

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.—Mrs. Catherine Murray, of Callagh, Ballinasloe, died on June 8 at the age of 76.

The following are some of the prize winners at the Oireachtas held in Dublin lately. Best recitation, Mr. Andrew Glynn, Galway; Martin Kelly, the Galway Piper, gained first prize; Mr. Owen Naughton won the prize for an essay on "Claddagh and its people." Mr. M. Glynn, Galway, took second prize for the best delivery of a prepared speech supporting Irish manufactures; Mr. Naughtan, Galway, was awarded the prize for the best original piece in Irish prose suitable for recitation.

A great demonstration was held at Kinvara, May 28, in furtherance of the objects of the United Irish League. The chair was taken by the Rev. Father T. Burke. Resolutions were proposed by Mr. T. Corless, and seconded by Mr. D. Burke, approving of the United Irish League, and forming a branch of the same in Kinvara, and the extension of University education for Catholics such as is enjoyed by Protestants; advocating the extension throughout Ireland of the law for providing agricultural laborers with cottages and one acre allotments; calling upon the representatives of the late Henry W. Sharpe, who derive a large income from the town as well as from the tolls and customs, to put the harbor, which is falling into ruin, into repair or dispose of their interest in it to the County Council.

LEITRIM.—On May 30, at her residence, Manorhamilton died Mrs. Anna Meehan, mother of the Rev. Joseph and Francis E. Meehan. Solemn Office and Requiem Mass were held in Manorhamilton Church. Funeral to Clonacree very largely attended.

A meeting was held in the Court-house, Carricklennig, June 11, to establish a branch of the Irish Industrial League.

MAYO.—Most Rev. Dr. Lyster visited St. Peter's for the purpose of administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to one hundred and twenty children.

Michael Flanagan, of Claremorris, was drowned while bathing in the Claremorris lake on May 21.

The death of Mr. Martin Conry, Breahey, occurred May 25. He was a sterling Nationalist and took an active part in the U. I. L.

Mr. M. J. Doherty, Keltmark, won the prize offered by the Gaelic Society of New York, to Mayo competitors at the Oireachtas in Dublin, for the best essay in Gaelic on "The Races of Castlesbar."

The death of Mr. John J. McDermott of Ballyhaunis, occurred May 18. Requiem Mass was celebrated at Ballyhaunis, attended by many priests.

ROSCOMMON.—The death of Mr. Michael Coleman, Felton, Boyle, took place May 28, at the age of 78 years.

On May 30 a very interesting function took place in the Royal Hotel, Boyle, when a presentation took place from the people of the town to the Rev. Father Walker on his transfer to Athlone. Father Walker, during his stay in Boyle, had made himself popular with all classes, and to show a token of their appreciation of his good qualities the presentation took place.

The death of Miss Mary Judge Boyle, occurred May 19, at a ripe age. The remains were removed to St. Joseph's Church, Wednesday morning, when Solemn Requiem Mass was offered, after which the funeral took place to Assylinn.

SLIGO.—The funeral of late Mr. Higgins, Lackagh, took place May 25 in the Market Square. Sligo, a great open air meeting was held May 26, under the presidency of Mt. Patrick J. Farrell, chairman Sligo United Trades Union Council. The demonstration was under the auspices of the Sligo Trades Council, and was attended by a thousand persons.

The "Sligo Champion" of June 3 said: "About sixty boys had the happiness of receiving for the first time on the feast of Corpus Christi, in the Sligo Cathedral. They were afterwards entertained in the Quay Street School to breakfast, by Very Rev. M. Canon Harte, Adm., and a few of the parish. Brothers when the children's welfare is in question, they always assist the Marist in question.

The death of Rev. Andrew Quinn, of Rivertown, happened on May 30, at the great age of 90 years. The Solemn Requiem Mass was held in the Church so loved to officiate in. Most Rev. Dr. Lyster presided.

