

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

The death of Mrs. Heneghan, High street, Tuam, occurred on April 10. High Mass was celebrated in the Cathedral for the repose of her soul, after which the funeral left for the New Cemetery. The cortege was one of the largest seen in the district for many years.

Mr. James Kilmartin, who has been appointed to organize East Galway for the United Irish League, held a meeting in Clontarf, Ballinasloe, which was attended by the whole population. The meeting was enthusiastic and resolutions in favor of the principles of the United Irish League, a present protest, the splitting up of the grass farms, and the sustenance of the evicted tenants, were passed by acclamation. The chair was taken by Mr. Patrick Conroy, and the principal speakers were Thomas Byrne and James Kilmartin, organizer.

ROSCOMMON

The death of Mr. Patrick Farrell of Ballyvaughan occurred April 29. He was a member of the Roscommon District Council. His funeral was numerously attended.

The members of the Roscommon District Council at last meeting, on the motion of Mr. John McCreavy, labor representative, passed a resolution denouncing the unjust war force on the floras by the brutal British government.

At the meeting of the members of the Roscommon Board of Guardians, May 5, when the master's report was being read, one of the oldest and most respected members, Mr. Michael Brooke, who had been taking an active part in the discussion was observed to suddenly rise from his chair, place one hand to his heart, another to his collar, and then fall prostrate on the floor. Dr. McDonnell rushed to the aid of the stricken man, but found that the gentleman was beyond human aid.

On April 28, Most Rev. Dr. Clancy, Bishop of Elphin, laid and blessed the foundation stone of the new Catholic Church at Ballinacree, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin and St. Patrick. Father Foley is the pastor. The new church will cost over fifteen thousand dollars, and to assist in the good work a bazaar will soon be held. After the ceremony the Bishop delivered, in open air, an eloquent lecture to a vast audience. The clergy in attendance were Rev. Father Foley, Ballinacree; Rev. Canon Coyne, Boyle; Canon Mannion, Elphin; Rev. Father Kelly, Elphin; Rev. Father Walker, Boyle; Rev. Father O'Brien, Croghan; Rev. Father Gallagher.

An active branch of the United Irish League is in Drumshambo. A well attended meeting was lately held, at which Mr. James McKam presided. Two hundred cards for membership were ordered from the central office. The people of Drumshambo and surrounding districts are fully alive to the importance of the movement which has for its motto: "The land for the People."

MAYO

On April 25 a wedding took place in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Ballinrobe, when Miss Thomas Fitzpatrick, merchant, Ballinrobe, was married to Miss Katie O'Rourke, postmistress of this town. The ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Dean Rosayne.

The death of Mr. Vahy took place at Linn Hall street, Castlebar, April 28. For some years he had been relieving officer in the Castlebar Union; he was collector of rates for some divisions, and filled other positions of trust. Deep and widespread sympathy is felt for his wife and family in their great bereavement. The funeral to the family burial ground at Straide on Sunday was largely attended.

On May 6 the picturesque little town of Kiltinagh was the scene of an important function. The foundation of a new church for the convent of the Sisters of St. Louis was blessed and laid by the Most Rev. Dr. Lyster. Four years elapsed since he laid the first stone of the convent and little more than two years since the Sisters of St. Louis took up their residence in the town. Fifty young ladies are pupils in the boarding school; and in order to afford additional accommodation, extensive buildings are being erected, the most important of which will be a chapel. Large dormitories, class halls, recreation rooms, and hall for public exercises will form portion of the new edifice. After solemn mass by the pastor Very Rev. Denis O'Hara, the Bishop of Achonry presided on the nature of the ceremony and on the manifold blessings brought to the district by the Sisterhood of St. Louis. A procession was formed, consisting of five hundred children confirmed the previous day; the pupils of the convent school, the sisters, the clergy and the Bishop of the diocese, and proceeded to the site of the new building, where the foundation stone was laid.

SLIGO

Mr. B. Goulden, Carrigeens, was going home after delivering milk to the creamery April 26, and when near Stonepark the horse ran away, throwing Mr. Goulden out on the road with such violence that fatal injuries were sustained.

A concert in aid of the fund for the completion of Ballaghaderreen Cathedral, came off in the boys' schoolroom, Bunninadden, April 28, and was a great success. Father O'Grady is administrator.

