

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.—On Feb. 3, at the convent of Mount Carmel, Loughrea, Mother Evangelist, sub-prioress, died after a short illness.

MR. WYNDHAM, Chief Secretary for Ireland, recently visited the congested districts in Galway. On the arrival at Galway Mr. Wyndham drove to the residence of the Most Rev. Dr. MacCormack, the Bishop of Galway.

LEITRIM.—The Drunkard's branch of the United Irish League at recent meeting elected three officers for present year.

MAYO.—The death of Mr. John B. Sheridan, postmaster of Castlebar, which happened in Dublin, Feb. 3, was deeply regretted.

A great fire occurred in the premises occupied by Mr. P. Moran, spirit merchant, and in those occupied by Mr. George Hearne, draper, Main street, Ballinacree, on Feb. 5. Loss is estimated at \$35,000.

Feb. 1 was market day in Ballaghaderreen, and those who attended were surprised to find the town extensively placarded with posters calling on the shopkeepers to have no dealing with two persons who had grabbed farms.

A special meeting of members of the Westport branch of the United Irish League was held Feb. 3 for the purpose of reorganizing the branch for coming year and to elect officers.

of welcoming him back from an English Bastille." Mr. Regan thanked the board for their kind remarks, and said that he went to jail for no fault of his own, and if the English Government thought they would quench the fire of love of country within his breast they were mistaken.

ROSCOMMON.—A young man named Patrick Tansey, of Erris has disappeared in a most mysterious manner. On Feb. 2, he went into Boyle, and since has not been seen or heard from.

One of the oldest and most respected inhabitants of Boyle passed away on Feb. 3 in the person of Mr. Eneas Nangle, of Elphin street.

On Feb. 2 the remains of Mrs. MacDonnet Abbottzown, Boyle, were interred in the cemetery of Ardara. Office and High Mass were held in St. Joseph's church, at which great numbers of clergy and laity attended.

Father John Greene of Kilianura died Feb. 1, at his home in Ballinacree, deeply and widely regretted. On Monday Solemn Office and High Mass were celebrated in the parish church. Most Rev. Dr. Hoate presided.

SLIGO.—The death of Thomas Hunt, of Cappel North, occurred on Jan. 17, at the age of 70 years. The funeral to Killyoran cemetery was numerously attended.

A general meeting of the Nationalists of Sligo was held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Feb. 1, for the purpose of reorganizing the Sligo Borough Branch of the United Irish League.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.—On the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin attended by Rev. Dean Brophy ordained to the priesthood, in the Church of St. Patrick's College, Carlow.

The members of the Carlow Gaiety Dramatic club gave a very good presentation of "The Whiteboys or the Rebel Chief," in the Town Hall, Carlow, on two nights recently.

The funeral of Mr. Garrett Kehoe, Mountnell, Rathvilly, took place on Feb. 2, at the local cemetery. Great numbers attended. The cortege was the longest seen in the district for years.

A marriage was solemnized on Feb. 4, at the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street, Dublin, between Miss, daughter of Michael Doyle, Woodstock, Athy, and James Kealy, Hacketstown. The ceremony was performed by Father O'Carroll, Skerries, uncle of the bride.

DUBLIN.—The Sodality of the Holy Name of Jesus attached to the Dominican church of St. Saviour's, Dominick street, Dublin, made the third series of processional visits to the city churches prescribed by the Archbishop for gaining the Jubilee.

Starting from St. Saviour's at a quarter to three, and after visiting the Cathedral, Marlborough street, they reached St. Andrew's, Westwall row, where Forty Hours' Adoration was being held. After singing the "Tantum Ergo," the prayers were offered up for the intentions of the Pope.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN. GIBNEY.—Jan. 26, at Ballynacorney, Michael Gibney. HACKETT.—Jan. 26, at 6 Montague street, William Hackett, member of the Bakers' Association.

MORAN.—Jan. 25, at 3 Blackhall place, James Moran. ROWAN.—Jan. 25, at South terrace, Dunganran, in his 88th year, John Rowan, father of the Rev. P. Rowan, C. C. Athy.

