

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 Kingdom & Isle.

GALWAY.

The death of Mr. James Casey, of Streamstown, Clifden, occurred recently at the extraordinary age of 93 years. A solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in the Clifden Catholic Church on March 23, at which a large congregation attended. The Very Rev. P. Canon McAlpine, celebrant. Rev. Father Kelly, deacon; Rev. Father Brett, sub-deacon; and Rev. Father Lynch, master of ceremonies. Before the last Gospel after soliciting the prayers of the congregation, the Rev. Father Kelly made a touching allusion to the life and virtues of the deceased.

A committee meeting of the Tuam Branch of the Gaelic League was held April 3 in the Town Hall. Dr. T. H. Costello, vice-president in the chair. Other members present—J. J. Glynn, Tuam News; M. C. Shine, John Gannon, Tuam Herald; M. J. Browne, P. Flanagan, J. A. Glynn, solicitor, and M. O'Connell. The principal matter for discussion was the lecture, and general satisfaction was expressed when it was announced that Dr. Douglas Hyde had expressed his willingness to deliver a lecture in Tuam, in aid of the Irish Language Movement, which is making such rapid strides throughout the country.

LEITRIM.

Mr. J. P. McNiff presided at recent meeting of the members of Drumkeer in Branch of the United Irish League. The following resolutions were passed unanimously: "That we tender our best thanks to the Councilors of the Manorhamilton Rural District Council who by their dignified action in refusing a coal contract to an individual who has set the rules of our organization at defiance, have shown themselves worthy of the honor conferred upon them as Nationalist representatives, and we trust every toady or half-caste Nationalist will be dealt with similarly by the patriotic Councilors of this Union." "That we pledge our individual support to Mr. Peter Flynn in his praiseworthy enterprise of opening up some of the numerous coal fields in this locality."

MAYO.

The death of Rev. James Durcan, Parish Priest of Bandoor, Erris, on March 10, caused deep and widely spread sorrow. The solemn Office and High Mass were numerously attended as was the funeral.

Judge Dano was in excellent humor at Castlebar Quarter Sessions lately. Convicted cut-throats and thieves were let off with flying colors, in recognition of the bravery of their friends in South Africa. A delicate compliment to the Connaght Rangers truly.

On April 8 Mr. Peter Regan, D. C. organizer of the United Irish League was liberated from Castlebar jail. He was met at the prison gates by an enormous concourse of persons, headed by the Castlesbar, Ballyhane and Bready bands, who conveyed him to Castlebar. Large contingents arrived from Ballinrobe, Claremorris, Westport, The Neale, Cong and Kilmaleine etc., and a procession was formed, and accompanied by the three bands, started for Ballinrobe. All the villages to Castlebar sent contingents headed by banners, to join the procession. Bonfires were lit at Ballintubber, Ballyheane, Partree, where a triumphal arch spanned the road, and Ballinrobe, and Mr. Regan received a hearty welcome at these places. At Ballyhane Mr. Regan and Mr. Conroy addressed a very enthusiastic meeting, and on Mr. Regan's arrival in Ballinrobe he was greeted by thousands, and the procession, headed by the Castlesbar band, paraded the streets, and then proceeded to the Corn Market, where a meeting of over fifteen thousand persons was addressed.

ROSCOMMON.

Mrs. McDermott, of Borough View, Tuisk, formerly of Grange, Boyle, died recently at the extraordinary age of 102 years.

The death of Mr. James Carlos, Cloony-Carron, Stokestown, at the age of 80 years, occurred April 6. He belonged to a most respectable family being brother of the late Rev. Luke Carlos, Ballinaneem. The funeral, at Lisnaffry, was a sufficient testimony to the esteem in which deceased was held.

The members of the Breedogue Branch of the United Irish League held a meeting April 6. Messrs. Gordon and Connaughton, vice-president and treasurer, were in attendance. The following members of the committee were present: J. McGlynn, P. McGlynn, J. Brennan, C. Corr, D. C. Shanly, O. Beirne, M. Neely, J. Moran, C. Harrington, T. Noone, J. McDermott. We regret to observe the scant support which the movement is receiving from the Parliamentary party, and we suggest to Mr. Redmond and colleagues the necessity of appointing a contingent of earnest men to co-operate with Messrs. Davitt, O'Kelly and O'Brien, during the Easter recess, and spread the organization over the country. Michael Brennan and Pat Murray, secretaries.