The Mayor of Sligo, Mr. P. A. McHugh, M.P., patriotically tore down the Union Jack displayed on Sligo City Hall by the rank members of the Sligo Harpers' Band, when the Sligo Harpers' Band, who were invited to play at the Sligo Harpers' Band, were invited to play at the Sligo Harpers' Band.

cut the Mayor for the unworthy action. But he does not care a fig for the pack of sycophants who groveled in the dirt before an "old woman of eighty" from an alien land.

Mr. B. Meehan presided at recent meeting of the members of Geogagh branch of United Irish League. The following members present: J. Nangle, J. J. Curran, T. Conlon, J. Kearns, M. Donohoe, E. McDonagh, J. Kearny, M. Conlon, P. Doyle, J. Tivenan, M. McMurrow, J. Cawley, J. McDonagh. The accused system of landgrabbing was condemned and a resolution calling on pretenders who keep company with land grabbers. If they do not mend their manners their names will be put in the list. The members proposed the Ballinacree branch to call on Mr. Thomas O'Garra for help in connection with the last fair of Ballinacree with C. J. L. C. Coolahan as a member.

LEINSTER

CARLOW

Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, visited Bagninstown April 25 and examined three hundred candidates for Confirmation in St. Andrew's church in the districts of Newton, Ballinacree and Garryhill. The correct answers given by the children to the questions proved that they had a good knowledge of the Christian doctrine, and reflected great credit on their teachers and the managers of the schools. The children displayed great piety at the reception of the Sacrament. After Confirmation, Solemn Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament was given by the Bishop assisted by Rev. Monsignor Burke, Rev. Paul Murphy and Rev. P. Keenan.

DUBLIN

Mr. Christopher Donoghue of 17 Kilmatham road, Dublin has been elected Councillor of the Fishers' Quay Ward Dublin in room of Mr. William K. Redmond, M.P., who resigned in disgust because the City Council presented an address of welcome to the "Famine" Queen.

Mr. T. W. Doyle coach-builder, Fine Abbey street Dublin, it is said, exploded a Kruger button on the breast of one of his employees and he demanded him to pluck the button from his coat and throw it on the road. This man refused to do, where-upon the Loyal Doyle dismissed him.

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland was held May 1 at University College St. Stephen's Green Dublin. Cardinal Logue presided. The following resolution was unanimously adopted: The Standing Committee of the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland have had under consideration a scheme which they have reason to believe is in contemplation for utilizing the Queen's Colleges in giving effect to the provisions of the Technical and Agricultural Industries Act. They protest against any attempt—whether made under color of carrying out a system of technical and agricultural education, or otherwise—to give new life and extended endowments to institutions which have been too long maintained in opposition to the persistent remonstrances of the Catholics of Ireland.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN. CAVANAUGH—John Cavanagh, 1 and 2 Tyrone place.

FAGAN—May 3, at 13 Malin street, Blackrock, William Fagan, Riverdale, County Westmeath.

FARELL—May 3, the Feast of the Finding of the Holy Cross, at 187 Clonliffe road, Thomas Farrell, of 17 Merchant's quay, in his 56th year.

KINNA—At 2 Blakney terrace, Inchicore, Catherine Kinna.

ROONEY—April 28, at 17 Lower Gardiner street, Dublin, Mrs. Bridget Rooney.

PHELAN—April 28, at Pelletstown, Ashdown, Anastasia Phelan of Tullamore.

WHITE—April 24, at 20 Oak Terrace, North Circular road Sarah Harter White.

SMITH—May 1, at 15 Lower Tyrone street, Bartholomew Smith, of Brewer's Hill, Dunlavin.

KENNY—On April 30, at 21 Heytesbury street, Eliza Kenny, formerly of 8 Lower Mount street, Dublin.

DORAN—April 28, at 10 Molewater street, Dublin, Lucy Doran, daughter of the late James and Bridget Dunlap, of 18 Upper Dorset street.

WATTS—May 1, at Walter House, Richmond road, Fairview, Mary Elizabeth Watts.

LENNON—May 3, at Farnham House, Rathfarnham, Christopher Lennon.

BRADY—At 36 Lower Gloucester street, Thomas Brady.

CONNELL—April 29, at 21 Aungler street, Hannah Connell.

FOX—April 29, at 64 Marrowbone lane, Mary Fox.