An enthusiastic meeting of Nationalists was held at Gliffeld, two miles from Tubbercurry, on June 6. Contingents were present from Tubbercurry, Moylough, Achory, Bunninadden, and the surrounding districts. Great interest was added to the proceedings from the rumors that the meeting would be suppressed by the Bishop. The action of the authorities gave color to these rumors, for eighty policemen were present. Mr. John O'Dowd, M. P., accompanied by J. Crawley, G. Gannon, D. C., Thomas Hunt and A. McManus, a Catholic notaker was present. Mr. P. Gannon, having been moved to the chair, said they were honored by the presence of their worthy M. P. (O'Dowd). He had expected a reception of the dignified scenes and scenes of the week ago. In Achory, a meeting of Nationalists was held, which was a letter to the editor of the "Eve-

ning Mail," Dublin, in which he states that the plot was used by his grandfather in his duel with Mr. D'Esterré, at Bishopscourt, Kill, in his possession of Mr. Pierce Mahony, Grageon.

The death of Mrs. Bergen occurred at Beechgrove, Kildare, June 3. The deceased had reached the age of 72 years. The funeral took place to the family burial place at Tully, and the cortege showed the esteem in which she was held. Chief mourners, Chas. Bergin, Francis Bergin, B. C. architect; Wm. Bergin, professor in the Queen's College, Cork (sons, Samuel J. and Wm. Watson. Rev. P. Champion, Rev. John Delaney, and Rev. Father Murphy, G. C. C., officiated at the graveside.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.—On Corpus Christi morning, in St. Patrick's Church, Carlow College, Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, assisted by the Rev. Dean L. Brophy, ordained to the priesthood Rev. William Slattery for the diocese of Goulbourn, Australia.

The death of Mrs. Mary Anne O'Rourke, of Lorum, Bagnalstown, occurred on May 31, after a short period of sickness. The funeral, which was largely and representative, took place on Sunday, June 2.

DUBLIN.—We regret to chronicle the death of Rev. E. J. Burke, of the Catholic University Church, St. Stephens green, Dublin. Deceased fell ill June 7, but no anxiety was felt for him until Sunday, when looked for cardiac failure set in; from that on despite the efforts of skill and unremitting attention he sank and expired June 11, at the early age of 43 years.

On the night of May 6 a crowded audience attended at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, on the occasion of the production of Mr. Wilson Barrett's play in four acts, entitled "Quo Vadis." The work is an adaptation from Henryk Sienkiewicz's novel of the same name. The story is one which affords admirable opportunities for dramatic rendering, and in the actual presentation thirty characters form the personages. There is a most admirable contrast of character, that the love episode around which the main interest is centered is worked out with great skill, that the ancient Roman favor to which Petronius, Nero, Vinclius and Lygia contributed is maintained with consistent appropriateness, and that the classical costumes and splendid scenes fill up a picture of really remarkable effectiveness. As Pretorius, Mr. Charles A. Millward acted with dignity and grace, and as Nero Mr. Vyvian, and Vinclius Mr. De Que were in every respect admirable. As Iras, Miss Lily Sorrell, and as Lygia Miss Sylvia Cavallio acted uncommonly well. Mention should also be made of Mr. James Craig as Diodorus, and of Miss Neilson as his wife, and of the Chorus of Mr. G. R. Peach. The scenery was particularly fine. The gardens of Nero's palace, the street in Rome, the prison and the arena were the most noticeable. The incidental music, composed by Mr. John Crook, had the unusual experience of having the orchestra, in special parts, conducted by a lady. The translation of this work on which the play is founded was made by Mr. Jeremiah Curtin, Washington D. C., United States, himself a brilliant writer as well as being a marvelous linguist.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.—ALLINHAM—June 7, Oweon Thomas Allingham, of Spaldfield, Clontarf, and 99 and 100 Cape street.

KAVANAGH.—June 9, at 12 Upper Stephen street, Mrs. Mary Ann Kavanagh, of Lower Sheriff street.

MCCARTHY.—At the Sacred Heart Convent, Cape Town, Mary Wilhelmina (in religion, Sister M. Gabriel, eldest daughter of the late Michael McCarthy, 17 St. Joseph's road, in the 35th year of her age and the 17th of her religious profession.

MMAHON.—June 9, at 28 St. Alban's road, S. C. R. Mary Anne McMahon, aged 20 years.

MULHALL.—June 7, Rev. P. J. Mulhall, P. P., Paulstown, in his 78th year.

O'BRIEN.—June 8, at 67 Manor street, William O'Brien, formerly of Lower Sheriff street, Wardenmaster, N. D. U., aged 51 years.

PHILLIPS.—June 8, Walter B. Phillips, of Stockhold, aged 56 years. Of 139 Thomas street, departed this life June 8, at 38 Cuffs street.

