

# OUR IRISH LETTER.

NEWS FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

What is Being Done by the People at Home—Various Items From the Session of the Emerald Isle.

## CONNAUGHT.

**GALWAY.**—The Mitchell-Henry estate in the County Galway named Kylemore will be sold on June 4. The area is about 13,000 acres. The scenery is the finest in Ireland.

Francis Brady, aged 16 years, Ballygill, Ballinasloe, left his home April 24 and was seen near Tuam afterward. He is 5 feet 8 inches in height, and his parents are most anxious to hear of him. Any person having information about him will kindly communicate with the father or with Father Bowes, Adm., Ballinasloe.

At a meeting of the priests of the Clifden Deanery April 9 it was resolved: "That we, in conference assembled, deem it a duty to enter our protest against the oath—a blasphemous as insulting—which Edward VII. took on opening Parliament; that we call upon the Irish members to spare no effort in having it, with other disabilities affecting Catholics, removed from the Statute Book; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Home Secretary, to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, Mr. G. Wyndham, M. P., and to the chairman of the Irish Parliamentary Party, Mr. John E. Redmond, M. P. Signed: P. Canon McAlpine, H. McAndrew, M. McHugh, P. Gleeson, J. Mylotte, T. Lynch, J. Ryan, T. Brett, G. Brett, T. Lynch, J. Burke." We record with regret the death of Mrs. Mary Murphy, of Oloro, mother of Mr. Timothy Murphy, which took place on March 27, at the age of 71 years. Her esteem was amply shown by the large and representative funeral cortege that followed her remains to their last resting place at Donoughpatrick.

**LEITRIM.**—On Sunday, April 14, the historic village of Dromahaire, in the Breffin land, was the scene of a very successful demonstration in connection with the United Irish League, Sligo, Manorbennet, Ballintogher, Drumkerrin, Cabry and many other districts were represented. Mr. Denis Johnston, organizer, was voted to the chair. Mr. Francis Cunningham proposed, and Mr. Wm. Honners seconded a series of resolutions declaring adhesion to the principles of the United Irish League, a determination to put an end to the ranching system declaring that Home Rule would be the first instalment for Ireland's prosperity; advocating compulsory purchase; declaring a want of confidence in the Land Commissioners; promising a firm support to the Irish language movement; advocating redress for town tenants and demanding universal education for Ireland.

**MAYO.**—Died: At Springfield, Westport, on April 10, Emily (Emmie) Deniston. At Ballinlough, near Westport, on April 8, John Lyons, aged 74 years. Deceased was one of the oldest inhabitants of Kilmenna Parish, and was deservedly respected. His funeral to the Kilmenna burial ground was very largely attended and bore testimony of the grand respect and esteem in which the deceased was held. The Rev. J. O'Toole, Kilmenna, officiated at the grave. April 7, at Daniel McGowan's, 9 South Anne street, Dublin, Peter Ignatius McGowan, aged 82, Ballina.

This resolution was passed at the conference of the clergy of the Deanery of Ballinrobe, held on April 9, 1901: "We, the clergy of the deanery of Ballinrobe, in conference assembled, solemnly denounce the indignity offered by Edward VII. to us, in common with the millions of Catholics of the world, by his blasphemous declaration against transubstantiation, the most cherished dogma of our Holy Faith." Signed on behalf of the priests of the deanery: Very Rev. James Rosayne, Ballinrobe; Martin Healy, Hon. Sec., Ballinrobe. The Catholic clergy all over Ireland are denouncing the gross insult to their Church and its tenets.

A meeting of the young ladies of Ballaghaderreen was held recently in St. Mary's hall for the purpose of forming a committee and for discussing the best means of furthering the objects of the Gaelic League.

**ROSCOMMON.**—Great numbers of young persons of both sexes left Castlebar railway station during the past few weeks bound for the United States. The scenes were heartrending.

The people of Frenchpark were shocked April 6 at the news of a serious accident happening to Mr. John Lavin between Ballaghaderreen and Frenchpark. On his way home he slipped when mounting his cart and fell, the wheel passing over his head. He was conveyed to the house of Malachy Healy, where Dr. McDermott did all that medical skill could do for him. He is progressing favorably.

