

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.—The death of Mr. William O'Mara, Kilconnell, occurred June 27 in the Ballina Hospital. He was a brother of Mr. John O'Mara, of Killmor, and cousin of Mr. Francis Magher, Tuam. The remains were interred in the family burial place, Clonrugh, near Whitegate. Great numbers attended the funeral.

Married.—On June 24, at the Parish church, Corofin, by the Rev. Peter Warden, brother of the bride, assisted by the Rev. Mark Engleton, Rev. Thomas Morris and Rev. Michael Donnellan, James J. Begley, The Square, Tuam, to Della Varden, Anbally.

The retreat for the priests of the Archdiocese of Tuam commenced on July 1. There were present 107 priests with Most Rev. Dr. McEvilly, the Archbishop. The conductor was the Provincial of the Dominicans, the Very Rev. Hickey, O. P. The exercises were conducted in St. Jarlath's College, where the priests were catechized for by the president, Very Rev. J. J. McHugh.

The death of Sister Mary Dominick of the Presentation Convent, Tuam, happened July 26, in the 31st year of her life and the 6th of her religious profession. She belonged to one of the most respectable families in Cork County. Solemn Mass de Requiem was celebrated, His Grace the Archbishop of Tuam presiding.

LEITRIM.—"The Anglo-Celt" of July 6 said: "A very neat building has been just completed at Glenfarne, fitted with up-to-date machinery and fasteuring plant, and said to be one of the finest and best equipped creameries in Ireland. Saturday, being a holiday, a public meeting was held to arrange for opening and receiving milk on the following Wednesday, and the attendance was large. Mr. Henry Shaw, Ballymote, represented the Agricultural Department and gave a lengthy address which was full of interest. Among the supporters of the project was Father Stephen McTernan. A meeting of the members of the Bornaocula branch of the United Irish League, was held recently, Mr. J. Muligan presiding.

MAYO.—The death of Richard O'Reilly, Cashen, Westport, occurred June 10, after a long period of sickness, deeply regretted by his numerous friends in Ireland and in the United States.

A large meeting of the Knock '88 Martyrs' Memorial Committee was held June 30. A meeting of the committee of the Ballyhaunis branch of the United Irish League was held June 30. Charles O'Donnell, Derrykillybegh, near Newport, died suddenly on June 30. An inquest was held.

ROSCOMMON.—The Roscommon Herald of July 6 said: "It is with regret we announce the death of Mr. John Kelly, Castlereagh, which sad event took place on Sunday night last at a comparatively early age and after a lengthy illness. Although the deceased was in humble circumstances and a tradesman, his death caused much regret. The remains were borne to the Catholic church on Monday evening, and these remained throughout the night, and on Tuesday the interment took place in the burial ground, Castlereagh.

The death of Mr. Michael Lavin, Tibohine, occurred June 22, at the age of 68 years, deeply mourned.

SLIGO.—Mr. Thomas Gaffney, Ballymote passed away on June 23, deeply regretted. He had been in failing health for some time past. The Very Rev. Canon Loftus and Father Moran ministered to his spiritual wants during his illness. He departed, who had reached the age of 64 years, filled with credit the position of superintendent of affairs and markets, under Sir Henry Gore, and well deserved the popularity in which he was held by the public. The funeral was held in the cemetery very numerous attended. The people of Ballymote turned out to show their respect for the deceased.

On Sunday, June 23, a meeting of delegates of the United Irish League branches of the surrounding districts took place in Ballymote, and was a decided success.

ULSTER.

CARLOW.—The death of Mr. Joseph O'Neill, Market Square, Bargalstown, occurred July 4 at the fine old age of 71 years, deeply mourned. Solemn Requiem services were held in St. Andrew's church. Interment was in Ballymote cemetery. Both were very numerous attended by priests and laity.

On June 30 a successful meeting in support of the United Irish League was held at Ballymurry. On the motion of Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Patrick Green, Mr. James Breen, Liselican, was called upon to preside. The chairman said he was glad to see such a large gathering of the Nationalists of Ballymurry to support the United Irish League. They never got and never will get anything from the British Government except by organization and force, and he hoped that all present would end themselves in the National organization.

DUBLIN.—The Rev. of the Drumcondra branch of the Gaelic League in the open

met with phenomenal success, and the 1000 of Dublin citizens flocked to attend the first event at Drumcondra on June 27.