SLIGO.

Among the recent deaths in the county were the following: April 9, at Ardagh House, Riverstown, Anne Hunter. On April 8, at Armstrong's Row, Sligo, Elizabeth Malone, aged 55 years; the funeral to Sligo Cemetery was largely attended. Rev. Father Martyn performed the funeral obsequies. At Carrareilly, April 4, Dominick O'Donnell, at the age of 76 years.

At the Sligo Borough Court on April 9, John Dunleavy and John Tiernan, respectable tradesmen, were charged by the Constabulary with being guilty of riotous and indecent behavior on the public street on the night of the arrival of the "Famine" Queen in Ireland. The court was crowded. The following magistrates were on the bench: Mr. May, Mr. J. M.

Hugh) presided. Dr. Loughhead, F. Higgins, H. O'Connor, P. McGuire, T. Keating, T. Scanlan, J. J. Keenan, F. B. Henr, R. M. Fras, Nelson, J. White and J. Graham. Mr. M. J. Howley, solicitor, appeared for the defendants. Sergt. Scallan, the complainant, stated that on the night of the 4th inst. a crowd, consisting of two hundred persons, came up Wine street. They were shouting, hooting and groaning. When the crowd was passing the barracks he recognized the defendant (Dunleavy) among the people, apparently as a ringleader. They passed up Wine street and halted at the County Club, where they hooted for some time. The cases were dismissed. These men were proving their love for Ireland, and what time could be more appropriate than when the "Famine" Queen raised her forty-year boycott off their country?

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

The members of the Gaelic League in Ballyvourney recently contributed a substantial sum to the funds of the Central Executive to help on the good cause.

The funeral of Mrs. Kinneola, Rathos, took place March 19. She died at the residence of her son Father John Kinneola, Edenderry, Kings County, aged 97 years. She was sister to Father Thomas Nolan of Abbeystead and of Father John Nolan of Kildare.

DUBLIN.

On April 10, in the Catholic Commercial Club hall, Dublin, an interesting lecture on "The City of the Popes" was delivered by Mr. P. J. O'Reilly. The lecture was illustrated by magnificent views Mr. Charles Dawson presided and there was a large and appreciative audience. The proceeds of the lecture will be devoted to the St. Vincent de Paul Society bazaar fund.

The members of the Naui branch of the Gaelic League held their meetings in the local school room on Sundays and Wednesdays. The members are making considerable progress. Those who commenced Book I are far advanced in Book II. The intermediate classes are working at Books III and IV, and the senior class on an Irish classic. At the conclusion of the class work on April 8 a committee meeting was held at which cards of membership were distributed, and Edward Malone, Beech Park, Balbriggan, was co-opted on the committee. Present: M. Ennis, D. C. J. Caul, A. Ward, J. J. Lehan, G. Ennis, etc.

The Dublin Corporation at recent meeting passed this resolution unanimously: "That we, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Dublin, desire that the Irish language be maintained and fostered as the national language of Ireland, and that it receive special attention from all grades of educationalists in this country. That all Irish schools should be left free to teach the Irish language as an original and natural part of Irish education within the usual school hours and that teachers in schools should not be made to suffer any official disability or discouragement whatsoever as a consequence of teaching Irish as an ordinary branch of education." It is humiliating to have to speak and act toward the native language of Ireland in this way in the capital of Ireland.

The meeting of the Sodality of the Sacred Thirst was held April 9 in the Father Mathew hall, Dublin. Very Rev. Father Nicholas, O. S. F. C. president in the chair. A crowded audience greeted Mr. R. D. Walsh, who delivered an interesting lecture on the Passion Play at Oberammergau, illustrating with charming limelight views. His exhibitions of the beautiful Marble Cross, representing the scene at Calvary, of the Agony in the Garden, parting of our Lord and His Blessed Mother, the Last Supper, the Crucifixion and the actors taking the parts of our Lord, the Blessed Virgin, Saint Peter, Saint John, Mary Magdalen, Judas, Caiaphas, Herod and Pilate were realistic.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.