**Passed the Century.**—Our readers will learn with regret the death of Molly Byron, Castlereagh, who had attained the extraordinary age of 112 years. Until her last few weeks she was possessed of a clear memory. It was heart-breaking for this woman to look forth every morning at the plains of Rathmoyle, from which her forefathers had been driven by land jobbers. They were formerly the scene of many happy homesteads, but now they are in a complete wilderness and submerged in the tidal wave of landlordism. *—Roscommon Herald.*

On April 4 a fatal burning accident occurred in Strand street, Athlone, resulting in the death of a child three months and a half years of age, named Bridget Mary, daughter of Mr. James McManus, widow of the late Mr. James McManus, widow of the late Mr. James McManus.

It appears that the mother was attending her religious duties, leaving a youngster of eight years in charge. The latter was taking a coal from the fire and it split in two—one-half of which fell on her dress, and was not observed until her clothes were in flames. The elder girl took deceased to a yard at the back of the kitchen and turned a tap on her, but the stream was insufficient to extinguish the flames. Mr. Burgess' upholsterer hearing the screams of the child, jumped over the wall, undressed the child and poured on her a bottle of sweet oil, but she succumbed.

**SLIGO.**—The funeral of Mrs. B. Cawley, Teeling street, Ballymote, took place on Easter Sunday, and was very numerously attended. Her death happened on Good Friday. Deceased was a member of an old and highly esteemed family.

On Easter Monday the Ballymote Wanderers' journeyed to Sligo to play the return match with the Sligo Temperance Leaguers. The field in which he match took place was exceedingly wet and made good footballing an impossibility. The home team was successful.

**CARLOW.**—On Easter Sunday occurred the death of Mr. Nicholas Phelan of Graigenamstown, to the great regret of all who knew him. Office and High Mass were held in Ballinacill church and were largely attended by priest and people. The interment was in the new cemetery in Maryborough, Queen's County.

The people of Graig have set about erecting a memorial to their late pastor, Rev. Patrick McDonnell. A preliminary meeting was held in the Town Hall April 9. On the motion of Mr. P. Moylan, seconded by Mr. M. Mulligan, Dr. Walsh took the chair. Patrick O'Leary and Michael J. Murphy were appointed honorary secretaries. The chairman explained the business of the meeting. It was decided to hold a general meeting of the parishioners in the Abbey Church on an early date for the purpose of selecting a deputation to wait on the Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, to ask approval for the project.

**DUBLIN.**—The Rev. Bro. O'Callaghan, superior of the Christian Brothers' School, Synge street, Dublin, died April 10. His constitution, undermined by the labors of the work to which he had devoted his life, succumbed to pneumonia. His piety and Christian patience were the edification of all. By his demise the Christian Brothers have lost one of their most devoted members.

On April 10, in the Father Mathew Memorial Hall, Church street, Dublin, Very Rev. Canon Ryan, president of the College, Thurles, delivered a lecture on Father Mathew. There was a large attendance. Father Nicholas, O. S. A., presided.

**RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.** CARROLL—April 12, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Marcella Carroll, 19 Auburn street; member of the A. O. F.

CASSIDY—April 12, at 56 Grove Park, Rathmines, Michael Cassidy, late of Messrs. Larkin and Co., Dame street.

CORCORAN—April 12, at Hazel-hatch, Mrs. Catherine Corcoran, aged 80 years.

DEERING—At 43 Munster street, Phibberoo, on April 12, Henrietta Mary Deering, sister of Mrs. Gowan, Claude road, Roath, Cardiff.

HUNTER—At 32 Castlewood avenue, Rathmines, Margaret Hunter.

MCDERMOTT—April 12, at 2 Jane Villa, Tivoli road, Kingstown, Mary McDermott.

MCHALE—April 11, at Jervis Street Hospital, William McHale.

O'SHEA—April 11, at Birdhill Station, Mr. David O'Shea, station master, aged 74.

DOYLE—On April 7, (Easter Sunday), at 1 Banna Villa, Ranelagh, Ellen Doyle.

DUFFY—April 6, at 33 Mayor street, Nicholas Duffy, late of Newark, New Jersey, U. S. A.

HANLON—April 6, at 44 Lower Drumcondra road, Patrick Hanlon.

LYNAM—On April 6, at 2 Warrenpoint, Clonarf, Anne Lynam, formerly of Churchtown, County Dublin.