The Golden Jubilee of the ordination to the priesthood of Archdeacon O'Neill, P. P. V. F., Clontarf, was celebrated July 5 in a manner becoming the event. At 10 o'clock Solemn High Mass was celebrated in St. John's church, Clontarf, in the presence of a large congregation.

Motorman Michael Flood, of 2 Fairview avenue, Dublin, while driving a Dollymount train to town, met with an extraordinary accident July 5. When near the Malinhide road he saw some person suddenly cross in front of the tram, so close as to be in imminent danger of being killed. Flood put on the brake, and in a superhuman effort to stop his car he caused a strain to his system and broke a vein in his right leg. Having avoided the collision, he continued his journey, unaware of the injury. Later on he suddenly felt weak and unable to stand. His condition was observed, and it was then found that the broken vein had been bleeding to such an extent that the platform of the car was covered with blood, the man's trousers and boots being also saturated. He was conveyed to Dr. Charles O'Brien, bleeding so profusely that a trail was left on the passage from the train to the doctor's house, while Dr. O'Brien's carpets were covered with blood. Dr. O'Brien stanching the flow and had Flood sent to the Jervis Street Hospital. At the hospital Dr. J. J. Ryan attended the patient. So great was the loss of blood that had it not been for the aid of Dr. O'Brien the man would have bled to death before he could get to the hospital.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.
GLENNAN.—On the 24th June, at Munsinstill, Loughlinstown, Sarah Glennan.

McMANUS.—On the 24th June, at Kilbeggan, Mathias McManus, aged 61 years.

SCULLY.—June 28, at 11 Carlingford Terrace, Drumcondra, Kate Scully, wife of Meath road, Bray.

ENNIS.—June 27, at 9 Russell street, Christopher Ennis, in the employment of the Port and Docks Board for 36 years.

FARRELL.—June 28, at Fortestown Dunboyne, Mary Farrell, aged 71.

HUGHINBOTHAM.—June 2, at 9 Castle street, Dalkey, Christopher Higginbotham, aged 80.

SIGERSON.—On July 1, at 3 Clare street, George Patrick Sigeron, M. A., the only surviving son of Dr. George Sigeron.

O'TOOLE.—On July 3, at 12 Wood Quay, Dublin, Isabella O'Toole, second youngest daughter of the late James Nicholls, formerly of 23 Winetaverns street.

PORTER.—At 95 Strand road, Sanjymount, Bridget Porter, aged 80 years.

CONROY.—At the City of Dublin Hospital, Joseph Conroy, of Donnybrook.

CONNOR.—June 28, at 40 St. Mell's Terrace, Richmond road, Drumcondra, Denis Joseph Connor, aged 77 years.

CONROY.—June 29, at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Patrick Conroy, of 14 Beasborough Parade, Rathmines, aged 54 years; for over 25 years in the employment of the Board of Works.

HOGAN.—On July 4, at Mercer's Hospital, Christopher Hogan, late of Limerick, an old and respected member of the hatting trade.

LYONS.—June 26, at the Whitworth Hospital, Patrick Joseph Lyons, late of 70 North Brunswick street.

FALLON.—June 26, Florence Mary Fallon, sister of the late Rev. S. E. English, O. S. A. Funeraria from her parents' residence, 15 Manor street.

FARRELL.—On July 1, at Tillesdown, Shankill, Elizabeth Farrell, at an advanced age.

PROSSER.—June 30, at Wentworth place, Margaret Prosser.

KILDARE.—Independence Day in Athy.—The people of Athy observed Independence Day with great eclat. Mr. Dooley, of Duke street, flung out an American flag, and in the evening one of the local bands turned out and paraded the streets playing "The Star Spangled Banner" and other general United States music and tunes.

KILKENNY.—In beautiful weather and under very hopeful circumstances Right Rev. Dr. Brownrigg, Bishop of Ossory, June 29, opened the great Centenary Bazaar and Fete at Thomastown. The bazaar was organized for the object of raising funds to clear off the debt on the new Convent of Mercy. To the Rev. Father Roe, Adm. Thomastown, a special word of praise must be tendered. Enormous crowds attended the first day's proceedings, and at the opening ceremony close on 6,000 persons were present.

DIED.—On June 24, at the Christian Brothers' Novitiate, Marino, Clontarf, Brother Nicholas Barry, of Mullinavat, Kilkenny, in the 19th year of his age. On July 5 at Frenestown Castle, Thomas Murphy, interment at Castletown. Great numbers attended the funeral.