BOURKE—April 10, at 14 York terrace, Pigeon House road, Kate Bourke, Ordinance department.

BUTTLER—April 10, Patrick Butler, 18 Drumcondra road, aged 66 years.

CASSIDY—At 52 James street, John Cassidy, at an advanced age.

MULVANY—At Pietermaritzburg, March 14, of dysentery, Augustine Mulvany, late color sergeant R. D. Puelliers, aged 31, eldest son of William and Johanna Mulvany, 5 Digges street.

O'REILLY—At 5 South Richmond street, Patrick O'Reilly, son of the late James O'Reilly, county Meath, and brother to the Rev. T. P. O'Reilly, M. R. St. Alphonsus, Glasgow, in the 60th year of his age.

WALSH—March 29, at 6 Greenville avenue, S. C. R., in his 86th year, William Walsh, member of the Regular and Amalgamated Carpenters, Dublin.

MAHON—On April 29, at Killarden Talaght, Michael Mahon, aged 78 years.

McDERMOTT—March 20, at Shandona, Margaret Mary McDermott.

QUINN—April 6, at 10 Belvedere road, Edward Quinn, late head master of the practicing schools attached to St. Patrick's Training College, Drumcondra.

HANLON—March 28, at 13 Mulgrave street, Kingstown, Catherine Hanlon.

DEEGAN—March 26, at St. Patrick's Home, Kilmalham, John Deegan.

COLCLOUGH—February 18, at Sydney, Australia, in the 69th year of his age, Thomas Colclough, late of Finsstown house, Lucan.

BYRNE—March 28, James Byrne, Knocknunc, Kilkullen, aged 70 years.

REILLY—April 3, at 94 North King street, Catherine Reilly.

SHEIL—March 24, at Mount Carmel Convent, Loughrea, Mother Mary Xavier Della, second eldest daughter of the late James Sheil, old Kilmalham.

KILDARE.

On St. Patrick's Day, at Main street, Monastereven, died Daniel O'Connell, sincerely and deeply regretted. The many friends of the family in the United States will regret to learn of his demise.

KINGS.

The new postmaster in Clougher is

Mr. Donnelly. For several years he was in the postoffice in Carlow, where he was very popular.

The death of Mrs. Margaret Dunne, of Charleville Parade, Tullamore, happened on March 12, to the deep regret of all her friends. The funeral to Durrrow cemetery was very numerously attended.

With difficulty a quorum of the King's County Council can be brought together. A special meeting of the Council was summoned lately. There were only a few members in attendance. This is the Tory landlord way of local government.

LONGFORD.

Mr. John O'Shaughnessy presided at a recent meeting of the members of the Ardagh branch of the United Irish League, when this resolution was unanimously adopted, proposed by Mr. Morgan Leane, seconded by Mr. John J. Gumane: "That we require our representatives in the District Council to attend next meeting for the purpose of making arrangements for the distribution of plots of land for the laborers' cottages, as it would confer a great boon on the laborers to have them tiled this spring." John Goulding, laborer, stated that he had no house and requested the branch to help him in his efforts to get one under the new law.

The members of the Drumh branch of the United Irish League are doing good work in the Irish cause. Mr. J. O'Neill presided at a recent meeting. A considerable amount of money was handed in. The following were appointed members of committee for their townlands: Haraghey—Bernard Molloy, Monaduff—John Molloy, Franks—Reilly, Lithergullion—Pat Reilly, P. Gunshinan Jr.

On March 27 a solemn requiem mass was celebrated in St. Mary's church for the repose of the soul of the late Rev. Eugene O'Reilly Granard. Celebrant, Rev. P. Newman, deacon, Rev. Father Reynolds, sub-deacon, Rev. E. Connelly, master of ceremonies, Rev. P. J. Manly. The chanters at the office were: The Rev. M. Corcoran and Rev. T. McGoey.

LOUTH.

Among recent deaths in Louth were the following: MANGAN—April 7, at James street, Patrick L. Mangan, interment in Ardrecht cemetery.