MELEADY—On April 6, 1901, at 81 Lower Mount street, Thomas Meleady.

MURPHY—March 30, at 84 Pakenham place, Dublin road, Belfast, Richard Murphy, late of Culgreine, Ballintemple, Cork.

MURPHY—April 7, 1901, at 10 York street, Kingstown, Mary Jane Murphy.

FARREN—April 8, at Queen's terrace, Hannah Farren.

GIBBONS—April 7, Peter Gibbons (late of 54 Henry street, Dublin).

JUDGE—April 8, at 4 Grosvenor terrace, Dalkey, Alice Salsburg, Sorrento road.

FARRELL—April 11, Thomas Farrell, 2 Croxtick alley, aged 66 years.

HUBAND—At 32 St. Alphonsus road Drumcondra, Esther Isabella Huband, aged 35 years.

MCCALLY—April 10, at Baldaragh, Naul, County Dublin, Sarah McCally.

KILDARE.—The death of Sister M. Agnes Brophy, Presentation Convent, Kildare, occurred April 7, at the age of 83 years; deeply regretted by her religious sisters and the people of Kildare.

On April 2 the remains of the late Mr. John Hughes, of Arnott & Co., Dublin, were interred in Glasnevin. His death occurred in Naas, March 30, of heart disease. The funeral was very numerously attended.

KILKENNY.—The first of the four pilgrimages in connection with the jubilee took place at Aghaboe on Palm Sunday. The day was grand; the sun shone splendidly during the time the vast procession was wending its way from the parish church to Ballacolla, thence to Downow. It will be long remembered in the annals of the parish.

of historic Aghaboe. In the procession were two hundred and fifty cars, decorated with palms and laden with people, headed by the St. Canice's fife and drum band. Ballacolla, playing sacred music; then came two hundred young men in processional order. Father Grant officiated in the Durrow church. Over two thousand persons participated.

**KING'S.**—The death of James Guman, Millbrook House, Cloghan, happened April 12, and was much regretted. The funeral to Keerahan was very numerously attended.

An entertainment was given in Birr April 11, to raise funds to indemnify the Monks at Mount St. Joseph, Koorera, Tipperary, for the loss sustained by the destruction by fire of their great milling concern. A good sum was realized.

The death of Mr. Lawrence Conroy, of Tulamore, occurred April 10, to the great regret of his family and friends. Deceased was very popular. He was a useful and energetic member of the Poor Law Board and Urban District Council. Great numbers attended his funeral.

**LONGFORD.**—On April 14 a largely attended meeting was held in Longford and addressed by the Hon. Edward Blake, M. P.; John Dillon, M. P., and J. P. Farrell, M. P. On the arrival of Messrs. Dillon and Blake in Longford they met with an enthusiastic reception and were presented with an address by the Longford Urban Council. Mr. Blake said the work of the English Parliament had so grown that if it was even able to govern Ireland it would not have the necessary time. There were 101 questions dealing with all parts of the Empire dealt with in the House of Commons each day, and in each the Irish Party insisted on having its say, no matter what annoyance or inconvenience it may cause to the Government or to individuals.

**WORTH.**—The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Dundalk was held April 11. Mr. H. C. Backhouse presiding. Mr. T. C. Macaraid drew attention to the removal of the military from Dundalk, and said the council should take some action to prevent the loss of £40,000 a year to the traders of the town and the farmers of the vicinity. Under the new army scheme he thought most of the troops would be at the Curragh, but the scheme did not preclude Dundalk being retained as a military station. However, on the removal of the drafts of the 8th Hussars, he understood there would be no troops in the barracks for a long time. It was decided to appoint a committee to take action in the matter. A committee was also appointed to negotiate with the Town Council with a view to the Chamber taking over the news room. Backhouse believes that the people of Dundalk would willingly continue slaves for the little cash made off the hiring soldiers of Britain. British soldiers are a most abominable addition to the population where they are stationed; they do incalculably more harm to the moral tone of the community than their trade compensates for. If the people of Dundalk have sense they will rejoice that the red coats are gone and pray that they may never return.

**MEATH.**—Died: On Good Friday, April 5, Thomas Cosgrave, Baconstown, Enfield, aged 65. Dublin: On April 6, at 9 Burch quay, Mary Daly, Kells, niece of the late Mrs. Ellen Smith.