MOONEY.—Jan. 3, Mrs. Teresa Rooney, Man of War, Balbriggan, aged 71 years. WALDRON.—Jan. 31, at 17A Upper Leeson street, Dublin, Thomas Waldron.

CARROLL.—Feb. 4, at Seaview House, Church road, Kate Casey, Dundalk. CASSEY.—Feb. 4, at 6 Berkeley street, Dublin, Michael Cassey.

CAULFIELD.—Feb. 4, at Frankfort House, Terenure, Michael Caulfield, late of Rathfriland, County Wicklow. CULLEN.—At 191 Phibsborough road Elizabeth Cullen, aged 69 years, died Feb. 3.

DOWLING.—Feb. 3, at 98 Phibsborough road, Edmund A. Dowling, storekeeper, Richmond District Asylum, aged 37 years.

GAVIN.—At French Furze House, Kildare, Feb. 3, 1901, Thomas Gavin, aged 55 years.

LANCASTER.—Feb. 4, Mrs. Mary Lancaster, at 12 Bond street. REHILL.—At 49 Lower Gloucester street, Edward Rehill, late of Stamps and Taxes Custom House, Dublin, for the past thirty-three years.

KILDARE.—Mr. Thomas Francis Dowling, son of late Mr. Dowling, Portlaine, Ballymore, died recently. He was proprietor of the Mariners Arms Hotel, Liverpool. The remains were conveyed to Clontarf Station, and thence to the family burial place in Moore.

A largely attended meeting of the parishioners of Kildare and Rathangan was held in the Town Hall, Kildare, in connection with the transfer of the Right Rev. M. J. Murphy to Rathfriland. On the motion of Mr. Patrick Doyle, seconded by Mr. John Moore, Mr. Charles Bergin took the chair. Mr. Bergin said that the departure of Dr. Murphy from the parish was deplored by all, and no effort should be spared to induce him to make such arrangements as would permit him to remain.

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athure, Ballyroan, was found dead in her bed Feb. 4. She retired in her usual health and gave instructions to be called for early in the morning. She was dead. The Friday previous she had completed the devotions of the Nine First Fridays. She was sister-in-law to Very Rev. Mgr. Phelan, parish priest of Maryboro.

On Feb. 4, at Maryboro, happened the death of Mr. Francis Stinson, journalist, at the age of 42 years. For fifteen years he had been on the staff of the Leinster Leader. Interment was in the new cemetery.

In the parish church, Maryborough, Feb. 4, Mr. M. P. Tynan, son of the late Mr. Mathias Tynan, Carlow, was married to Miss Jessie Doran, daughter of Patrick Doran, Maryborough. The church was decorated by the nuns of the Presentation Convent, of which the bride was for many years a pupil.

The Very Rev. Mgr. Tynan, Newbridge (uncle of the bridegroom), was the officiating clergyman and celebrant of the Mass, assisted by Rev. J. Cullen, Acm., Carlow; Rev. J. Kearney, Maryborough; Rev. M. Bolger, Portlannington; Rev. J. Harris.

WEXFORD.—The farm formerly in the possession of Mrs. Mary Rossiter, at Birkstown, consisting of 92 acres, has been purchased for the Coolree Estate tenants for \$22,000.

The second lesson in the National School Teachers' Irish Language Class was given in the Presentation Convent, Wexford, Feb. 2.

On Feb. 3 the Feast of St. Aidan, first Bishop and Patron of the Diocese of Ferns, was celebrated in Ennis-corthy Cathedral. High Mass, Solemn Pontifical commenced at 11 o'clock. A special selection of sacred music was rendered by the choir, under the organist Mr. W. H. Gratian Flood. In the evening Solemn Vespers were sung by Most Rev. Dr. Brown, who preached on the life and labors of St. Aidan. He described the founding of the See of Ferns by St. Aidan of Mogue, and described the events which led to the transfer of the Episcopal Chair from Ferns to Ennis-corthy about a century ago. Benediction was given by the Bishop assisted by Rev. John Dunne, Acm., and Rev. D. J. Kavanagh.