KING'S.—The demise of Mrs. P. Johnson, of Gageboro, Clara, occurred June 26, aged 71 years, deeply regretted. Solemn Requiem services were held in St. Bridget's church, after which the funeral, numerous attended, left for the family burial place in Horseleap.

A swarm of bees caused some trouble in Edenderry market, June 29, by settling down on a cartload of milk cans. The bees gave great annoyance to the cattle on the market place. A person who knew something about bees obtained a hive and got the honey-makers to leave the cans and take up their residence in the "straw castle."

LONGFORD.—Solemn requiem services were held in the Cathedral, Longford, June 29 for the repose of the soul of Mr. Francis McDonogh, of Bridge street, Longford, who died June 27. The interment was in Ballymacormack cemetery; funeral was very numerous attended.

LOUTH.—The biggest fire that occurred for 20 years occurred June 28 in Dundalk, resulting in the total destruction of the very extensive block of buildings occupied by A. L. Henry & Co., drapers.

The Drogheda Jam Factory was opened July 4. Many persons are getting employment in the works. When making alterations in the corn stores adjoining, a well of the purest spring water was found. It had been closed during past fifty years. July 5 the factory presented a lively appearance, and in the enclosure in front of the building many carts contained fruit from the Duke, Julianstown and Gormanstown districts were waiting to sell the contents.

MEATH.—The wedding of Dr. P. Canning, medical officer to Mayoorth College, and Miss K. O'Reilly, Robinson House, Kilskeer, took place June 29. The bride's family is one of the most respected in County Meath. The bridegroom belongs to an old Donegal family. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. Barry, Kilskeer.

QUEEN'S.—The death of Mr. Walter McDonald, Main street, Portlanning, occurred July 3, aged 66 years. The funeral cortege to Tullare, Abbeyfeix, was very long and very representative. The numerous friends of the deceased will regret to learn of his death.

On July 2 an office and Requiem High Mass were offered at Vicarstown for the repose of the soul of the late Mr. Edward McEvoy, Mullin, who died June 21. The Rev. M. Rice was celebrant.

WESTMEATH.—A concert to raise funds to complete the new convent chapel will be held in Kiltbeggan early in August.

WEXFORD.—The death of Mrs. Maria Kane, wife of Mr. Hugh Kane, draper, Gorey, occurred on June 28. She had been married only eighteen months. Great numbers of persons from the town and surrounding districts attended the funeral.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.—The death occurred at Ennistymon Hospital, on June 27 of Patrick Conole, of Moanareel, at the great age of 107. He was admitted a patient in April, 1900. Up to that time he was as active as a man of less far advanced years.

At the annual ordinations held in All Hallows' College, the following Clergymen were ordained priests: Rev. John P. Conside, Kiltush; Rev. John O'Dwyer, Derry; Rev. M. White, Borefield; Rev. John Lynch, Newmarket; Rev. T. Hayes, Ballinacally; Rev. M. Carey, Kilmihill; Rev. E. Ryan 11th-also.

A meeting of Bealaha branch of the United Irish League was held June 23. The president, Mr. James McInerney, presided.

CORK.—Mr. Richard Patrick Twomey, of Bealesey street, Blackpool, Cork, was drowned at Rochespoint on June 30 while bathing.

The funeral obsequies of the late Rev. J. J. Minern, St. Finbar's West, took place July 1 and were of a most solemn character. The obsequies commenced at 10:30, when the Solemn Office and Mass for the Dead were chanted in St. Finbar's West Church, Cork. At the conclusion the cortege started from the parish church, along Brandy-lane, St. Finbar's street, Sullivan's quay, Parliament bridge, South Mall, Grand Parade, Great George's street, Clarke's bridge and back to the churchyard, where the interment was made near the side entrance to the church.

A representative meeting of the friends of the late Father Minern, C. C., St. Finbar's West, Cork City, was held in the boy's library of the Greenmount schools July 2 for the purpose of taking steps to commemorate in a suitable manner the memory of the esteemed clergyman. On the motion of Alderman Phair, chairman of the Cork County Council, the Lord Mayor was moved to the chair. It was decided to erect a suitable monument where his remains are interred.

