

OUR IRISH LETTER

NEW FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

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

GALWAY.

A fire occurred in Galway city recently which completely destroyed the premises in the occupation of Mr. Nicholas Reardon, Shop street, and those in the occupation of Mr. King. The loss is very considerable. How the fire originated is not known.

The death of Mr. William Flinn, River street, Ballinasloe, occurred on March 21, at the age of 60 years, and caused great regret in the district. The interment was in the Old Cemetery, Creagh; funeral very large. Father Bowes, Rev. D. Coghlan, Aughrim; Rev. J. Pegley, Moore; Rev. Father Flynn, Father Joyce and Dr. Howley, officiated. Though of a quiet disposition, he was a staunch Nationalist of an advanced type. He was for many years a member of the Town Board. He was an esteemed friend of the late Mr. Harris, M. P., the late Mr. Kilroe, Mr. Kilmartin, Mr. Reddy and all of the members of the "Old Guard."

LEITRIM.

The members of the Kiltubridé branch of the United Irish League, are doing splendid work for the Irish cause in extending its influence, and sending financial support to the Central Committee. When landlordism shall be crushed these men will feel proud of their share in the good work. Mr. Thomas Gallagher, J. Rutledge, P. Reynolds, T. Geoghegan, J. O'Neill, P. Early, M. Cullen, J. Cunningham, M. Cunningham, P. Shanley, J. Harvey, T. McManus, H. McGlen, E. Malvey, J. Brobin, T. Keane, W. Carroll, M. Keegan, M. Carter, secretary.

MAYO.

The relatives and friends of Mrs. Maria Lennon, Bridge street, Westport, will regret to learn that she died on March 27, at the age of 84 years, deeply regretted. Most Rev. Dr. McEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, lately visited Westport and presided at the Conference of the Clergy of the district. Very Rev. Canon Greally, Newport, was also present and assisted the Archbishop.

The death of Mr. James Faulkner occurred March 9, at Grove House, Castlebar, aged 34 years. At the Requiem High Mass: Rev. P. Lyons, celebrant; Rev. J. O'Malley, deacon; Rev. P. McLoughlin, sub-deacon; Rev. P. O'Flaherty, master of ceremonies. The funeral to Old Church Cemetery was numerously attended.

Contempt for the Dublin Flunkies.—At the meeting of the Ballinrobe Board of Guardians, Mr. John Donnelly, presiding, Mr. Peter F. Regan said he wished to propose the following resolution: "Resolved, That we, the members of the Ballinrobe Board of Guardians and District Council take this, the earliest opportunity, of placing on record our contempt for the slavish action of the so-called Nationalist members of the Dublin Corporation who voted for and carried that a loyal address be presented to England's Queen on her coming visit to Ireland for recruiting purposes." Mr. Flannery seconded the motion and it was enthusiastically adopted.

ROSCOMMON.

A meeting of the members of the South Roscommon Executive Committee of the United Irish League was held in Juncy's hotel, Roscommon, March 31. The Rev. M. J. Conry, vice-president to the Executive, presided. Much important business was transacted. The secretary announced that he had written to forty-seven graziers, who held land under the eleven months' system.

On March 18, Mrs. Margaret McDruiry, of Elphin street, Boyle, died, at the fine old age of 80 years. Solemn Requiem services were held in St. Joseph's church, and were very numerously attended. The funeral cortege, which accompanied the remains to Kiltaraght Cemetery was long and representative of all the inhabitants.

SILIGO.

Cutting down the Union Jack.—On April 4, Mr. P. A. McHugh, M. P., Mayor of Siligo, cut down a Union Jack floating from the Siligo Harbor Commissioners' Office in honor of the Queen's visit. At the meeting of the Harbor Commissioners, held subsequently, Mr. Arthur Jackson protested against the action of the Mayor in cutting down the Union Jack (who presided), said he was prepared to take the responsibility for his action, and those who objected could take what steps they liked.

