

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 melancholy accident occurred on the lake near Menlo on March 23. John Maloney had been on the bay at Curramore for a boat of turf, and was returning home with Patrick Crean, 14 years of age, when the boat upset and both were thrown into the river. The young fellow was drowned and Maloney with difficulty succeeded in getting ashore in such an exhausted state that he had to be attended by Dr. Lydon.

The ceremonies in connection with the canonization of St. Rita of Cassino, Italy, were conducted with great solemnity in the Church of St. Augustine, Galway, March 24. The picture of the new saint was unveiled. Father Bird was celebrant of the High Mass; Father Murphy, deacon; Father Flavers, sub-deacon. The panegyric of the saint was preached by the Very Rev. Father Lyons, O. P. The saint lived about five hundred years ago. Two hundred years after her death the body, which had not been embalmed, was found free from the faintest sign of decay. Her veil and other articles of dress were as fresh as any worn by the persons who visited the convent and church to see the remains of the saint.

A rescue from drowning and extraordinary recovery was effected in Galway City lately. John Hynes of Brye street went to wash his face in the water at Nimmo's pier, fell in, and was picked up unconscious by some fishermen. They left him lying on the pier and went for Constable May. On the arrival of the constable he found Hynes crippled up and so stiff that his clothes had to be cut off with a scissors. He tried artificial respiration, and while doing so got the parties about to rub the man for a long time till at last he felt a pulse. Then the spring van of Messrs. Fahy & Co. coming along, he had the man removed to the County Infirmary, where he was attended by the priest and doctor. He again got unconscious, but it is said Constable May and four other men set to rubbing him vigorously and succeeded after about two hours' work in getting him all right again. Hynes is now completely recovered. Constable May saved his life.

LEITRIM.—Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, before the census was taken warned his people—clergy and laity—to be most particular in filling up that part of the census paper which related to education, because he found that in his diocese only 5 per cent. were illiterates, while the British census gave the number as being one-third of the population. On March 21, in the presence of a large concourse of persons, to whom he had been ministering for over a quarter of a century, the remains of Rev. John McManus, P. P., Ballaghacreehan, were laid in the grave. At the solemn Requiem Mass celebrated by the Rev. Terrence McDermott, Rev. P. McLoughlin, deacon; Rev. Francis Gilchrist, Killy, sub-deacon; Rev. P. McCabe, master of ceremonies.

MAYO.—Thomas Conniboy, who passed away at Coorabeg, Claremorris, on the 26th of March, had reached the great age of 103. He was in the enjoyment of perfect health up to a few weeks before death.

George Moore.—The Irish People of April 6 contains this very interesting item: "Mr. George Moore, the novelist, will be a resident of Dublin. A Unionist of a bitter type, and a 'realist' whose work was reminiscent of Zola, Mr. Moore has become an earnest Nationalist and an idealist of the Gaelic school. So he shakes the poisonous dust of London from his shoes and transfers himself to the capital of the land of his fathers. Here he will learn Irish, and we may take it for granted that he will occasionally interrupt his studies by giving us racy reflections in the language which he knows. Ireland is the right home for the son of George Henry Moore, and the descendant of the George Moore, or Moore Hall, who was proclaimed President of the Irish Republic when Humbert was in Mayo."

A fine meeting of the Knock Branch of the United Irish League was held March 31.

ROSCOMMON.—The new male school built in Elphin street, Strokes-town, capable of accommodating 300 pupils, was opened on Easter Monday under Prof. Cassidy, lately professor of English and Science in Ennis College, County of Clare.

The death of Mrs. M. Hargadon took place at the residence of her daughter in Boyle, April 3, at the age of 67 years. Deceased was a member of an old and respected Boyle family, and the tidings of her death occasioned great sorrow. The funeral, which was large and representative, took place to the family burial ground at Assylin.

We regret to chronicle the demise of Annie Lakeview, Cootehall, niece of the Very Rev. P. O'Hara, Fourmiletown, Roscommon, at the early age of 21 years. Deceased, who entered the convent at the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary in Blon Vloor, Calvary, France, three years ago, taking in religion the name of Sister St. Ludovica, returned to her father's house in delicate health, and after a lingering illness passed peacefully away on March 24. A large number of the deceased lady's relatives, with an immense concourse of friends, attended the funeral at Assylin.

seven weeks, was found strangled in her home, on the morning of April 4. The police are making an investigation.

