

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.

A recent exchange contained this sad note on Irish immigration: A large number of boys and girls left Carraroe during the past few weeks for the United States. Any one would be moved to tears at the sight of daughters tearing themselves away from their mothers and sons from their aged fathers. Never did so many emigrate within a short period. These people would never dream of going to foreign land if they were not robbed by the British Government. Why not supply the poor with fishing smacks? Why not get lace factories started? Why not get an agricultural bank established?

LEITRIM.

With regret we chronicle the death of Mr. John McCarry, Dromed, on May 16, at the early age of 32 years. By his death a sterling Nationalist has been removed from the parish of Bornaacola. For years past he had been connected with the Nationalist movement, and was a principal figure in the formation of the splendid band in that parish. For years he was engaged as a foreman on the Cavan and Leitrim Railway. He left a wife and four children to mourn his loss. The funeral to Clonmorris was large and representative.

On May 20 the death of Mr. Patrick McAuley took place at Altava, Creeslawn. He reached the age of 103 years, yet was in full possession of all his faculties up to the morning of his death, and on the previous day took his customary walk over the farm whose fields he trod for so many long years. The immense procession which followed his remains to the family burial ground of Anghalochy, Drumkeerin, testified to the esteem in which he was held by the people of the neighborhood.

MAYO.

On May 15 a large force of police, under the command of District Inspector Dowling, accompanied the Sheriff's staff to the scene of the heartless execution of Martin Gavin and John McGing, with their weak families, at Ardagh, Ballyheane. They were cast out on the roadside, under no other shelter than the canopy of heaven. May God pity them. Their homes were occupied by two emergency men sent down by the Protection of Property Association. The Lord knows we have had a surfeit of protection of property. The unfortunate tenants were the wife of the Marquis of Sligo. The Westport Union promptly granted relief. We hope the noble Marquis will be rewarded in the next world for his "acts of charity" while on earth!

The death of Mr. Patrick McFadden, ex-teacher, Slievemore, Achill, on May 8, at the ripe age of 75 years caused general regret. He retired on full pension ten years ago after 48 years in public service. The very large funeral to Slievemore burial ground, thoroughly representative of all classes and creeds, proved the respect in which he was held. An unusually large number of his pupils enjoy lucrative positions in several of the professions in Ireland, and some of them in America have almost reached the pinnacles of fame in the church, literary and commercial professions. He was beloved for his kindness and admired for his love of his religious and secular work.

ROSCOMMON.

The death of Mr. A. O'Keefe happened at Abbeyville, Roscommon, May 22, aged 25 years. Solemn Requiem Mass was offered up for the happy repose of his soul and the interment took place immediately after. Members of the Crossna branch of the United Irish League held a meeting on May 19. Mr. Patrick Regan presided. Present Edward Doyle, Owen Lane, James McGowan, James Mattimore, Edward Tobins, John Gallagher, Michael Murray, D. Dugnon, Martin Gray, Timothy Gaffney, Michael Forde, John Moran, Peter McDermott, Pat Bruen, W. O'Brien, Patrick, McCullough, etc. There was a letter read from the Ballinacross branch. The president defined the rules of the United Irish League, and it is to be hoped that all will respect those rules for their country's weal.

SLIGO.

Mrs. Hugh Clarence of New York is on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Earyl, Victoria Lane, Sligo. Mrs. Clarence, whose husband is a brother to Mr. John Clarence, builder, Ballinacross, is sister-in-law to Mr. J. J. Matthews, National School Teacher, of Ashbrook House, Finglass, Dublin. Died—May 1 at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Bruen, Rosses Point, Sligo, Sarah Gillen, in her 88th year. At Sligo, very suddenly, Christopher Arthur, U.E. member, of Kevin's Fort, Sligo, aged 43 years. May 24, at The Hotel, Ballymote, Robert Lougheed Morrison, aged 86 years. May 23, at John street, Sligo, Beatrice Walker, aged 73 years.

