

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.

Most Rev. Dr. McEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, arrived in Clifden July 20 from the Aran Islands, via Roundstone. His Grace, who appears in excellent health and spirits, was the guest of the Very Rev. P. Canon McAlpine. A great number of children were confirmed.

Sunday, July 16, was a red letter day in the history of the Galway Branch of the Irish language movement. A deputation from the branch journeyed via steamer to Ballyvaughan, thence per car and bicycles to Ennistymon, to present an illuminated Irish written address to the Rev. Richard Newell, past president of the Galway Branch. Mr. P. Hunt took the chair. In a few appropriate words the chairman explained the object of the visit, and called on Mr. A. Glynn to read the address. Rev. Brother Benedict, in handing over the address, delivered a powerful speech, in which he reviewed Father Newell's connection with the language movement, and the Galway Branch in particular. Father Newell replied in a speech full of tenderness. The deputation was afterwards entertained. The "Health of His Reverence," "The Language Movement," "The Galway Branch" and its "Present Position" were toasted heartily drunk. The steamer "Doris" reached Galway about 10:30 P. M., every one being pleased with the day's outing. Father Newell accompanied them to Ballyvaughan.

LEITRIM.

With feelings of regret we chronicle the death of Rev. Thomas Drum, C. C., which occurred on July 25 at Ballinaglera. The deceased, by his character, endeared himself to the people of the district in which he labored, and his death is mourned by all who knew him. Office and High Mass were celebrated in Ballinaglera church, after which the interment was made, great numbers being present.

MAYO.

The death of Mrs. Mary Tuohy, of Skehanagh, Ballinabber, happened July 15, at the early age of 29 years. Deeply and widely regretted. Her remains were interred in Ballinabber Abbey. Her funeral evidenced the respect in which she was deservedly held.

These other clerical changes in the Archdiocese of Tuam have been announced: Rev. M. Ronayne, C. C., Westport to Kiltullagh; Rev. O'Malley, C. C., Kiltullagh to Westport; Rev. J. O'Reilly, C. C., Achill to Aughamore; Rev. M. Lavelle, C. C., Carracroe to Achill; Rev. S. J. Walsh, C. C., Glenties to Clare Island; Rev. M. Donnellan, Clare Island to Glenties; Rev. P. McNicholson, C. C., Dunmore, to be C. C., Claremorris; Rev. Father McDonald, C. C., Claremorris, to be C. C., Dunmore. On July 20 the Very Rev. Canon F. Hatley, Aughamore; Rev. J. O'Toole, Adm., Kilmenna; Rev. T. Hally, Adm., Westport; Rev. Father Madden, Lough Burgh; Messrs. P. J. Kelly, chairman District Council; Walter MacEvilly, vice-chairman, and John Walsh, County Councillor, left Westport for Dublin, and the following day waited on the Congested Districts Board as to the offers of Lord Sligo and other Western landlords to sell portions of their estates to that body. The interview lasted for a considerable time. The members of the board expressed themselves satisfied to fall in with the views of the deputation, as explained by Mr. Kelly and others. The board will enter into negotiations with the landlords and accept the offers if they can be accepted. The deputation expressed themselves satisfied that they had helped forward the great movement of the Land for the People, on the success or failure of which depends the future happiness of the Irish people.

A meeting was held at the Monastery School, Achill, lately, for the purpose of establishing a branch of the Gaelic League, at which the Rev. J. P. Connolly presided.

ROSCOMMON.

The death of Mr. Charles Augustus Byrne occurred at Sallow Grove July 20. Funeral to Cam was numerously attended.

"The land for the people" is the war cry of the farmers in the county, and many branches of that powerful organization—the United Irish League—are being established. Roscommon has always held a place in the van when the fight against Ireland's enemies was on, and many branches of the United Irish League within its borders prove that the people are true to the traditions of their country.

SLIGO.

Mrs. Kate McDonnell, of Charlestown, died at Roscoe Point July 19, after a short illness, deeply and widely regretted.

Mr. Thomas Gallagher, of the well-known firm of Andrew Davy & Co., New York city, is having a pleasant holiday in Ireland. His many friends in Killybegs, Collooney, gave him a good mile fallthe on arrival.

