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.

Among the successes at the recent examinations, at the Royal University Joseph A. Waters, Nuns' Island, and Thomas J. McDonagh, High street, have obtained the M. B., B. Ch., B. A. O., Medical Degrees of the Royal University of Ireland. Dr. Waters graduated from the Queen's College, Galway, and the Catholic University School of Medicine, Dublin, and Mr. McDonagh also graduated from the Catholic University School of Medicine.

On the Sunday within the Octave of the Feast of St. Francis special devotion was observed at the Abbey Church, Galway. There was a crowded congregation. The new shrine and statuary which had been unveiled on Wednesday previous—the Feast Day—was an object of much interest. The statuary is modeled after the famous painting of Murillo, representing St. Francis, rising superior to the world and its vanities, pushing away with his foot the earth in the form of a globe and embracing the crucifix, while the Redeemer looks down benignly on his servant and extends His right arm from the cross to help on and encourage the saint. The shrine on which the statuary rests is also very handsome, and the whole work is very creditable to the Very Rev. Guardian Father O'Connor.

With profound regret we chronicle the death of Mrs. Colleran, Annakeen, Headford, on Oct. 8. She was mother of Rev. Martin Colleran, C. C., Milltown, Tuam, and Sr. M. De Sales, the Convent of Mercy, Clifden. She breathed forth her soul with beads in her hands and the sweet name of Jesus Mary and Joseph on her lips. Solemn High Mass was celebrated in Claren Church on Oct. 11.

Mr. Edward Byrne, who was formerly managing editor of the Freeman's Journal, died in Tuam, his native place on Oct. 13. For the past two years he had dropped out of journalism, but in his day he was one of the best known among the Irish Pressmen. Born in Tuam he took an active part in the famous Galway election, and was one of the witnesses who subsequently gave evidence at the hearing of the petition. He was editor of the Belfast Morning News and the Freeman's Journal, under the late Mr. Edmond Dwyer Gray. His authority had almost everything to say with the uncompromising Parnellite stand made by the Freeman's Journal at the split, policy that when the Freeman's Journal so completely wedded was he to that policy changed its tactics under young Mr. Gray, Dr. Byrne resigned as editor. He was associated with Mr. Parnell in the starting of the Irish Daily Independent, and when that journal was finally started Dr. Byrne took the post of editor and became one of the directors of the company. In consequence of failing health he severed his connections with the Independent office two years ago. One of the saddest points of his sudden demise was that he had a prospect of getting back to his journalistic work in a very short time. He went to his native place (Tuam) on Wednesday. Dr. Byrne was a brilliant leader writer with wonderful information, and a keen intellect. Among his colleagues he was always popular.

LEITRIM.

The Sligo Champion, in issue of Oct. 14, commencing on the peaceful condition of County Leitrim, said: "There is no crime in County Leitrim, County Court Judge Waters was on Wednesday, at the Manorhamilton Quarter Sessions, presented with white gloves, in commemoration of the stainless record of the inhabitants during the past six months. The people are peaceable, independent, organized and self-respecting. Who are the lawbreakers? Who seek to sully the fair fame of the country? The Executive Government, who imported into Dromahair a band of uniformed ruffians to baton and bludgeon their fellow-countrymen in the name of law, and the grabbers, removables and perjured officials at whose instance the proclamation was issued.

The death on Oct. 8 of Mr. Stephen McGrail, Fuiltaghan, Drumkeerin, at the fine old age of 86 years, was deeply heard widely regretted. It is but a few months since the American papers gave an account of the death of Mr. Hugh McGrail (a son of deceased), who was engaged in extensive business in Maynard, Mass. Rev. John McGrail, of Brockton, Mass., whose death was recorded a few years ago at the early age of 37 years, was a son of deceased. The funeral was large and representative. Very Rev. J. Dolan officiated at the grave.

MAYO.

Miss Mary K. Gibbons, of Mill street, Westport, was married on Oct. 8 to Police Constable Edward P. Kerrins.

Rev. John J. Corcoran has been appointed curate in Aughagower, to replace Father Moran, who has been transferred to Clonberne, near Tuam.

Members of the Croaghpatrick branch of the United Irish League held a meeting in Murrisk League Rooms recently to collect for Mr. O'Brien's Fund, and a good sum was subscribed.