The attendance at an Irish concert, held in the Female National School of South Kilmurry June 30, was equal to, if not larger than at similar fixtures. Large deputations attended from Cork, Macroom and other districts. The items included dancing, singing, recitations and instrumental selections on the pipes, violin and mandolin. Mr. Delany, Ballinacool, whose performances at the Pipers' Club Fels in Cork were so much appreciated, gave a splendid rendering of Irish music on the pipes. The dancing was well supported by Monica Geary and Kitty O'Donoghue, Cork, both, though of tender age, are accomplished performers. The exhibition given by Miss Healy and Miss Fitzgerald and Messrs. Murphy, Kelleher and Cunningham was warmly appreciated. A noticeable feature of the vocal items was the large extent to which female talent was in evidence. Among those who appeared were Miss Connolly, Miss McSwiney, Miss O'Regan, Miss Kelleher, Cork; Miss Donoghue, Miss Geary and Miss Moyle Lynch all acquitted themselves admirably. Miss L. and H. Barry, Cork, who acquired distinction as performers on the violin and mandolin, contributed a selection of Irish airs. The latter also gave a performance on the pipes. Very Rev. Canon O'Mahony did everything to help the promoters of the entertainment.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—**O'Rourke.**—At Rhamane, on June 27, Thomas P. O'Rourke, aged 89 years.

SHORTEN.—On July 2, at 59, Rathmore Buildings, John Shorten, aged 25 years.

LEAHY.—On July 1, at 1, Rock Villas, Ellen Leahy.

O'Neill.—On the July 2, at Ballincollig, Denis O'Neill, aged 27, eldest son of Mrs. O'Neill, national school teacher.

Collins.—At Capetown, on May 31, Patrick Vincent Collins, second mate of ship William Mitchell, youngest son of the late Michael Joseph Collins, solicitor, of Cork.

CONWAY.—At Queenstown, on July 2, Michael Conway, of East Grove, near Queenstown, Land Steward.

CROWLEY.—On June 29, the Rev. Daniel Crowley, Irish College, Paris, son of Mr. John Crowley, Letter.

O'Neill.—On June 29, Mary Ellen O'Neill, teacher of SS. Peter and Paul's infant school, daughter of John and Agnes O'Neill, teacher, Brookledge.

CROWLEY.—On June 30, at No. 3, North Mall, Jane Mary Crowley, of Skibbereen.

MAHONY.—On June 30, Michael Mahony, late driver on passage railway.

HUMPHREYS.—On June 29, Ellen Humphreys, Farranastig, Whitechurch.

CONNOLLY.—On June 29, at Kiltoran, Dunmanway, Ellen Teresa Connolly, aged 17 years, and niece of the late Dr. O'Connell, Durrus, Bantry.

STILL.—On June 30, at Rockboro House, Cork, Alfred Henry Still, in his 92d year.

JONES.—July 1, at Convent View, Western road, Cork, Anne Jones, late of Drishanebeg, Millstreet.

BEAUSANG.—At 32 Old Market place, Michael Beausang, late B. S. & W. Railway.

SHEA.—July 3, at Arderow, Ballyvolane, Hanorah Shea.

HARRINGTON.—On July 4, at Harrington place, St. Luke's, in her 4th year, Josephine Mary Harrington.

O'CALLAGHAN.—On July 4, Patrick O'Callaghan, Main street, Bantry.

SHORTEN.—On July 2, at 59 Rathmore Buildings, John Shorten, aged 25 years.

LYONS.—On July 2, at Curraarogue, Banteer, Susan Lyons.

DESMOND.—On July 2, at Haulbowline, Mary Desmond, late of Innoshannon, Shipool.

GLEESON.—On July 2, at Monagoff, Ballymacoda, Ellen Gleeson, aged 76 years.

MURPHY.—On June 29, at Grenville Quay, Nicholas Murphy.

WILLIS.—July 3, at West End, Malin, Katie Willis.

KERRY.—This is a list of successful candidates at Concurus Examinations, diocese of Kerry, held in Kiltarne. First place, J. O'Connor, Dingle; second, T. Harris, Dingle; third, J. B. Hanafin, Milltown, fourth, T. Casey, Dingle; fifth, F. Breen, Kiltarne; sixth, C. Crimmins, Kiltarne; seventh, J. McCarthy, Kiltarne; eighth, J. Hanafin, Dingle. Examiners: Archdeacon O'Leary, Castleisland; Canon O'Leary, Dingle, Rev. M. O'Flaherty, president St. Brendan's Seminary.