WALSH.—June 8, at Mantua, Swords, Stephen B. Walsh, of Kilmallock, in the 64th year of his age.

BURKE.—June 11, at the Presbytery of the Catholic University Church, St. Stephen's green, Rev. E. J. Burke, in the 43rd year of his age and the 19th of his sacred ministry.

O'MALLY.—June 9th, Mr. John O'Mally, 46 Old Kilmallock; son of the late William O'Malley, of Castlebar, and late of the D. M. Police and of the Stores, Lower Castle Yard; cousin of the late Inspector George O'Malley of the D. M. P.

FINEGAN.—May 31, at Cardiff's Bridge, William Finegan.

MURPHY.—June 2, at Sunny Bank, Booterstown, Mary Anne Murphy, aged 87 years.

ODONNELL.—late of 12 and 13 Queen street, aged 68 years.

FINEGAN.—May 30, at Cardiff's Bridge, Matthew Finegan.

MEKINS.—May 30, at the Meath Hospital, Thomas Mekins, 3 Liberty lane, cab proprietor, aged 56 years.

CAMPBELL.—May 31, at Glencullen, Thos. Campbell, aged 74 years.

MAQUIRE.—June 3, Katherine (Kittie) Maguire, wife of Joseph Maguire, late 31 Lower Sackville street.

M'DONNELL.—June 5, at 17 Kirwin street, Thomas McDonnell, Harcourt street terminus for family burial ground, Coolafancy, Co. Wexford.

MAHER.—June 6th at Albany House, 70 Harold's Cross, William Maher.

NEWPORT.—June 6, at 18 Marlborough road, Patrick J. Newport, late of Donnybrook, aged 32 years.

DILLON.—June 6, 40 North Summer street, Dublin, Clare, Thomas Dillon.

BROWNE.—On May 24, Mrs. Mary Clare Browne, formerly of Ballyboden, Rathfarnham.

KILDARE.—Mr. Daniel O'Connell, grandson of the Liberator, has addressed a letter to the editor of the "Eve-

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KILKENNY.—The death of Rev. P. J. Mulhall, pastor of Paulstown and Goresbridge, occurred June 7, at the age of 79 years. Father Mulhall was born in the September of 1823, of one of the old Catholic families of the Queen's County. At the early age he entered Carlow Lay College—the leading Catholic college of the country—and there he imbibed sentiments of piety that led him to enter Carlow Ecclesiastical College. He completed his studies in Carlow, and in September, 1846, was ordained priest by the Most Rev. Dr. Haly. He thus entered on his missionary career at the time of the dreadful famine. He was appointed pastor of Paulstown in March 1870. Previously he ministered in Carlow, Tullow, Tullyland, Portarlington, Monasterevan and Newbridge. On the Sunday before he died he took part with his people in the jubilee procession from Paulstown to Goresbridge, a distance of five miles.

The very impressive ceremony of the profession of a religious took place on Whit-Monday in the chapel of the Presentation Convent, Carlow. The young lady who made her final vows at the hands of the Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, is Miss Eille O'Neill, daughter of Mrs. O'Neill, Ballinaboola. In religion Sister Mary Columba. The relatives of Sister Columba and the community present included Mrs. O'Neill and Miss O'Neill, Miss Mollie O'Neill, Mr. P. and Masters R. O'Neill and J. O'Neill, Mrs. O'Rourke, Ballyknock, Mrs. Muloney and Miss Moloney, Mrs. M. J. Moloney, Gorteen, the Misses Moloney, Mrs. Colan, the Misses Colan, Master E. Colan, Mr. A. Lalor and Mr. A. Lalor, and Mrs. Lalor, the Misses Phelan, Bagnalstown. Mr. Kelly, the Misses Kelly, Dungarvan, Mrs. Butler, Miss Nilan, Miss Murphy, Miss O'Keefe, Mrs. Rice, Mr. Dunne, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Connolly, Miss Angela Moloney, Miss Breen and Miss Dray.

LOUGHBOROUGH.—The concert held in Columbell School recently was a great success.

On May 22 the Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise (Most Rev. Dr. Hoare) administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to many children of the parish of Church of St. Mary's, Lanesborough.

LOUTH.—The impressive annual ceremonies in connection with the Feast of Corpus Christi were held in the Duleek Catholic Church June 6, under the auspices of the Sacred Heart Confraternity.