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RECENT DEATHS IN CORK. NUNAN.—At the Mercy Hospital, on Feb. 7, Mary Ann Nunan, daughter of the late Daniel Nunan, Raheen. MCCARTHY.—At Ballybonell, Lomardstown, Catherine McCarthy, aged 63.

CANAVAN.—On Jan. 7, Mary Canavan, late of Dillon's Cross. DALY.—On Jan. 25, at Liscullane, Charleville, Lizzie Daly. CASSEY.—Feb. 4, at 6 Berkeley street, Dublin, Michael Cassey, aged 64 years.

WEBB.—At Youghal, on Jan. 7, Mrs. J. Webb. SPILLANE.—On Jan. 6, at Rathcooney, Honora Spillane. O'SHEA.—On Jan. 6, at Clondrohid, P. O., Margaret O'Shea.

KERRY.—Classes to learn the Irish language were opened in the Grand Jury room of the court house, Listowel, Feb. 2, and were largely attended. A large and representative meeting was held on Sunday, Feb. 3, at the chapel gate in Glenbeigh. Members of the County League hovered around. Mr. P. H. Courtney presided. Members of the Executive of the East Kerry United Irish League held a meeting in the League rooms, Castleisland, Feb. 7. John Greaney, Knocknagoshel, presided.

LIMERICK.—A Disgrace to Limerick.—The first batch of 17 women and 25 children, besides many babies in arms, the wives and families of men of the County Limerick Militia took their departure Feb. 4, for the camp at Lydd, England from which they will proceed to Egypt when the corps goes out. These men are enabling the British government to send the regular soldiers in Egypt to South Africa by volunteering to go to Egypt. They are giving most important assistance to the government and nation that made them and their wives and their children paupers.

At a meeting of the City of Limerick branch of the United Irish League last week, Alderman Joyce, M. P. presided. The railway accident which occurred on Feb. 1 at Knockbrack Quarry, Abbeyfeale, was the most serious that ever occurred on the Limerick and Kerry line, now the Great Southern and Western. The pilot engine, whose obstruction caused the wreck of the Limerick train, was on its way to Tralee and had passed the dangerous curve at the quarry, about a mile from Abbeyfeale station, when it broke down. The time of the breakdown coincided with the scheduled time of the up and down trains from Limerick and Tralee, which met at 8 30 p. m. and the driver of the pilot, realizing the danger which awaited the Limerick passenger train, despatched the fireman with a lamp to intercept it by signalling, but immediately the train rounded the curve, which intercepted a view of the danger ahead, and dashed into the plot with terrific force, the impact of which was heard for miles, resulting in the wreck of the Limerick train while the pilot was stove in like a matchbox. The guard's van, which was in charge of Mr. Patrick Sheehy, who received a nasty wound over the eye, was telescoped into the carriage immediately behind, and the uninjured portion of which contained a passenger who received but very slight injuries. Several of the other carriages were injured, but fortunately no loss of life occurred.

TIPPERARY.—The good Catholic people in Cashel, though Very Rev. Dean Kinane, M. P., have forwarded \$500 to the Archbishop of Pekin, China, for the distressed missions in his diocese. A meeting of the committee of the Clonmel branch of the United Irish League was held on Feb. 3, in the Council Chamber, Town Hall. The Mayor, Ald. T. J. Condon, M. P., presided.

WATERFORD.—The death of Mrs. Flynn Kieley's Cross, occurred lately, and the sad event was deeply regretted. The funeral to Lismore Cemetery was very numerously attended. Deceased was a member of the old McGrath family, of Boolaroonthen, in this county, and the Cashins, an old Tipperary family. On February 10 a young girl named Bridget Tracey was drowned in the River Suir under very peculiar circumstances. She left the house to meet a young man named John Doyle, to whom she was to have been married. Doyle fulfilled his appointment. He was accompanied by a man named Hart. The meeting took place on the quay. Two friends of the parties walked up to them and conversation ensued. The newcomers were Michael Butler and Mary Keenan. Doyle left the others and entered on a bulk, and the noise of a splash was heard, immediately followed by shouts for help. The others ran to his assistance, and found him holding on to a mooring rope, by which he sustained himself until rescued by Hart and Butler. The deceased became excited, and rushed to the edge of the barge, and declared if Doyle was not rescued she would jump in and save him herself. Mary Keenan caught her by the skirt, to restrain her, but it gave way and the girl fell into the river. The tide was high and deceased was not seen to rise. It is thought that her body got underneath the bulk. The body has not been recovered.

