

**OUR IRISH LETTER**

NEWS FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

What is Being Done by the People at Home—Various Items From Every Section of the Emerald Isle.

**ULSTER.**

**ANTRIM.**

The funeral of the late Mr. Victor Atkinson, for many years a member of the reporting staff of the Belfast Evening Telegraph, whose death occurred in the Forster Green Hospital for Consumptives, took place May 30. The cortege left Library street and was well attended. General regret was expressed at the death of so capable a journalist. Many friends accompanied the funeral the whole way to the burying-ground at Blaris.

A very well attended meeting of the Mary McCracken branch of the Irish National Foresters' Society was held recently at 67 Mill street, Belfast. Sister M. Galway presided. Sister M. Fitzpatrick in the vice-chair. Five candidates were proposed. The Chief Rangeress informed the members there would be a competition for a gold ring the member bringing in the most candidates for the quarter being the winner.

**ARMAGH.**

The death took place in Armagh May 3, of Mr. George A. Edwards, recently elected County Councillor for Armagh City, and chairman of the last Board of Armagh Town Commissioners. Mr. Edwards had only returned from Rostrevor on Monday previous when he had gone to recruit his health. He became very ill, and although everything was done in the medical line to prolong his life, he died. The death of Mr. Edwards creates a vacancy in the Armagh County Council, which will be filled by co-option.

The further hearing of the Kingscourt, Keady, and Armagh Railway Bill, was taken up lately by the Private Bill Committee of the House of Commons. The Very Rev. Canon Coyne, Vicar-General of Keady, was examined on behalf of the promoters by Mr. Caciernay, Q. C., and stated that the proposed line would be of immense advantage in developing the district through which it would pass. The Great Northern Railway had been approached with a view to constructing a line, but declined, unless they received a guarantee. Now that a private company had come forward in the interests of the district, he did not think the territorial rights of the Great Northern should be allowed to obstruct the making of the line.

The Sacrament of Confirmation was administered in St. Patrick's Cathedral recently, to 400 children by Cardinal Cullen.

May 11 the remains of a centenarian named James Donnelly, Edenknappagh, near Armagh, were laid in their resting place. Deceased, who held a small farm and was married, had reached the patriarchal age of 105 years, but was able to attend to his business up till a few days before his death. He had a vivid recollection of the times of the rebellion in 1798, and of the stormy days of persecution of the Irish Catholics on account of the faith. He followed every movement in Irish affairs with the deepest interest until death. He could tell many interesting reminiscences of electioneering tactics in the old days, and he had taken part in most of the hard-fought contests in Armagh County during his time. Many a time he recounted the episode of the spoliation of the Market Cross in Armagh. His death is sincerely mourned by many friends.

**CAVAN.**

At the first special meeting of the Cooteshill Board of Guardians, forty-seven members being present, much business was on the agenda paper to dispose of. About two-thirds of the Guardians are new members, and they showed every desire to save the rates.

On May 12 Andrew Gartolan, Kingscourt, died rather suddenly in West street, Drogheda.

**BELFAST.**

The classes connected with West End branch of the Gaelic League were held in St. Paul's schools, Leeson street, under the tuition of P. J. O'Shea, T. Barry, M. V. Nolan, and W. Falconer. Over 80 members were in attendance.

**DERRY.**

The annual exhibition of animals intended for competition at the July show of the Coleraine Farming Society was held on the Fair hill and Hanover place, Coleraine lately. The weather was beautifully fine, and the attendance numerous, although many farmers took advantage of the favorable day to remain at field work.

**DONEGAL.**

The Donegal Independent of recent issue said: "The practical business-like way in which the Council got through its work mesmerized Captains Storey and Hamilton and the other members of the Grand Jury. They were unbounded. It was their first lesson in Home Rule."

Mr. Patrick Mooney has been sworn in as magistrate for the County Donegal. Mr. Mooney will only remain a Justice of the Peace during his year of office as Chairman of Ballyshannon Rural Council.