Mr. Thomas Davy, of the firm of Mary Henry, High street, left Sligo for London lately. He was popular in Sligo, and had numerous friends, wishing him success. Mr. Davy was secretary of the Sligo Borough Branch of the United Irish League, and was with the deputation in front of the church, and the address and blessing took place

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

The Carlow Workmen's Club had a most enjoyable excursion up the River Barrow recently. There are very few rivers in Europe that excel the Barrow in richness and profusion of scenery.

Never was witnessed such an immense concourse of persons as thronged to the Church of St. Legeran, Ballinacorney, on Sunday, July 2, to attend the consecration of a high altar. Long before the time fixed for the sacred ceremonies to commence crowds were wending their way to the old historic church on the hillside. The admission was by card, and before the appointed time every available foot of space was occupied, including the wide passages between the pews.

DUBLIN.

Most Rev. Dr. Flood, Archbishop of Trinidad, is staying at the Dominican Convent, Dublin. The distinguished ecclesiastic is a native of Longford.

The 20th July being the Feast of the Holy Prophet St. Elias, the founder of the Carmelite Order, was observed as a day of special devotion and plenary indulgence in the Carmelite Church, Whitefriars street, Dublin. At 11 o'clock Solemn High Mass was celebrated in the presence of a numerous congregation. Celebrant, Rev. Father Cullen; deacon, Rev. Joseph Butler; sub-deacon, Rev. Joseph Quigley. In the choir—Rev. Thomas Bartley, sub-prior, and Rev. Thomas Doyle, and others. Rev. J. D. Herbert, O. S. M., London, preached the panegyric of the saint.

On the 12th July, after having received the last rites of the Holy Church, there passed away a venerable brother of the Carmelite Confraternity in the person of Mr. Michael Dunne. The remains were placed in the Oratory, Augher street, Dublin and 100 of the brothers assembled and chanted a Requiem Office, the Rev. Father Cullen, O. C. C., presiding. On the 14th Mass was offered for his repose by Father O'Reilly, O. C. C., and at 11 o'clock the interment took place at Glasnevin, a large number of old friends and clients of Mount Carmel following all that was mortal of their friend. The Very Rev. Father Staples, O. C. C., prior Whitefriars street, and the Rev. O'Reilly, O. C. C., accompanied the cortege, the former reciting the last prayers at the graveside.

Recent Deaths in Dublin—DIGNAM July 20, at Cookstown, Ashbourne John Dignam, aged 81 years. DOWLING—July 24, at 29 Charleston row James Dowling. MONKS—July 20 at 66 Great Brunswick street Margaret Monks. O'HANLON—July 17 at Findlater place Mary O'Hanlon formerly North King street.

STRACHAN—At 35 George's place, Eliza Strachan, of Victoria Lead Works, Loftus lane. CREEVEY—July 20, at 11 Charleston avenue, Rathmines, Mary Creevey, daughter of the late Christopher O'Reilly, of 10 Bride street.

COLLINS—July 19, at 32 Denzill street, Mary Collins. SANDS—July 21, at 34 Empress terrace, Portland row, James Sands aged 70 years. TREACY—July 21, at the Vesey Arms, Lucan, Michael Treacy.

DALTON—July 21 at Dronartin, Edward Dalton, aged 68. LENEHAN—July 20, at Parallels lane, Mulbuddart, Mrs. Mary Lenehan late of 9 Manor street.

MULCAHY—June 19, at Diamond road, Margaret Mulcahy. MURRAY—At 3 Turry villa, Kilmaham, Catherine Murray, of Dolphin's barn.

MULLIGAN—July 19, at 5 New Brighton, Monkstown, Catherine Mulligan. HAZARD—July 14, Bridget Hazard daughter of P. Millen, of 86 Lower Camden street.

KILDARE.

Died—July 20, at Dublin, John Walsh, aged 33 years, son of the late William Walsh, merchant, the Square, Athy. The remains were brought by rail to Athy, and interred in St. Michael's. The funeral was numerously attended.

