. Lynch.

BLAND—On March 27, at the Military Hospital, Cork Barracks, Daniel Bland, staff sergeant Cork City Artillery, eldest son of the late Daniel Bland.

MCCARTHY—March 24, at Dunmanway, Denis McCarthy, aged 92 years.

GRADY—On Lady Day, at 8 Patrick street, Susan O'Grady.

MORGAN—On March 25, at the North Infirmary, Henry Morgan, 67 North Main street.

LYNCH—At 24 Dyke Parade, Michael Lynch, 23 Grand Parade.

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KERRY.

At the sitting of the Killarney Quarter Sessions Court last week, County Court Judge Shaw, Q. C., took up the hearing of the ejectments. There were eleven entries. Five were at the instance of the Marquis of Landsdowne and two at the suit of the Earl of Kenmare.

Not a dry eye was visible in King-Williamstown Church when, lately, Father O'Riordan announced that he had been appointed parish priest of Cahirciveen. No words could express the sorrow of his people. For twenty years Father O'Riordan has been in King-Williamstown parish, curate and parish priest. The erection of the church, with cemetery, splendid schools, presbytery, etc., are all owing to his exertions. Every householder in the village is now a fee simple owner of his house. The majority of farmers, from being rack-rented tenants, are peasant proprietors. All this is entirely due to Father O'Riordan, while his attention to the sick and his other duties and his kindness to the people are beyond all praise. No priest ever left any parish more respected and more regretted than Father O'Riordan.

On March 24, Sister Mary Gonzaga, of the Presentation Convent, Listowel, died after a lingering illness. The worldly name of the deceased nun, who was only in her 23d year, was Miss Bridget O'Leary, Rathmore. She entered the community five years ago. On Sunday the funeral obsequies took place, and the remains were interred in the little cemetery in the convent grounds.

The death of Mr. Thomas E. Keating, Ballyroe, Ballingarry, occurred Feb. 10 in the Memorial Hospital, Eulawo, South Africa. He was a member of the old Commercial Athletic team of Limerick, which won the All Ireland championship one year. The deceased was a fine oarsman, and with one of the city boat clubs often sculled to victory along the Shannon. At every mainly sport he led, the "manly" art, handball, hurling, etc., and was undeviating in his devotion to his country, to her traditions and games. Deceased was a member of the British South African police.

TIPPERARY.

On March 27, the remains of Mr. Richard Butler, C. E., Ballycarra House, Tipperary, were removed for interment to the family vault in Killo-

droff, Cahir. The funeral was numerously attended.

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Davin, Ballyhickey, mother of Mr. John Davin, Irishtown, Clonmel, happened recently from Ballyhickey to the family burial ground at Grange. The large and representative gathering testified to the respect and esteem in which deceased and her family are held.

WATERFORD.

The young men of Kilmachthomas have decided on erecting a suitable room in the Fair Green for the purpose of reorganizing the band.

Miss Amy C. Kennedy, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Matthew Kennedy, Ballyneely, Dungarvan, died March 28, aged 18 years. The funeral from her home, Bridge street, Dungarvan, was very numerously attended.

The death of Mr. Timothy Curran happened on March 23, at Belgrave Square, Monkstown, County Dublin. For forty years Mr. Curran had conducted a grocery store in the city of Waterford, but some years ago he retired from business.

Mr. Edmund Dunphy, who was a guardian for the past twenty years, bid adieu to the Kilmachthomas boardroom, as well as the officers. During his term of office he gained the good wishes of all the officials of the institution, and the manner in which he discharged the duties as a representative of the ratepayers was creditable and honorable.

The following were received into the Order of Our Lady of Mercy in Hull, England, March 24: Miss Phelan, Rathgormac, in religion Sister Mary Phelictus; Miss May Power, Three Bridges, Carrick, in religion Sister Mary De Chantal. On Saturday, March 25, Miss Curry, Rathgormac, in religion Sister Mary Bonaventure, was among those who made a solemn profession of their vows.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

Great regret is felt in Lisburn at the death of Mr. James Savage, wine and spirit merchant, of Smithfield. He was a liberal supporter of all Catholic organizations. He contracted a cold which settled on his lungs, and, although the best medical aid was procured, he passed peacefully away on Sunday, March 20. He leaves a widow and six children to mourn his death.

ARMAGH.

The solemn and impressive ceremonies of Holy Week commenced in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, by the blessing of the palms, which holy function was performed immediately before the 12 o'clock Mass by Rev. John Quin, Adm., Armagh. Cardinal Logue presided, and there was an immense congregation present.

On March 28, in the Sacred Heart Convent, Mount St. Catherine, Armagh, Maria Gabriel Maher died. The deceased nun was much loved in the convent. A solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in the Convent chapel. Rev. Michael Quinn, Armagh, celebrant, assisted by Rev. John Quinn, Adm., Armagh, as deacon; and Rev. Felix McNally as sub-deacon. Rev. Patrick Fagan officiated as master of ceremonies. The remains were interred in the graveyard attached to the convent amidst every manifestation of sorrow. The funeral cortege included Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland; the clergy of St. Patrick's College, Armagh, and the local clergy.

CAVAN.

The remains of Rev. James Brady, who had been C. C. in Ballymahon, County Longford, and who died at his father's home in Loughdavine, were interred in the family burial ground, after solemn office and High Mass in the Church of Kildavin, March 3.

DERRY.

The County Council elections in Treland the past week were a magnificent showing of Irish patriotism. Ulster, this time, has given a majority in favor of Home Rule, and in this Derry has helped, too.

DONEGAL.

The magisterial investigation concerning the death of John Williams, or Williamson, at Gortnavern, near Kerrykeel, was commenced at Rathmullen Courthouse, last week. The remains were found in the passageway of his sleeping room on March 24. The investigation has not been concluded.

Mr. Patrick McArdle, auctioneer, Bundoran, recently auctioned the house and premises known as Summerhill, owned by Mr. John Feely, and situate in the main street. The premises are held under a lease for ninety years from 1871, at the rent of £3 18s. After some spirited bidding the lot was knocked down to Mr. Ward, sadler, Ballyshannon, at £805.

DOWN.

On March 26, at the Hospice in Dublin, died Jane McKeon, late of Newry.

FERMANAGH.

At the Londonderry Assizes, before Mr. James Gibson, an action was brought to recover £1,000 damages by James Smyth, a sawyer, against Robert F. Lemon, trading as Lemon & Co., and owning a sawmill at Eniskillen, for injuries sustained in the mill. He was awarded £155.

The remains of William James Armstrong who had been missing from his home in Eniskillen, recently, were found drowned by John A. Irvin, of Derryvore, in Derryinch. Deceased, previous to his death, lived with people named Armstrong, in Paget Square, Eniskillen, and later with people named Murphy. How he got into the water is not known.

The coin-in-the-slot weighing machine is a scale of prices.