The weekly meeting of the committee of the Ballyshannon-United Irish League took place May 7. Patrick Mooney presided in the chair.

Charles Finney, formerly of Townsley near Donegal, was killed by a train. He had been employed in the coal mines of the Londonderry-Downpatrick & Glenties Railway, and was at Glasgow, and

went down to see some surface men working in the tunnel, and while there, the men, being aware of a passing train, called to him to run in an opposite direction to what he did. The train dashed against him, fracturing his skull and causing instant death. Deceased was about 45 years of age, married, and leaves a widow and four helpless children in Glasgow, to mourn his death.

The funeral of the late Mr. Bernard McGowan, District Councillor in Ballyshannon District (Lettrim) took place April 29, and was numerously attended.

On May 6 John Shaw, emergency man, engaged at Newtown watching a number of evicted holdings on the estate of Horatio Granville Murray Stewart, shot at Con Diver, of Aldiagh, while on the public road, opposite Ballydevitt Church. The latter is so seriously wounded that his life is in danger.

**DOWN.**

An adjourned meeting of Newtownards (Urban Council) was held recently, and Mr. William Reir presided.

A meeting of Catholic teachers was held in Downpatrick lately. Mr. T. J. Quayle, Loughlin Island, in the chair. Others present were: Messrs. Kinney, Dunsford, N. S.; Cahill, Kilmore, N. S.; Symth, Saul, N. S.; Breen, Ballycruttin, N. S.; Keown, Drumaness, N. S.; McCullagh, Deragh, N. S.; Quinn, Ardglass, N. S.; Abern, Boncastle, N. S.; Cafferkey, Ballykilnlar, N. S.

The first series of clerical conferences to be held in Banbridge took place May 2, almost every parish in the diocese being represented.

**FERMANAGH.**

Mr. James Timoney, chairman, Fermanagh Rural Council (Ballyshannon division), has been sworn in as a magistrate for the County Fermanagh.

Mr. William Cornwall, who for years occupied the position of postmaster of Enniskillen, has been promoted to the postmastership of Galway.

On May 1 an accident of a most dreadful nature occurred on the line of railway between Enniskillen and Lisbellaw, at Cassidy's Crossing, by which Bernard Moohan was instantly killed. Mr. G. A. Atkinson, coroner for the district, held an inquest at the railway station. The following jury was sworn: Wm. Walker Jackson (foreman), J. McFarlane, A. Forsythe, Ed. Mulligan, Hugh O'Donnell, Thomas Neilson, Robert Ross, Thomas Brady, John Donovan, Bernard Clinton, Wm. Corrigan, James Cox, P. McNamee. A verdict of accidental death was found.

**MONAGHAN.**

The premises in the possession of Mr. Robert O'Neil, Fermanagh street, Clones, were recently on fire. The flames were got under before damage of much extent happened.

**TYRONE.**

Mr. George Leonard, Fintona, has been appointed to the commission of the peace for County Tyrone. The appointment, which will extend to the petty sessions districts of Fintona, Drumore and Trillick, it is asserted, has given general satisfaction throughout the locality, where Mr. Leonard is recognized as a business man of uprightness and integrity. Mr. Leonard's appointment, following the recent statement of facts in connection with the paucity of Roman Catholic representation on the Fintona magisterial bench, has given satisfaction.

**MUNSTER.**

**CLARE.**

The death of Mrs. Mary Molohan, Kilmurry, Ibriken on May 9, was deeply and widely regretted. The funeral on Thursday was one of the largest in the district for years, numbers attending from several of the parishes in the west of the county.

**CORK.**

The new Catholic Church at Connaught asylum was solemnly consecrated May 11, by Most Rev. T. A. O'Callaghan, Bishop of Cork, in the presence of a number of clergy, governors and officers of the institution.