Over ten thousand dollars were acknowledged lately as subscriptions to the new church of Castlebar. Most Rev. Dr. McEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, gave three thousand dollars and Father Lyons, the pastor, gave one thousand five hundred dollars.

An enthusiastic ovation was given on Oct. 8 to Mrs. Brennan, an evicted tenant, when she emerged from prison at Castlebar. Cheer after cheer was given for the doughty woman who [illegible] the eviction [illegible] procession was an immense assemblage and the United Leaguers and sympathisers escorted her through the town. Speeches were delivered, and there was great enthusiasm.

ROSCOMMON

Mr. A. Oates, Vice-President of the Cootehall branch of the United Irish League, presided at last meeting of the members. The following resolution, proposed by the chairman and seconded by Mr. Regan, was carried: "That we call on the Boyle No. 1 District Council to oppose applications for new roads and repairs, some of which have lain derelict for a hundred years. We warn those gentlemen who vote away our money that when their term of office has expired if they come forward for re-election the ratepayers will know how to deal with them."

At a meeting of the District Council on Oct. 7 in Rosscommon the question of supplying the town with pure water was under some consideration Mr. T. P. Mapother occupied the chair and there was a large attendance. The chairman referred to the order of the Local Government Board, and it was unanimously agreed to give effect to the order without delay, and Mr. Mulvaney, C. E., was instructed to communicate with the contractor who tendered lowest for the carrying out of the scheme. A deputation from the Labor Society waited on the Council with a strong resolution, pointing out the great necessity for the immediate erection of suitable dwellings for the laborers of the town, and complaining of the unreasonable delay of the Council in furthering the scheme.

SLIGO.

The members of the Ballymote football club will present Mr. Thomas Tighe some token in recognition of his services previous to his departure. Mr. Tighe, who was one of the most hardworking members of the club, held a responsible position at the creamery.

The annual reunion of the Sligo Total Abstinence League of the Sacred Heart was held in the League rooms, Temple street, on Oct. 8. Rev. Canon Harte, Adm., presided. There was a large attendance, which augurs well for the extension of the League's good work. The very reverend president, in introducing Most Rev. Dr. Clancy, hoped the members of the League would benefit by his Lordship's advice.

The lace class of Ballymote recently started in full swing. The class was initiated to enable young girls to earn a good wage and become conversant with an industry which has become so strong in the country, and which is affording employment to girls all over Ireland. The class consists of twenty pupils, who are making great progress with the Carrickmacross system, under the careful tutorage of Miss Carroll.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

Mrs. Bridget Carton, of Kilcarrig House, Bagnalstown, died in the 54th year of her age on Oct. 16, after Office and High Mass in St. Andrew's Church the funeral left for Newtown Cemetery. Attendance was very large.

DUBLIN.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. M Connell, president of the Incorporated Society of Brick and Stone Layers, Cuffe street, Dublin. Mr. Connell was an active member of his trade society, and was held in great esteem. He was also one of the newly elected governors of the Richmond Lunatic Asylum.

In 32 Lower Abbey street, Dublin, was held the seventh session of the Celtic Literary Society, inaugurated by the president, Mr. Thomas P. Fox, who delivered a lecture entitled, "The Demnition of an Irish Nation." Miss Maud Gonne presided. Mr. Fox said: "The agitation for a separate Irish Nationality appears at first strange in its pertinacity. Surveying the course of Irish history we must formulate our position as Irish Nationalists, not on any one plank, but on a solid foundation, the corner-stone of wyhich is our innate right to be a nation. Might may have temporarily triumphed over right, but might will be ours yet, and we shall use our power to regain all that England has stolen from us—with interest."

A meeting was held on Oct. 13 in the Old Schools, Richmond Hill, Rathmines, to establish a branch of the Gaelic League.

Mr. Edward Byrne, who for many years was connected with the Freeman's Journal, died recently in Tuam, County Galway, of which he was a native. During the Parnell split he sided with Parnell, and the condition of the Freeman's Journal becoming desperate, Mr. Byrne severed his connection with it, and became manager of the Parnell organ in Dublin, The Independent. His demise is deepl regretted by a great circle of friends in Ireland and in the United States. On Sunday, Oct. 15, the remains were interred in New Cemetery, Tuam. The esteem in which the deceased was held in journalistic, political and social circles was amply testified to by the immense and representative funeral cortege that accompanied the remains to the graveside.