The first of a series of football tournaments, organized by the John Boyle O'Reilly Club, to raise funds for the erection of a memorial to the memory of the late patriot poet in Douth churchyard, came off at Drogheda, May 27.

MEATH.—At a very large meeting of the Ballinacree branch held on Sunday for the enrolling of new members, upward of eighty joined.

A very important meeting was held at Ballinacree, Oldcastle, May 12, for the purpose of establishing a branch of the United Irish League in Killeagh.

QUEEN'S.—On June 3 Office for the dead and Requiem High Mass were sung in the Parish Church, Portarlington, for the repose of the soul of Sister Mary Doyne, who died on May 24. The Very Rev. E. Kavanagh, Monasterevan, presided.

A general meeting of the Mountmellick branch of the United Irish League was held in the Catholic Institute June 2, Mr. J. Williams in the chair.

WESTMEATH.—A meeting of the Mullingar Rural District Council was held on June 6 for the purpose of electing a chairman and vice-chairman.

WEXFORD.—Cushinstown Catholic Church on June 4 was the scene of a fashionable wedding, when Mr. C. J. Ennis, of Erin Vale, New Ross, was linked in matrimony to Miss Mary Browne, daughter of the late Mr. John Browne, Ballinaboola. Right Rev. Mgr. Howlett, London, cousin of the bride, officiated, being assisted by Very Rev. Canon Furlong, Cushinstown; Rev. David Bolger, Ratharogue, and Rev. Father Rossett, Terrerath.

WICKLOW.—Mrs. Mary Horan, of Kyle, Ballyglass, died May 30, deeply regretted by her relatives in Ireland and in the United States. The Requiem services and funeral were very numerous attended.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.—On June 6, at Ennistymon, before Mr. A. N. Brady, R. M., Patrick and Michael Kelly were again charged with shooting into the dwelling house of Patrick Doolan at Carrowcagh, on the night of the 13th or morning of the 14th of May. They were held for seven days more.

Three hundred dollars have been subscribed by the Nationalists of Kilkenny to the Irish Parliamentary Fund per Mr. Thomas Nagle and Mr. Michael Crotty.

The death of Mr. P. Hehr, Market street, Ennis, a cattle dealer, well known in the neighboring counties, occurred May 30. The funeral, which

was largely attended, took place to the Drumcliffe cemetery.

The death of Mr. James Kinnane occurred unexpectedly at Arthur's Row, Ennis, May 31. He had reached the fine old age of 85 years. The interment took place in the old Abbey on Cannon Island, which has been the last resting place of the Kinnane family for hundreds of years.

CORK.—The death of Dr. William Scanlan, of the Cori Inmate Asylum, happened May 27 and caused deep and widespread regret in the city of Cork. The deceased was aged 33, and had been connected with the Cork Asylum since September 1847.

Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, Bishop of Cork, administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to four hundred and eighty-six children in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cork, May 26. His Lordship was attended by Right Rev. Mgr. McSwiney, Dean of Cork; Rev. James O'Mahony, Rev. John Sexton, Rev. Bryan McSwiney, C. C. S. S. Peter and Paul's and Rev. Michael O'Sullivan, S. S. Peter and Paul's.

On June 3 an explosion of terrific force was heard in the Cork gas works and immediately after tongues of flame were issuing from the large gasometer on the Old Blackrock road side of the premises. The fire brigade attempted to cope with the fire in the gasometer but soon had to abandon it, and saved the surrounding premises.

The new organ erected in the Church of the Holy Trinity Charlotte Quay, Cork city, was opened June 2, and the ceremonies were of an impressive character. Solemn High Mass was celebrated at noon.

On Sunday, May 26, a great open-air demonstration under the auspices of the local branch of the United Irish League was held in Cahirciveen. Excursion trains were run from Tralee, Killarney, and intermediate stations, which brought large contingents. The meeting was addressed in the market place.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.—SCANLAN—On May 27, William T. A. Scanlan, M. B. R. U. L. senior assistant medical officer, Cork District Lunatic Asylum.

HEGARTY.—On May 27, at 4 Bowling green street, Denis Hegarty, aged 60 years.

HAYES.—At 20 Merchant's quay, Ellen Hayes.