John Sullivan, aged 24 years, tailor, of Wolfhill, for some time past was somewhat unsettled in his mind, and was sent lately to Athy Infirmary. After entering he behaved in so rational a manner that the vigilance of the attendants were relaxed. But one morning he went out to wash in the yard. He was in his stocking feet, and it appears that he climbed over the wall into the nuns' garden. The Rev. M. Doyle saw Sullivan scaling the wall and making for the Barrow. He at once gave the alarm and rushed after the man. Hoolihan, the workhouse steward, joined in the pursuit, and Father Doyle and he just came up with the poor boy at the river bank. He got into the water but was seized and rescued.

A three weeks' mission in Monasterevan by the fathers of the society of the Holy Ghost—Father Ebenrecht, O'Shea and Carey—was brought to a close on Sunday, July 9. The mission was a most successful one, and from the opening to the close large numbers of persons were present at all the devotions. One of the objects of the parish priest in having the mission was to establish in the outlying districts under his charge branches of the Sacred Heart Sodality. From 400 to 500 parishioners enrolled themselves in the Sodality. The work of organizing was carried out by Father Ebenrecht in Kildangan, and by Father Carey in Murrays. The missionaries had a large crucifix erected to the left of the altar in front of the church, and the address and blessing took place

on Sunday, after the last Mass, in the presence of several thousand persons. Father Carey having, after the last Mass, preached his final sermon, the Priests and choir proceeded from the sanctuary to the place where the cross stands. When all stood around in the open air, the celebrant, Father Ebenrecht, vested in cope, went through the ceremony of blessing the cross. He preached to the people on the great act they had just witnessed, the solemn blessing of the cross, and the great lesson this mission cross will ever teach them. In the evening the mission was brought to a close. Father O'Shea preaching an eloquent sermon, in the course of which he urged upon the congregation the necessity of perseverance in their good resolutions. The people then repeated their vows, and Father Ebenrecht imparted the Papal blessing with plenary indulgence and gave benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

KILKENNY.

The death of Mr. James Cahill Kilbracken House, Callan, happened July 18 at the age of 65 years. The interment was in Newtown Cemetery. Funeral numerous attendants.

Miss Mollie B. Walsh, daughter of Mr. Michael Walsh, Newmarket at a recent examination held at Rathfarnham under the auspices of the Royal Associated Academy of Music obtained a first class certificate in music, and at another examination held by the Incorporated Society of Science, Letters and Arts, Kensington, she passed with honors in algebra, French, Euclid. Miss Walsh is a student of the Brigantine Convent, Abbeyleix.

At recent Kilkenny Assizes Joanna Campion, servant at St. Patrick's Industrial School, Kilkenny, sued her brother, Edmund Campion, Garnagale, near Cliffling, and of 166 Hill street, Troy, New York, for £130 2s for money paid by plaintiff for sue of defendant and money found due on accounts stated and settled between them. There was a further claim for £150 damages for trover and conversion by the defendant of cattle and for unlawful detention of same. The jury awarded her £110.

KINGS.

Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ossory, who has interested himself in the effort to provide a new church for the parish of St. Kieran's near Birr, has approved of the plans, etc., and fixed the second week in August as the date for laying the foundation stone. The parish priest, Rev. Thomas Phelan, has had this project in view for years, but in consequence of other church building schemes in the parishes of Nenagh, Cloughjordan, Fernane and Clonakenny (all in Killaloe Diocese) the matter was deferred. A large number of distinguished prelates are expected to participate in the solemn functions on the day the foundation stone will be laid. This is the premier parish in Ireland, founded by St. Kieran, the first born of the Irish saints, has a claim on the generosity of the people beyond its own diocesan borders.

LONGFORD.

Most Rev. Dr. Flood, Archbishop of Trinidad, is in Ireland. He is staying at the Dominican Convent, Dominick street, Dublin. He is a member of one of the old time families of Longford.

LOUTH.

Rev. Patrick Fagan, C. C., Armagh, has been appointed parish priest of Kilsaran, of which the late Rev. Peter Pentony has been pastor for many years. Cardinal Logue has appointed the Rev. M. Finegan, C. C., Droimintee, to Newry, Haggardstown, Dundalk, in place of the Rev. B. O'Rman, C. C., deceased.