SHARKEY—April 5, at Drogheda street, Balbriggan, Rose Sharkey.

SMITH—April 10, at Whistletown, Oristown, Miss Kate Smith, daughter of the late Thomas and Anne Smith, Raffin, County Meath. Funeral took place to Robertstown, Kilbeg, County Meath, and was very largely attended.

The Tories and Unionists in Drogheda made a small display of loyalty when the Famine Queen visited Ireland April 4. A feeble effort to get up local enthusiasm was made but it failed miserably. The people of Drogheda had no interest in the Alien Queen. A fireworks display in honor of the event provided by public subscription was given from the Synagogue, the residence of the Right Hon. T. A. Dickson. Before the exhibition ended some persons on Donors' Green put up a Union Jack on fire. This was resented by loyalists who went to the rescue of the flag, but were roughly handled by the crowd.

MEATH.

On the Feast of the Annunciation Miss Margherita MacDermott, daughter of Mr. MacDermott, Preston Vale, Nether, made her vows in the Benedictine Convent, Milan, Italy taking the name of Madame Sainte Germaine. When a pupil of Loretto, Navan, she won the highest distinction in the different grades at the intermediate Examinations. For three years she continued her studies at the Benedictine Convent, Arras, France, where she won the coveted Prix de Sagesse.

The death recently of Mr. Michael Mulvaney, Navan, was deeply and widely regretted. On the morning of the Monday previous to his death he attended the lecture at the Mission given by the Vincentian Fathers in St. Mary's Cathedral and took ill in the church. He was removed to his home in Ludlow street, Office and High Mass were celebrated in the Cathedral for the repose of his soul by the Rev. F. Shaw. Present: Very Rev. M. Dooley, Father Walsh, C. M., Rev. D. Flynn, Adm.; Rev. T. Gliseman, Seminary; Rev. C. Murray, Seminary; Rev. P. Farrell, Seminary; Rev. S. E. Duffy, Seminary. The last prayers were recited by Father Farrell. Great numbers attended his funeral.

QUEENS.

On April 2, at Afoley, happened the death of Mr. Michael Dunne, Office and High Mass were in Cappard church, which were attended by many priests and parishioners. Three of his children are in religious life—Rev. David Henry Dunne, Sister M. Eustache, and Sister Guy de Agnes. Friends of the family in France, the United States and in Australia will learn of his demise with sorrow.

WESTMEATH.

The Nationalists in the county are founding branches of the United Irish League. In a short time the number will be very large. Westmeath has always been in the front rank in the fight for the nation's rights and the people's rights, and will not be absent from what may be the final struggle for "the land for the people."

WEXFORD.

The sale of the estate of Miss Scallan, Ballyvaloo, had been agreed upon at 19 years' purchase. The lands are situated at Ballyroe (Annesley), in the barony of Ballaghkennedy South. The purchase money will be 2,500 pounds. The tenants hold at a fair rent, and with regret they part with their landlord.

The remains of Janey Phillips, aged 57 years, of Garrybrann, were found in a marble hole, near her home, on April 8. There were only three feet of water in the hole. Solemn High Mass was celebrated at Oalert for the repose of her soul, at which there was a large attendance of clergy and laity.

Banniscorthy '98 Memorial.—The following appears in the Wexford People: "For some time past there has been increased energy on the part of the En-

thorship '98 Memorial Committee to further the object. Mr. Thomas O'Leary deserves great credit for this. A Gaelic tournament will soon come off and an effort will be made to secure a lecture from Rev. P. F. Kavanaugh, O. S. F., Limerick. Only those who have listened to the impassioned oratory of the learned historian of '98 can adequately conceive the great benefits which an audience derives from listening to him. His discourses in Wexford, Dublin, Cork and Clonmel were listened to by enormous crowds. The magnetism which his eloquence has upon his hearers is indescribable. As a speaker on Irish nationality and patriotism, Father Kavanaugh has no equal.

Great regret was felt when it became known, on April 8, that Sister Mary, of the Immaculate Conception, Good Shepherd Convent, Wexford had passed to her heavenly reward. Sister Mary of the Immaculate Conception was a Miss Hickey from Meyler's Park, and sister to Michael Hickey, Garrybrann and to Mr. John Hickey Park, and Mr. Patrick Hickey, Misternin. Deceased was 57 years of age.