The death of Mrs. Mary Melvin, of Farnaharpy, Skreen, occurred March 28, aged 56 years, deeply regretted. Her many friends in the United States will learn of her death with regret.

LINSTER.

CARLOW.—The Rev. John Slattery has been appointed chaplain to the Carlow Union, in place of Rev. Charles Horan who is now in Emo, Portlargo.

DUBLIN.—Mr. George Moore, the novelist, will soon take up his residence in Dublin. He is descended from George Moore of Moore Hall, who was proclaimed president of the Irish Republic when Humbert was in Mayo.

Lord Mayor Harrington, of Dublin, officially attended High Mass in the Cathedral, Dublin, Easter Sunday, at which Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop, was present. When the religious ceremonies were over the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, and a great number of the Councillors and officials of the City Council proceeded in processional order to the Mansion entertained by the Lord Mayor.

On March 30, one of the most interesting and significant meetings yet held in Dublin in connection with the revival of the Irish language took place at the Gresham Hotel Dublin. The meeting assembled in response to an invitation to consider the best means of securing the co-operation of all Munster people resident in Dublin on behalf of the National language and traditions, and it included not only the most active workers of the Southern Province of the Gaelic League in Dublin, but also a number of representatives of Ulster participating in the work. The promoters of the meeting were convinced of the great opportunities which a union of so many Irish speakers in Dublin would afford for developing the language movement, and the gathering itself proved that their energies were properly directed. The proceedings were conducted entirely in Irish, and the introduction of choruses and other vocal items in Irish lent an additional interest to what was a very inspiring and enjoyable "cruinteach." The Lord Mayor of Dublin presided. Mr. T. Harrington, M. P., since he became Lord Mayor has given entire satisfaction to the Nationalists. One hundred dollars were voted to help the good work.

Recent deaths in Dublin.—WOODS—April 3, at Brewery road, Stillorgan, Mary Woods, aged 17 years.

O'CONNELL—April 2, at Carlingford road, Drumcondra, Eliza Quinlan, South Main street, Cork, aged 47.

ROONEY—April 2, at 120 Somerville terrace, Booterstown, Mrs. Mary Rooney.

FARRELL.—March 30, at 94 Lower Mount street, Francis Farrell, at an advanced age.

GALLAGHER.—March 30, at Mabestown, Delvin, Mrs. Catherine Gallagher.

M'DONNELL.—On March 30, Patrick McDonnell, of Greenville South Circular road.

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DEMPSEY.—April 3, Terenure, Michael Dempsey.

DEVOY.—April 3, at Courtwood, Ballybrattins, Laurence Devoy.

FLANAGAN.—April 3, Robert Flanagan, late of 1 Clifton terrace, Inchicore, aged 46 years.

M'DERMOTT.—April 3, at Post Office North Strand, Christina McDermott.

FARRELL.—March 21, at 2 Vernon parade, Clontarf, Isabel Cecilia Farrell, late of 5 Mountjoy square.

RIGNEY.—March 19, at Park lane, Chapelizod, Dublin, Margaret Rigney, aged 78 years.

ROBINSON.—March 20, at The Royal Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook, Mary Ann Robinson, widow of the late Michael Robinson, Bray, and mother of Robert Sutton Bray.

MORAN.—At 30 Temple street, John Moran.

KILDARE.—An Irish step-dancing competition took place at Nurney on Lady Day. The art is not yet forgotten, and good dancing is as graceful to the heart of an Irishman as ever. Besides, an Irish jig, each competitor had to dance a reel or a hornpipe. There were six competitors—John Moran, Ardagh; Michael Duddy, Atay; Patrick Kelly, the Curragh; William Matthews, Monasterwan; John Poole, Nurney; and Frank Behan, Mylestown.

The decision was to depend on the aggregate marks and timekeeping. The dancing was very good, and it was found at the close of the contest that Moran and Kelly had tied with 81 marks each out of a possible 120, with Duddy close up with 85 marks. Matthews danced the hornpipe exceedingly well, but broke down at the jig. On a final test, Moran was awarded first prize and Kelly second prize.

The funeral of Mr. Denis Reeves, Reevemount, took place on March 29, and was attended by the people of the town and district. His remains were removed to St. Michael's church, where an office was offered up for the repose of the soul of deceased. Rev. W. Duggan was celebrant, and the other clergymen assisting were Very Rev. Canon Germaine, Rev. P. Rowan, A. H. Rev. Father Nolan, Kilmadee; Rev. Father O'Sullivan, O. P. A. H. Rev. Father Behan, Moore. After the office the remains were removed to St. Michael's cemetery, where the obsequies were performed by the Very Rev. Canon Germaine.