MEATH.

The visit of the Most Rev. Dr. Ganney, Bishop of Meath, to Kells was made the occasion of an enthusiastic demonstration of welcome. The inhabitants vied with one another in testifying their affection for the prelate, who rules the diocese. The streets and many of the houses were gay with flags. Arches of evergreens and flags, with appropriate mottoes, were erected at various points between the railway station and the parochial house, the residence of Right Rev. Mgr. Gaughan. Bective street, directly outside the railway station, was spanned by an arch bearing "Caed Mille Fallthe." Close to the Christian Brothers' residence was an arch with "United We Stand." At Farrell street there was one with "Unity is Strength." At "the Cross" an elaborately decorated arch displayed the watch words "Faith and Fidelity." An arch in Castle street bore the motto "Loch May Our Bishop Reign," and a conspicuous one on another fine one in John street, near the parochial house, was "Hail to Our Chief."

It appears that some person or persons are excavating at the grand, ancient and historic site of Tara. Why so sacred a relic of Ireland's glorious past should be invaded, demolished and desecrated is not made plain. So far, indeed, nothing save a stone or two that may be, or may not be, of historic importance and a few bones of an Irish elk have been discovered. But no matter what may be found, the grand and long existing halo of national glory that lingered around this sacred spot will be completely and forever dispelled. "Tara as it is" should be the cry of the Irish people. It will not be Tara when tunneled and scattered around. But on whose authority is the excavations being made? That might make a difference.

QUEEN'S.

The death of Mr. William Mooney, Abbeyleix, occurred July 18, aged 71 years. The interment took place on

Thursday in the family burial place. Close to the nave entrance of Abbey-leix Church. The attendance was large and expressive of the general esteem in which he was held.

WESTMEATH.

On July 12 Richard Levine, eldest son of Sir William Levine, Knockdrin Castle, Mullingar, attained his majority, and it was made one of great rejoicing at Knockdrin Castle where after bonfires and fireworks, dancing was kept up until a late hour by the tenants and employees of the estate.

WEXFORD.

The death of Sister M. Paul of St. Catherine's Convent, Ramsgrange, occurred July 22 after a short illness. Sister Paul was one of the first ladies to join the order in Ireland the Order of St. Louis of France. She was remarkable for her great zeal in the good work, and was much beloved by the community and by the poor. For thirty years she devoted herself to her work, and passed away in her 34 year. She was the second daughter of the late Mr. Matthew Fanning, Ballyheigan Taghmon, and aunt of the Rev. M. Fanning, Courtown Harbor Solemn High Mass for the repose of her soul was celebrated July 25, after which the interment took place in the convent cemetery.

At the chapter of the Augustinian Order, held in Dublin last week, Dr. J. Sullivan, ex-Provincial, O. S. A., presiding, the following changes affecting the New Ross and Grantstown convents were made: Father Hunt, O. S. A., Drogheda, has been intrusted with the office of prior in New Ross. Mr. Kenna, who was formerly attached to the New Ross branch, has been made sub-prior there. Father John Foran, late Provincial of the order, remains in New Ross. Fathers Cowan and McGrath remain in New Ross. Father Condon, late prior of New Ross, has been transferred to Cork. Father Thompson, late sub-prior, New Ross, has been removed to Grantstown. Father Hennessy, Grantstown, goes to Australia, and Father Crean of Drogheda has been made prior of Grantstown.

WICKLOW.

Died—July 23, Mrs. Mary Murray, 2, Deane's buildings, Lower Mount street, Dublin July 26, at Ashford, Sarah Hender July 21, at Delany, Catherine Keegan June 19, at Durban, Natal, John P. O'Brien, son of the late Nicholas O'Brien, Ballinglass. The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Dublin, laid, in the Market Square at Wicklow, on Sunday, July 23, the foundation stones of a monument to Billy Byrne, of Ballymanus, and the Wicklow heroes of '98. Wicklow never witnessed such a vast demonstration.

CORK.