Recent deaths in Dublin.

CRONIN—Oct. 5, at Our Lady's Hospice for the Dying, Mary Anne Cronin.

EBENRECHT—Agatha, on the first Friday of October, aged 91, at Ammerschwihr, Alsace, mother of Father Ebenrecht, Blackrock College, and Sister Margaret Mary, and grandmother of Sister Mary Francis, Carmelites, Roebuck.

GLYNN—Nicholas Glynn, of 32 Berkeley road.

GRACE—Oct. 5, at Tallaght, Patrick Grace, aged 48 years, son of the late Patrick and Catherine Grace, Tallagh.

NOLAN—Oct. 5, at 73 Capel street, Margaret Nolan.

SEERY—At 17 St. Joseph's street, after a short illness, Elizabeth Seery.

ALLEN—Oct. 9, aged 34, at the Richmond Asylum (late of 18 Lower Gardiner street), Mary Allen.

CARRIN—Oct. 9, at Howth, aged 59, [illegible]

[illegible]—Oct. 8, at St. Vincent's Hospital, John Courtney, 4 Donnybrook road, for many years driver in the D. U. T. Co.

MITCHELL—Oct. 8, at 1 York Terrace, Kingstown, Ann Mitchell, sister of the late Francis Mitchell, builder.

MALONE—Oct. 8, at 70 Main street, Bray, George Malone, aged 24 years.

GOUGH—Oct. 8, at St. Vincent's Hospital, aged 50, Andrew Gough.

ENGLISH—Oct. 9, at Brackenstown, Swords, Miss English.

ROWLEY—On Oct. 12, at 26 Wentworth place, Margaret (Maggie) Rowley.

O'NEILL—Oct. 11, at Mercer's Hospital, Stephen O'Neill, 65 Cork street.

RYAN—Oct. 8, at the Mater Hospital Mary Ryan, Grenville lane, eldest daughter of the late John Kenna, of Dorset street.

WALKER—At 43 Blyth avenue, Church road, Maria Walker, daughter of the late Edward Byrne, Kilcarry, Co. Carlow.

KILDARE.

On Oct. 9, about one mile outside Kildare, John Dowling, of Cloncorlan Monasterevan, was killed by being thrown out of his cart. The pony took fright.

Requiem services were held in Monasterevan church on Oct. 6 for the repose of the soul of Father Martin Hanrick, who died Oct. 4, aged 41 years. The office commenced at 11 o'clock, Most Rev Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, presided It was recited by forty-three priests The Requiem Mass was celebrated immediately after.

KILKENNY.

Rt. Rev Dr. Browning, Bishop of Ossory, on Sunday, Oct. 8, laid the foundation stone of the new Church of St. Kieran, in the King's County. Saighir is the oldest parish in Ireland, and here Saint Ciaran, the elder, one of Ireland's first bishops, fixed his see. The Rev. Thomas Phelan, the zealous pastor, has left nothing undone to provide a church worthy of the high traditions of the ancient parish.

The death of Mr. Thomas Shea, Ardclone, Piltown, happened on Oct. 4. He was a member of one of the oldest and most respected families in the county; for several years took a prominent part in national politics during the old Land League; and was P. L. G. for Piltown. He had several nieces and nephews consecrated to the cloister and the priesthood. The funeral on Friday, was one of the largest.

KINGS.

The foundation stone of the new church of St. Kieran was laid Oct. 15, in the presence of the Most Rev. Drs. McRedmond, Bishop of Killaloe, and Browning, Bishop of Ossory. The Birr Young Men's Association Band led the procession from the old cchurch to the site of the new one, the children of the parochial schools taking a prominent part. A spacious tent was erected over the site, which is in a most desirable situation on the foot of Knocknaman, one of the highest elevations in the Slievebloom range.

The death of Mr. Patrick Fay, Edenderry, on Oct. 4, occasioned widespread regret. Deceased was one of the oldest and most respected men in the cattle trade. His reputation for sterling worth and upright and honorable dealings with all classes during his long and successful career was deservedly high. The interment took place on Oct. 6, at the family burial place, Drumcooley, and the extent and character of the cortege was evidence of the esteem which deceased had won.

LONGFORD.