Mr. John Barry, Camden Art Works, Camden street, Dublin, has just completed in the right transept of St. John Church, Tralee, a handsome stained glass window to the memory of the late Mr. Patrick Hayes, merchant, Tralee, and chairman of the Town Commission. The window, which represents the Adoration of the Magi, is a work of art, and reflects much credit on the contractor. Hitherto windows of this class were almost and it speaks well for the success of the efforts being made to revive local industries that the Irish capital is now able to compete successfully with the foreigner in a work for which there is such demand throughout Catholic Ireland. The window bears the following inscription: "This window is erected to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. Patrick Hayes, who died July 2, 1890, of your charity pray for his eternal repose. R. I. P." This is the way to encourage Irish art, industry and commerce.

LIMERICK.—At the conferring of degrees at Mayoorth College on June 25, Mr. Thomas Molloy, Kiltalloe, received the degree of Licentiate of Philosophy. The diocese of Kiltalloe gained six of the prizes and distinctions for Irish during the year, being only beaten by Kerry (12) and Tuam (9).

Died.—On July 1, at Limerick, Mrs. Frances (Fanny) Clarke, late of Nenagh, last surviving sister of the late Maurice Lenihan, proprietor of Limerick Reporter and Tipperary Vindicator. At Kiltinane, June 27, Thomas P. O'Rourke, aged 39 years.

TIPPERARY.—Rev. John Kelly, P. P., of Kiltbenny, has been transferred to the pastoral charge of Boherlahan and Dulla by the Archbishop, in room of Rev. N. Rafferty, P. P., deceased.

On Sunday, June 23, Dr. Fennelly, Coadjutor Archbishop of Cashel, ordained in the Cathedral to the priesthood four students of St. Patrick's College, Thurles. Rev. J. Ryan, for Cashel; Rev. Father P. Plister, Germany; Rev. Father Cantwell, Foreign Mission.

Mr. Burke of Grove, Master of the Tipperary Fox Hounds, and large party visited the Fethard Convent, and were welcomed by the Sisters. Judge Coffey, of the Superior Court of California, was one of the party. The members of the convent choir gave the visitors an opportunity of hearing them. It was a most delightful revelation to Mr. Burke and his illustrious American friends. Judge Coffey spoke in terms of unstinted praise, and referred to it as "one of the greatest musical treats" he had ever got in his life. He said that the display of talent and refinement of training in the rendering of such high-class music by Irish children gave him intense joy. On his way through the schools some of the blue-eyed fairies charmed him; he was a general favorite. There is a class of Irish at work in the Convent Schools, and 90 boys are learning Irish in the Monastery Schools.

late Mr. John Godfrey, Undertaker, etc. Main street, and was only 24 years of age. Requiem High Mass was offered up in St. Michael's Church. All the local clergy attended. An immense cortege were present.

WATERFORD.—Martin Bowler, sailor, of Waterford, when arranging the hatches on his ship in Derry, July 2, fell into the hold and sustained fatal injuries.

Mr. William Fitzpatrick, Blackfriars, Waterford, was married to Miss Lee, Ramore, on July 3, in Crowbally. Father Wals, Tramore, officiated.

The members of the Waterford branch of the Gaelic League, at last meeting, Mr. James Quay presiding, passed this resolution: "That we protest against unfair treatment of Irish in the new Intermediate scheme, and demand that in justice to our National language and in the interests of Education, that Irish be accorded a status equal to that of the favored languages on the programme." The secretary was directed to send copies to the press, the M. P. for the city, and to the Commissioners of Intermediate Education, Dublin.

On June 27, at the Convent of Mercy, Dunmore, Waterford, Miss Hannah McCarthy (in religion Sister Mary Antonia), fourth daughter of Mr. Patrick McCarthy, Ballyduff, Dungarvan, received the black veil at the hands of her uncle, the Rev. Maurice Flynn, Dunmore and Passage.

LEINSTER.