**QUEEN'S.**—On Easter Sunday took place the interment of James Clancy, of Rosconnell. The funeral to Ballyniskill cemetery was very largely attended.

Requiem Office and High Mass were held in Ballinacill church on April 10 for the repose of the soul of Mr. Nicholas Phelan, of Graigenamstown, whose death occurred on Easter Sunday. Deceased was aged 80 years.

**WEXFORD.**—James Ryan, process-server, New Ross, died recently at the age of 90 years. He was well known all over the districts about the historic town of Ross.

The solemn ceremony of reception took place in the Convent of Mercy, New Ross, on April 9. The young lady is Miss Morrissey, Kiltane, Thomas-town, County Wexford (in religion, Sister Genevieve). She received the habit of the order at the hands of the Very Rev. Dr. Kavanaugh, New Ross, officiating.

**WICKLOW.**—The following deaths were lately reported from County Wicklow: March 30, Main street, Balinglass, William McLoughlin; Office and Requiem Mass at St. Joseph's church, Balinglass, April 6, at 57 Ferrybank, Arklow, Thomas Joseph Furlong, April 12, at Rathmoon, Balinglass, Martin Burke, aged 20 years.

**CLARE.**—The first of the new fairs established by the traders of Kilrush was held on Saturday, April 13, and reached the highest expectations of the promoters. It was well stocked with cattle. There was a numerous attendance of buyers, and with a brisk demand considerable business was done.

**CORK.**—An influential deputation headed by the Mayor of Cork, left for Dublin April 15 to collect funds on behalf of the Cork Exhibition. The envoys will be well received, and there will be a worthy response on behalf of a project the success of which is very important for the mercantile community of Dublin and other cities in Ireland.

The Young Men's Society of Doneraile recently gave a concert which was remarkable for the almost entire absence of Irish music and song from the programme. Father O'Callaghan presented some silver pieces of table ware to Miss O'Shea, organist, for her services to the Young Men's Association during the winter season.

**At the Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Carlow, on April 9, ceremony of religious profession took place. Two young ladies made their vows. One was Miss Helena Cotter (in religion Sister Mary Agatha Aloysius), second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cotter, of Cloyne Terrace, Queenstown. The ceremony was performed by the Most Rev. Dr. Fole, Bishop of the diocese, Mass being celebrated by Dr. John Foley (brother of the Bishop). An impressive sermon was preached by Dr. Fogarty, who took for his text "Mary Hath Chosen the Better Part." The interment of Mr. John Murphy, of Cork city, which took place March 29, removes one of the few links that bind the present generation with those who made the middle of the last century an epoch in Irish history. When this country contributed the Papal Brigade in the defense of the Pontiff's rights he was one of the first to offer himself as a saviour, and was wounded at the Battle of Spoleto. On returning to Ireland he took an active part in the movement in progress, and became a member of the Phoenix Society in 1858. Owing to his prominence in the work he had to leave Cork in '65, and went to Clonmel, as he was then a marked man. He returned in '67, and marched with his old companions to Ballyknockan. After the failure of the Fenian enterprise he returned to Clonmel, where he worked at his trade as an upholsterer, and subsequently returned to his native city, and, after a short illness, passed away at the age of 67 years, and was interred by the Upholsterers' Society at St. Joseph's cemetery.**

Extraordinary Age.—The death of the oldest person in Ireland took place this week at (nearly four miles from Millstreet). Mrs. Ellen O'Mullane, the deceased, was born in Ballyjourney, in the year 1773. Her father, Timothy Cronin, belonged to a respectable family of farmers in the neighborhood of Millstreet. The deceased, at the age of 35, married a farmer named O'Mullane, who died forty-three years ago. She had three daughters who are living, the eldest being 82 years old, 25 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren, some of whom are in Canada. She was a woman of robust frame and vigorous constitution. Her chief pride was to boast that she was never a day sick during her long life, although working hard. It need not be said, from the time and place of her birth, that she had a fluent Gaelic tongue, which was the language always used in the house. Her mind was a treasury of legends, songs and folklore, with which she used to entertain her neighbors, young and old, during the winter nights in that weird locality, overhanging the enchanted Lake of Coomatrish, where the River Finnow rises, near Cloghagh. She was in full possession of her faculties up to the hour of her death, and was about the house up to two weeks previous to her demise. A large concourse of people followed her remains to her native Ballyjourney, where she rests near the Shrine of St. Gobinet. Many of her legends and stories have been committed to writing.