It is reported that the members of the branches of the United Irish League in the county are not as active or as earnest in the work as when the branches were founded We shall see; but hope this is not the case

The news of the death of Mr. Hugh Monahan, which reached Longford on Oct. 12, caused general regret. Deceased died on Wednesday night at Street, County Westmeath, where he had been residing for some months past. He was for a number of year one of the leading merchants of Longford, and was also one of the most popular men in the town. On account of failing health he some months ago sold his interest in his premises to Mr. P. E. Fitzgerald and retired from business.

The members of the Longford County Council intend to have the flag of Ireland displayed over their Court House during their meetings. Ireland is a nation, and all its public administrations and functions should be held under the Green flag. To celebrate and accentuate the patriotic resolve of the County Council members, the Fife and Drum Band paraded the streets, playing National tunes. Judging by the enthusiasm of the people the resolution to have arrangements made for its being floated, we may expect a great demonstration on the occasion of its being unfurled. What a fire of patriotic enthusiasm the National banner is able to enkindle in our bosoms.

LOUTH.

Great progress is being made in the erection of the new Catholic Church of St. Andrews, Curraha, though only a short time since the foundation stone was laid.

The Drogheda Board of Guardians at recent meeting passed a resolution condemning the action of the Government in not passing an act of Parliament reinstating th eevicted tenants, and calling upon the Irish representatives in Parliament to use every effort to reinstate them. Mr. Conway proposed it, and Mr. Ogle seconded it.

Recently a meeting of ladies was held in the Convent of Mercy, Ardee, to take practical steps to promote the success of the forthcoming bazaar for Armagh Cathedral. The attendance was largely composed of representatives of the families in Ardee, Collon and Tallonstown.

MEATH.

The death of Rev. Mother Mary Ignatius Carty, of the Presentation Order, occurred in the convent, Clare, on Oct. 13, deeply and widely regretted.

Up with the flag of Ireland: it represents a just and good cause. The County Council of Meath is about to imitate the example set by the patriotic sons of Westmeath, and to float the Flag of Ireland over their Council Chamber. At a meeting of the Courthouse Committee at Navan the question was raised by one of the Nationalist members forming that committee Strange to say, two of the three nominees of the Grand Jury happen to be on this committee, and the idea was opposed by them. But on a division the motion recommending the County Council to place the Green Flag over their chamber was carried, and instructions given to Mr. Moore, ccounty surveyor, to have the flag and all the necessary requisites ready for the nex meeting of the Council. The date on which that meeting will be held has not yet been announced. The meeting and its result will be looked forward to with the keenest interest, and it is to be hoped that he efforts of the Meath County Council to "raise up the Banner of Green" will be crowned with even greater success than that which attended the efforts of Westmeath.

QUEEN'S.

The following changes have been made in the diocese of Meath by the Most Rev. Dr. Gaffney, Bishop of Meath: Very Rev. P. Callary, P. P., V. F., Trim, to be P. P Tullamore; Rev M. Woods, P. P., Rahan, to be P P Trim; Rev P. Smith, P. P., Mountnugent, to be P. P., Rahan; Rev T Murray, P P, Eglish, to be P P, Taughmon; Rev T Cole, C. C., Ballymore, to be P P., Eglish, Rev P. McNamee, Adm, Navan to be P P., Robinstown; Rev J Cassidy, C. C., Taughmon, to be P P, Ardcath, and Rev W. Egan, P P, Ardcath to be P P, Mountnugent; Rev. W Rooney, C C, Mullingar, to be Adm, Longwood, Rev Father Bracken, C. C., Tullamore, to be C. C., Mullingar.

WESTMEATH

The flag of Ireland which the Westmeath County Council fought so bravely to fling to the breeze over their court house during their sittings, is in the possession of Mr. Thomas Mooney, Mullingar It should be the property of the county. It is now a historic bit of stuff.

WEXFORD.

Mr. Michael Redmond, a well-known horse trainer, died suddenly in the kitchen of the Fountain, Custom House Quay, Wexford, on Oct. 12.

Very Rev. Canon Doyle, the venerable and patriotic parish priest of Rainsgrange has written to the Wexford Press lauding the effort made to have the farmers of Cooltroe restored to their holdings, and inclosing a subscription for the purpose. Truly, they are "wounded soldiers of the land war" and now is the time to help them.