ANTRIM.—"The Irish Weekly," Belfast, July 6, said: "It is seldom we have the privilege of hearing in Belfast such a treat as that afforded on Sunday in the St. Malachy's Church, when the famous American contralto, Mademoiselle Marguerite Monte delighted the congregation at twelve o'clock Mass and again at evening devotions with selections of sacred music. There was no public announcement of the event, but somehow it got abroad, with the result that at twelve o'clock Mass and at devotions there was no standing room in the sacred edifice. The gifted lady, who had come over from London to join friends on the excursion to Kiltarne lately, had consented to sing as an acknowledgment of the kindness she received. At the twelve o'clock Mass she selected a "Salve Regina," by Dudley Buck, which gave special opportunity for the great scope and pathos of her voice, and the splendid rendering of which came as a surprise, even to those who expected a great treat. Later on she sang Weber's "Angus Del." At the evening devotions she chose an "Ave Maria," by Hanshaw, in which she surpassed even the brilliant performance of the morning. Mr. James Lalor presided at the organ, supported by a full choir, the leading parts being sustained by Miss E. M. Doherty, soprano; Mrs. Boylan, contralto; Mr. D. Burns, tenor, and Mr. E. Kelly, bass.

On July 5 a meeting of the Congregational Committee of the Catholic Association of Belfast was held in the offices in Bank street for the purpose of furthering registration throughout the district. Very Rev. Henry Laverty presided.

ARMAGH.—St. Peter's Church, Lurgan, will be dedicated by Rt. Rev. Henry O'Neill, Bishop of Dromore, on Sunday, August 25. Mass will be celebrated, at which Cardinal Logue will preside. His Eminence will preach the dedication sermon. Donations from those who cannot attend will be received by Rev. M. B. McConville, Rev. P. McConville, Rev. J. McCorry, or Rev. D. McAllister, Parochial House, Lurgan.

The annual excursion in connection with the Lurgan Catholic Association took place June 30, the rendezvous selected being Dundalk. The excursionists, to the number of five hundred, were comfortably seated in the train. A very pleasant run of an hour's duration brought the train to Dundalk in time for ten o'clock Mass in the church of the Dominican Fathers. Later on a large number went on cars and brakes to Blackrock, where they enjoyed themselves.

A meeting of the South Armagh Executive of the United Irish League was held lately in the National Hall, Camlough, Mr. Thomas O'Hare, president presiding.

DERRY.—Mary Irwin, of Clerbark ey, near Dungiven, aged 72 years, was found dead in her home July 2. It appears she fell into the fire during the absence of her relatives.

Donegal, the ancient town of the Four Masters, was the place visited by the members of the Derry branches of the Gaelic League, Sunday, June 30. Close on six hundred members started from the Waterside Station, Derry, at 9.15 a. m., and arrived in Donegal at midday, where they were received by brethren from Ballyshannon, Mountcharles, Killybegs, Ardara, Glenties, Strazzarra, Killymard, Townavilly, etc. A good number joined the excursion at Strabane and intermediate stations. A public meeting was held in a field, opposite the old Abbey of Donegal, lent by Mr. Connell Cannon, Rt. Rev. Mgr. Hugh McFadden, P. P., presided. Resolutions were unanimously adopted by the three thousand persons present to preserve the Irish language from destruction by founding branches of the Gaelic League, calling upon the managers and teachers of national schools to have Irish taught in every school; protesting against the unfair treatment of Irish in the Intermediate programme; and urging that preference be given to Irish manufactured goods. The speakers to the resolutions were: Rev. E. Cassidy, J. Ward, P. T. McGinly, P. M. Gallagher, solicitor; J. Doyle, J. R. Derry, Father O'Kane, J. Bonnar, N. T. J. Hegarty, Derry; Mr. E. J. McFadden, Ballyshannon; Mr. F. J. Slevin, Patrick O'Hern, Derry. Most of the speakers delivered their addresses first in Irish, and afterwards in the vulgar tongue. During the

meeting St. Patrick's Flute Band, Townavilly, all Irish speakers delivered a selection of old Irish airs.

CAVAN.—The death of Mrs. Murray, wife of John Murray, Cootzehill, occurred July 1. The funeral was largely attended. The chief mourners were Mr. John Murray, husband, and Masters Hugh and Patrick Murray, sons. Among those present were Messrs. J. Murray, C. E. Murray, solicitor; J. Murphy, J. J. German, A. West, Cromie, P. Sheridan, T. Scollans, T. Woods, O. Donohoe, etc.