The death of Mr. Denis Lucey, Sub-ulster, Kanturk, occurred April 2, deeply regretted. His father was a conspicuous figure in the rebellion of '48, and the story is even to this day repeated around the firesides of the people, from Carracoom to Kanturk, of how Lucey sheltered the pikemen of '48, and defeated the "Yeos," who assailed his house. No wonder that the son of such a man received the esteem and regard of the men of Duhalloo. The funeral was extremely large and representative. The deceased was the father of Mr. Michael Lucey, County Councillor for Kanturk.

On Sunday, April 14, the religious processions to obtain the great indulgences of the Holy Year were continued in Cork city. The day was chiefly devoted to the women of the religious organizations, and their progress to the four churches—the North Cathedral, St. Finbar's East, St. Mary's and St. Peter and Paul's—was marked by great devotional fervor. The confraternities and sodalities numbered many thousands. The female branch of the North Parish confraternity was accompanied by Rev. P. Tracey and the Rev. E. Stack. Very Rev. Canon McNamara, St. Finbar's East; the Rev. J. Daly, St. Finbar's East, marshalled the branches of the Sacred Heart and Apostleship of Prayer attached to the South Parish Church, while the Confraternity of the Sacred Heart and League of the Cross connected with the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, were accompanied by Rev. M. O'Flynn, Administrator. With the St. Patrick's and Mayfield confraternities of the Sacred Heart and St. Patrick's Children of Mary walked Rev. James O'Mahony, Rev. W. X. McCarthy, Rev. Richard Barrett, Father Cassidy and Father Tierney. St. Mary's Male and Female branches of the Holy Rosary and Angelic Warfare were accompanied by Father Quigley, prior, and Rev. Father Hoogan, O. P. The latter bodies mustered in great strength. The members of the Cork Young Men's Society, wearing the badge of the society, and numbering 800, participated. They were accompanied by Rev. P. A. Roche, president, and the chaplain, the Rev. J. D. Roche, O. P.; the Rev. J. Condon, O. S. A. and Rev. D. O'Shea, C. C., St. Finbar's East.

**RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.** NAGLE—On April 12, at Moorfield terrace, South Douglas road, Thomas Nagle.

MC SWINEY—On April 14, at Rathpeacon, Myles McSwiney.

O'SULLIVAN—On April 10, at the Postoffice, Miltown, Kerry, Ellen O'Sullivan.

GUILLY—On April 15, at Middleton (residence of her daughter), Mrs. Mary Guilly, aged 82 years.

O'LEARY—On April 11, Kilbolans Cottage, Miss Mary Anne O'Leary.

TWOMEY—A Market Square, Kinsale, April 15, Ellen, sister of the late Michael Twomey, N. T.

**WATERFORD.**—On April 14, at Ballinacree, aged 75 years, Ann Keohane, late of Rosscarbery.

MCGRATH—On April 9, at 49 George's street, Nora McGrath.

BARRETT—On Good Friday, at Knockanora, the residence of his sister Mrs. Fitzgerald, Edward M. Barrett, O. P. St. Mary's quay Cork.

KENNEDY—April 9, at 27 Clarence street, David Kennedy.

CONDON—On April 8, at 8 Mary street, Mary Condon.

CREAGH—At Dundullerick, on April 8, Philip W. Creagh, aged 83 years.

KERRY.—Mist Rev. Dr. Coffey, Lord Bishop of Kerry, has promoted Rev. John Mangan, P. P. Sneem, to be Archdeacon of Kenmare in succession to the late Right Rev. Monsignor O'Sullivan.

An Irish class was organized in Listowel on April 6, for the teachers of the National Schools in North Kerry, who intend to teach the Irish language. Mr. J. Deane, N. T., Clondouglas, Lixnaw, had charge of the class, and Mr. Thomas F. O'Sullivan, honorary secretary, Listowel Gaelic League, was also in attendance, and congratulated the teachers on the patriotic action taken. Mr. James O'Mahoney, Mr. Patrick O'Connor and other teachers said that the Gaelic League deserved the thanks of the teachers for their exertions on behalf of the language movement.