At the extraordinary age of 91 years died Mr Nicholas Lambers, of Boxboro on Oct 9. He was a member of a well known Wexford family. On Wednesday morning the funeral left Roxboro for the Church of the Assumption, where the Requiem Office and High Mass was celebrated The interment took place in St Michael's Seminary Fay'be, the funeral cortege being extremely large.

WICKLOW

Mrs. Reilly, of Glenmore, Blessington, died in the Hospice for the Dying, Harold's Cross, Dublin, Oct. 12. The funeral to Manor Kilbride was numerously attended.

For some time the firm of Kynoch Limited, Birmingham and Arklow, who annually use a considerable quantity of paper in connection with the manufacture of cartridges, have had under consideration the project of establishing a paper factory, solely under the control of the firm The chairman of the company, Mr Arthur Chamberlain, brother of the now notorious Secretary for the Colonies, took a look around the locality with the object of ascertaining if a suitable spot could be obtained for the erection of works of this description. Among the places visited was a mill which is situated quite close to the explosive works, but it is feared that the water power available would not be sufficient for the requirements of a factory of any magnitude No decision has as yet been arrived at.

MUNSTER

CLARE.

The death of Mr. Michael Madigan, merchant, Kilrush, happened on Oct. 6. On Oct. 8 the interment took place after a Requiem Mass The funeral cortege extended at least three miles. All the different public bodies in Kilrush were officially represented.

What promises to be a successful branch of the Gaelic League was started in Lirdoonvarana on Oct. 8. The large square was packed, contingents coming from Roadford, Ballyvaughan, Rathmaghera, Fanore, Ennistymon and Carron. On the motion of Mr. Daniel O'Loughlin, seconded by Mr. Thomas Byrne, the chair was taken by Rev. W. Cassidy, C. C., who held the audiencce spellbound for three-quarters of an hour. He dwelt on the work of the Gaelic League, that of restoring our language to its place among the nations of the world. If Irish is lost, then Ireland as a nation will die; but while there is one word of the language spoken, England cannot say that we are conquered. "No language no nation" should be the motto of every Irishman. Why should we not love and cherish the tongue of our saints and sages? The tongue of heroes and martyrs, of poets and warriors. Rev. John Carr said this work of the Gaelic League had his hearty support. We ought to bear in mind that Irish was the tongue in which St. Patrick spoke to our ancestors and gave the light of the Christian religion. Daniel O'Loughlin, one of the most popular men in Clare, next spoke in Irish and made a deep impression on those present.

CORK.

Mr. John Joseph Crowley, of the Presentation Brothers Schools, Kinsale, at the recent civil service examination in Manchester, secured the third place out of twenty-seven offered for competition.

Thomas Cashman, of Blackrock, fireman on the hopper dredger No. 2, belonging to the Cork Harbor Board, fell overboard at the Admiralty pier at Queenstown Oct. 10, and was drowned.

Mr. Denis Doyle, vice-president of the Youghal branch of the Gaelic League, accompanied by the Rev. Richard Farrell, visited the National Schools at Gurtroe, near Youghal, lately to distribute prizes to the pupils for speaking Irish. They were received by Mr. R. Purcell, teacher of the boy's school, and his assistant, Mr. Millerick and by the Misses Pyne, teachers of the girls' schools, while the pupils welcomed them with loud applause.

The annual general meeting of the members of the Cork Gaelic League was held Oct. 11, in the rooms, 41 Great George's street. There was a good attendance, a large proportion of the assemblage comprising ladies.

A Notable Centenary in Cork.—British misrule in Ireland is full of incidents like the flogging of priests and hanging of innocent men, but it is gratifying to know that the "memory of the dead" will live in the hearts of every Irishman, woman and child, and in rebel Cork particularly. The Dublin Freeman of Oct. 14 says: "A hundred years ago the Rev. Peter O'Neill parish priest of Ballymaccoda, near Youghal, County Cork, was flogged in the town of Youghal. His offense was his refusal to give information which would incriminate some of his parishioners, and he was treated as a common malefactor for obeying the dictates of his conscience. The incident is one of those that have made Youghal a historic town. Another is the hanging of two United Irishman, named Charles O'Brien and Charles Gallagher, from the Clork Gate, which still exsits in the ancient town And we are glad to say that steps are being taken to commemorate properly both episodes. As was observed by the patriotic Very Rev. Dean Keller who presided at the preliminary meeting held with this object, events like that of the scourging of Father Peter O'Neill are part of the historical life of the country. They cannot and should not be ignored, so a memorial to the honor of Father O'Neill and a tablet on the Clock Gate in Youghal Town will remind generations that in the old days the gentle and the good suffered tortures of martyrdom for the sake of Irish liberty."