Another instance of how Ireland is losing her children in the service of the nation that has robbed and exploited and murdered the Irish race: Mr. Michael J. McManus of the Inland Revenue, Long Eaton, has just been promoted to the position of Supervisor, Mr. McManus is a Collooney man, and his many friends there wish to offer him their congratulations. He is also a brother-in-law to Mr. John Lang, N. T. Rosses Point.

Lately several Irishmen who are clothed in the livery of their and their fellow countrymen's oppressor—England—have arrived in the district of Ballinacorney from the scene of the war in South Africa. Needless to say they are wounded. Britain has no use for them just now; if she had they would not be hobbling around the country. One of the latest is Private Mulligan, of the Connaught Rangers, whose relatives live at Emlynaughton. He was wounded twice in the right arm and the left leg at the Tugela, where he was wounded in one of the attempts to cross the river. His arm and hand were swollen, but it is expected that they will recover their usual power, and then he will have to face the music of the Boer bullets, once again, risk his life for Ireland's oppressor.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN. REILLY—April 3, 94 North King street, Catherine. CARROLL—At 4 Erne place, Lower, near Great Brunswick street, Paul Carroll, March 17, 1900. MORAN—At 21 Leland place, Sarah Moran, of Kilsnash, Finglas. LANGAN—March 18, at the Mater Misericordia Hospital, Christopher Langan, 10 Emerald street. MONNOLLY—April 1, at the Richmond Hospital, John Monnelly, of 16 Rosse street, North Circular road, Dublin, late of Newport, County Mayo, aged 29 years. ROWE—At 4 Berkeley road, William Rowe, on Saturday, March 17. TOOLE—On March 17, at 7 Ward's Hill, Michael Toole. KEENA—Monday, March 26, Thomas Keena, Municipal Buildings, Cork Hill, aged 15 years. DONOHUE—At Mounttown, Kings-town, Margaret Donohue, Silvermeads, County Tipperary. EGAN—April 4, at 60 Manor street, Dublin, James Egan, late of Brownstown, Loughmore, County Tipperary, aged 2 1/2 years. MURPHY—March 18, Mary Anne Murphy, 3 Britain street. O'BRIEN—April 1, at 42 Lower Donnell street, Garrett O'Brien, father of the Rev. Joseph O'Brien, of St. Mary's College, U. S. A.

of green, and under the command of their president, Mr. Domk. Henry, presented a great spectacle at the recent United Irish League meeting. Large contingents followed the band, which was heartily welcomed and generously received by the Achonry Nationalists. On the motion of Mr. D. Henry, seconded by Mr. T. Moran, the chair was taken amid cheers by Mr. P. Cannon. The chairman opened the meeting in an eloquent speech marked by sound commonsense and patriotism. The Rev. P. J. O'Grady then came forward and in an eloquent and well chosen speech complimented the people for their enthusiasm and unity. Mr. Henry, D. C., then proposed the following resolution, seconded by Mr. W. Gormally, and passed unanimously: "I. Resolved, That we hereby give of the graziers of the united parishes of Achonry and Mullinahona a final six months' notice to make preparation for giving up unservedly next November the grazing farms now stocked by them." "2. That we warn the landlords of the parish that if they do not sell the grazing farms to their tenants we will adopt every means in our power to carry out, in spite of all opposition, our own ends and the provisions of the United Irish League." "3. That we are resolved, if a fight be forced, to carry out to the bitter end the above resolutions, and to build around our opponents a wall of fire." "4. That we look upon the visit of the Queen as one of the foolish acts of Her Majesty's old age, and Irishmen should not give it notice."—Neil O'Donnell, Secretary.

MULVANY—At Base Hospital, Pleinmaritzburg March 14 of dysentery, Augustine F. Mulvany, Color Sergeant 1st Battalion Dublin Fusiliers, son of William and Johanna Mulvany, of 5 Digges street, City. CAHILL—James Cahill (late of 53 St. Patrick's road, Drumcondra), who died at the Sacred Heart Home, M. d. diesbro', England, on April 2. CASEY—John Casey, 42 Cook street, Dublin, April 4. FULLAM—April 2, at 35 Innisfallen parade, N. C. road, Eliza Fullam, aged 81 years.