The Quarant' Ore which commenced in the chapel attached to the Convent of the Nuns of St. Marie's of the Isle, Cork City, on July 19, was concluded by the celebration of High Mass followed by procession of the Blessed Sacrament in the procession eighty orphan children in blue and white walked first, and were followed by the young girls of the House of Mercy wearing white veils, after these came the little boys dressed in white carrying banners. Then came the 70 nuns of the Order of Mercy. The acolytes and crossbearer (Rev. Father Donovan) came next, and last the canopy under which was carried the Blessed Sacrament by Rev. M. Leonard, Ballinellig, deacon; Rev. W. F. McCarthy, St. Patrick's sub-deacon, Rev. J. Murphy, Blackrock, Rev. D. O'Shea, master of ceremonies. The following priests were present: Very Rev. J. M'Swaine, O. S. A.; Rev. J. J. Ambrose, St. Finbarr's; Rev. T. Barrett, do.; Rev. J. Chambers, O. S. F.; Rev. J. Youker, O. S. F.; Father De-massey Rev. Father O'Brien, Sunday's Well; Rev. D. O'Flynn, Rev. J. J. Minern, St. Finbarr's West; Rev. Father Cotter, the College, Thurles, and Rev. Father Benedict, O. S. F.

Recent Deaths in Cork—BROSNAN—July 21, at Boreenama road, Noran Brosnan. WALSH—July 20, at Mallow, Thomas Walsh, draper. KINNERS—July 19, at King street, Queenstown, Daniel Kinners, U. D. C. O'CONNOR—July 19, Lizzie O'Connor, at Castle street, Macroom. HASSETT—July 19, Knutery, Mallow, Mary Hassett. O'CALLAGHAN—July 18, at Coolmona, Donoughmore, Nellus O'Callaghan. NOONAN—July 15, at 47 Barrack street, Catherine Noonan, of Droim-gouna, Inniscarra. SHANAHAN—July 15, at 5 Frankfield Terrace, Summerhill South, Michael David Shanahan, aged 5 months. MURPHY—July 16, at 55 Hightstreet, Margaret Murphy. BROWN—July 17, at 18 Queen street Queenstown, William Browne, pilot, aged 45 years. O'NEIL—July 18, at Ballyphilip, Knockanore, Michael O'Neill. CROWLEY—July 19, at Roundhill Mills, Elizabeth (Betsy) Crowley, aged 12 years. BURKE—July 19, Mary Burke, at Roche's Terrace, Queenstown.

KERRY.

A terrific thunderstorm was experienced in Tralee district July 14. It lasted over an hour. Buildings vibrated and trees were struck down by the current. There were several miraculous escapes. Edward Morris, bride-well keeper, aged 80, was standing at the door when the first terrific thunderclap burst over the place. He fell, was removed unconscious, and expired in a few minutes. It is feared that much damage was done throughout the country districts. Dogs went mad, and had to be shot.

Wednesday, July 12, a very serious accident occurred at Ohermogue, three miles from Cahirciveen, to a young man named Curran, residing at Spunkane, near Waterville. He was taking a very heavy iron girder, thirty-five feet in length, in a car to the buildings in course of erection at the Waterville Commercial Cab's offices, and had proceeded as far as Ohermogue, when his horse and car capsized, and the unfortunate young man came under the girder. Curran was taken into Patrick Bourke's house, where he remained in a speechless condition for some time. A young man named O'Donoghue, from Knockeens, near Cahirciveen and the Rev. Canon O'Riordan, P. P., and Dr. Mannix went as soon as possible to the assistance of the injured man. Subsequently he was removed to the workhouse infirmary, where he lay in a precarious state.

On Saturday, July 15, a solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated at Brozna for the repose of the soul of Mr. Patrick O'Connor, late student of All Hallows' College, Dublin. Mr. O'Connor received his classical education at St. Michael's College, Listowel, and after a successful course he competed at the entrance examination for All Hallows' Missionary College, securing an honorable place. During his brief stay in the college his piety and affable disposition endeared him to his fellow students, who came to pay him a last tribute of esteem and affection.

On July 15 a solemn Requiem Office for the repose of the soul of Mr. John Fitzgerald, All Hallows' College, Dublin. The church was crowded, every available seat being occupied a half hour before the time appointed for the ceremonies to begin.

