

OUR IRISH LETTER

NEWS FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

What is Being Done by the People as Home-Variants Items From Every Section of the Emerald Isle.

CONNAUGHT.

GALWAY.

One of the old and respected stock of Tuam died recently in the person of Mr. Michael Walsh, aged 75 years. The burial took place on Monday, Sept. 18, at the New Cemetery, Tuam, attended by a large and representative funeral. Rev. W. J. MacHugh, C. C., blessed the grave.

DUBLIN.

On Oct. 4, the death of the Rev. P. Joyce Kilian, took place. In the evening of last month he got seriously unwell, and sent for the parish priest of the neighboring parish to whom he made known his anxiety to be reconciled to the church. To him and others he afterward expressed his earnest desire to die in peace and submission with his ecclesiastical superiors.

On Oct. 1, Rosary Sunday—the retreat at the Dominican Church, Clarendon, was closed. High Mass was solemnly chanted by Very Rev. O'Dwyer, O. P., assisted by Rev. J. Mahony, O. P., deacon, and the Very Rev. E. Murphy, O. P., sub-deacon.

At St. Mary's Monastery, Mount Artry, Brother Bernardine has just passed away. The deceased, who had reached the age of almost ninety years, was a native of Clara, King's County.

A meeting of the County Council was held in Castlebar, Oct. 2, Mr. Connor O'Kelly presiding. There was a large attendance of the Councilors present owing to the appointment of a secretary in room of Mr. Blake, resigned.

On Oct. 1, Rosary Sunday, the members of the Westport Temperance Society renewed their pledges in Westport Temperance Hall. There was a very large number of new members, and the hall was densely crowded.

Rev. Jeremiah O'Toole, A.M., presided at late meeting of the members of the Kilmacassar branch of the United Irish League. There were present: J. O'Boyle, Michael Hanly, secretary; Edward Walsh, treasurer; J. Kelly, Cussack, P. Cussack, T. Molyneux, M. Walsh, M. Mulchrone, J. Mulchrone, O'Donnell, Patrick Joyce, P. McHugh, L. Flannery, Wm. Cussack, A. Cawley, Matt. Reddy, P. Cawley, M. Reddy, T. Walsh, P. O'Donnell, T. Moran, T. Greevy, J. Hanly, R. Gravin, P. Maguire.

Recently there died at Roscommon station Workhouse an inmate named Edward Kennedy. On being searched a deposit receipt for £265 and £2 10s in cash were found on him. Deceased had been for a number of years in America, where it is believed he amassed a considerable fortune. The relatives of deceased made application to the board for the money found on his person.

We regret to record the death of Miss Conroy of Doolin, which took place on Sept. 29, at the age of 19 years. Although Miss Conroy had been ill for some time, her death was a painful shock to the people, among whom she was a favorite. The funeral took place in the family burial ground at Killybeg, and her elegant remains were conveyed to the eastern and reposed in the family vault.

On Sept. 29, at Killybeg, Catholic Church, the marriage took place of Mr. James Conroy and Miss Mary Conroy. The bride was accompanied by her father, Rev. J. Conroy, and the groom by his father, Rev. J. Conroy.

Ville, Stack, London. Mr. Terence McLoughlin and Mrs. E. McLoughlin. Miss Thunders is a lady of high musical attainments, and was leading tenor of the Catholic Choral Society.

SILIGO.

The "Siligo Star," the new paper founded, is forging ahead. It is an eight-paged penny weekly. It thanked the public for the generous and cordial reception and encouragement it has received. Already it has a great circulation.

At an examination in the College of Surgeons on Sept. 27 and 28, Master Fred O'Donnell, Siligo, took first place in the list of sixty-seven candidates. He is the son of Mr. John O'Donnell, Market street, and was educated in Summerhill College, Siligo.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, in the Cathedral Carlow, on Sept. 23, ordained to deaconship and sub-deaconship the following: To Deaconship—Rev. Richard Collins, San Francisco. To Sub-deaconship—Rev. B. Cantillon, San Francisco; Rev. William Riordan, Leeds; Rev. M. Farrell, Wichita; Rev. M. Innes, Leeds; Rev. J. Conannon, San Francisco; Rev. B. McKiernan, Marlband. He was assisted by the Rev. J. Murphy, The College.

The "Catherlough" Bazaar was opened lately by Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin. It continued one week and was a financial success.

DUBLIN.

The Naul bazaar has taken an Irish title, Anach na h'Alie. On Sept. 29 the remains of the late Mr. Brian McSheehy, Head Inspector of National Schools, whose death at the age of 70 years occurred rather suddenly, were removed from Gardiner's place for interment in Glasnevin Cemetery. The funeral was numerously attended.