WICKLOW.

An inquest was held by Mr. T. B. Dowle, coroner for the County Wicklow, on April 3, concerning the death of Mary Neill, found dead in her bed at Broomfield, near Kiltigan. Dr. A. J. McCann stated that death resulted from natural causes. Verdict accordingly.

At Ballyglass on April 6 John McCann, aged 15 years, was charged with having caused the death of Thomas Tully, aged 13, at Codrindra, near Ballyglass, by shooting him on the 30th of March last. After hearing evidence the accused was held for trial at coming assizes.

At a meeting of the Wicklow county council held in Wicklow April 7, a resolution endorsing the principles of the United Irish League and recommending the establishment of branches in every district in the county, was proposed by William Costello, seconded by C. Walsh, and passed. This will be an welcome news to grabbers.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Edward Donoghue O'Brien, fourteenth Baron Inchiquin, died April 8, at Dromoland Castle, near Ennis. He was born in 1829. His successor is the Hon. Lucius O'Brien. Another son of Lord Inchiquin, the Hon. Murrrough O'Brien, is serving in South Africa with the Northumberland Fusiliers, where he will have a chance to emulate the acts that made his name of former times famous—Murrrough of the Burgundy. It was from Dromoland that William Smith O'Brien went when he joined the Repeal Association.

With regret we chronicle the death on March 25, of Mr. P. Kelly, father of Rev. Michael Kelly, C. S., professor of Mary's College, Rathmines, and late professor in St. Mary's College, Port of Spain, Trinidad. The funeral cortege left for Tulla cemetery on Tuesday, and was large and representative, the cars extending over a mile in length. The funeral service was read by Rev. M. Kelly, assisted by Rev. Fathers Gavin and Lynch. His death will be read of with great regret by his many friends in the United States.

Mr. William K. H. Redmond, M. P., on April 9 was presented with an address by the members of the Ennis Irish Council. Mr. P. J. Linnane presided.

CORK.

The remains of Mr. Jeremiah Sheehan, aged 24 years, were found on the railway line near Blarney, April 12. He was working on the line and when the accident occurred was walking from Blarney. His home was in Ballinamona.

On April 12 the police in Bandon were informed that a tragic affair had happened near Ballineen. Sergeant Boyd proceeded to the spot and found the body of Paul Mahoney, about 23 years of age, lying on the road. On deceased person were found a purse containing a little money and a document showing that he was honorably discharged from the United States navy about a year and a half ago. He served in the Spanish-American war on the gunboat Lehigh.

Intelligence from Crookhaven April 11 gave details of a very sad boating disaster, in which five young lives were reported lost. Three young men named Reilly, Donovan and Nagle, with two sisters, named Nagle, crossed from Ballydevlin, near Goleen, to Crookhaven, in an open boat. The object was to bid some friends farewell, as the sisters Nagle were to sail for America in a few days. They left Crookhaven about 7 o'clock in the evening for home, and nothing further was heard of them until the boat was picked up by a Long Island crew, between Schull and Cape Clear with the dead bodies of Jeremiah Donovan and one of the sisters Nagle on board. The bodies were brought to Schull Coast Guard Station, where they were examined by Dr. Shipsey, but there is no trace of the other three. All belong to Ballydevlin, and the sad disaster cast a gloom over the district. Miss Nagle had only recently returned from the United States.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.

COLEMAN—April 9, at Knocknacorbally, Blarney, Daniel Coleman.

CORCORAN—On April 9, at Ballinveshig, Ballygarvan, Denis Corcoran, aged 72 years.

HENRY—April 9, at 3 Great Britain street, James Henry, late 7th Royal Fusiliers.

DRISCOLL—March 22, at Prohonus, Eugene Driscoll, aged 43.

O'SHEA—March 22, at River View house, Corlis, Skibbereen, Ellen (Nelle) O'Shea, daughter of the late Mr. Peter O'Driscoll, aged 33 years.

M'CARTHY—On March 22, at the Square, Bantry, John J. McCarthy, aged 20 years.