The death of Mrs. Flattley, Ballygrehan, Templeboy, at the Dornore West Hospital, May 22, caused wide spread regret and deep sympathy. She was only 34 years of age. Some weeks before Mrs. Flattley was advised to proceed to Dublin hospital for special treatment. Dr. McMunn, medical officer of the Workhouse Dispensary and Hospital, stated he felt competent to treat with the case and accordingly the patient was left in his hands. Mrs. Flattley died in about half an hour after she was admitted. The circumstances were: Very Rev. Monsignor McGurk, Maghera; Rev. Peter O'Kane, Lavey; Rev. Father Kerlin, Greenlough; Rev. Father McGuone, Ballygally; Rev. Father McCullough, Lavey.

Flannery, and from the evidence deceased died from chloroform poisoning.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.

On May 20 W. Warren, C. Lewis, J. Miller, J. Ralph and M. McDarby were rowing home to Carlow and towing another boat. Opposite Braganza, J. Ralph attempted to step from the first boat into the other, missed his footing, fell into the river, at the same time upsetting the first boat. Fortunately all the men could swim, and reached land. All their fishing gear was lost.

DUBLIN.

Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Armagh, presided at a meeting of the people in the parish of SS. Michael and John, Lower Exchange street, Dublin, May 27, to raise funds to improve and renovate the parish church. A substantial sum was donated. It is the Archbishop's native parish. The last of the May processions took place at St. Paul's Retreat, Mount Argy, in honor of Our Blessed Lady, May 27. The Rosary was recited in the church in the presence of a large congregation, after which Rev. Eustace McCauley preached on the Mother of God. The band of the Workmen's Club York street, played sacred music at the head of the procession through the grounds, and the members of the confraternities sang hymns. Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament was given in the Church. A meeting was held in Swords on May 27 to found a branch of the United Irish League. Mr. Patrick Kettle presided. Recent deaths in Dublin.

CARROLL—May 22, 16 Upper Gloucester street, Mary Jane Carroll, aged 20 years.

CLOONEY—May 22, at the North Dublin Union Hospital, Michael Clooney.

HORAN—May 22, at Julianstown, Mrs. Anne Horan, Widow of John Horan, National Teacher, Whitescross.

M'GRANE—May 22, at Baldoy, Mary M'Grane, aged 82 years.

MILLER—May 21, at 3 Herbert road, Bray, Thomas Miller, aged 86 years.

O'CARROLL—On May 15, at Alhwal South Africa, Thomas O'Carroll, Second Royal Dublin Fusiliers, of dysentery, son of Mrs. O'Carroll, 7 Vernon street, Dublin.

COSTELLO—May 23, at Clonard street, Balbriggan, Philip Costello, aged 48 years.

HANLON—May 23, at Red Cow, Clondalkin, Anne Hanlon, aged 49.

HICKEY—May 19, Patrick Hickey, of 21 Luke street.

JONES—May 20, at No 14 Ashbrook Terrace, S. C. R., Catherine Jones.

JORDAN—May 20, at 32 Old Kilmahnam, Robert Jordan.

LOWRY—May 21, at Malahide, Mrs. Mary Lowry.

WYNN—May 18, at the National Hospital, Holles street, Catherine (Kate), the dearly beloved wife of P. J. Wynne, late of 80 Summer hill.

FRAWLEY—May 16, at 27 Benburb street, Michael Frawley, aged 30 years.

DOYLE—May 16, at 27 Bolton street, Mary Doyle.

MCKEEVER—May 23, at Mater Hospital, Mary (Pollie), 32 Bolton street, and late 191 North King street.

KILDARE.

The death of Andrew Doyle, aged 21 years, happened at Fair Green, Naas, May 16. Requiem office and High Mass were celebrated in St. David's Church. The funeral to Caragh was numerous attended.

We regret to record the death of Mrs. Smith, which took place at Curraghtown, Navan, May 12. Her demise at a comparatively early age created painful sensation. On Monday Solemn Office and High Mass were celebrated in Boyerstown Church.

KINGS.

Mr. James Egan of Shannonharbour, died May 24, aged 67 years. Interment was in the ancient and historic cemetery of Clonmaenose; funeral numerous attended.