DIED.—March 23, Marcella Moore, Newbridge, County Kildare, daughter of the late Christopher and Margaret Cummins, Valleymount, Blackditch.

KILKENNY.—The death of Mrs. Geoffrey Brennan, of Coon, Muckalee at the extraordinary age of 103 years, happened on April 8. She was in full possession of all her faculties up to the last.

Mr. Buckley, of the Kilmacoo branch of the Gaelic League, and Mr. Carty of the Mooncoin branch, attended the recent meeting of the Waterford City branch, and were very much pleased with the work being done for the revival of the Irish language.

The death of Mrs. Rockett, Miltover, Kilmacoo, occurred March 19. The sad event was widely and deeply regretted. She left two sons and a daughter to mourn her loss—the Rev. Father James Rockett, of Rathdowney, Queen's County, and in the Diocese of Ossory; Mr. William Rockett and her only daughter living, Mrs. John O'Reilly, of Ballykeogh. The funeral was a very large one. The remains were interred in the Kilmacoo burial ground. A large number of clergymen officiated at the Office and High Mass.

KINGS.—During a dispute in a house at Mountbolus, near Tullamore, April 4, a man named Joseph Corcoran was fatally injured. Two men, named James and John Corcoran, are under arrest in connection with the case. The name of the place of the occurrence mentioned in the indictment is Ballyrilla. The event has caused great excitement in the district.

LONGFORD.—The old castle of Castle Morin, Carrickmond, is another of the famous residences of the Irish clan of the O'Farrells. It was confiscated in 1600, and tenanted up to 1760 when the last of the O'Farrells was driven out of possession.

Loughlin Byrne, of Cloonbony, tenant on the Clements' estate, was evicted recently, and his farm is in possession of two emergency men. He and his family are living in a house on Mr. P. Shanley's land, which had been unoccupied for past six years.

"An Historical Essay on Ardagh, Longford, its ancient and present glory," is the title of a very interesting illustrated pamphlet just from the pen of the Very Rev. Dr. Monaghan, Dean of the Diocese of Ardagh. The Very Rev. author was for some time parish priest of Carrick.

A history class has been formed in the Longford Gaelic League. Mr. Thomas Bannion read the first three chapters of Sullivan's "Story of Ireland," and in the discussion which followed, Messrs. Hughes, Sullivan, Boyle Hanley, Bannion and Collins took part. An historical paper was also read by Mr. T. J. Boyle.

With regret we chronicle the death lately of Miss Maryanne Duignan, daughter of Mr. P. Duggan, of Legga, quite unexpectedly. Deceased was in the best of health until the morning of her death, when getting worse, the priest was summoned. After having received the rites of the Church, the poor girl expired.

LOUTH.—The population of Dundalk according to the Census reports of 1891, is 12,449.

DIED.—March 30, Catherine Callan, of 64 Bridge street, Dundalk. Funeral left the Oriel Hotel, Linchall street, Dundalk, for Castletown cemetery.

Cardinal Logue presided at a meeting of the priests in the Deanery of Drogheda lately.

MEATH.—The exhibition of home industries held in Killybegs, on April 1, was an unqualified success. Father Barry inaugurated the movement. Knitted ware of all kinds were exhibited, admired for finish and quality, and purchased.

The Requiem services for Rev. Jas. O'Neill, pastor, Dunshaughlin, were held April 2, in the parish church, and were very largely attended. Father O'Neill entered the Diocesan Seminary of Navan at an early age, whence he entered Maynooth. From Maynooth he passed as professor to St. Finian's Seminary, Navan, and labored there for seventeen years, afterward passing as P. P. to the parish of Dunshaughlin.

QUEEN'S.—John Peter, Rathdowney, was killed by a runaway horse in the yard of the railway station at Ballybrophy on March 23.

DIED.—March 17, at Roskeen, Anne Delaney, March 24, at Abbeylisk, Annie MacMahon, aged 86 years.

WESTMEATH.—Dr. French, Glasson senior medical officer of Athlone workhouse has been arrested, charged with having killed his wife during a row in their dwelling on April 5.