HENNESSY.—On May 27, at 15 Roman street, John Hennessy, aged 29 years.

HEGARTY.—On May 27 at 4 Bowling Villas, Western Road, Kate Hegarty.

GOOD.—At Toames, John Good N. T. Toames, Macroom aged 21 years.

MURRAY.—On May 25, at 4 Brunswick street, James Murray, aged 63.

HUGGINS.—At 112 Evergreen road, Cork, Ellen Huggins.

LENIHAN.—At Ballymacphillip, Ballybooley, William Lenihan.

O'SULLIVAN.—At St. Mary's place Pope's quay, May 26, Elizabeth O'Sullivan, aged 68.

FAHY.—At Dennehy's Cross, Blasheen, on May 28, William Fahy, late of Kennedy & Co., Tuckey street.

HIGGINS.—On May 30, at Old George's street, Mrs. Ellen Higgins.

FOLEY.—May 29, at Newtown, Ballyhea, Hannah Foley.

COLLINS.—On June 6, at Presentation Convent, Midleton, Sister M. Joseph.

MCCARTHY.—On June 7, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Wellington road, Kathleen McCarthy, aged 11 years.

FORD.—On May 7, at the Cork District Hospital, Ellen Ford.

RANSOME.—At 3 Thorndale avenue, Belfast, Susannah (Susie) Ransome.

BUTLER.—On June 6, at Meadestown, Ballygarvan, James Butler.

O'SULLIVAN.—On June 6 (Feast of Corpus Christi), at Carrigeoleena, Malloy, Bridget O'Sullivan.

SULLIVAN.—On June 6, at Ballyhealy, Carrignavar, Patrick Sullivan, aged 72.

O'LEARY.—At the North Infirmary, Catherine O'Leary, 330 Barnary street.

FIELD.—At Knockardree, Curras, Kanturk, on June 6, John Field, at an advanced age.

KERRY.—The Most Rev. Dr. Coffey, Bishop of Kerry, attended at Cahirciveen June 4 for the purpose of administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to 245 children of Cahirciveen and Killinane. He was assisted by the Very Rev. Canon O'Riordan, Cahirciveen; Rev. John Casey, Valentia; Rev. Michael McCarthy, Cahirciveen, and Rev. Father O'Callaghan, Cahirciveen.

We regret to record the death of the Rev. Denis O'Donoghue, Ardferd. The deceased was a zealous priest, and a profound scholar of Irish history and literature. He was the author of translations of the "Life and Voyages of St. Brendan" and other ancient works. He was a member of the Royal Irish Academy. He was an earnest Nationalist, and took a prominent part in the Kerry election of 1872. He did much for the parish of Ardferd in erecting ecclesiastical buildings and schools, and exercised a paternal interest in the remains of the ancient Cathedral of St. Brendan, which his charge succeeded in placing in the charge of the Board of Works instead of the Church Temporalities, who neglected and disfigured it. He led his people in numerous struggles with the owners of the Crosbie estate, Ardferd. He was born in Dingle seventy-five years ago, and received his education from the priesthood at Maynooth, where he had a brilliant collegiate course. He was ordained at Thurles in 1850, being then 24 years of age. His curacy in the Kerry diocese lay between the parish of Listowel, Cahirciveen, Tralee, and Dingle, and from the latter parish he was promoted to the pastoral charge of Ardferd, where he labored up to the time of his death—a period of thirty-five years.

TIPPERARY.—The funeral of William Hogan, Kilpeak, to New Inn Cemetery, took place May 26, and was very numerous attended. He was only 25 years of age.

On May 31, at Thomas O'Donnell,

who lived with his parents in the village of Ardferd, was at breakfast he suddenly fell backward while in the act of conveying some food to his mouth. The priest was immediately summoned, but on arriving he found the poor fellow dead. Deceased was 40 years of age, and of a quiet and inoffensive disposition.

Another red-letter day occurred in the history of the New Catholic High School, Clonmel, on May 28. It was the occasion of the close of the Jubilee processions by the boys, and the unveiling of a portrait in oils of the Very Rev. Dean McDonnell, patron of the school. The boys marched in professional order, headed by a cross-bearer and the Rev. Brother Weston, and accompanied by the other Brothers and lay professors, wearing academic robes. They proceeded through the town to the various churches. The Very Rev. Dean McDonnell, P. P. V. J., accompanied the processionists, and led the devotions. When the boys returned to the college, they were photographed outside the building. Then a move was made to the large class room in the college. In addition to the professorial staff and the boys, there were present Dr. R. R. O'Brien, Mr. John Russell, Mr. James Byrne, Mr. James White and Mr. Thomas Skehan.