On May 17, at Rahau, near Enderderry, an aged man named Thomas Kelly, a herd in the employment of Mr. Pimer, J. P., was found dead in a field. The painful discovery was made by his son, who found the deceased lying near a cow which was calving. Death resulted from affection of the heart.

A requisition has been signed by the inhabitants of Tullamore, calling upon Mr. William Adams, Chairman of the Urban Council, to convene a meeting for the purpose of founding a branch of the United Irish League. Mr. James Lyman, Organizer of the League, has been working hard, and everywhere was received in a most friendly way.

LONGFORD.

John and Thomas Fox brothers, were arrested, May 28, charged with causing the death of Thomas Smith, aged 45 years of Ballinacross, near Longford. Their arrest was on suspicion. There is no evidence against them.

On May 27 a very largely attended meeting was held at Carberry's Cross, Newtowncashel, which was addressed by Mr. J. P. Farrell, M. P. Large contingents from Killashee, Keenagh, Clough, Rathcline, Ballina and Ballynacormack also attended. A branch of the League was established. Mr. Francis Egan, County Councillor, presided.

LOUTH.

A garden fete opened on May 21 and continued at the Convent Grounds, Ardee, in connection with the Shamrock Stall in that town at the bazaar to raise funds for the completion of the National Cathedral, Armagh. The attendance of clergy and laity was large, and a good sum was realized. A high-class concert was given last night at Termontekkin. There was a crowded house, and talented artists rendered a choice selection of songs, comic and sentimental. Choice selections were given on the violin and piano.

MEATH.

near New branches of the United Irish League are being founded all over the country. The days of landlord influence will be few and short in Ireland now.

QUEENS.

On May 22, at the Presbytery, Ballyadams, died Rev. Thomas Irvine, pastor, to the infant school, and parishioners and numerous friends in Ireland and in the United States. The requiem services and the funeral were numerous attended.

At a meeting of the members of the Queens County Council, May 23, P. A. Brennan, presiding, on the motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. McEvoy, the resolution of the Kerry County Council demanding the fullest recognition of the Irish language in all branches of Irish education, and especially in the primary schools, supported by public money, was unanimously adopted.

WESTMIDLANDS.

On May 28 the venerable pastor of Kilmock, Rev. Peter Egan, celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood. It was a day of great rejoicing, not only in Kilmock, but throughout the diocese of Meath, where Father Egan is held in the greatest esteem by the clergy and laity. High Mass was celebrated and a sermon preached by Rev. Dr. O'Shea of the Passionist Order. The Lord Bishop of Meath presided. The festivities concluded with a grand concert given by the pupils of the schools of the Convent of Mercy.

WEXFORD.

The widow Molloy and her family were recently evicted from her holding in Ballygavat, near New Ross. Mrs. Molloy's husband was in the employ of the late Mr. J. J. Deane, N.W. Ross.

On May 22 Patrick Keboe, farmer, Curroughnaboola, Bre., was driving from Wexford with a load of timber. When nearing his home he fell from the car. He lay on the roadside until friends removed him to his home, where he died in a few hours.

The death of Mrs. Mary Kent, Ballyherogue, occurred recently at the fine old age of 80 years. The funeral to the ancient burial place (Kilmokea) was very numerous attended. Prior to interment Requiem Office and Mass were celebrated at the parish church, Ballinamona, Very Rev. Canon Kavanaugh, Suttons Parish, presiding.

An extraordinary incident occurred in Wexford May 24 whereby Mrs. Smith was almost swallowed up in the sand on Wexford beach. She was engaged in picking cockles on the strand about noon, when the tide had ebbcd, and out further than usual, and was busily engaged filling her basket when suddenly being shipped on to a particularly soft spot, she began to sink. She made desperate efforts to extricate herself, but without avail, and gradually sank until her body except her head and shoulders became enveloped. She screamed for help, and succeeded in attracting the attention of a man named Brown, who procured a boat and after considerable difficulty released her from her perilous position.

WICKLOW.

The death of Mrs. Tully of No 1 Adelaide Buildings Barrow street, Dublin, happened on May 25. She was wife of late Mr. James Tully, Aughrim. The remains were conveyed by train to County Wicklow for interment.