KILDARE.

The United Irish League is making great progress in the county. Several fine meetings have been held, and more are being arranged for. The new condition has brought all the members of the Irish Parliamentary party into line, and they are attending meetings of the League in great force.

The Freeman's Journal (Sydney) of March 31 contained the following: "In our last issue we announced the death of Mr. John Kelly, Cardinal Moran's faithful attendant for twenty-seven years. Mr. Kelly, who had been attached to St. Mary's Cathedral since 1884, died in the presbytery on Wednesday of last week. The remains were taken to the cathedral the same evening in a coffin of polished cedar. On Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock, a Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Barry. Deceased was aged 68 years. He was a native of Kildare."

KILKENNY.

At the Kilkenny Quarter Session, lately Maunsell Bowers was indicted for stealing a number of cattle, the property of his mother, at Fiddown. The jury disagreed, and the case was sent forward to the Summer Assizes at Kilkenny. Accused was liberated on bail.

The death of Rev. Father Alphonsus (Lombard), O. S. F. C., of the Franciscan Capuchin Friary, Kilkenny, took place at the Convent of the Capuchin Fathers, Church street, Dublin. The deceased, after a prolonged illness,

passed away Sunday, April 29, in the 27th year of his age, and the second of his priesthood. The interment was in Glasnevin cemetery.

Last April the farmers in and around Kilmoganny, viz. Messrs. James Howe, Thomas Moore, Laurence Comerford, Patrick Donovan, John Needham and several others waited on Rev. James Purcell, parish priest with a view to forming a branch of the United Irish League. He told them he could not, from the way the members of Parliament were divided. Now is the time to form a branch in the parish and help along the grand cause of "the land for the people."

LONGFORD

May 1 as Mr. Noble E. Phillips, Kesh, was driving down Main street, a calf ran under the legs of the horse and the horse fell over him, precipitating Mr. Phillips to the street. Fortunately he escaped injury, but the trap was broken.

LOUTH

The bazaar, trade and sale of work organized by the Dundalk and Haggardstown Committee, in conjunction with the Armagh Cathedral Bazaar, was brought to a close April 28 by Rev. M. J. Quinn. The attendance was good. The sale of work room was well patronized, and great credit is due to Mrs. C. Smyth, president of the Dundalk and Haggardstown table, for the profitable manner in which the work was conducted. She was ably assisted by Mrs. J. J. Kelly, Miss McGinley, Miss McCann, Miss Nellie McGinley, Miss Lynn, Miss M. B. Flanagan, Miss O'Brien, Miss E. Murphy, Miss L. Callan, Mrs. Johnson, Miss M. McCormack, Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. M. Cardie, Mrs. C. A. Duffy, the Misses Fox, the Misses McDonald. In closing the bazaar, Rev. M. J. Quinn thanked the ladies and gentlemen who had devoted their time and their energy to working up the bazaar and carrying out the program.

MEATH

The death of Mr. John O'Neill took place at Railway street, Navan, April 27. The deceased had attained to a ripe old age. On Saturday High Mass was offered for the repose of his soul in St. Mary's church by the Rev. T. Shaw, assisted by Rev. P. Farrell, the Seminary dean, Rev. A. Flynn, Rotherham, sub-deacon, and Rev. D. Flynn, Adm. Navan, master of ceremonies. The interment took place on Sunday in the family burial ground, Donoughmore. The funeral cortege was one of the largest seen leaving Navan for many years.

QUEENS

The towns in Queen's County are Mountmellick population 2,622. Maryborough 2,809. Mountbath, 1,650. Portlarnon, (partly in King's County), 2,021. Abbeyliff, 987. Stradhall, 911; Rathdowney, 1,056. Durrus, 667; Ballynakhil, 561.

Viscount Ashbrook is Deputy Lieutenant of the county. His residence is Durrus Castle, Durrus. This castle was erected by Hugh de Lacy, in 1186. He was killed there as he inspected the new structure. Durrus Castle stands on the site of the famous monastery founded by St. Columbkille, and which De Lacy tore down.

WESTMEATH

The death of Mrs. Catherine McCormack, Ballinacree, happened May 4, at the extraordinary age of 102 years. The funeral to Faughalstown cemetery was largely attended.