TIPPERARY.

Last week Most Rev. P. J. Ryan, D. D., Archbishop of Philadelphia, arrived in huries from Carrick-on-Suir to visit his native place. He was received at the railway station by the Rev. J. J. Ryan, St. Patrick's College. During his stay in Thurles he remained in the College.

The court of Arbitration, consisting of Mr. J. J. Shee M. P., and Mr. John Kirwan, Kilkenny, with Mr. D. Dunford solicitor, Waterford as umpire, was held at Carrick-on-Suir recently to settle the disagreement between Hassett and the evicted tenant Cahill Mr. J. P. Kennedy, auctioneer, was called on by the umpire for a report, and he estimated the value of the holding when Cahill was evicted at £200, and that Hassett had expended £150 on improvements since the umpire, Mr. Dunford, has awarded the evicted tenant £80 for his good will in the farm.

One of the greatest National demonstrations ever seen in County Tipperary was held in Garrick on-Suir July 23. Large contingents attended from Clonea, Rathgormack, Hugginstown, Grangemockler, Clonmel, Fethard, Kilsheelan, Cahir, Bansha, Limerick, Tipperary, Mullinahone, Ballydine, Mothel, Oonlag and Waterford. The counties of Tipperary, Kilkenny, Limerick and Waterford were united under the glorious banner of "The Land for the People." The meeting was under the auspices of the United Irish League. Among the speakers were Mr. William O'Brien, Mr. James O'Keefe, M. P., Mr. James Shee M. P., and Mr. John McInerney.

Father Edmund A. Murphy, Professor in the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, U. S. A., has been visiting Tipperary lately. He spent some days at Stewart's Hotel, and then visited Mr. Ryan (Wall), R. D. C. and N. Ryan M. C. C. Ardmayle, being a special friend of Mr. M. Ryan's brother-in-law, Father Timothy Maher, who is a member of the staff of the same University. Father Murphy in on his way to the University of Paris, where he intends to remain a couple of years before returning to Notre Dame. He is a native of the parish of Dublin; in boyhood he emigrated to the States with his parents, and was ordained priest abroad. He belongs to the Congregation of the Holy Cross, to whose charge the university is committed.

Some rare and interesting discoveries were made in Lough Derg lately. As a number of men were dragging a portion of the lake, near Terryglass, for the remains of a man named Quinlek, the search party happened to drop on a lot of interesting curiosities, among them being the splendid head of an old Irish elk in a fine state of preservation, with enormous antlers, the tips of which are eleven feet apart. The teeth are three inches long, and when scraped show different colors, resembling black enamel, shades of gold, etc. Many other marvels of ancient times were brought to the surface. Sergeant Carrish and Constable Teahan of the Carrigahorrig police station hooked a gigantic and beautifully made eel net, said to have been brought from England many years ago and lost in Lough Derg under peculiar circumstances. The articles can be seen at the Carrigahorrig barracks.

WATERFORD.

The employees of Messrs. N. Harvey & Co., printers and stationers, Quay, Waterford, had their annual outing July 15 to Youghal. They had a good time.

The nominations for the vacancies in the Waterford District Council are: Islandkeane—Mr. R. Phelan; no opposition. Killoteran—Mr. Thomas Walsh, Carrigroh, Ballycashin; no opposition. Faithlegg—Thomas Meade, Richard Gough and John Collier. Rt. Rev. Dr. Sheehan, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore, has made these changes: Rev. Patrick Fitzgerald, to be Adm. St. John's, Waterford; Rev. James Maher, to be C. C., St. John's, Waterford; Rev. Dennis Hassett, to be