Denis Magee, aged 20 years, subject to fits, who lived at Whitehall, Ballinglass, fell into the river near his home recently, and though rescued alive, died soon after.

A meeting of the Father Michael Murphy Monument Committee was held on May 20 at Arklow. Mr. E. C. Walsh, chairman, presided. Present: Patrick Condron, Wm. Kavanagh, Thos. Kelly, Sr., James O'Neill, Patrick Allen, John Doyle, and Garrett Moore, hon. sec. Subscriptions amounting to £17 14s. were handed in.

On the motion of Mr. John Doyle, seconded by Mr. Patrick Allen, the following resolutions were proposed in globo: "Resolved, That we beg to thank Mr. Thos. Murray, Shillelagh, and the sturdy Nationalists of Ballyconnell and Killegeary for their generous subscriptions." Resolved also, "That we thank our old friend, Mr. J. Etchingham, and the Nationalists of Kingstown, Killiney and Bray, for their contributions." Passed unanimously.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.

Mr. John Glynn, Kilshanny, on May 17, purchased the well-known farm of Ballinacross, midway between Lisdoonvarna and Ennistymon, for \$4,100. It contains 135 acres.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Redmond, Bishop of Killalee, administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to two hundred children in the church of Tulla on May 19.

The death of Mr. Daniel MacPartland, Ennis, at the age of 80 years, occurred May 18. After regular services in the cathedral the funeral left for Drumcliffe, and was very largely attended.

The death of Mr. Martin Corry, Jr., of Dornane, Tulla, happened on May 20, at the age of 24 years, deeply and widely regretted. For some years he had been a very energetic member of the Tulla Gaelic League. The funeral was numerous attended.

On Sunday, May 13, the funeral of the late Mr. Michael A. Scallan, chairman of the Clare County Council, took place from the cathedral, Ennis. Requiem Mass was celebrated at the cathedral at 12 o'clock. The celebrant of the Mass was the Rev. John Scanlan, Cloughjordan; deacon, Rev. E. Scanlan, Mullough; sub-deacon, Rev. P. E. Scanlan, O'Callaghan's Mills; master Quin.

CORK.

A sailor on the British warship Howe, stationed at Queenstown, was drowned off Rochespoint May 24. He was a native of Aghada, but resided in Queenstown with his wife and three children. On the same day a sailor

named Donovan, on the same ship, was struck in the face by a six-inch gun projectile. When will Irishmen refrain from entering the service of the enemy?

At the residence of the Rev. Father Norman, Newmarket, May 24 a number of gentlemen from Queenstown presented to him an address from the Most Fraternity of the Holy Family of Queenstown of which Father Norman is the Spiritual Director previous to his transfer to Newmarket. The presentation was made by J. H. Campbell, Charles O'Callaghan Twomey and O'Garra-H Chairman of the Amusement Committee.

Peggy Casey has just died at Kantuck aged 100 years. Until within the last few months she was healthy and active and possessed her mental faculties unimpaired. In her early days she was a noted dancer at all the patterns and fairs being especially remarkable for her glibly and extraordinary endurance. Deceased was a mother of a large family many of whom died at the old ages while the others, living in America, must be close on 80 years old.

Thomas O'Keefe, who was born in 1798 and who up to the time of his death, May 16, was the caretaker of the graveyard at Churchtown South for the Middleton guardians, was buried May 18, to the deep regret of his many friends. Deceased lived to see his great grandchildren several in number, and for the past two years lived with his married daughter—a woman of 70 years of age. He was only ailing nine days, and about six weeks ago danced an Irish jig.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.

BARRY—May 23, at Rathormar, Rev. Edmund Barry, P. P.

BUCKLEY—On May 22, at 19 Harbor View, Queenstown, John Buckley, sailmaker.

DELANEY—At Mlano, on May 22, Denis Delaney, aged 79 years.

MSWINEY—May 21, at the Presbytery, Enniskeane, Rev. Eugene McSwiney, P. P., aged 63 years.

O'DONOGHUE—On May 20, at Boherade, O'Donoghue, Patrick O'Donoghue, aged 81.