Preaching at last Mass in the Cathedral, Mullingar, April 29, Rev. E. O'Reilly, Adm., informed the congregation that the initial steps for the erection of the new Cathedral in Mullingar would be taken soon. The Bishop had requested him to announce that a public meeting would shortly be called to take steps in the great undertaking.

WEXFORD

James Bolger, Barrack street, Gorey, a principal member of the Gorey football club, which won the great match in Oular, April 22, died the following Friday from excessive pains in the head. The coroner's jury found a verdict of death from natural causes.

After a long illness, Sister Xavier Kehoe, of the Presentation Convent, Ennisicorthy, died, May 2. When only 19 she entered the cloister and two years later was professed. Her death at the age of 29 occasioned the deepest mourning among the Sisters of the Community and the pupils. Solemn Requiem Office and High Mass were celebrated, at which many attended.

On April 27, at the Convent of Mercy, Carysfort Park, Blackrock, Dublin, the ceremony of the reception of a religious into that Order was performed when Miss Mary Ellen O'Rourke was received. Her name in religion is Sister Mary Albinus. Miss O'Rourke is a daughter of the late Mr. Thomas O'Rourke, Rowe street, Wexford, and cousin to the Rev. F. E. O'Rourke, P. P., Grahamstown, South Africa.

Mr. Philip Redmond, Richmond street, Dublin, wrote to the Very Rev. Canon O'Gorman, Kilmore, offering to erect a statue in honor of St. Peter—the patron saint of fishermen—in the chapel of Kilmore Quay. Mr. Redmond's proposal at once met with Canon O'Gorman's assent, and the statue was conveyed from Dublin and erected in the sanctuary at the Epistle side of the altar in the Kilmore Quay church. The statue is of Cast stone, life size, on a pedestal three feet ten inches in height. The figure and pedestal were executed by Mr. Early, 1 Upper Camden street, Dublin, the eminent sculptor. Mr. P. Redmond is a native of Kilmore Quay.

WICKLOW

On April 30 a concert was given at Daltinglass on the formal opening of the new Town Hall.

The public meeting called to establish a branch of the United Irish League in Bardarrig was held on April 29 and proved to be a splendid success. On motion of Mr. Wm. Costelloe, seconded by Mr. Martin Doyle, the Very Rev. Father Dunphy presided. The Very Rev. Chairman said he was proud of the honor of being called upon to preside over such a magnificent meeting of the mass of Bardarrig (Cheers). Mr. Wm. Costelloe proposed

and Mr. Garrett Byrne, seconded, the following resolutions, which were passed with acclamation: 1. "That we approve of the constitution of the United Irish League." 2. "That we establish a branch in Bardarrig." Rev. Peter J. Monahan in a stirring speech supported the resolutions.

MUNSTER

CLARE

The death of Mr. John Grogan, merchant, Kilmush, happened April 26, and caused great regret to be felt by the people of the town and adjacent districts. The funeral took place on Saturday, the interment being at the cemetery in the Island of Scattery.

On Scattery Island are the ancient remains of seven churches, and a fine "Round Tower" over 120 feet in height. Thomas Moore has caused the fame of the island to reach almost every civilized people through his poem "St. Senanus and the Lady." All funerals to the cemetery make a touching scene, as the remains in one boat is followed in funeral order by all the other boats.

CORK

Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, Bishop of Cork paid his visitation to Bantry parish on April 29 and 30, to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to four hundred children.

The remains of Rev. Brother J. J. Jones, of the Christian Brothers, establishment in Clariville, were interred April 24 in the local cemetery. High Mass was celebrated by the Rev. P. Lynch the Rev. P. J. O'Callaghan being deacon and the Rev. William Lillis sub-deacon, while Rev. Daniel Crotty, Coleman's Well, assisted in the sanctuary. After High Mass the funeral procession, headed by the clergy, left for the cemetery. The schoolboys numbering 120 wearing mourning badge preceded the remains borne on the shoulders of the good men of Clariville; then came the chief mourners, the brothers of the Clariville community, and the following representatives of the neighboring communities: Rev. Brother R. A. Shewdy, Mitchelstown; E. P. Banks, Fermoy; D. J. Ryan, Christian college, Cork; J. F. Roche, Thurles; C. Ellard, Glin; J. G. Curran, Tipperary; P. A. Mulhall, Doneraile; J. A. Walker, Our Lady's Mount, Cork; then followed the people of Clariville, with whom the deceased was a great favorite.