Rev. Father Leonard, O. S. F. C., guardian Holy Trinity, brought a retreat to a close on Sunday, April 30, at Minane Bridge. Most Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan administered the sacrament of confirmation at Nohoval, and congratulated the priests and teachers on the answering of the children.

Most Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, Bishop of Cork, made the biennial visitation to Ballymartle lately to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. The children of the schools of the parish having been examined. Mass was celebrated by the Rev. T. McCarthy, after which a sermon was delivered by the Rev. D. Deasy, Courtes.

Rt. Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, Bishop of Cork, visited Passage lately and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to the children.

**RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.**

EARL—May 7, at Harbor Row, Queentown, Lizelle Earl, aged 27 years.

DUNDON—On May 7, at 3 Camden place, Edmund Dundon, Sr.

FORDE—May 8, George John Forde, Leopard's Hill, Glenville.

CONRAN—May 9, Joseph M. Conran of Magazine road.

CREAN—On Wednesday, May 10, at 43 South Main street, Timothy Crean, Droghda.

O'CONNELL—May 9, at the Meath Hospital, Dublin, the result of an accident, Kate Teresa (Kittie) O'Connell, aged 10 years and 6 months.

BAILY—May 10, at 17 The Mall, Tralee, James Baily, aged 46 years; R. I. P.

GRIMES—May 10, at Blarney street, Richard Grimes.

O'CONNOR—On May 10 at 26 Easton's Hill, James O'Connors (tailor), aged 71 years.

O'KEEFE—On May 9, at the South

infirmiry, Cornelius O'Keefe of Knockree terrace, Blackrock road, aged 49 years.

LYONS—May 8, at Currague, Banteer, Katie Lyons.

CONRAN—May 9, Joseph M. Conran of Magazine road.

We deeply regret to chronicle the death of Rev. Michael McCarthy, which sad event occurred at the Parochial House, Causeway, at the opening hour of Ascension Day. The deceased pastor was only in his fifty-fourth year, and up to a couple of months ago was in the best of health. Father McCarthy came of an old and respected Kerry family, being son of the late Philip McCarthy of Banna House, Ardferret. He was educated at Maynooth, and ordained at the age of 25. His first curacy was at Waterville, then Caherree, where his brother, the late Rev. Thaddeus McCarthy, a distinguished Irish scholar and preacher, ministered for years, and where his now deceased brother was equally loved and esteemed. From Caherree he was sent to Tralee, and thence to Killarney, as Administrator. From here he was promoted to the pastoral charge of the Mines, County Cork, where for eleven years he ministered to the spiritual and temporal wants of his parishioners. Here he built churches and schools and promoted various industries. He was subsequently given pastoral charge of the more important parish of Causeway over six years ago. Schools and improved churches of the parish here again attest his zeal. The building of a useful pier at Meenrohane, which has proved a great boon to the fishermen there, was obtained by him from the government. It is no exaggeration to say that the whole life of Father McCarthy was devoted to the care, temporal as well as spiritual, of his flock.

**KERRY.**

The out offices of John Bourke, Mayglass, near Castleisland, were destroyed by fire lately. Ten cows, a horse, a foal, and a goat were lost by the conflagration.

A deep gloom was cast over Tralee May 10, when it became known that Mr. James Bailey, one of the best known and most popular sportsmen in the South of Ireland had passed away. The sad event occurred at his residence, Nelson street.

Hugh O'Connor of Killeentenna was killed by lightning May 10 while cutting turf. Death was instantaneous.

Immediately afterward there was a terrific hailstorm, which caused considerable damage to orchards and fruit gardens. He was engaged by Timothy Dennehy, cutting turf in the Flanagan estate at Droumlunton.

**LIMERICK.**

The death of Rev. Patrick Murphy, C. C. St. John's Church, Limerick City, occurred May 8. His death was deeply regretted in the city and throughout the county. Father Murphy was 33 years of age; was educated at Munster College, and at Maynooth, where he was ordained in 1892. After two years on the English Mission, he was appointed to St. Michael's then to Banogue, Knockaderry, and finally to St. John's, where he died from pneumonia, which ensued typhoid fever.