KILDARE. The death of Mrs. Bailey happened at Rahinstown, Enfield, April 1. The interment was in Cloncurry, and was numerously attended.

KILKENNY. This county is among the foremost in the grand struggle of "the land for the people." Numerous branches of the United Irish League are being founded all over the county. The men of Silverton, Moonstown, Kilmacoy, Mullinahav and other districts, ever identified with the fight against felonious landlordism, are again bucking their former and the landowners are dreading the new and vigorous assaults directed against the bulwarks of British misrule.

KINGS. Mr. Richard Fitz-William Barry of Burr has been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for Cork. Died—At Kilmallick, Clara, April 5, Michael Daly, aged 45.

LONGFORD. The men of the Drumard branch of the United Irish League have subscribed a substantial sum to the central fund to continue the good work of securing for the farmers full and undisputed titles to the soil of Ireland, a title that they and their forefathers have purchased by their rents paid to their landlords during centuries.

CARLOW. Rt. Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, celebrated Mass in the Cathedral, Carlow, March 31, at which he conferred the Holy Orders of Deaconship and Sub-deaconship on the following Deacons: Rev. Barnaby Cantillon, San Francisco, Rev. Thomas Mullins, Goulburn; Rev. John O'Brien, Wexford; Rev. Denis Leary, Christ Church; Rev. Martin Connon, San Francisco; Rev. Nicholas O'Donnell, Ferns. Sub-deacons: Rev. Matthew Donovan, Pittsburg; Rev. Michael Reidy, Perth. Rev. James O'Connor, Christ Church. The death of Mr. Martin Doyle, Rathlyn House, Tullow, occurred April 3, at the age of 90 years. Office and High Mass were celebrated in the church, Tullow. The Rev. W. Byrne, Clonmore, presided.

DUBLIN. On March 25, the students of the Irish College in Rome gave a concert in the Kirby Memorial Hall in honor of the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, and the Right Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe. The programme consisted of vocal and instrumental music rendered admirably by the students. Mr. Michael Gallagher, a student from Donegal, delivered an address in the Irish language. To fight and die in the effort to subjugate a free people in the interest of Britain, the impacable enemy of their race and their country, it is horrible! Dominion Line Company's steamship Vancouver, arrived at Queenstown April 4, having 32 officers and 723 men of the 1st Battalion of the Leinster Regiment, stationed at Halifax for the past two years. She had 80 women and 120 children, wives and children of the soldiers. She called at Queenstown to land 41 women and 63 children, who desired to remain in Ireland. Think of Irishmen—and principally Irish Catholics—who do these great services for England that ruined and destroyed their fellow countrymen's homes, and slaughtered men, women and babes in millions by fire, sword and famine.

The first issue of "St. Patrick's," Mr. O'Brien's new weekly, made its appearance on the National Festival, and if its future contents are up to the standard of the first number, the success of the publication is assured. The first issue contains the opening chapters of the old tongue has a special department of itself, and an ably-written article appears in Irish and English on the Gaelic revival. A stirring poem by C. Quinn—"The Ballad of the Irish Race"—is one of the attractive features of the new weekly. Ireland is flooded each week with tons upon tons of the abominable stuff issued in London. It is said that the literary taste of the Irish people should be destroyed by being molded on British lines. The Irish, and in particular the youths of Ireland, should read only the pure and truly national publications like the one here mentioned.

LOUTH. Died—March 28, drowned off the coast of Valparaiso, George Henry, mate of the Iredale, third son of Dr. L. W. Adrian, Drogheda.

MEATH. Rev. P. Farrell, professor, the Seminary, recently delivered a most instructive lecture on astronomy in the hall of the Young Men's Society, Navan. There was a fine audience. On the platform were Rev. D. Flynn, who presided; William Curry, James Sheridan, James Flanagan, P. Mangin, J. Quinn and P. Daly.