By his will of Nov. 4, 1900, Mr. Andrew White of Mullingar, and of Liptons, Limited, who died on Nov. 4 last, appointed as executors Rev. Patrick Hugh MacGuire and Mr. Francis MacGuire, of Liptons Limited. The testator left his property in trust for his son John Joseph Patrick Anthony White, whom he desired should be brought up in the Roman Catholic religion. The personal estate has been valued at £1,156 15s 1d.

The funeral of Mrs. John Murphy Newcastle West, to the ancient cemetery of Killybegs recently was very numerous attended.

The death of Miss Elizabeth Flynn, of Hightown, Mullingar, occurred on March 26, deeply regretted. She was a sister to Rev. D. Flynn, A. M., Navan. Office and High Mass were in Coranstown Church, they and the funeral were very numerous attended. The celebrant of the Mass was Rev. D. Coyne, Dulceek; deacon, Rev. T. Donnellan, Oldcastle; sub-deacon, Rev. Father Dunne, Enfield; master of ceremonies Rev. T. Mulvany, Killybegs.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.—The nationalists in Killee and Lisden have subscribed two hundred dollars to the Irish Party Parliamentary Fund.

The death of Mrs. Mary Daly, widow of late Mr. Patrick Daly, merchant, Ennistymon occurred March 29, deeply regretted.

CORK.—Rev. Dr. Robert Browne Bishop of Cloyne, has given a good subscription to the Irish Parliamentary fund.

The funeral of Rev. P. Murphy, late curate in Shanrum parish, took place

in Castletownroche on March 27. His earlier studies were made in St. Columba's Seminary, Fermoy. He finished in the College des Irlandais, Paris, France, and was ordained priest in 1876. Very Rev. John S. Canon Wilmore, Mallow, presided, assisted by Rev. T. Twomey, Castletownroche.

Recent death in Cork.—O'CONNELL—April 2, at 54 Carlingford road, Drumcondra, Dublin, Lizzie, wife of Jeremiah J. O'Connell, late of Cork.

LONG.—On April 3, John Long Shanacashel, Kilmichael, aged 17 years.

KELLY.—On April 2, at 14 Nile street Cork William J. Kelly, aged 62.

KELLEHER.—On April 3, at 10 Great George's street West, John Kelleher.

NAGLE.—April 3, at 15 Phoenix street, Michael Nagle, aged 19 years.

CASHMAN.—On Friday, April 5, Thomas Cashman, Thrasberstown, Whitechurch.

MURPHY.—On April 3, at Mount-rivers, Co. Wick, Richard Murphy.

BEAMISH.—April 5, at 8 North street Skibbereen, Richard Beamish, aged 68.

HORGAN.—On April 5, Henry Horgan, Inishannon.

CALLAGHAN.—March 19, at 40 South Mall, Richard P. Callaghan.

MCGOWAN.—On March 20, Mary McGowan, 10 Great George's street.

MCCARTHY.—On March 19, at St. Mary's Square, Charles McCarthy.

MURPHY.—On March 19, at 21 Rathmore Buildings, Catherine Murphy.

McKENNA.—On March 18, Eugene McKenna, eldest son of Sir Joseph Neale McKenna, of 67 Lancaster Gate, London and Ardagna, Youghal.

MAHER.—March 19, at Chapel street, Tullow, Frances Clare Maher.

DUFFY.—On March 20, John Duff, grandson of the late Daniel Duff, Killywocky House, Carrigaline.

COWHEY.—On March 19, Daniel Patrick Cowhey.

MANNING.—On March 19, John Manning, late of Rooves, Co. Wick.

MURPHY.—On March 27, Timothy, son of Patrick Murphy, N. T., Ballincollig, aged 25 years.

FITZGERALD.—On March 27, at 39 Nile street, Andrew Fitzgerald, at an advanced age.

HEALY.—March 28, at Winter's Hill Maria Healy, aged 15 years.

DALTON.—On March 28, at Daltonville, Douglas road, Annie Dalton, aged 20 years.

COLLINS.—On March 28, at Ballycurreen, Michael Collins.