O'CONNOR—On March 20, at the residence of her son, Rev. C. S. O'Connor, Newton House, Charleville.

CORBETT—On April 8, at 11 Morrison's Island, Alice Corbett.

MURPHY—St. Ann's Terrace, off St. Mary's road, Patrick Murphy.

BUCKLEY—An April 7, at 87 Clarence street, Margaret Buckley.

CURTIN—On April 7, at 2 Mayfield, Robert Curtin.

HARRIS—On April 7, at Mountain View, Summer Hill, St. Luke's, Jane Harris, of Adelaide Lodge.

PHELAN—April 8, at 9 Grattan street, Mary Kate Phelan, of Adelaide street.

TRAVERS—At Farsid Villa, Rostellan, Robert Boyle Travers, aged 77, Rathmacullig.

DINNEEN—On April 9, at Ballymaw, Waterfall, Susan Dinneen.

DWYER—April 10, at 338 Blarney street, Daniel Dwyer.

O'SULLIVAN—On April 10, at 28 Church street, Cork, Denis O'Sullivan, aged 59 years.

KERRY.

Mr. Daniel Buckley, Cammeanboy, near Kenmare, died suddenly April 3. Deceased was conveying the remains of his father-in-law for interment at Kenmare when he fell on the ground and expired.

The death of Mrs. Walsh, draper, The Mall, Tralee, occurred March 9, and the sad event caused widespread regret in and around the town. The funeral to Urdfort was very numerous and attended. She leaves ten children to mourn their sore loss.

M. J. Ryan, a native of Tralee, wrote home lately from the Boer army. He is an "outlander," but went in, like a man, with the Boers. In his letter he said: "It was left for 10, 11 and 12 December to know what war really is—it is awful. I shall never forget it. I have always imagined war to be horrible, but so full of horror my wildest fancy never pictured it."

A branch of the United Irish League has been founded in Gneevogilla. A meeting was held on Sunday lately after last Mass. Mr. M. Casey presided. He dwelt on the great services rendered by the United Irish League and he urged on those present to support it firmly. Mr. David Moriarty also spoke eloquently on the good work done and being done by the league.

LIMERICK.

Mr. Spring-Rice, only son of Lord and Lady Mounteagle, died April 7 in London. Coming home from Australia he contracted typhoid fever, from which he died.

The annual convention of the Gaels of Limerick county and the city was held at the Commercial Hotel, Catherine street, Limerick, lately. Mr. D. S. Lyons presided. On the proposition of Mr. S. Hefferman, seconded by Mr. Landon, the outgoing chairman was unanimously re-elected. Mr. P. J. Hayes was re-elected secretary, with Mr. P. Meany as his assistant. Mr. J. F. Halvey was re-elected treasurer. County board—Messrs. P. Luby, M. Connell, S. Hefferman, P. Dwyane, M. O'Rourke, T. Camplon, C. Hayes, P. O'Reilly, P. Meany, P. Culbane, J. Murphy, J. J. Condon, T. Murnane, J. Reilly, and J. Mulqueen.

TIPPERARY.

On April 4 happened the death of Mr. Thomas Dwyer, of Curraghduff, at the fine old age of 85 years. The funeral to Drumbane cemetery was very numerous. His friends in the United States will learn of his death with deep regret.

During the last eighteen months more than twenty human skeletons have been discovered in a field owned by Mr. T. Sheehan, Tannersrath. They appear to be those of adults and were found buried at irregular intervals from one to twenty feet apart, and at one to four feet from the surface. Examination of the skulls show that they are 250 years old. This seems to connect them with Cromwell's army. It is believed that coming from Kilkenny he camped here prior to appearing before Clonmel.

The death of Mr. John Mullany, day the remains were removed for interment, occurred on March 24, and was deeply regretted. Office and High Mass was said at the Cathedral, Sunterment at Ballycabbill cemetery. The funeral was the largest that left the town of Thurles for years.

WATERFORD.