QUEENS. The death of Miss May Morrissey, De Vici Arms Hotel, Abbeyfeix, occurred on April 3, aged 20 years. Office and High Mass were held in the local church and were numerously attended.

WESTMEATH. John Smith, basketmaker, Mullingar, was accidentally killed March 29, on the railway near Oldcastle, County Meath.

At the County Quarter Sessions, held in Meath recently, Rev. Dermot Cole, pastor, Killeegan, sued for and obtained from Mr. Edward Rowe, Meadow Park, formerly National school teacher in the district, possession of the National school and the house erected for the teacher. For some reason the members of the Board of National Education dismissed Mr. Rowe, but he held possession. The fact is he was not dismissed by Father Cole, the local manager. On the contrary, Father Cole always declared he was entirely pleased with the teacher. This is hard on Mr. Rowe.

WEXFORD. Mr. William O'Brien, editor of the Irish People and leader of the fight for "the land for the people," so nobly being fought by the United Irish League, has given \$50 to the Coolroo Tenants' Fund. Mrs. O'Brien gave \$25.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, has made these changes: Very Rev. John L. Furlong, D. D., V. F., Gorey, to be Arch-deacon of Ferns. Rev. John F. Doyle, P. P. Glynn, and Rev. Andrew Kavanagh, P. P., Sutton's parish, to the vacant stalls in the Cathedral Chapter.

On March 31, Rt. Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, assisted by the college clergy, conferred orders on the first students wholly prepared for the priesthood in St. Peter's College. Rev. James Kavanagh, parish priest of Craanford, died April 4, deeply regretted by his people. He was born in 1823 in the district where he died, and wherein he had zealously fulfilled his mission during the past twenty years. Father Kavanagh pursued his early studies in St. Peter's College, Wexford and was prepared for the sacred ministry in Maynooth. He was curate in Riverchapel for many years, afterwards in Barnwood, and crossed back from there he was promoted to the pastorate of the parishes of Craanford and the late lamented Father Marshfield of Ferns. Father Kavanagh belonged to the ancient Clan Kavanagh in North Wexford, who derive their name from Kicavan, and who, notwithstanding all their sufferings and adversities, could not be routed from their native soil or robbed of the faith.

A Tale of Heron.—A young man named Tierney, from Bannow, was recently swept out to sea in a boat. Martin Fortune, a Sligo fisherman, discovered an object in the distance like a small boat. He drew the attention of his comrades, and Laurence Moran, Nicholas Fortune, Peter Moran, Christopher Bird and Michael Fortune took to the boat and put to sea. There was a heavy swell, and it was with extreme difficulty the brave fellows could make headway. After several hours' labor they succeeded in getting near enough to the object to find that the boat contained a solitary man. With a desperate struggle they at last got close enough to take the unfortunate man, Tierney into their boat, who was almost dead having been tossing about the sea for nineteen hours. Owing to the terrible swell Tierney's boat had to be abandoned, as they took the boat with them all their time to keep their feet. A strong breeze was blowing, and the sea getting rougher every moment. For a time many on shore felt that they too would be swept out to sea. The five men had to pull and to struggle for hours before they were out of danger, and for a time they had given up the fight owing to exhaustion and to make matters worse their craft was not a reliable one. Courage and perseverance triumphed, and after many weary anxious hours they reached safely. Tierney was immediately attended to in the house of Laurence Moran, and was able to return to Bannow after a few days. It is hoped that substantial results will be won whose duty it is to reward such conduct of these men that of the redoubtable killings of England whose conduct in hiring the Boer Queen Victoria says, she went to Ireland to reward.