On Oct. 2 the Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Virgin were publicly recited in Irish at the Church of St. Saviour, Lower Dominick street, Dublin by the Rev. Father Condon O. P. There was a large congregation, a great number of whom were Irish-speaking and the responses were given aloud in the Irish tongue from the body of the church. These devotions will be continued in the national language every Monday evening, and should be attended by every Irish-speaking Catholic in the city. The Dominican Fathers deserve to be congratulated on so meritorious a work.

The terrific thunderstorm which prevailed in the city and county of Dublin on Sept. 30 left its mark on the constabulary barracks in Raheny and a cottage beside it, where a constable and two men had a most miraculous escape from death.

A meeting of the Council of the Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language took place on Oct. 3, at 6 Molesworth street, Dublin. Paul A'Byrne in the chair.

The obsequies of the late Rev. James MacVeagh occurred Oct. 9 in St. John's Church, Blackrock. He was for many years chaplain to the Carmelite Nuns, and also held the important position of secretary to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. The Right Rev. Mgr. Walsh, Dean of Dublin, presided at the Office. At the High Mass Very Rev. Joseph Murray, Glasnevin, was celebrant; Rev. C. Lawless, Blackrock, deacon, and Rev. J. Sherwin, sub-deacon.

Recent Deaths in Dublin. FAIRFIELD—Oct. 2, suddenly, Edward Fairfield, Bloomfield Park, S. C. R. LOUGHLIN—Oct. 3, at 6 Mountain View avenue, Harold's Cross, James Loughlin. BYRNE—Sept. 4, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Boston, Mary Byrne, daughter of John Byrne, fowl dealer, 114 Lower Clarendon street.

CLANCY—Oct. 1, at 31 Lower Oriel street, Dublin, James Clancy. MAHONY—Oct. 2, at 36 Belvedere road, John Maunsell Mahony (late Charitable Bequests Office). MOORE—Oct. 2, at 25 Nelson street Dublin, Casie Moore, Connaught street Athlone, aged 26 years.

TENNICH—Oct. 2, at Parkview House Crumlin road, Charles Tench, Dolphin's Barn. BARRETT—Oct. 5, at Kimberly, Terenure, Robert Barrett (late of Lincoln place and Westland row). COORNIN—Oct. 5, at Our Lady's Hospital for the Dying, Mary Anne ("Pollie") Coornin.

BERNARD—Agatha, on the first Friday of October, aged 91, at Amersburgh, Alsace, mother of Father Eberhardt, Blackrock College, and Sister Margaret Mary, and grandmother of Sister Mary Francis, Carmelites, Rosabach. FAGAN—Oct. 6, at Fenner, Oldcastle Anne Fagan. GLYNN—Nicholas Glynn, of 32 Berkeley road. GRACE—Oct. 5, at Tallaght, Patrick Grace, aged 48 years.

NOLAN—Oct. 5, at 73 Chapel street Margaret Nolan, aged 52 years. O'NEILL—Very Rev. Father Alphonse O'Neill, Passionist, at St. Paul's Retreat, Mount Argus. SIBERY—At 17 St. Joseph's street, Elizabeth Sibery. FINLAY—At 13 Upper Stephen street, Richard Finlay, chairman Carpet Planners' Society.

JOHNSON Oct. 4, 1899, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, John Kennedy, Johnson, late of Knocktown, Kilmessan, aged 79 years. KENNEDY—Oct. 4, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, John Kennedy, aged 21, Curreeny, Templeclerry, County Tipperary. LOWERY—Oct. 4, at 27 Stoneybatter Kate Lowery. MCLEAN—Oct. 4, at the Misses Walsh, Main street, Howth, Robert McLean, Sr., of 16 Drumcondra road Dublin.

MURPHY—Oct. 8, at 27 Portlana place Kathleen Murphy. KILKILKENNY. Very Rev. Father Colfer, prior of Knocktopher, County Kilkenny, has been appointed president of the Carmelite College Terenure, County Dublin. Mrs. Margaret Kehoe, Rathmure, Glenmore, died very suddenly in the Waterford butter market on Sept. 27.

ferred to Clara. Mr. Simmonds has for over twenty years been stationed in Kildare.

The stately tower and spire of St. Patrick's Church of Maynooth College in course of erection, will touch the great height of two hundred and sixty-seven feet and four inches—a splendid appendage of the fine ecclesiastical edifice to which it belongs, and a noble memorial of vast elevation to which the massive cross at the summit of the spire will be raised may be understood when it is stated that the altitude of Nelson's Pillar is only 125 feet, and that the Arnott tower near it is five feet lower. The Christian emblem will thus be visible many miles on every side of Maynooth, and the tower itself must form a prominent feature of the surrounding landscape. Eighty-seven feet from the ground will be placed the massive clock, with a face six feet three inches in diameter, and still far away overhead the bells will swing and send the music of their chimes from hill to hill.