At the Convent of Mary St. Mary's Limerick, recently, the ceremonies connected with religious profession took place. Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, celebrated Mass and officiated, assisted by Rev. J. Fitzgerald and the Rev. J. O'Connor St. Mary's. The young ladies who had the happiness of being professed were Miss Margaret (Daisy) O'Connor, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Daniel O'Connor of Castle street, Cork (in religion Sister Mary Columba); Miss Margaret M. Lottus, Roundstone, Galway (Sister Gabriel); and Miss Fitzgerald, Pallaskeenry, County Limerick (Sister Winifred). The other clergymen present were: The Rev. D. Shanahan, St. Mary's; Rev. D. Maloney, Pallaskery; Rev. Dr. O'Riordan, St. Michael's; Rev. D. Carroll, St. Patrick's; Rev. J. Cregan, St. Michael's; Rev. T. Lee, St. Mary's.

The funeral of the Rev. Patrick Murphy, late C. C. of St. John's, Limerick City, took place May 10. Requiem High Mass was celebrated in St. John's Cathedral, which was attended by a large congregation. The Very Rev. Andrew Murphy was the celebrant; Father O'Driscoll, deacon, and Rev. John Murphy, sub-deacon. The funeral, which followed immediately after Mass, was large and representative.

**TIPPERARY.**

On Sunday, after Mass, at the parish church of Clonmore, exciting scenes took place. The cause of all the turmoil is the taking by Denis Meehan of eight acres of land on the estate of Major Lidwell at Dornard, from which Edward Delaney was evicted. After divine service the Meehan family were issued by almost the entire congregation, who greeted them with groaning, booing and shouts of "Grabber." District Inspector Moloney, R. I. C., and a strong force of police were in attendance to protect Meehan and his family to their home. It is anxiously hoped that the landlord, Major Lidwell, will see his way to reinstate Delaney and put an end to the disagreeable conditions now existing.

With regret we chronicle the death on May 10, at No. 38 Mitchell street, Clonmel, of Alice, relict of the late Mr. Thomas J. Dunne and mother of the High Sheriff of Greater New York. She had six months' illness, which she bore with resignation and closed a blameless life fortified with the consolations of religion and comforted by the presence of her daughters, brother and granddaughter. The latter young lady had her aunt had come over especially from America some weeks ago when the worst was feared, and the High Sheriff of New York would have come likewise could he have absented himself from his duties. Although the sad

news was not unexpected, it caused deep and widespread sorrow and sympathy. We tender our respectful condolences to the bereaved family. The remains of deceased were conveyed to SS Peter and Paul's Church, where Requiem Office and High Mass were celebrated. The interment was in Bennett's Church Cemetery, County of Waterford. Attendance at the funeral was numerous.

**WATERFORD.**

At the presentation Convent, Dungravan on May 10, the reception took place of Miss Julia Phelan, daughter of Mr. Maurice F. Phelan and niece of the late Mr. Maurice F. Phelan, Devonshire Arms Hotel, Youghal; first cousin to Sister M. Dominic Presentation Convent, Wexford, and cousin to Sister M. Teresa, Presentation Convent, Limerick. The young lady's name in religion is Sister M. Ita. The Very Rev. Dr. Sheehy, Dungravan, officiated. The following relatives of the young religious attended: Michael F. Phelan, father; M. Phelan, brother; Minnie, Maggie and Kathie, sisters; Miss Moore, Hotel Cappoquin, cousin; Master George and Harry Moore, and Miss T. Moore, cousins; Master Jack Ryan, and Miss K. Ryan, Youghal, cousins; Clergy Present: Rev. P. Spratt (Cappoquin), Rev. J. Casey Cappoquin, Rev. P. Walsh, Abbeyside; Rev. Father Walsh, Ardmore; Rev. Dungravan; Rev. R. Mochler, Lismore; Rev. F. Lundy O. S. A., Dungravan; Rev. J. Lundy O. T. Walsh, Knockanore; Rev. Richard Casey, S. A., Dungravan.