A Feis was held in Inchigeela recently and it was a great success. Rev. Father Hurley, pastor, and his assistant Father O'Driscoll, helped to make it so. The opening competition for singing gave the judges enough to do to come to a decision Competitors, male and female, were well above the average standard At a concert an excellent programme was gone through.

Recent deaths in Cork.

COTTER—Oct. 10, at Charleville place, St. Luke's, Kate Cotter, daughter of Mrs. Sullivan, Ashburton.

FLYNN—On Oct. 10, at North Infirmary, Mary Flynn, sister of Nora O'Leary, 19 Tower street.

JORDAN—On Oct. 10, at 22 Parade, Elizabeth Jordan.

BARRY—At Mayfield, John Barry late of Passage road.

NAGLE—Oct. 11, at Lackanamona, Mallow, Ellen Nagle, aged 96 years.

HARTY—Oct 12, at North Infirmary, John B. Harty, aged 31 years, of Gillabbey, street.

MARTIN—At 89 York street, Blackpool, Margaret Mary (Maggie) Martin.

M'CARTHY—Oct. 12, at Scartbarry, Mary McCarthy.

CASEY—Oct. 13, at Mitchelstown, Julia Mary Casey.

BARRY—On Oct. 10, at Killavullen, Anne Mary Barry, Monanimny Castle.

DALTON—Oct 6, at Cardiff, Gerald Dalton of 63 Grand Parade, Cork.

O'MARA—Oct. 6, Mary O'Mara, late of Friar's Walk.

O'CONNELL—At Lackandarra, Glounlane, on Sept. 29, Nora, wife of Patrick O'Connell.

CARROLL—On Sept 22, at St. Joseph's Convent, Bristol, Mary (in religion Sister Frances Joseph), the dearly beloved daughter of John Carroll, Crookstown.

LYONS—Sept. 29, at Friar's Walk, Lucy Lyons, aged 74

LYNCH—Oct. 5, at Upper Glasheen, Mary Lynch.

MURPHY—Oct. 5, Jeremiah Murphy, Sr., of Gurrane, Donoughmore, aged 80

MULLINS—Oct. 6, at 89 South Mall, Thomas Mullins.

M'CARTHY—On Oct. 6, Mrs. McCarthy, 62 South Main street.

ALLEN—Oct. 6, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Wellington road, Amy Allen.

MURPHY—On Oct. 9, Elizabeth Maggie (Bob) Murphy of 23 Parnell place, Cork.

KERRY.

Miss Sille Slattery, of Rae, Killflynn, died Oct. 11, aged 21 years, deeply and widely regretted. Interment was in Ardfelt, funeral being very largely attended.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Edward Fitzgerald, of Caherina, Tralee, which took place Oct. 11 at the Fever Hospital, Tralee, at the age of fifty-seven.

Very Rev. S. Kelly, of the Dominican order, Sligo, lately conducted a mission in the Church of the Holy Cross, Tralee, which was very successful.

Very Rev. Canon O'Riordan, Cahersiveen, was highly successful in his collection for the O'Connell Church in Tralee during past week.

We regret to chronicle the death of Miss Norah O'Sullivan, eldest daughter of Mr. John O'Sullivan, Leith, Tralee, which took place on Sunday, Oct. 8, to the grief of her parents, at the early age of nineteen. The funeral took place at Rath and the immense cortege which followed the remains bore striking testimony to the esteem entertained for deceased and members of her family.

LIMERICK.

The police in Limerick County were very busy last week in tearing down posters which advised the Irish not to enlist in the British Army to fight against the patriots of the South African Republic.

TIPPERARY.

The annual entertainment given by Mrs. Prendergast, Ardfinnan Castle, to the children attending the Ardfinnan National Schools, came of on Oct. 7. The day was beautifully fine. The schoolroom was tastefully arranged for the occasion.

On Oct 8, a very successful meeting, under the auspices of the United Irish League was held at Ballyporeen.

WATERFORD

Mr. William Flavin, of Cappoquin, has left for South Africa for the benefit of his health, it is said.