The United Irish League is making great progress in the county. Branches have been or are being formed in Waterford City, Dungarvan, Kilmacshannon, Lismore, and other patriotic districts. In the grand fighting days of the Land League the county was so thoroughly organized that every parish had its branch of the great national association and the men in each district did their work well. Many of those men are now alive; but there are as patriotic men as they were in each district, who will make the United League as patriotic as the Land League was.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

On April 1 passed away one of the best known of the citizens of Belfast—Mr. John Doherty, Falls Road. Although born in Ballinamore, Ballymoney, he was descended from the well-known sept, the Dohertys of Derry. His connection with Belfast began in 1839. For many years he was president of the St. Peter's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society, and treasurer of St. Paul's Conference, and he endeared himself to those in distress by his earnest efforts in their behalf. He was aged 55 years. The interment in Milton cemetery was numerously attended.

At recent annual public meeting of the Belfast Directory of the United Irish League, held in the United National Club, Berry street, Mr. Michael McCartan, M. P., presided. The chairman said he firmly believed in the United Irish League. He agreed with Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, who looked upon the league as a great body that had already united all Irishmen. Mr. Thomas Maguire proposed the following resolution: "That as a national organization carrying on a bold and vigorous policy is essential to the success of the Irish cause, and as the United Irish League is the only fighting national body, we declare our attachment to it, and we call upon our fellow nationalists and townsmen to rally round its platform." Mr. John Rooney seconded the resolution, which was adopted with enthusiasm.

ARMAGH.

Orange Justices' Justice.—At Petty Sessions Court, in Lurgan, April 4, the Lurgan Urban Council charged William Osborne, Brownlow Terrace, with being guilty of riotous behavior on the public street on St. Patrick's night. The police identified the accused as leader of the Orange ruffians. He was shouting "To hell with the Pope" with the ardor of a genuine Orange rowdy. There were nine magistrates on the bench, including the employer of the accused. All agreed that he was guilty of the most serious breach of the peace, yet they did not inflict any punishment; they adjourned the case. This means that the dispensers of the law endorse the conduct of Osborne.

CAVAN.

RECENT DEATHS IN CAVAN.

MAHER—March 24, Margaret Teresa Maher, of Railway Hotel, Kingscourt.

COOKE—At an advanced age, Margaret Cooke, Kilmaree.

BOYLAN—On Friday, March 23, Dan Boylan, Castleraghan, Ballyjamesluff.

DERRY.

The extensive premises occupied by Graham & Co., chandlers and oil merchants, Strandroad, Derry, were recently completely destroyed by fire. Loss enormous.

With deep regret we chronicle the death of Mr. Arthur O'Brien, of Sessidnagh, Dunaghamore, which occurred April 8. He was father of Rev. Michael O'Brien, Magherafelt and brother of Canon O'Brien.

The committee of the Derry and Northwest Catholic Association, recently organized in Derry City, have issued rules for the guidance of its objects in furtherance of the social, intellectual and other interests of the Catholic people of the city and in the northwest of Ulster.

DONEGAL.

DEATHS IN DONEGAL.

M'LOONE—April 5, at Donegal, Anna M'Loone, mother of Rev. H. M'Loone, C. C. Mountemaries.

KELM—At Belleck on April 2, William Kelm.

KELLY—April 5, at Linnehill house, Pomeroy, Bridget Kelly, mother of Mrs. D. Nyhan, East Port, Ballyshannon.

On April 1 at the meeting of the Donegal Board of Guardians the subject of nursing and the desirability of introducing nuns as nurses was discussed.

DOWN.

On the 26th Dr. Hugh McAvoy, Rathfriland, was the recipient of an address from his fellow townsmen. His departure is regretted, and his loss as doctor and gentleman is felt by all. He carries the good wishes of all creeds and classes to his new home at Burton-on-Trent, England.

Members of the John Mitchell branch of the Irish National Foresters, Newry, held their quarterly meeting April 21, in their hall on Merchants' quay. Bro. John Mackin, C. R., in the chair, and Bro. James McAuff, S. C. R., in the vice-chair. Officers present: Bro. P. Crilly, treasurer; P. Fox and J. Reilly, senior and junior woodwards, P. McGivern and A. Halligan, senior and junior beadles; Michael Toman, secretary, and James Campbell, assistant secretary. There were six members enrolled.

FERMANAGH.