A largely attended meeting of the committee and shareholders of the Ballyrain Co-operative Agricultural Society was held in Ballyrain July 1. Mr. David Wiley, chairman, presiding. On July 4 the funeral of Mr. Owen Duffy, Monnell, Ruckocorry, took place. It was one of the largest seen in the district for years. In St. Mary's church Corravacan, Solemn Requiem Mass was offered by Rev. E. Coyle, who afterwards preached an eloquent panegyric, in which he referred to the admirable qualities of the deceased. The remains were placed in a hearse and taken to the family burial ground at Lattin.

DONEGAL.—On June 30 a branch of the national organization—United Irish League—was founded at Lagg. The meeting was held on the old Mill of Knockraw, famous during the Land League days. Crowds of people were present, and the Main Fife and Drum Band discoursing national airs in its march up the steep mountain side, followed by the young and old of the district, was a good omen for the league in Innishowen. The meeting was held on the Old Fort, which crowns the summit of the hill. Away at the base rolled and roared the Atlantic, and striking as far as the eye could reach was Main Bay, nestled amid the giant hills stretching up to Carn. People could be seen coming in groups across the mountain tracks to the place of meeting. Mr. Doherty presided, and resolutions were adopted pledging support to the United Irish League, demanding Home Rule, compulsory sale of land, supporting home industries, and demanding an inquiry into the workings of the Congested Districts Board and the methods of the officials in the offices of the Board of National Education.

A very pleasant reunion was held recently in St. Columbs Hotel, Garton, being the presentation of an address and testimonial to the Rev. A. McNeill, P. P., Kiltara, from his recent parishioners in Tremon and Gartan.

DOWN.—Father Hugh McManamin, Adm. St. Columbs, Long Tower, has been appointed to the pastorate of Buncrana (Lower Fahan), in succession to the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Kearney, lately deceased. Rev. James O'Kane, St. Eugene's succeeds Father McManamin in the Long Tower and Father MacFeeley, of Omagh will be transferred to St. Eugene's.

At a meeting of the subscribers to the testimonial to be made by the people of Newry to the Rt. Rev. Henry O'Neill, newly consecrated Bishop of Dromore, on the occasion of his appointment to the See of Dromore, it was decided that the presentation should take the form of a carriage and pair, and a committee was appointed for the purpose of carrying out the arrangements.

On June 30 the new church of Kelcoo was dedicated by Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor, who presided at which Cardinal Logue will preside. His Eminence will preach the dedication sermon. Donations from those who cannot attend will be received by Rev. M. B. McConville, Rev. P. McConville, Rev. J. McCorry, or Rev. D. McAllister, Parochial House, Lurgan.

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FERNANAGH.—A meeting of the North Fermanagh Executive was held June 29 in Enniskillen. Mr. P. McCusker presiding. The following branches were represented: Enniskillen, Derrygonnelly, Boho, Killoo, Garlison and Belleek. The first business was the appointment of a secretary. On the motion of Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. J. Casey, Mr. B. Maguire was appointed. The following resolutions were adopted: Proposed by Mr. John Maguire, seconded by Mr. Daniel Gifford, "That we condemn the action of certain professing Nationalists who hold aloof from the United Irish League, and consider it advisable in the Nationalist interests to oppose their re-election to public positions." Proposed by Mr. F. Little, seconded by Irish party on the introduction into Mr. P. Scott—"That we congratulate the House of Commons of the town tenants' bill; that, in our opinion, the time has come when residents in urban districts should have fixity of tenure; that provisions be made for compensation for all improvements and for disturbance during the tenancy." Proposed by Mr. P. McCusker, seconded by Mr. Matthew Maguire—"That we congratulate the Killoo Branch in defeating the grabber." Proposed by Mr. J. Casey, seconded by Mr. P. McCusker—"That we condemn the action of certain prominent Nationalists and Nationalist M. P.s who supported the election of the anti-Leaguers and Tories to the chairs of the Enniskillen Guardians and District Councils." It was decided to organize the districts of Toura and Tempo. The action of the man Cox in taking the land occupied by Mr. Kerrs was condemned by a large majority of the delegates.

MONAGHAN.—On June 28 Mr. J. J. O'Doherty was recipient of a presentation from the members of the Clones Junior Red Hands Football and Athletic Club, of which he is captain. The presentation took place in the '98 hall. Mr. Joseph McKenna presided.

TYRONE.—Mr. A. Toner presided at recent meeting of the Coalisland Branch of the United Irish League. A meeting of the members of the Killeshill Branch of the United Irish League was held on Sunday, June 30, at Acknuff Chapel, Mr. Charles Hamilton, president, in the chair.