**LEINSTER.**

**CARLOW.**

The starch industry which in former years was worked by Messrs. Killy & Son Carlow has been revived by Messrs. Murphy & Sons.

On Sunday, May 7, in conformity with an old established custom a procession took place from Carlow to Killesnain the occasion being the feast of the Holy Cross. The procession was headed by the Foresters' Band including a fine body of men, after whom came the members of the Sacred Heart Association, behind whom marched the male and female children attending the local National schools. The children wore sashes and carried banners. On arriving at Killesnain a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Mr. Tynan, Newbridge, on the Feast of the Holy Cross.

**DUBLIN.**

With sincere regret we chronicle the death of Mr. Michael O'Reilly, Amiens street, Dublin, a man of sterling worth and the highest integrity. By his timely assistance he has enabled many to successfully fight the battles of life. He wished that his charitable acts should be unknown and unrecognized.

May 10 a popular and devoted priest the Rev. Edmund Corcoran, C. M., passed to his reward. The deceased belonged to a well known Dublin family. He received his early education at St. Vincent's College, Castleknock, where he made his ecclesiastical studies at St. Joseph's Blackrock, and was ordained priest in 1887. Having labored in the houses of his congregation at Foch and Sheffield he was sent to Australia, where until a few years ago he gave missions with great success. Returning to Ireland in 1894, he was appointed to St. Peter's Parish, Droghda, where he died as he lived, a holy priest. He received the Last Sacraments a few days ago with full consciousness and great fervor.

The usual public meeting was held on May 9, in the Gaelic League Rooms 24 Upper O'Connell street. The chair was taken by Mr. S. J. Barrett.

The meeting of the committee of the Catholic Working Boys' Home in Dublin was held May 12. The Very Rev. Daniel Downing, Adm., presiding.

Recent Deaths in Dublin.

BANIM—May 9, at Library House, Inchicore, Joseph Patrick Banim, aged 19 years.

BROCK—May 10, at 9, Bolton street, Margaret Brock.

FITZGERALD—May 8, at Our Lady's Hospice, Haroldcross, Joseph Vincent Fitzgerald, 11 Belvidere avenue, of Stradbally, Queen's County.

FOGARTY—May 7, at 3 Cork hill, Mary Fogarty.

DALY—May 7, at 61 Summer hill, Edward Daly, late D. M. P. and Collector General's Office, aged 58 years.

DOOLAN—May 7, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Bernard Doolan, ex-constable, D. M. P., late 104 E.

ARMSTRONG—May 7, at 14 Innishallen parade, Donald Armstrong.

FLANAGAN—May 11, at the North City Infirmary, Mat Flanagan, member of the Bakers' Association.

FLYNN—May 10, at Piercestown, Killoock, Jane Flynn, at an advanced age.

KAVANAGH—May 11, at Fowles street Buildings, Mrs. Margaret Kavanagh.

LYONS—May 9, at 42 Cork street, Denis Lyons, late of 191 Church road.

CANNON—May 10, at the Carmelite Convent, Tranquilla, Upper Rathmines, Mary Teresa Cannon (in religion Sister Mary Teresa of Jesus), in the 67th year of her age and the 46th year of her religious profession, daughter of the late John Cannon of 11 Leinster street.

MAHER—May 12, at Limekiln Farm Crumlin, Peter Maher, aged 72 years.

MEADE—May 10, Michael Meade, of 3 St. James' terrace, Inchicore.

KENNY—May 7, at Windsor place, Patrick V. Kenny, late secretary Working-men's Benefit Building Society.

ENRIGHT—April 1, Mary Enright (in religion Marie dela Petiti), at St. Scholastica's Monastery, Bengal, India, after a brief illness, eldest daughter of the late Michael Enright.