KERRY.—We regret to chronicle the death of Mrs. Marshall, which occurred at Mountnicholas, Ballymacelligott, on Lady Day. The deceased belonged to an old and respected Kerry family and was mother of Rev. George Marshall, of Milford. She was in her usual health up to Sunday evening when she went to attend the wake of her brother, Mr. Timothy McMahon, of Killeen, who passed away the previous Saturday. During Sunday night Mrs. Marshall became suddenly ill. She was removed to her own house on Monday morning and was attended by Father Dillon, Ballmacelligott and on Monday evening she died. The funeral took place to Ardcore, and a large and respectable cortege gave a striking proof of the esteem in which the deceased was held and the sincere sympathy entertained for her family. The funeral services were read by the Rev. J. K. Fitzgerald, Currans, assisted by Rev. J. Murphy, Farranfane, and the Rev. Fr. Dillon, Ballmacelligott.

Keen regret was occasioned in Tralee by the announcement of the death of the Rev. William Bullen Morris of the Oratory, London, which occurred on Passion Sunday after twelve days' illness. The deceased clergyman was the second son of the Hon. Patrick Morris, of St. John's Newfoundland, and Frances, daughter of Dr. William Bullen, C. K. He was born on March 23, 1834, educated at Clongowes, and joined the Oratory at St. Philip's, Nerli, at the age of twenty. He was one of Father Faber's first companions, and was ordained priest at the age of 23. His life was one of great holiness and earnest devotion to duties, the poor and suffering being the objects of his care. Amid his arduous duties he found time to write learned and attractive works, including a life of St. Patrick, which elicited warm encomiums from the literary world, and "Ireland and St. Patrick," a work showing deep historical research. He contributed many articles to the Dublin Review and the Irish Ecclesiastical Record. Though having to live out of Ireland, he was devoted to the green isle. He was brother to the late Lady Donovan, of Tralee, and uncle of Mr. St. John Henry Donovan, Chairman of the Kerry County Council.

LIMERICK.—The death of Mr. W. Edmonds, ex-National School Teacher of Castleconnell, occurred on March 27. During forty years he had been teacher, Rev. R. Scanlan, assisted by Rev. J. O'Meara, and Rev. J. Fanning, officiated.

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Fifteen hundred boys, members of what is known as the Junior Branch of the Holy Family Confraternity in Limerick City made their first Jubilee visit in processional order March 24. The Boheruse, Orphanage and St. John's bands accompanied the "Little Men," the future hope of their native city and of Ireland. Before starting, the bells of Mount St. Alphonsus rang out a melodious peal, and soon the thoroughfares leading to the church were thronged with little fellows of all ages. The streets were thronged with spectators, who lined the route pursued by the processionalists, and many were the praises bestowed on the boys as they passed. The chapels visited were St. Mary's, St. John's St. Michael's, and finally the Redeptionists. At the front of the procession was carried the cross with the acolytes who were attired in scarlet and white. The prefects and sub-prefects wore their badges of office. Each boy wore the red ribbon and medal of the confraternity. Father Tierney and Father Campbell accompanied them to the churches. As they went through the streets hymns were sung and the rosary recited.

TIPPERARY.—The men of St. Peter and Paul's parish, Chonmel, assembled at the church April 1 for their second round of visits. They formed up in Gladstone street, marched into the church, and the devotions were gone through, the Rev. P. Dooney officiating. Very Rev. Dean McDonnell was also present. The processionalists then reformed, extending the length of Gladstone street and marched to the Friary, and from thence to St. Mary's. The procession then returned to St. Peter and Paul's where the devotions concluded with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, at which Father Dooney officiated.

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The death of Mr. James Callinane, general merchant, Cappoquin, occurred March 31. The sad event caused great and widespread regret through the county. Deceased conducted a posting business, and on Sunday attended a funeral, with his horse, to Kilsheelan, County Tipperary. He was never in better health and spirits than when he left on Sunday morning. When he returned from the funeral on Sunday night he sat down to take his supper, and had only commenced the meal when Mrs. Callinane noticed him throwing his head backward, and on her going to his assistance the head dropped on his chest, and he expired instantly. All kinds of sport found in him an ardent supporter and advocate. He was a sincere patriot, and a prominent member in all the movements inaugurated for the cause of Ireland and the improvement of the condition of the people. The members of the Rowing Club carried the remains to Lismore New Cemetery, where the interment was made. Rev. J. Coghlan officiated at the grave. Many beautiful wreaths were laid on the last resting place of this sincere Catholic and ardent Irish patriot.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.—The death of Mr. Richard Murphy, of Pakenham place, Dublin road, Belfast, occurred March 30, and was deeply and widely regretted. He was a native of Clargiene Ballintemple, County Cork.