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On Sept. 25 the solemn and impressive devotion of Quarent Ore was begun in the parish church, Maryborough. The devotions opened with Solemn High Mass, attended by a large congregation.

WESTMEATH.

The Rev. J. Cassidy, C. C., Taghmon has been promoted to the pastoral charge of Ardath, County Meath. The appointment has given satisfaction to all who know the newly appointed pastor.

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WEXFORD.

The entire dwelling and barn and all the possessions of Mr. Laurence Donegan, Tubberlagh, near Boulavogue, were destroyed by fire lately. Many will learn with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Mary Kennedy, nee Frasers, Mullingar, happened on Oct. 2, Solemn Requiem services were held, and numerously attended. The many relatives and friends of deceased in the United States will learn of her demise with regret.

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Recent deaths in Cork. DOOLEY—Oct. 1 at North Infirmary, William Dooley, aged 35 (late G. P. O.). LYNCH—Oct. 5, at Upper Glasheen, Mary Lynch. MURPHY—Oct. 5, Jeremiah Murphy, St. of Gurrane Donoughmore aged 40. MULLINS—Oct. 6, at 89 South Main Thomas Mullins. MCCARTHY—On Oct. 6 Bartholomew McCarthy, baker, 62 South Main street. ALLEN—Oct. 6, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Wellington road, Amy Allen. DEASY—On Oct. 3 at 33 Mill street Clouakilly, Michael Deasy. O'LEARY—Oct. 4, at 52 North Main street, Florence O'Leary, late of Toamies, aged 29 years. BARRETT—On Oct. 3, Richard Barrett late of Knockdrinlaugh, Glountane. ROWLEY—On Oct. 4, at Ardkillen, Enniskean, Charles Crowley.

Recent deaths in Wexford. On Oct. 2 Mrs. Bridget Byrne, Rathgarage, aged 76 years. On Sept. 28, at George's street, Ennis, corthy William Edward Bolger. On Oct. 5, at Regans, Ellen Codd, aged 74 years. Sept. 30, at King street, Wexford, Bridget Nolan, aged 44 years. Friday, Sept. 29, at Iskabeg, Alice Sherman, in the 74th year of her age.

Recent deaths in Wicklow. St. Joseph's Convent (Claylands road, Clapham, England, was the scene of a happy and religious ceremony recently. The occasion was the reception of seven young ladies. Among those who had the inestimable joy of becoming sister of the community was Miss Margaret Mary Goss, daughter of Mr. Edward Goss, of Baraderry, Kiltegan. Miss Goss took in religion the name of Sister Mary Helena.

In St. Patrick's Hall, Arklow, Oct. 1, Rev. P. F. Kavanagh, O.S.F., the historian of the Irish insurrection one hundred years ago, delivered a lecture in aid of the fund for the erection of a memorial to Father M. Murphy, and the men who fell at the battle of Arklow on June 17 1798. On the motion of Mr. Edward C. Walsh, the chair was taken by the Rev. J. Dunphy, P. P., who on behalf of those present extended a cordial welcome to the Rev. D. F. Kavanagh.

On the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary, Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer raised to the priesthood of Rev. Thomas MacNamara, son of late Mr. Wm. MacNamara, Killeacon, Limerick, and brother of the Rev. P. MacNamara, Edinburg. Father MacNamara pursued his studies in Maynooth College and goes to undertake missionary work in the diocese of Plymouth, England.

On Oct. 4 took place the funeral of Mrs. Joseph Sheedy, of Rathkeale which was numerously attended. On Sept. 28 a fairly well attended meeting of the railway employees was held at the terminus, Limerick, to organize a society for promoting the Irish language among railway men, Mr. J. H. Power presiding.

Mr. Thomas F. Walsh, said to be one of the richest gold miners in Colorado has been staying with his family at the Ormonde Hotel, Clonmel, on a visit to his relatives. During Father York's recent visit to Rockwell College, an address in Irish was read to him by Master M. McGrath a pupil. He was delighted to hear the increase in numbers in Irish classes in Rockwell. They were rendering valuable assistance to the Gaelic League in its efforts to revive the old tongue. The Gaelic League was spreading rapidly not only in Dublin but in Munster in Galway and in Ulster. Everywhere the good news was going abroad and people were waking up to the fact that they had a priceless treasure in the fine old language.

The Anniversary High Mass for the deceased bishops and priests of the diocese of Waterford and Lismore was celebrated at SS. Peter and Paul's, Clonmel, Oct. 5. The death of Mr. William Burke occurred Sept. 30, at his residence, Railway Hotel, Thurles. He was an ardent promoter of Gaelic pastimes, and a very active member of the Tipperary County Council. Deceased, who leaves a widow to mourn his loss, was only 28 years of age, and was the son of Mr. John Bourke, of Bohernabroome.

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