Recent deaths in Cork. O'CONNOR—On April 30, at the Presentation Monastery, Douglas street, Cork, the Rev. Brother Vincent O'Connor, in the 79th year of his age, and the 50th of his religious profession.

WALSH—On April 30, at Ballinfriskilly, Upper Glanville, Hannah Walsh.

O'DONOVAN—May 1, at Barna, Mary O'Donovan.

O'CONNELL—April 30, at Glynn, Ballinamona, Malloy, Denis O'Connell.

COSTELLO—On May 1, at North Infirmary, Bartholomew, J. Costello, 19 Rathmore Buildings.

MCCARTHY—Daniel F., at Strand street, Kanturk, son of Daniel McCarthy, Glenties.

CRONIN—May 1, at 39 Cornmarket street, Denis Cronin.

WALSH—On April 23, at 16 Mary street, Garrett Walsh.

MURPHY—On April 24, at 8 St. Joseph's Terrace, Ballyhooley road, Maryanne Murphy.

O'SULLIVAN—On April 23, at 38 Harbour Row, Queenstown, John O'Sullivan, aged 67 years.

CRONIN—On April 24 at Carrighoun Bandon road, Alicia Cronin.

BUCKLEY—On April 27, at Railway Hotel, 56 King street, Brian Buckley.

ROWE—April 27, at the South Infirmary, Michael Rowe, 32 Evergreen Buildings.

OTWAY—On April 26, at Sans Souci Blackrock road, Cork, William Otway aged 10 years.

MAHONY—On April 27, at 3 South View Place, Mary Mahony.

BATTEN—On April 27, Norah Batten, Knockane, Iniscarra.

DUNLEA—On April 26, at Mill road, Fermoyle, Wm. Dunlea.

MCCARTHY—On April 25, at Rathcorrack, Patrick McCarthy, at an advanced age.

BREW—On April 25, at Kilmartin, Donoughmore, James Brew.

LYNCH—April 25, at Kiltiens, John Lynch.

QUINLAN—On April 26, at 57 Clarence street, Eliza Quinlan, Upper John street.

KERRY

The unexpected demise of Mr. John Cronin, of Lackmore, Brother-in-law to Mr. Joseph Lovett, District Councillor for Abbeystead, which took place April 30 at the house of Mr. P. Lawlor Banemore, created a painful sensation in the district. The deceased, who had been on a visit at Lawlor's, had always enjoyed good health.

On April 26, as the Rev. T. Kirby was returning to Dingle in his trap, after visiting a sick person, his horse took head from Ballinvoorig Cross, ran furiously up Crusheen, and rushed madly down the opposite side, which is very steep and dangerous. Several attempts to stop the runaway failed, until Patrick Fitzgerald, publican, seized the rein, and checked the animal. By this time several persons had come to the rescue, and when the horse was brought to a stand still, it was noticed that Father Kirby was much fatigued from his futile endeavors to check the horse. Rev. Father Kirby is a native of Listowel, and was for a long time stationed in Tralee.

Mr. Geoffrey O'Connell, of Fienn street, Killarney, teacher of a public school, has retired on a pension after 30 years' service. He spent a short time teaching in Castleisland. Mr. O'Connell is a man of a retiring disposition. A large number of boys were under his control, and all give the greatest praise of Mr. O'Connell's gentleness, assiduity and perseverance in endeavoring to "train the young idea how to shoot." Many of his pupils occupy positions of trust and responsibility. Numbers are living in farms where they were educated; but from all a heartfelt wish will be expressed that Mr. O'Connell may live long, enjoy the well-earned pension he has received. At Fassa Chapel the Rev. J. Black returned in terms of the great-

est praise to Mr. O'Connell. The school has been placed under the charge of Mr. Jeremiah Counihan, of Madam's Height, Killarney, for some time principal of the National School at Coolgrove, County Wexford.

The solemn ceremony of Reception took place in the chapel of the Presentation Convent, Caheriveen, April 23. The young lady received is Miss O'Rourke (in religion Sister Mary Vincent), daughter of Mr. O'Rourke, Farranfore.