On Good Friday, in Friar's Bush Cemetery, were laid to rest the remains of Mr. Matthew Mullin, of 141 Milfield, Belfast, a well known and greatly esteemed Nationalist. A great number of priests and citizens attended the funeral. Rev. Father Small, of St. Mary's Church officiated at the interment.

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DERRY.—After the conference dinner April 9 in Derry, the Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty presiding, it was announced that the dignity of Domestic Prelate had been conferred by the Pope on Very Rev. Charles McPaul, Water-side and that of Doctor of Divinity on Rev. Professor O'Kane, St. Columba's College.

On April 9, in the Guildhall, Derry, Mr. Edmund Leamy, M. P., received a cordial greeting from the local branches of the league as a numerous assembly of the citizens. The chair was taken by Mr. O'Hagan, solicitor. Resolutions were submitted including one praising the Irish Party for their splendid work in Parliament and pledging the meeting to support the United Irish League and Irish representation.

DONOGAL.—Rev. Monsignor McFadden, P. P., Donegal, on March 27, forwarded a donation of one hundred dollars to the Irish Parliamentary Fund. The amount was subscribed by the Nationalists of the parish.

The dead body of Mrs. O'Donnell, Main street, Letterkenny, was found in an old well in the garden of Mrs. Harron, in which she had some clothes drying.

DOWN.—The committee organizing the Omeath Gaelic Fells met in the Catholic Club, Mill street, Newry, lately. The Very Rev. Canon Quinn, Cambouli, occupied the chair. The branches in the district were represented by Mr. Burns, Rostrevor; Mr. Greene, Newry; Mr. Crawford, Warrenpoint; Mr. McNeamy, Armagh; Mr. McVerry, Carlingford and Mr. Ward, Omagh. The Rev. M. Quinn, Dundalk, was unable to attend. The programme was considered and amended to suit some of the branches. The Fells will be held some Sunday in August. The means of raising funds to meet the expenses was considered and it was decided to appeal for help to the friends of the League through the branches. The Fells will be a success.

FERMANAGH.—At recent meeting of the members of the Derrygonnelly branch of the United Irish League, Mr. Philip McClusker in the chair, and Mr. James Leonard, secretary, present, resolutions were passed calling for a land purchase bill, and urging the League branches in North Fermanagh to push on the Parliamentary fund collection. A resolution requesting Mr. Leonard to write to the Rev. Canon McQuade for permission to make the collection for the Parliamentary fund at the churches of this parish, was passed.

Bigotry Still Rampant.—An unusual amount of interest was centered in the resolution introduced a few days ago at the Ennisfikill Rural District Council by the Nationalists. The board was specially summoned in connection with putting the Laborers' act into force, and it was confidently expected that the Unionist members, who form Mr. A. W. Russell's local brigade of the Tenants' Defense Association, would give the matter their support. Instead, they unanimously voted against it, which action has been accounted for by the fact that seven-eighths of the laborers are Catholics. Mr. James Sanderson (U.), an earnest advocate of compulsory sale, remarked if they had all those men in cottages they would require police protection. Messrs. Ward and McCusker, who introduced the motion, maintained that the depopulation of Fermanagh was due to the inhuman manner in which the laborers were treated; they had no rights, no privileges but were merely regarded in the light of chattels by their employers. The Unionists voted against the motion, and the Nationalists voted for, with the result that the scheme had been defeated. Those who are expecting that the Protestants and Unionists of Ulster will eventually become patriots are very silly persons.

MONAGHAN.—Rev. Dr. Owens, Bishop of Clogher, on Sunday, April 4, blessed and formally opened the new organ in the Church of St. Joseph, Monaghan. The organ is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Gormil.

TYRONE.—A special meeting was held in the confraternity hall of the new Church of the Sacred Heart, Omagh, recently. Right Rev. Mgr. McNamee presiding. After some discussion a resolution was passed that the larger spire of the church be proceeded with, and that instructions be given to the contractor, Mr. R. Cullen, of Portadown, to proceed immediately, the second spire being left till the first one completed. The committee felt it imperative to form themselves, in conjunction with Mgr. McNamee, into a guarantee committee to procure the funds for the work. It was also decided that a weekly collection be taken up to pay the principal and interest of the loan.

The Nationalists of Killeshill held a great meeting in A. Duff March 24. Mr. Mooney, vice