A new house for the lifeboat has been erected in Tramore.

The Green Flag will, it appears, be hoisted over the Town Hall of Dungravan and Council Chambers of the Urban District Council. A green flag has been ordered 7½ feet by 3 feet. The flagstaff will be 20 feet high. The resolution to float the national banner was moved by the Chairman of the Urban District Council and seconded by the Chairman of the County Council.

The death of Mr. Michael Downey occurred Oct. 13 in Waterford City, at the great age of 94 years.

A meeting of the St. Declan's branch of the Gaelic League was held in the Sacristy of St. Declan' church, Ardmore, Oct. 8. Rev. J. Walsh, presided.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM

Daniel McGrogan, in charge of the steamboat Crean, at Ballycastle, somehow fell off the pier into the water on the night of Oct. 5, and was drowned.

On Oct. 7 the remains of Mr. Henry Torney, North Boundary street, whose death is mourned by a wide circle of friends, were removed for interment in the chapel yard of Kilclief, County Down. His death occurred on Oct 5, at the age of 55 years.

ARMAGH.

The ladies or Ardee, in County Louth, recently held a meeting in the Convent of Mercy to promote the success of the bazaar for the Armagh Cathedral Fund. The districts of Ardee, Collon and Tallonstown were well represented, and good sums of money were subscribed; also many valuable prizes were given toward the bazaar.

The Armagh Urban District Council are with the Boers. Mr. Hughes handed in the following notice of motion for nevt meeting. "That the Council desires to place on record its emphatic protest against action of the British government in the Transvaal, and also wishes to express its heartfelt sympathy with President Kruger in the gallant stand he is making in the defense of his country."

The quarterly meeting of the members of the Armagh Catholic Reading room was held lately, Rev. John Quinn, administrator (president), in the chair. Among those present were Rev. Michael Quinn, Rev. Father Brady, Rev. Father Loughran, E. I., and Rev. John McLaughlin. The statement of accounts was passed. A substantial credit stands to the credit of the institution.

CAVAN.

According to the census taken in 1841 the population of County Cavan was 243,158, but at last census the population was only 111,917, less than half the number in 1841. This is a sample of how Ireland and the Irish people have prospered and are prospering under British rule.

DERRY

The blight of British rule fell upon the pampered districts, where the adherents of the "immortal William" live. Derry County in 1841 counted a population of 222,174; but instead of increasing it has decreased very considerable. When the census was taken in 1891 the population was only 152,000.

On October 15, Hugh Fullerton, of Donaghadee, was drowned at the quay. It appears that about 8 o'clock Fullerton and another sailor, Thomas Cassidy, Silvergrove street, Belfast, both of the steamer Brentwood, Sunderland, had a dispute on deck. It is stated that they got holds and struggling toward the side of the vessel, where the railings were removed for the purpose of discharging. The men fell into the water. Cassidy got ashore, but Fullerton was drowned. Cassidy was arrested.

DONEGAL.

A dastarly act of vandalism was perpetrated on the beautiful Church of St. Baithin, St. Johnston, when a large cross, on the highest point of the building, was wantonly damaged.

Cardinal Logue visited Burtonport on Oct. 15, and was accorded an enthusiastic welcome. Addresses were presented to him. That by the priests and people of Templecrone was in english; that read by Mr. Anthony Doherty, National Cruit Teacher of Cruit Island, was in Irish. The Cardinal replied in the Irish tongue.

DOWN.

Michael Lambe of Cloughrea, accidentally walked into the canal and was drowned of Oct. 4.

FERMANAGH.

A serious accident happened to Mr. E. M. Archdale, M. P., of North Fermanagh. While riding home to Castle Archdale lately, his horse stumbled and fell. Rising, it dragged Mr. Archdale some distance seriously injuring his knee.

MONAGHAN.

A special meeting of the Clones District Council was held lately to consider representations under the Laborers' acts for the erection of suitable ccottages in the Union.

TYRONE.

Patrick O'Brien, horse trainer, of Dungrannon, fell over the parapet of the railway bridge in Scotch street, recently, and was seriously injured.

Mrs. Margaret Kilpatrick, who lived near Stewartstown, died on Oct. 8, at the age of 101 years.

The banana peel has contributed much toward making the law of gravity unpopular.

There is a time for everything, but the cheap watch seldom indicates it.

We can all do some good, if we will.