DOWN.—On Jan. 27 the remains of the late Felix McLaughlin, P. P., Glenn, who died at parochial residence on Wednesday previous, were interred in Glen Chapel amidst the sorrowing of his parishioners. Father McLaughlin was born near Hilltown in 1827, studied in Maynooth, which he entered about 1843; was ordained in the summer of 1849, and his life was spent in various parishes of the Dromore diocese. Since 1870 he was parish priest at Glenn, outside Newry.

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ULSTER.

ANTRIM.—Sister Francis Clare McCann, only daughter of Mrs. McCann, of Lurg, Portlone died Jan. 20 at the Convent of the Sisters of Nazareth House, Hammersmith, London, in the fortieth year of her age and twenty-first in religion. She was educated first at the Dominican Convent, Falls Road, Belfast, and afterwards in France. The death of Sister Mary Joseph, daughter of the late Mr. Mathew Magorrian, Belfast, occurred Jan. 13, at the Convent of the Benedictines of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Paris. The deceased nun, who had entered the twenty-third year of her religious life, was greatly beloved by the Community and the public for her gentleness, amiability, and piety, and her death is regretted.

ARMAGH.—Mr. T. G. Peel, coroner, held an inquest at Armaghbridge on the body of Patrick O'Neill, horse dealer, found in a bye-lane near Armaghbridge. James Morgan identified the body and said that the deceased was aged 35 years. A car driver named Morris said he had last seen deceased in Newtownhamilton fair on Jan. 26. David Warnock, farmer, proved to finding deceased on the evening of Feb. 4, lying against a ditch on a bye-road. He was then dead. Isabella Doherty, of Keady, stated that deceased was her brother-in-law and stopped in her house, and that he left on Jan. 25 to go to Newtownhamilton fair. Dr. Derham, surgeon stated that the cause of death was exposure. Verdict accordingly. A fine meeting of the members of the Belleek branch of the United Irish League was held Feb. 3, the president Mr. Jas. McElroy, in the chair. CAVAN.—On Jan. 19 Bernard Kelly, who lived near Ballyconnell, was found dead on the Diamond. He was an old soldier, and he fought for the late "Famine" Queen in the Crimean war. Only a few half-pence were in his pockets. A gunpowder explosion took place in the business establishment of Messrs. Strain & Thompson, Belturbet on Jan. 29, by which George Mulligan and Joseph Mathews, assistants were seriously injured. It appears that Mr. Mulligan, having to search for some goods under the hardware counter, lighted a match, which ignited a few grains of powder which had fallen from a drawer. He endeavored to put out the sparks, but did not succeed, and some of the burning particles entering the drawer in which were four pounds of powder, an explosion took place blowing out two front plate glass windows and their contents into the street, and seriously injuring Messrs Mulligan and Mathews about the head, eyes, face and hands. The face of the former was rendered almost unrecognizable. Two workmen, Charles McGuigan and J. Howe, who were outside the shop window, were knocked down. The shock of the explosion was felt over the entire town. One of the injured is brother to Mr. John Mulligan, Railway Hotel, Cavan.

DERRY.—A great meeting was held in Newry Town Hall recently in support of the United Irish League. Mr. John Dillon, M. P. was the principal speaker. Several bands were in attendance. DONEGAL.—Mr. Morgan Sweeney, Jr. of Drumacoran, has been missing for some time, and it is feared he has been drowned. When last seen he was in the West Port. Two years ago he was compelled to give up a good position as civil engineer in Australia owing to bad health. After last Mass at Bocan Chapel, Culaud, on Feb. 3, a fine meeting was held under the auspices of the Glenely Branch of the United Irish League. The Glenely Band was in attendance, and discoursed patriotic airs.

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