HERLIHY—May 22, at 83 Commons road, Timothy Herlihy, plumber, late of the G. S. and W. Railway.

LINEHAN—On May 21, Catherine Linehan, Postoffice Castlemaryr.

O'DRISCOLL—On May 21, at Ballybrack, Ellen O'Driscoll.

NUNAN—May 7, at the Convent of Mercy, Cincinnati, U. S. America, Sister Mary Francis Nunan, late of Cork City.

OSHEA—On Dec. 23, 1899, at Kurnam, John G. O'Shea, Cape Mounted Police, son of the late Captain William O'Shea, Friar's Walk.

LYNCH—On May 19, at 29 Patrick's Quay, Margaret Lynch.

FARRINGTON—On May 18, at 5 Summerhill Terrace, Mary Emily Farrington.

HAILES—On May 21, at 18 Charlotte Quay, Robert Hailes, sent.

O'CALLAGHAN—On May 23, at 12 Westbourne Place, Queenstown, Eugene Francis O'Callaghan.

COTTER—May 28, at Summer Hill Terrace, Hantry, Patrick Cotter, aged 79.

BERTRIDGE—On May 28, at 6 Grand View Terrace, Victoria road, Anne Bertridge.

BRASIER CREAUGH—On May 27, at Woodville, Buttavent, George Washington Brasier Creaugh, son of the late George Washington Brasier Creaugh, of Creaugh Castle, Doneraile, in his 8th year.

MAHONY—May 28, at 37 St. Finbarre's road (late Brandy lane) James Mahony (boller maker).

NASH—On May 27, at Ballynoe, Killbrin, Michael Nash, aged 86 years.

SHARKEY—On May 24, at 5, Needham place, Nora Sharkey, wife of D. Sharkey, daughter of the late John Collins, corn broker.

O'CONNELL—May 24, at Parkgariffe, Monkstown, Johanna O'Connell, wife of the late Denis O'Connell, of Ballymott, Monkstown, aged 62 years.

KERRY.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nagle of Gortdarrig, were returning from Rathmore, May 20, in a vehicle when the animal ran away. Mrs. Nagle was thrown out of the car, and sustained fatal injuries. She expired two hours after the accident.

Solemn High Mass was celebrated in the Cathedral, Killarney on May 16, the feast of the patron saint of the diocese, St. Brendan. It was attended by a large congregation. The Rev. M. Fuller was celebrant; Rev. Patrick Hayes, deacon; Rev. P. Sheehan, sub-deacon; Rev. M. O'Flaherty, master of ceremonies. The day was observed as a holiday by the students of St. Brendan's Seminary.

Mr. Howard Gould of New York and party arrived at Killarney from Glengarriff by special coaches on May 23. Mr. Gould is accompanied by his wife and Dr. and Mrs. Clement Cleaveland. The party visited Muckross Abbey and demense, Dinis, Torc Waterfall, Lord Kenmare's demense, and were charmed several days in the famous and beautiful district.

Among the hundreds of sons and daughters of Kerry who left its shores recently to seek home and fortune in the land of the West, was Mr. James Fuller, Glencoe. During this year the emigration has played sad havoc with already depopulated Ireland. Week after week the best blood of the land is going away—going to earn a living in the land of the stranger, while their own fertile island blooms at home, "a garden for the alien and a grave for the native." Prior to Mr. Fuller's departure a meeting of the Ireemore Branch of the G. A. A. was held—P. O'Carroll, captain, being moved to the chair. Among those present were H. Carroll, J. Carroll, J. Killian, J. Reilhan, T. Reilhan, T. O'Connell, J. Brown, P. Brosnan, P. Quilter, James Enright. Resolutions, condemnatory of the land laws were passed, and reference was made to the conversion of agricultural farms into cattle ranches.

TIPPERARY.

At the Clonmel Borough Court, May 23, James Foley, Clonmel, was charged with having on April 27, sent a threatening letter to Mr. Denis Hunt, "Ironagh, for dealing with Messrs Phelan & Sons, corn merchants, Clonmel. The defendant was readmit to bail, himself in £100, and sureties in £50 each. Mr. Thomas Landy, Ballydine, and Mr. Martin Brittain, Ironagh, were acceptor as sureties. He will be tried at Comins Assizes.