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WICKLOW. Showers of hail—William Fennell, wrote from Free Camp, South Africa, to his brother, Michael, Balashura, Blessington, and in part of his letter said: "I suppose you heard of the battle of Colenso. The British lost heavily. It was the worst that has ever been known. The bullets fell like showers of hail amongst us. There were a couple of chapmen from Naas Killed, including Patsy Dewey, and several other wounded could not get their names. Thank God I had some one's good prayer. Mick McGivern has not been to the front yet." It will not be the fault of the British War Department if all the Irish be not killed, they are always put in the hottest part of the war. They have no business in the British army anyhow, and ought to desert on first chance.

We regret to record the death of Mother Ursula, at an advanced age in the Convent of Wicklow. Very many years ago a small number of nuns left the parent house Glasnevin to establish a branch in Kingstown. Mother Ursula was guardian in this new enterprise. Well and faithfully did she accomplish her task as the flourishing convent shows. Mother Ursula's name became a household word in the district. Numbers flocked to her for advice and guidance, and the popularity of the schools attached to the convent bear ample testimony to her love and zeal for children. Later on it was decided to establish a branch in Wicklow and Mother Ursula undertook the task. As in Kingstown, so in Wicklow—the little children were the dearest object of her heart. She provided an education for them second to none. Such were the veneration and love of the people for her that in their trials and difficulties Mother Ursula's advice was the first they sought. Mother Ursula came of an ancient and honored family that gave to the Church many zealous clergy and several devoted nuns. Her family name was Maber, and she was a near relative to the late Cardinal Cullen. Her whole life was devoted to the service of the Lord. The Office for the repose of her soul was held in the Dominican Convent, Wicklow, on March 20.

MUNSTER. CLARE. The death of Mr. Michael Sullivan, postmaster, occurred at Corofin, March 11, in the sixteenth year of his age. After office and High Mass the interment was in Killyvokane. Funeral was very numerously attended.

An influential meeting of the farmers of the Dunaba district was held recently to establish a creamery. Present: Father Glynn, Carrigrohilly; Francis Casey, M. McMahon, D. Croft, M. Keane, J. Scallan, J. Qualey, P. Roche, T. Harvey, Father Glynn spoke in favor of the project, and the milk of 1,000 cows was promised.

CORK. The death of Mr. Buckley Daly, chairman of the Kantuck Board of Guardians, happened on March 28. The sad event was deeply and widely deplored.

The first Ecclesiastical Conference of the year for the Deanery of Middleton was held in the Middleton new Church of Our Lady of the Rosary on April 1. Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Cloyne, presided.

On March 25 men of Castlemaign assembled after last Mass to establish a branch of the United Irish League. Castlemagner will have one of the sturdiest branches in North Cork.

Under the auspices of the Cork Young Ireland Society, a grand National Concert was held March 18, in 41 St. George street. The efforts of the society to do its part in cherishing and keeping alive the National spirit have met with success. Its members cherish an undying love for the old language, and the memories and traditions connected with it. The attendance showed that these efforts are appreciated.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK. O'CONNOR—On Jan 6, killed at Lady-smith, Jeremiah O' Connor, sergeant First Manchester Regiment, son of John O'Connor, 3 Union Quay, Cork. MAHONY—At 50 Evergreen street, April 1, Mrs. Bridget Mahony. BUCKLEY—On April 5, Ellen Buckley, Ballydoonee, aged 75 years. PHILPOT—At Lacklawn, Banteer, on April 6, Mary Philpot. O'LEARY—On April 5, at 4 Coal Quay, Ellen O'Leary. CROWLEY—On April 5, at Holly-