LIMERICK

Thomas Walsh, pork butcher, Limerick, died suddenly May 1. While performing his ordinary work he was taken ill and died after a few minutes. The deceased was over 50 years of age, and enjoyed good health. Death was caused by heart disease.

Cardinal Logue will open the Kinvara Fete, in aid of the building fund of St. Joseph's Church, Military road, Limerick, June 13. In addition to the usual attractions at bazaars, the committee has set apart 600 feet in the butter market for the exhibition of manufactures, and it is hoped that there will be a large display of Irish goods. All information on application to Mr. Robert Hickey, honorary secretary, Catholic Institute, Limerick.

Sister Mary Veronica, of the Convent of Mercy, Sligo, was professed in that convent April 19. She is a daughter of Mr. John O'Meara, Rallagreen. Rev. Dr. Clancy, Bishop of Elphin, officiated, assisted by many priests.

TIPPERARY

On April 29 a seven-days' retreat for the members of the Sacred Heart Association of Ballyporeen was concluded by Rev. Dr. Keane of the Dominican Order. During the week great numbers attended the religious services.

Father Malone, brother of Mr. T. Malone, Carrick, has returned from Sydney for the benefit of his health. Before he left Sydney he was made the recipient of an address and presentation from his parishioners.

A grand vocal and instrumental concert was given in the Courthouse, Cashel, April 30, in aid of the Ladies' Branch of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society. There was a large and fashionable attendance, and an excellent programme. The accompaniments were played by Miss Griffin and Miss Brown, Cashel, and Mrs. B. J. Long, Clonmel. Song, "The Isle That's Crowned with Shamrocks" (Fletcher Baker), O'Dwyer; song, "Killarney," Esmond O'Rourke, known as Edmond Falconer, Mrs. Pike; song, "Molly Bawn."

The death of Wm. W. Doherty, Knockinrawley, occurred April 30. He was a sterling Nationalist and had been for years hon. secretary of the local branch of the National League, and occupied that post all through the times of the agitation. His funeral took place on Wednesday after office and High Mass in St. Michael's Church.

WATERFORD

At the meeting of the Dungarvan Urban District Council, Mr. James Hayes, presiding, the chairman said the war office officials were kidnapping the Waterford Militia. He knew some native of the town who were being sent to South Africa against their wishes. Action will be taken to stop the business.

On May 3 happened the death of an in the person of Mr. Thomas Magrath, woodturner, of Newgate street, at the age of 67 years. The interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Ballygunnel. Funeral numerously attended.

Dr. Alexander Forde has been elected medical officer to the Waterford Union. The guardians proved that they had the interests of the unfortunate inmates at heart when they elected Dr. Forde. He is a first-class physician and a most gentle man. The poor people will soon love the doctor, as every person does who knows him.

On April 24 last the Hon. Dudley Fortescue left Waterford forever, after residing there longer than sixty years. Several of his old friends assembled at the railway station to bid him goodbye. For many years Mr. Fortescue was an active member of the Board of Guardians of Waterford Union, and although opposed to the majority in religion and politics, yet the great interest he always took in the poor, and his intelligence in grasping any matter of importance made him one of the ablest members.

ULSTER

ANTRIM

The new Church of St. Patrick, Sligo, will be solemnly dedicated on June 10, the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity. Very Rev. M. McCashin is the parish priest.

A special meeting of the Father Michael Murphy Seniors and Juniors and the Ann Devlin Ladies' clubs was held in their rooms, Belfast, April 29. Mr. Thomas Adair presiding and Mr. Edward Cushnahan as secretary to the meeting. The chairman intimated that they met to get up an excursion under the auspices of the club. It was decided that Newcastle be the place, and that the date be June 25. A social afterward took place, in which the following contributed: Mr. H. Fitzpatrick Adair and Miss Flood.

On April 26 the remains of the late Mr. James Reid, of Park House, Dunneany, were conveyed to the family burying-ground, Dunloy. The funeral was numerously attended. The remains were placed in the Church of Dunloy during Mass which was celebrated by Father O'Kane who spoke of the many fine qualities of the deceased. Park House has been occupied by the Reid family for more than two centuries, and deceased was a worthy successor to his ancestors, who preserved well the faith of St. Patrick during the time of the penal laws and the days of Cromwell and the plantation of Ulster by the Scotch.