The enlarging and remodeling of the Mercy Convent Schools at Moyderwell, Tralee, is now complete, and the building is a decided addition to the architectural beauty of that part of the town. The remodeled schools consist of a central building forty feet long, containing music rooms, work rooms and class rooms. All the rooms are spacious lofty and fully ventilated, the most up-to-date appliances being used. Each of the large class rooms is fifty feet long by twenty five wide, and the furniture and fittings are of an elaborate description, the desks, etc., being of pitch pine. The height from floor to ceiling is sixteen feet.

An enthusiastic meeting was held at Bonane Chapel yard, seven miles from Genmar, April 7 for the purpose of forming a branch of the United Irish League. Mr. John Harrington was moved to the chair.

**LIMERICK.**—In the Convent of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Anahy road Hill England was witnessed the reception into that holy Order of Miss Eleanor E. McGauvran, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas McGauvran, of Burree Cottages, Burree. Her name in religion is Sister Aeldred.

There died at the Convent of the Good Shepherd, Rotahena, Ceylon, lately Sister Mary of St. Alphonsus, who was known in the world as Mary Catherine Hall, daughter of Mr. Stephen Hall, Limerick, where she was born on October 10, 1867. She received her early and pious training from the Convent School of the Sisters of Mercy in her native city.

Speaking at a banquet given to him April 13, in the Town Hall, Limerick, by his friends, the Mayor of Limerick, Alderman John Daly, said although not authorized by the corporation to speak in Chicago recently, he felt the proper place for Limerick's Mayor was honoring Emmet and Wolfe Tone rather than playing the funkey in Dublin. The Limerick Corporation was the only Irish one that kept the National flag flying uncontaminated by West British funkeyism.

Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, presided at recent conference of the priests of Kilmallock.

Rooting the Tillers in the Soil.—Mr. William Landon, M. P. for East Limerick, in co-operation with the patriotic priests, has brought to a successful conclusion the negotiations for the De Burgh. The price paid was fifteen pounds. The price paid was fifteen pounds. The price paid was fifteen pounds.

Rev. John Ryan, Adm., Nicker and Pallasgreen, presided at a meeting in Limerick April 3, to denounce the conduct of those who manage the Dobb's estate in Pallasgreen district, for their tyrannical treatment of the tenants.

On Sunday, March 31, occurred the death of Mr. Thomas O'Dea, Ardmore, Limerick, after a long period of sickness. He left a wife and ten children to mourn his loss. The funeral was one of the longest witnessed in the locality for years.

**TIPPERARY.**—In the Convent of Mercy, Dunmore East, County Waterford, April 9, was witnessed the reception of Miss Rose Skally (in religion Sister M. Philomena) third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Skally, Sluce Villa, Marfield, Clonmel. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Maurice Flynn, Passage East.

With regret we chronicle the death of Rev. R. O'Gorman, Parish Priest of Ballylooby, which occurred on April 11. During fifty years he had worked zealously in the ministry. He was a native of Kilsash. He spent a long term as curate in New Castle from which he was promoted to the pastoral charge of Kilgobnet, which he occupied for eight years. On the death of Father Foran P. P., seven years ago, he was translated to Ballylooby parish.

**WATERFORD.**—Mr. John D. Veale, who had been in charge of the Market House, on the Quay of Waterford City during forty years, died April 30, at his home on Grattan Quay, in his city.

Mr. Anthony Forristal, Ballykelly, Waterford, formerly of Michael street, Waterford, baker, who died Feb. 19,

On Sunday, March 31, was witnessed in the parish church of Tallow the interesting ceremony introducing the new parish priest, the Rev. Wm. Meagher, to the pastoral charge.

## ULSTER.

**ANTRIM.**—The funeral of Mrs. Harry O'Loan, Garrycowan, took place March 25 to Glenravel Cemetery.

**ARMAGH.**—The body of Thomas Johnston, farmer, Armagh, process server and bailiff for the Parnell estate was found lately in the River Blackwater, near his home. He had been missing since Feb. 25 last. When the body was discovered some money and his watch were found in his pockets. An inquest was held and a verdict of "found drowned" was rendered.