C. C., Gambansfield; Rev. James Evrard, to be C. C., Cahir; Rev. Patrick Loneragan, to be C. C., Tourneara; Rev. Patrick Burke to be C. C., Tallow. Mr. Walsh, proprietor of the KilmacThomas Hotel, has in his employment as a herdsman an old man named Troy. In the discharge of his duty Troy went, on July 17, to a field in which were grazing 25 dairy and young stock, among them being a 3-year-old bull. Troy had by his side a dog. Scarcely was Troy among the cattle when one of them—abull—made a lunge at him, knocking him 50 yards from where he stood. Having knocked him bleeding, Troy made no effort to get on his legs, but the brute made a second lunge at him. The sagacity of the dog brought him to the rescue of his master, and making a dive at the nostrils and catching him tightly twisting him, old Troy got over the fence. Later in the day Troy was conveyed in a helpless condition to the village of KilmacThomas, where the services of Dr. Walsh were requisitioned. Examination of the wounds although not of a fatal nature, will necessitate his retirement from duty. In his own quaint way he says that "When the bull came to me to kill me the dog went to kill him, and only for the dog I would be a dead man today."

The Archbishops of Philadelphia and Dubuque last week paid a visit to Lismore via Cappoquin and Yougal, accompanied by Rev. F. Pendergast, Dungarvan, who met them in Queens-town. They visited the Presentation Convent schools, where they were received by Rev. Mother Peter Pendergast, the community, the Very Rev. T. McGrath, Rev. Father Mockler and Rev. F. Pendergast. An attractive programme of music was gone through by the pupils, who also presented an address to the distinguished visitors. The address was read by Miss Nora Gabriel Meade. Mot Rev. Dr. Hennessy, Archbishop of Dubuque, in expressing thanks for the unexpected treat afforded by the children, said that he was quite surprised to witness such forwardness in the pupil of an elementary school. He was glad to see the Irish girls were quite as advanced as the American, while in the demeanor of those before him a politeness, guarded by modesty, enhanced all their abilities. Most Rev. Dr. Ryan congratulated the pupils on the educational facilities within their grasp, and the marked evidence of such displayed in their impromptu welcome, and he complimented in no stinted measure the tiny lady who delivered the address. His Grace continued "I am charmed to see that, besides the education universal now-a-days, you cultivate two grand languages almost akin—the language of the feelings and the language of the Celt. With reference to the latter, I must acknowledge that I felt literally ashamed of myself awhile ago passing through the infant school. The babies welcomed and greeted me in Irish I could neither understand nor reply to their lipings in the speech of my forefathers. Children, dear, take part in the revival of the ancient tongue; atone to the great past for our sins against it. Cultivate music you have given evidence to-day of high proficiency in the divine art. I am glad to hear the violin's sweet strains. I have a boyish love for the bow. You have great scope for executive skill and expression in our own national melodies. It is surprising how persons with no aptitudes whatever for anything Irish get enraptured over our airs. They have some sympathetic power all their own. We are by nature a musical race, because we are an emotional people. Yet, with this accepted character of vocacity, I think we are like that tumultuous ocean referred to in your exquisite address—boisterous and undulating on the surface, yet in its depths calm and restful."

ULSTER.

ARMAGH. Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh, and Primate of Ireland, has appointed Rev. Patrick Fagan, C. C., Armagh, to be parish priest of Kilsaran, County Louth, in place of the Rev. Peter Pentony, P. P., lately deceased. DONEYGAL. The Stranorlar Guardians have elected two Sisters of Mercy from the Ballyshannon community as hospital nurses with apartments, light and fuel. On July 9 last two young men named Mulholland and Murray, belonging respectively to Belfast and Dundoran, performed a signal act of gallantry in rescuing a Catholic priest from being drowned at Dundoran. The reverend gentleman was one of a party of excursionists from Belfast in connection with St. Patrick's Cathedral.

DOWN.

Robert Hearn, tailor, in the employment of Foster & Co., Newry, was killed on the Great Northern Railway line, near Bessbrook Station, lately. On July 16 Most Rev. Dr. McGivern, Bishop of Down, paid his annual visitation to Banbridge, and on Monday conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation on a large number of children.

MUNSTER.

CAVAN.

Mr. Daniel Reeves, of the Butler grocery establishment, corner of Herbert and Greenwich streets, New York, recently visited his native place, Scariff. Before he left for Ireland, the employees in the house presented him with a valuable diamond pin, horseshoe shape, and an illuminated address. Mr. Reeves is a member of Company A, Irish volunteers, and very popular.