hill, Ballineen, Thomas Crowley, aged 75 years. SULLIVAN—April 2, J. Sullivan, Woodlawn, Sunday's. DELFA—On April 1, at Mananah, Anne Delea, Millenanig, Dunmahon. GOULD—On April 2, at 37 Great George street, Thomas Gould. MALONE—April 2, at Ballinacorney, Charlesville, Mary Malone. HEALY—April 1, at Carrigathow, Coachford, Jeremiah Healy. AMBROSE—On March 31, at Donoughmore, John Ambrose. CAVANAGH—On April 1, Patrick Cavanagh, 44 Boyces street. O'Riain—March 31, Patrick Cronin. HEALY—On April 1, at Ballymeane, Donerailly, Katty Healy. HILL—On April 2, at 10 Patrick street, Menrietta Jane Hill. PENNY—On April 3, at Ballintemple, Mary Penny. BLAIR—At Eglantine, Montevideo, April 4, John Blair, pharmaceutical agent, aged 66 years. O'SULLIVAN—At Clonnel, on April 3, Mary Anne O'Sullivan, daughter of John Murphy, of Clomlogane Farm, Mill street. O'CONNELL—April 4, at No. 22 Douglas street, Michael O'Connell, at an advanced age. FORREST—On March 19, at Blarney, Maria Forrest.

KERRY. On April 4, a cowhouse thirteen ft. by a large quantity of hay and straw were burned at the residence of Mr. William Warden, near Skew. The contents on the Derrigun estate will not be by this fire. Mr. G. O'Gorman, County Solicitor, presided at recent meeting of the Nationalists in Ballyhar to found a branch of the United Irish League. The funeral of Dr. P. H. Moriarty, medical officer, Ballylongford, took place April 3. High Mass was celebrated in Ballylongford, attended by large numbers. The cortege started soon after for the family burial place in the Listowel Cemetery, and was the largest and most representative character. From all parts of North Kerry friends assembled to pay a last tribute of respect to the deceased.

LIMERICK. The members of the "Croom Rural District Council, at meeting April 5, passed unanimously a resolution denouncing the British invasion of the Boer republics in South Africa. Councillor Moran has given notice of motion to confer the freedom of the City of Limerick on Mr. Egan, Sword Bearer of the City of Dublin's Civil Council, because he refused to officiate at the Queen's visit to Dublin. A meeting of the Limerick City Branch of the United Irish League was held April 5. Resolutions were adopted protesting against Mr. T. H. Cleve for using his position as High Sheriff to misrepresent the feelings of the citizens of Limerick in connection with the Queen's visit; also congratulating Mr. J. F. Egan, Sword Bearer to the Dublin Corporation, for refusing to participate in the show in Dublin in honor of the alien ruler, or rather misruler of Ireland.

At a recent meeting of the Kilmallock Board of Guardians, Dr. Sheehy moved the following resolution: "That as long as Queen Victoria is the embodiment of a regime and policy that has feloniously flouted the National Parliament, suppressed the trade and industry, and decimated the population of our country, we cannot accord her a reception and we condemn the action of the Bunkeys of Dublin Corporation in voting her an address under the circumstances."

TIPPERARY. The funeral of the late Mr. Lawrence Coughlin, William O'Brien street, Tipperary, took place April 3 at Kiltubane, and great numbers attended. The coffin was covered with the national flag of the town, and the "John O'Leary" Branch of the Foresters marched in regalia after the hearse. Next came the members of the Tipperary Club and the general public. The clergy present were: The Very Rev. Canon Cahill, Rev. James Ryan, Rev. D. Kiely, Rev. T. O'Meara, Rev. M. S. Ryan, Chaplain.

ARMAGH. An incident took place at the Armagh railway station on the departure of some men of the Royal Irish Fusiliers to Colchester, England. A gathering of Jingoists, loyalists and Boer sympathizers accompanied the men to the station. The loyalist portion of the crowd were amazed by one of the soldiers singing "God Save Ireland" for all he was worth. The refrain was enthusiastically taken up by the crowd, while the jingoists listened to the patriotic strains in moody silence. Heartily cheers were given for Kruger, Cronje and the Boers.

DERRY. The land cases recently heard in the northern countries have not given satisfaction to the tenants. In vast number of cases the rents have been raised, and, consequently, the landlords are jubilant.