The death of Miss Agnes O'Rourke, Cavan, occurred on March 24, after a very short illness. The interment was in the cemetery of Killagarry, under the shadow of the church which holds the remains of her uncle, Rev. J. O'Rourke. Rev. Finegan officiated at the funeral ceremonies.

The members of the Belleck branch of the United Irish League held a meeting on April 7, Mr. James McFarland in the chair.

**CAVAN.**—DIED—CONNOLLY—April 2 at Middlesex Hospital, London, Patrick Rishard Connolly, fortified by the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, aged 19, youngest son of John and Rose Connolly, Pottelbawn, brother of Rev. C. Connolly, Granard, County Longford, nephew of the late Archbishop Smyth, Trilinda 1.

On March 31 a meeting was held at True Killivan, and a branch of the United Irish League established.

**DERRY.**—Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, Bishop of Derry, with appropriate solemn ceremony, consecrated the Holy Oils in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry, on Holy Thursday, assisted by Rev. James O'Kane, St. Eugene's, as sub-deacon, Rev. James Haasen, Adm. St. Eugene's, master of ceremonies, and Rev. Charles McPaul, Water-side, acted as archdeacon. The cathedral was filled with devout worshippers. After the celebration of Mass and the blessing of the oils, the Blessed Sacrament was borne in procession from the High Altar, down the nave of the church and back to the Altar of Repose, where it remained throughout the day. In the Long Tower the Blessed Sacrament was removed to the Altar of Repose about ten in the morning, and until midnight the church was the scene of the edifying devotion of the hundreds who knelt in adoration before their Lord.

**DONEGAL.**—The United Irish League continues to make fine progress in the extension of its principles. The County of Donegal is fairly well organized, yet other branches are being every parish in the land of the O'Donoghues, and in the very near future will have men enrolled under the United Irish League banner, having on it the patriotic motto, "The Land for the People."

**DOWN.**—On April 11 a special meeting was held in the Board room of the Downpatrick Workhouse, on this important occasion. In consequence of the chairman refusing to summon a meeting of the Downpatrick District Council to consider a resolution condemning the King's oath, notice has been given to summon a special meeting to consider a resolution passed on Jan. 26 relating to the death of the Queen, and it then considered advisable passing a further resolution on the same subject. Mr. Robert Denvir presided, and the attendance was numerous.

**FERMANAGH.**—Speaking April 9 at a very large meeting of farmers in Enniskillen, Mr. T. W. Russell said: "Gentlemen, the main issue is a simple one. I take it that every man present wishes to own his land. He is willing to pay for it, but he wishes to be rid of bailiff, agent, landlord and Land Commissioners for ever." Mr. Edward Mitchell presided.

**MONAGHAN.**—The death of Mr. Frank Moran, at his home, Rockscannolly, Carrickmacross, on April 11, was deeply and widely regretted. The funeral to St. Patrick's Cemetery, Magheracloone, was very numerously attended. He was a member of the Metropolitan House Painters' Society, Dublin.

Requiem Mass was celebrated in the Sacred Heart Church, Clones, April 1, for the repose of the soul of Miss Lizzy McDermott. Rev. Father McKenna officiated, and spoke of the many good qualities of the deceased. The chief mourners were John McDermott, Dundalk; Michael McDermott and Daniel McDermott, brothers; Mary McDermott and Bridget McDermott, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. McNally and Mrs. McCahey, sisters; Constable McCahey, Lisburn; J. Jenkins, Clones, and Owen McNally, Monaghan, brothers-in-law; James McDermott, John Connolly, Michael Feeney, Charles McDermott, John McCabe, Patrick Connolly and James Connolly, cousins.

**TYRONE.**—Posters were placarded over Stewartstown that the Nationalists intended holding a demonstration there April 8, for the purpose of establishing a branch of the U. I. L. Over 150 police were drafted into the town. At an early hour the Orangemen turned out with drums, and paraded the streets, and returned to their lodges room. At 4 o'clock they again turned out with drums and covered the square. Simultaneously the Nationalists turned out on the Hillhead. Immediately the police were divided, and two cordons were formed across the streets opposite Davison's and Logan's. Mr. Johnstone, organizer, addressed the meeting in support of the League. The formation of the branch was left in the hands of the Rev. P. Quinn. He referred in strong terms to the intolerance of the Orangemen's conduct. A number of placarders took place, but were instantly suppressed by the police.