**KILDARE.**

The death of Miss Margaret Clancy of Newbridge happened on May 12, and her demise was widely regretted. Interment was in Glasnevin, from the Carmelite Church, Whitefriars street, Dublin, and was numerously attended.

**KILKENNY.**

The Kilkenny Rural Council (No. 2 of the Waterford District), at Ferry Bank, at last meeting passed a resolution demanding the immediate suppression of Parliamentary disunion, or if not that Messrs. Healy, Redmond and Dillon will be called upon to resign on the first day of July.

**KINGS.**

The Pope. It is reported, has selected Rev. Mgr. Gaffney, parish priest of Clara to be Bishop of Meath. For many years he was parish priest of Clara, and his elevation to the See of Meath will give general satisfaction to his people and to the priests of the diocese.

A meeting of the members of the Edenderry branch of the Wolfe Tones and United Irishmen Memorial Association was held recently. Mr. W. Kennedy presiding. There was a large attendance. A paper was contributed by Mr. Patrick Kennedy on "Love of Country from an Irishman's Standpoint." Mr. Kennedy's essay will be printed. The usual concert brought the proceedings to a close.

**LONGFORD.**

On Sunday, May 7, after twelve o'clock Mass, the Sacrament of Confirmation was administered to a large number of children of the town and parish of Templemeichael, at St. Mel's Cathedral, by the Most Rev. Dr. Hoare, Bishop of the diocese.

On Sunday, May 7, a mission was opened in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford, which is to be conducted during the three weeks by Fathers Stark, Barrett and Hogan of the Dominican Order. There is every indication that the mission will have a lasting beneficial effect on the town, an effect which will benefit the people spiritually and temporarily. The priests of the town, and especially Father W. Kiernan, have been zealous at work, seeing that the people avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by the mission.

Constable Francis Murphy, at Finea, summoned an evicted tenant, Michael Brady of Loughhill, for threatening language. Murphy took the evicted farm of Brady's father. Brady himself is also evicted, with his wife and large family. Murphy deposed that he was talking to a friend at Grandan when Brady walked up to him in an excited condition. He asked if he was going to pay him his money, and called him a grabber and abused him, in consequence of which he was afraid of him. Brady refused to give bail, and was arrested and sent to jail for one month.

**LOUTH.**

On May 5 a woman named Carty, wife of a quarry laborer, residing at Church road, Droghda, while spreading clothes to dry in her garden, was attacked by two dogs. They knocked her down and bit her in several places. Her screams attracted the attention of the neighbors, and they hurried to the spot, where they found the dogs, worrying her as she lay helpless on the ground. They drove off the animals.

Died—May 9, at Knock Rathkenny, Patrick Lambie, aged 65 years. May 12 Gertrude (Gratie) eldest daughter of George Priestly, April 24, at Main street, Banagher, James Feighery, eldest son of the late Daniel Feighery, formerly of Streamstown Cottage, Lusk, aged 70 years. May 14, at Ballyharack, Dundalk, Lawrence McEvoy, brother to the late Rev. Charles McEvoy, P. P. Tyrone, County Armagh, April 2, at Ballyharack Cottage, Dundalk, Rev. O'Gorman, C. C., Haggardstown, aged 50 years.

**MEATH.**

Died—May 11 Ascension Thursday, at 2 Rose Terrace Annesly Bridge Dublin, Constance Kelly, late of Ratoath National Schools, County Meath, after a long and very painful illness. Interment was in the family burial place, Dunboyno.

On May 7, the meeting of the Dean Cogan Branch of the Irish National Foresters was held in the Young Men's Society Hall, Navan.

The Dowager Marchioness Conyngham, who was married to Mr. Cameron at St. Bartholomew's Church, Dublin, was well known in society in the early eighties as one of the most beautiful girls in London, and is a daughter of Lord Ventry.