DONEGAL. M. Michael Gallagher, a student from Donegal in the Irish College, Rome, on March 25, delivered an oration in Irish in the Kirby Memorial Hall, Irish College, where the Irish in Rome gave an entertainment in honor of the visit of Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, and of Rt. Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe.

DOWN. The funeral of Miss E. J. Neeson, Milltown, Toombegree, at the cemetery of Moneyglass, was very representative. Widespread regret was expressed on all sides at her demise on March 6, at the early age of 21 years.

MONAGHAN. The death of Miss Margaret Tierney, daughter of Patrick Tierney, of Golden, Clones, and sister of Rev. C. Tierney, professor in St. Macartan's Seminary, Monaghan, happened March 25, to the great sorrow of her numerous relatives and friends. Funeral and Requiem services were numerously attended.

TRONK. On April 3, Cardinal Logue administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to two hundred children in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Cookstown. He also preached a most instructive sermon.

The members of the Armagh Urban District Council know what is due to their country, and how to treat an alien Queen who tries to fool the Irish people after a persistent and vindictive boycott of 39 years' duration. They refused to present an address of welcome to Victoria. These men have done honor to themselves and their city. It would have been good if all those who call themselves Irishmen had acted as they did.

ple: but when a man starts out to kiss other people he must take the consequences. The Irishman who fights and dies for England need expect little sympathy, least of all when in a war for robbery.

With regret, we chronicle the death of Mrs. Thos. Quealy, Ballinacush, sister of the late Very Rev. Peter Casey, Dungarvan, and to Rev. Michael Casep, P. P., of Killrossenty. Mrs. Quealy died on March 3. Her remains were conveyed to the Parochial church, Dungarvan, where Office and High Mass were offered up. Venerable Archdeacon Sheehy presided.

The Rev. P. Power on April 1 delivered an eloquent Irish sermon on "Death" in the Ring Church, Dungarvan, to a thoroughly Irish congregation. "The effect of an Irish sermon on an Irish speaking people is marvelous. There is something cold in an English sermon to an Irish speaking congregation. Not alone the words but the sound of an Irish sermon is captivating. What a noble inheritance to a noble people if they but cling tenaciously to it and part with life itself rather than lose it. But we live in strange and degenerate times, and I say our people in the future will yet rue the day and blame those who allowed their grand old tongue to die and vanish into thin air in their midst. Shame upon our heads. I say shame a thousand times if we do not fondle and clasp to our bosoms the sweet old tongue and endear and cherish it, and to insure every word of it sacredly and carefully, and hand it down to those yet unborn in the land of our fathers as a high, a noble and a priceless inheritance. There is divinity in all the labor. Work then! This is our Take care of the Irish language, and the English will take care of it. Soon I hope to see it spoken and taught in our schools, and God knows it is time. But, oh, for the touch of a blessed hand. Poor Father O'Growley is no more, lying far away in the West in a clayey cell. You are well commended still. You have Dr. O'Leary in Erin, Dr. Henchery in Antrim, and Father Power, I am sure, will throw in his lot to help on the good cause. With such a triumvirate, with His Lordship (Dr. Sheehan) encouraging and exhorting his clergy, the cause of the language is assured."

ULSTER. ANTRIM. Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor, in the Pro-Cathedral, St. Peter's, Belfast, March 4, presided at Confirmation Mass celebrated by Rev. William McCourt, after which the Sacrament of Confirmation was administered by the Bishop, assisted by Rev. John Tobill, A. M., Rev. P. Darragh and Rev. A. Tully. Before administering the Sacrament the Bishop delivered a practical instruction to 316 children of the grace which would be conferred upon them. The total abstinence pledge till the age of 21 was given to all confirmed.

Most Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor, administered the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Patrick's, Belfast, March 18. He presided at twelve o'clock Mass, celebrated by Rev. J. McKinley. An impressive sermon was preached by Father O'Donnell, C. S. S. R. The Sacrament of Confirmation was administered after Mass to 231 boys and girls from St. Patrick's district. The Bishop pointed out the nature of the Sacrament they were about to receive.

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