The consecration of the Most Rev. Dr. Fennelly, Bishop of Ostracene and Coadjutor to the Most Rev. Dr. Croke, Archbishop of Cashel and Emly, took place in the Cathedral, Thurles, June 9. Two hundred dignitaries were present. There was an immense concourse of the laity, representatives of whom attended not only from all parts of the Archdiocese, but from Dublin, Cork and other distant places. At twenty minutes before noon the procession of Bishops, dignitaries, priests and students, in full choral dress started from St. Patrick's College for the cathedral. The students, to the number of one hundred, came first, the priests, numbering two hundred, followed, then came the monsignori, who were followed by the Bishops and His Grace of Cashel. All entered the cathedral by the main door and proceeded in the direction of the sanctuary, where the priests and students took their places, the bishops and dignitaries proceeding to the sacristy. Here they formed another procession, and the monsignori leading, they too proceeded to the sanctuary, the bishop-elect accompanying the consecrating bishop, and the two assistant bishops. Most Rev. Dr. Croke took his place on the throne, at which he was assisted by Very Rev. Dean Kinane, Cashel, the Very Rev. Archdeacon Jones, Fethard, and the Very Rev. Canon Ryan, Galbally. The consecrating prelate was the Most Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, Bishop of Cork.

WATERFORD.—On June 9 a drowning accident occurred near Cove, on the River Suir, Waterford. Edward Davies, son of T. Davies, superintendent of the Great Western Railway, took out a canoe from the boat club and went down the river. When coming home he placed the paddle across his knees for the purpose of lighting a cigarette. The paddle slipped into the water, and in trying to regain it he over-reached himself, and the boat upset. He swam for a few seconds and was seized with a cramp, as two ladies say he was making for the shore.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.—On June 4 a meeting was held on the hill at Hannahstown for the purpose of forming a branch of the United Irish League. The attendance was large and representative. A numerous contingent traveled from Belfast accompanied by St. Malachy's Fifa and Drum Band. The Royal Irish Constabulary were represented by many constables in uniform and plain clothes.

The annual meeting of the members of St. Malachy's College Students' Union of Belfast, was held on May 30 in the hall of the college. There was a good attendance of clergy and laity. The visitors were received by Most Rev. Dr. Henry and the president of the college, Very Rev. H. Laverty, V. G. In the hall a number of banners, with appropriate mottoes were displayed, one at the head of the apartment, with the inscription in letters of gold on a scarlet ground, "Victims welcome her boys," the almanac is proud of them." His Lordship presided, and was the recipient of a cordial ovation.

ARMAGH.—On May 31 the remains of Rev. Brother J. A. Caton were removed from the monastery at Greenpark, Armagh, and conveyed in solemn procession to St. Malachy's Chapel, where a Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. John Quinn, Adm. The funeral cortege was large and representative of all creeds.

One hundred and fifty thousand dollars were realized, after paying all expenses, by the bazaar held last year to raise funds for the completion of the National Cathedral of St. Patrick in the Primate's City.

CAVAN.—The death of Miss Bridget McCluskey, of Shinnane, Shercock, took place at her father's residence, after a short illness, June 2, at the early age of 23 years. Over one hundred young girls walked in the funeral procession, which was very largely attended.

A meeting of the members of the Ballytrain Labor and Industrial Association was held on Sunday, June 2, Mr. John McCabe presiding.

DERRY.—A concert and lecture, under the auspices of the Magherafelt Branch Gaelic League were given in the town hall, Magherafelt, May 30. The concert was organized for the purpose of forming the nucleus of a fund for the employment of an Irish teacher for South Derry district. The support accorded to it is a sign of the hold which the Gaelic League has obtained about Magherafelt. Many of the items were exceedingly beautiful,

"Maidin Foghghair," a song well known in Ballynascreen, was particularly fine, the soft roll of the Irish words, faultlessly pronounced, enhancing the sweetness of this charming air. In response to a double artist Mr. Glasgow gave spirited renderings of "The Irishman" and "The Wearing of the Green," which were received with vociferous applause. Prof. O'Mealy's performance on the Irish pipes aroused the audience to the highest pitch of enthusiasm. The spirits of the whole assembly seemed to sway in response to every change in the music, as a lively reel would melt away into a mournful waltz, which would resolve into the rousing strains of a battle march. The other items were of an unusually high standard.