**QUEEN'S.**

On May 7 Miss Laura Phelan, daughter of Mr. William Phelan, Abbeyfeir, died suddenly, aged 13 years. She attended the Convent School on Friday, as usual, and was in her accustomed health. The funeral was one of the largest seen in the locality for many years, extending over a mile of the road. The children attending the convent school came out a long distance to meet the funeral and accompanied the remains to the cemetery.

Died—May 14, at Market Square, Mayborough, Edward Burke, aged 26, May 8, at Our Lady's Hospice, Haroldcross, Dublin, Joseph Vincent Fitzgerald, 11 Belvidere avenue, youngest son of the late Thomas Fitzgerald, Stradbally, May 5, at Queens street, Droghda, Maria, Maher.

**WESTMEATH.**

Died—April 28, at 9 College street, Bernard Hennessey, Castletolkard, April 15, at Patrick street, Mullingar, John Murry, Green Bridge, April 17, at the Strand, Walsberstown, Mullingar, Thomas Casey.

Leo XIII. has approved of the selection of Right Mgr. Gaffney, P. P. V. G., Clara, for elevation to the vacant

Bishopric of Meath, at a meeting of parish priests, held in Mullingar, on Jan. 24, last, Mgr. Gaffney was placed dignissimus by a large majority. He has been parish priest of Clara for a considerable period. The date of his consecration has not been fixed.

The death occurred May 3 of Mr. Denis Glennon, D. C., Brotenstown. He was for over a quarter of a century a guardian in the Union, and was one of the kindest and most popular members.

**WEXFORD.**

Messrs. M. J. O'Connor & Co., solicitors, Wexford, have received notices from the Land Commission stating that the advances required for the purchase of the Tighe estate, situate at Cromlogue, near Newtownbarry, under the Land Purchase Acts, have been sanctioned. The sale is now completed. The purchase money amounts to about £3,000.

DIED—May 9, at Templeshannon, Ennisicorthy, Margaret Armstrong, May 7, Ellen Codd, April 30, at Breecemount, Margaret Doyle, aged 81 years. May 5, at Graignamanagh, Patrick Walsh, aged 74 years. At Quay, Kilmore, Thomas White of the Convicts Lightship.

The deepest sympathy is felt with Mr. and Mrs. Doyle, post office, Barnstown, in the bereavement caused by the death of their daughter, Bridget Keronica, at the age of 16. The funeral took place in Barnstown, and was very largely attended, being headed by a procession of the pupils of the schools attended by their teachers, Mr. Mullane and Miss Hall.

On May 10 Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, made his pastoral visitation to Kilmore, and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to a great number of children. The sacred edifice was densely crowded and by the time confirmation commenced standing space could not be obtained in the church.

**WICKLOW.**

DIED—May 14, at Weaver's Square, Ballyglass, Mrs. Rebecca Kavanagh, aged 81 years. May 13, at Holdensown, Ballyglass, Thomas Allen, aged 87 years.

Mr. Alexander McDonald, a well-known Wicklow horse dealer, was thrown from his horse at Ennisicorthy Fair recently and sustained serious injuries.

**GALWAY.**

An important development in Arran Island is taking place. After an interval of a quarter of a century a cattle fair has been organized. An excellent breed of cattle exists in the island.

The interment of Mrs. Margaret Hayden, Ballinasloe, took place May 9 at Craugh Cemetery amid every token of the most profound grief.

**LEITRIM.**

Mr. Patrick Fergus, chairman of the Ballyshannon Board of Guardians, and also of Leitrim Rural Council, has been sworn in as a magistrate for the County Leitrim.

The County under the new system of government by the people for the people will improve, and in the near future the affairs of the nation will be entirely in the people's hands.

**MAYO.**

The Congested Districts Board have just concluded to purchase the whole of Lord Dillon's estates.

The firm stand which the people of the West of Ireland are making against grabbers is showing practical results