A meeting under the auspices of the United Irish League was held at Mr. P. G. Carr's store, Thurles, May 20, to establish a branch of the United Irish League. We regret to record the death of Mr. James O'Meara, of Maynard, Thurles, whose remains were interred May 17 at the family burial ground. On Jan. 27 occurred the sudden death of his wife, and since that time he was in declining health. The snapping in twain of a married life extending close on fifty years, and under sad circumstances, hastened his death. He was respected by all classes and creeds in Mid Tipperary, and his name there was synonymous with probity and manliness. He was a model man in all senses, both as father, husband and Nationalist. His remains were removed to Moyne Church where Requiem Office and High Mass were celebrated.

LIMERICK.

The Limerick Chronicle was put up for auction May 24 by Mr Wm B. Fitz, a collector, and was knocked down to Mr. Frederick Cleve, the purchase money being £1,990.

The death on May 16 of Mr. O'Callaghan Kilmallock, at a ripe age, was received with feelings of deep regret. He was for thirty years a member of the Kilmallock Board of Guardians, and the number of cottages erected in Urague testify to his zeal on behalf of the laborers. His funeral was largely representative of all classes.

WATERFORD.

Great numbers of the young of both sexes continue to leave the districts around Cappoquin for the United States.

Irish is taught in the St. Stephen's Practising School in Waterford City. A class of over forty pupils are being prepared for examination by the Rev. Brother Rumlod. The Star says it would be well that the other National Schools in the city follow the example of the Practising School as far as the Irish language is concerned.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Sheehan Bishop of Waterford and Lismore, recently examined in catechism and Bible history hundreds of children at Kilgobnet after which he administered the sacrament of Confirmation. The KilmacThomas district was visited, and Father Michael Casey, Kilrossney received the Bishop and assisted him during the ceremony of Confirmation.

The annual May procession of the members of the Sodality of Mary Immaculate took place in the picturesque grounds of Mount Sion May 13. The procession, which was headed by the altar boys of the churches, started at a quarter past one, the singing of the Litany being accompanied by the Barrack Street Brass Band. There was a special choir of boys trained by Rev. Brother Hamilton, who was on one of very large, and in the procession one recognized many of the old faces of those who as young members have been so long connected with the Sodality.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.

The Forty Hours' Adoration was held in Ballycassee on Sunday, May 20. At both Masses Very Rev. J. Conway preached of the mystery of the Blessed Eucharist. After last Mass the Adorable Sacrament was exposed in the monstrance, after having been carried in procession round the church. During the day the church was crowded by worshippers. In the evening Rev. J. Marmion recited the Rosary, and Rev. T. Blacker, Cusendun, preached on the Real Presence. A procession was formed of the school children, followed by the choir, acolytes, and four little girls dressed in white, strewing flowers before the Blessed Sacrament, which was borne by Father Marmion, the canopy being carried by Father Blacker. The Very Rev. Father Conway was master of ceremonies, assisted by Father Walsh, Rathlin. The procession emerged from the church and made a complete circuit of the cemetery, the choir and children singing the "Pange Lingua" and "Lauda Sion." The procession re-entering the church, Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament was given, the choir and children singing the "Tantum Ergo."

ARMAGH.

Cardinal Logue on May 17 visited Saint Malachy's church in Ballymacshroy and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to a great number of children. He was accompanied by Rev. Father Michael McGurk, of Ballygawley.

A mission was opened in St. Peter's church, Lurgan, May 20, conducted by Very Rev. Father Seeley, Very Rev. Father Mooney, and Rev. Father Heavay, of the Order of St. Augustine, Dublin. At the 11:30 o'clock mass, celebrated by Rev. M. B. McConville, Father Seeley began the mission by delivering a sermon, text, "Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit shall be cut down and cast into the fire." Evening devotions were attended by an immense congregation. Father Seeley recited the Rosary, after which Very Rev. Father Mooney preached.