DONEGAL.—On May 30 the remains of the late Very Rev. J. McDevitt, whose death occurred in Dublin on Monday, were conveyed to St. Connelia graveyard, Glenties. The coffin containing the remains were conveyed to the residence of his brother, Mr. Hugh McDevitt, J. P., Stranikivern, Glenties, whence they were taken to St. Mary's church. The funeral was of exceedingly large dimensions, and from distant places in Donegal, Tyrone and Derry representative people attended.

TYRONE.—The Weekly Freeman of June 1 stated that "war has been declared upon Mr. T. W. Russell by the Unionist organization in his constituency." He has been condemned for voting "with the Nationalists," and "not supporting the Government." To support the Government is, according to the official gospel of the Unionists, as propounded in their associations and their newspapers the whole duty of an Irish Unionist member. To support the interest of the country when the Government is against the country is heterodox and treacherous. Mr. Russell voted for the laborers but against Mr. John Atkinson's denunciation, and he is condemned, though nowhere has the laborers' act been such a failure as in Clatter. He voted for compulsory purchase, even though Mr. George Wyndham pronounced it anathema and he is, therefore, to be abandoned by the good Unionist. He advocated railway reform, and refused to accept the anodyne of technical education as a relief from the tortures of the existing railway system, and his adhesion to the common good of Irish commerce and industry in the teeth of Ministerial hostility is reckoned "or him as a crime in the lodges and associations of the northern province. Mr. T. W. Russell bids defiance to his enemies. He has withdrawn from the Unionist Registration Association and thrown himself upon the Tenant Farmers' Association. "Compulsory sale," he declares, "is a living issue in Ulster politics. They desire to strike down and discredit the man who has succeeded to make it so. They shall not succeed." South Tyrone is as sound as a bell for Russell.

DOWN.—A dastardly outrage was lately perpetrated at Clannavaragh, near Castlewelsh, which caused much indignation. The Ballywillow Orange Band was having a march through the country, and when passing the Catholic Church at Clannavaragh the windows were smashed. Two policemen made an examination of the church and found inside a porter bottle. The consecration of the Right Rev. H. O'Neill will take place on the first Sunday of July in the Cathedral, Newry. Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe, will preach the sermon. Cardinal Logue and all the Bishops of Ulster will be present. The Rev. Bernard Vaughan, of Manchester, brother of the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, will also attend.

On June 2 an important meeting for the formation of a branch of the United Irish League was held at Ballygale Chapel, on the estate of Mr. R. Taggart, seconded by Mr. Clint, Father McBride was unanimously voted to the chair amid the ringing applauses of the audience.

FERMANAGH.—A meeting of the members of the Belleek Branch of the United Irish League was held on June 2, the president, Mr. James McElroy, presiding.

MONAGHAN.—The annual meeting of Clones Council No. 1 was held in the boardroom of the workhouse, Clones, on June 6, John Smyth, chairman, presiding. John Smyth and Wm. McKernan were unanimously re-elected chairman and vice-chairman, respectively for the coming year.

A meeting of the Charles Diamond Branch of the United Irish League was held in Errigal, Trillick, June 2, Mr. Owen McKenna, Trillick, presiding. A second instalment of £3 10s was voted to the Irish Parliamentary Fund. The secretary drew the attention of the committee to the poor attendance of some of the Irish party at the late divisions, when an opportunity of defeating the Government was lost by carelessness. A resolution was passed condemning the illegal seizure as an attempt to crush the organ of the United Irish League by unconstitutional methods.

The Killeevan Branch of the Ancient Order of Hibernians held their quarterly meeting in Newbliss on June 29, a large attendance of members being present. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: "That we, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, declare our confidence in the Irish party, and pledge ourselves to work in harmony with the United Irish League, in the struggle for our nation's rights." "That having approved of and adhered to the doctrine of the U. I. L., we recognize our motto, which is 'Friendship, Unity and True Christian Charity,' and still bearing in mind the sufferings endured by our forefathers for faith and fatherland." "That we