At the opening of the new School of St. Vincent de Paul, Dunlewey street, Belfast, April 30, in charge of the Sisters of Charity, the clergy included Most Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor; Very Rev. Lavery, president St. Malachy's College; Rev. John Tohill, administrator, St. Peter's; Rev.

Father Griffiths, Q. S. S. R., rector Clonard Monastery; Rev. Patrick Magill, administrator, St. Paul's; and Rev. Patrick Darragh, St. Peter's. Most Rev. Dr. Henry said he was happy to place the schools in the charge of the Sisters of Charity, and in the name of the Catholics of the city, and especially of the Falls district, he bade the Sisters hearty welcome.

On April 28 in the chapel of St. Paul's Convent, Belfast, the obsequies of Mother Juliana, of the Sisters of Mercy, were celebrated. The deceased was the daughter of William and Elizabeth Delany, of Castle Durrow, County Kilkenny, and was born in 1817. In 1841 she entered the convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Baggot street, Dublin, then in charge of Mother Catherine McAuley, foundress of the order. Sister Juliana received the habit in 1842, made her profession in 1844, and appointed Assistant Reverend Mother of the Parent House and Local Superior of the House at Booters' Row. She showed devotion and sacrifice in visiting and nursing cholera patients in Dublin. Since 1862 she was a member of the community in Belfast, and filled with great zeal the positions of Mistress of Novices, Bursar, Assistant Reverend Mother and Reverend Mother. On Saturday Most Rev. Dr. Henry presided at the Solemn Mass which was celebrated by Rev. Thomas McCort, M.A., Professor St. Malachy's College; Rev. P. J. O'Neill, Professor, St. Malachy's College, deacon; Rev. Dr. Clancy, Bishop of Elphin; Rev. C. Nolan, A. D. M. A., Professor St. Malachy's college, sub-deacon, and Very Rev. H. Lavery, president, St. Malachy's College, master of ceremonies. The chorists were Rev. Father Justin, C. P. Ardoyne and Rev. J. K. O'Neill, administrator, St. Patrick's. Many priests were in the choir.

ARMAGH

The romantic drama, in three acts, entitled "The Whiteboys" was given before a crowded house in the Tontine Buildings, by the Armagh Catholic Young Men's Dramatic Society, April 26.

Among the many valuable prizes which have been received by His Eminence Cardinal Logue for the forthcoming great bazaar for the completion of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, special interest will attach to those lately forwarded by the royal family of Spain. These magnificent prizes deserve special mention, as they were sent unsolicited as a tribute of respect to His Eminence the Cardinal, and are a proof of the practical sympathy of the royal family for the gigantic undertaking which His Eminence has on hand. The prizes consist of a costly and beautiful bomboniere, presented by Queen Isabella; a fan of rare beauty and workmanship, given by the Queen Regent Christina. The Infanta Isabella sends a beutlier (holy water font), which is of exquisite design, the background consisting of marble, to which is attached a cross, richly inlaid with gold and mosaic; and the front for keeping the holy water in is also formed of gold. A splendid vase and ashray of bronze and copper are the contribution of the Infanta Eulalia, and a charming set of doll's furniture, richly ornamented with handpainted poker work, is the gift of the Princess Clara of Bavaria. The Duchess of Magenta sends a beautiful cushion worked by her own hands, and the Princess Bavarian clasp of solid gold set with Bavarian pearls, together with a box of choice design and ornamentation, upon which a figure of Ireland's patron saint is wrought in poker work by herself. These prizes will form one of the chief attractions of the Sacred Heart Sodality stall during the week of the bazaar. Contrast the Spanish royal family with that of the "Famine" Queen's who are living on the money robbed from the Irish people, and who never assists any Irish projects, charitable or religious.

DERRY

On April 26 the remains of Mr. Francis P. O'Kane, Dungiven, were removed from the Hotel, Dungriven for interment in St. Patrick's Cemetery. Rev. M. Conroy celebrated the Mass, after which the Rev. E. Loughrey preached an impressive sermon. Offerings to a very large amount were made. The cortege was large and representative. When the cemetery was reached the Requiem service was said by Father Loughrey.

DONEGAL

On April 28 while the mail train, which leaves Strabane at ten minutes past 5 o'clock a.m., was passing round a sharp curve near Dunkineely, the guards van and several carriages and wagons left the rails and rolled down the embankment. There were only a few passengers, and happily