CAVAN.

M. Lynch and J. Brady will represent the Oldcastle Rural District Council at the great National Convention to be held in the Rotundo, Dublin, June 19.

On May 20 Fathers Fottrell and Gill of the Jesuit Order began a mission in the parish of Lavey. The clergy were

were: Very Rev. Monsignor McGurk, Maghera; Rev. Peter O'Kane, Lavey; Rev. Father Kerlin, Greenlough; Rev. Father McGuone, Ballygally; Rev. Father McCullough, Lavey.

A great United Irish League meeting was held in Clifflerna on May 20. On the motion of Mr. John Brady, Mr. Philip Smith presided. He explained the object of the meeting, and called upon all to join the only organization in the country for the protection of the people. Mr. John O'Donnell, M. P., addressed those present on the duty of Irishmen at the present time; and made a strong appeal to all, particularly to the young men, to make a determined stand for the means of a livelihood in Ireland—the most beautiful country in the world—by entering into the final struggle and sweeping landlordism root and branch out of the country.

With sincere regret we chronicle the death of Mr. Daniel Brady, Lahernahone, who died May 15, in his 66th year. The greatest sympathy is felt for his wife and family. The funeral took place on Thursday, the interment being in Kilnavart, Very Rev. John Shannon officiating.

DERRY.

At a meeting of the guardians of Derry Union, May 19, Mr. W. E. Scott (chairman), presiding, the board had again under discussion the serious report which came before them by Very Rev. Charles McPaul, Waterside, Catholic chaplain of the workhouse. It was stated by Father McPaul that unauthorized changes had been made in the religious registration of two Catholic inmates by some of the officials, while on more than one occasion Rev. Joseph McKeefry complained of undue interference with Catholic patients in the workhouse infirmary. The Local Government Board wrote, stating they had before them the minutes of proceedings of the Derry Board of Guardians on May 12, relative to the change made under the circumstances set forth in the minutes in the religious registration of an inmate of the workhouse named Martha Bradley, and with reference to the order made thereon, the board desires to state that, as the facts appear to be undisputed, they would be glad to learn what course of action the guardians propose to take in the matter. The Board—being of the right color—took no action to punish the official guilty of the acts complained of by Fathers McPaul and McKeefry, neither did the Local Government Board.

The Derry Board of Guardians kindly gave the guilty official three weeks leave of absence to recuperate from the strain put upon her by the just and unanswerable complaints of the clergy.

DONEGAL.

On Sunday, May 20, the Church of the Star of the Sea, Bundoran, was the scene of a religious ceremony, the annual reception of members to the Sodalties attached to the Convent. When the Sisters of St. Louis came to Bundoran these Sodalties were not in existence, but the nuns set about establishing them, and at the present there are over a hundred members in their ranks. All those taking part in the procession were becomingly attired in white. The Children of Mary, leading, wore the blue cloak of their Sodality. Then the members of the Sodalties of the Holy Angels and Holy Childhood. Each carried its appropriate banner, and in the end of the procession was borne a beautiful banner of the Sacred Heart. The Convent grounds added very much to the beauty of the procession, while the weather was favorable. Great numbers of people from the town, Ballyshannon, Kilmallock and other places, assembled around the church. As the procession moved along the quiet convent walks, singing hymns to the Blessed Virgin, there was a devotional impressiveness about it. Having arrived in the church, the members of the Sodalties occupied the front seats. Father O'Neill, in the absence of the Very Rev. Canon McKenna, parish priest, performed the ceremony of reception. The scene at the altar rails, as the prayers and Acts of Consecration were gone through, was solemn. It was an occasion to gladden the hearts of interested parents when they heard their little ones place themselves under the protection of the Mother of God, the Holy Angels, and the Holy Family. When the ceremony of reception was ended, Father Tierney recited the Rosary and gave Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament. The procession then returned and returned to the Convent.

DOWN.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor, on May 18 administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to one hundred children in the Church at Unstford.

FERMANAGH.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings held since the old Land League days took place on Sunday at Newtownabuter Chapel to establish a branch of the United Irish League.

TYRONE.