

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.—With deep regret, we chronicle that a fire on Dec. 1 did a considerable amount of damage to the premises in which the Sentinel was printed and published, at Francis street, Galway. The printing material and machinery were almost entirely ruined.

Sir Thomas Esmond, M. P., accompanied by Dr. Thos. B. Costello, V. P., Tuam Gaelic League, and Mr. J. A. Glynn, B. A., hon. sec. Tuam Gaelic League, visited Lurgan to inspect the remains discovered on Coen's land, on behalf of the Royal Irish Academy, who purchased this pre-historic relic for \$125 and it will be removed to the Academy's museum in Dublin.

Married.—On Nov. 28, in Claran Church, by Rev. Martin Collera, Isidore, brother of the bride, assisted by Rev. Richard Canavan, Newport, brother of the bridegroom, and the Rev. Canon Barrett, Headford; Robert Canavan, Mossfort House, Caherlystrane, son of the late Bartholomew Canavan, Belcare, Tuam, to Julia Agnes, daughter of the late James Colerhan, Annakee, Headford.

Mrs. Della Haynes Clorane, Athenry, died Dec. 1, aged 71 years, deeply regretted. On Tuesday Office and High Mass were held in the parish church for the repose of her soul. At the funeral the chief mourners were: Thomas Hynes (husband); Thomas, John, Stephen and Hugh (sons); Anthony Ryan (brother); John and Thomas Heavy, Patrick, Anthony and Joseph Ryan, John and Thomas Kelly and Michael Hynes (nephews). The service at the grave was performed by the Very Rev. Canon Canton, assisted by Father Madden.

A very enjoyable concert was held on Sunday, Dec. 1, at the rooms in Dominick street, Galway, before a large and appreciative audience of members and Nationalist friends.

The entertainment, which is the second of a series to be held during the winter, was a thorough success. Among those who assisted were the following: Irish bagpipes, Mr. Ruane; Irish fiddle, Messrs. Beatty, Coady, and Holland; Piccolo solo, Mr. Kearney; cornet solo, Mr. McDonnell; euphonium solo, Mr. Brown; recitations, Messrs. Kavanagh and Carolan; songs, Messrs. J. Madden, T. Naughton, L. Bodkin, T. Laurie, E. J. Griffin, R. Monroe, E. O'Flaherty, M. Higgins, T. Hauberry, T. Carter and L. Clauy.

MAYO.—On Dec. 3, a meeting was held in Ballinroole Town Hall, Father M. Healy presiding, to take steps to promote the study of the Irish language in the parish. A great number of persons speak Irish in the town and in the districts around it.

The death of Mr. Patrick Henaghan, Donacastle, Westport, occurred Dec. 2, at the fine old age of 93 years. The funeral to Aghagower Cemetery was very largely attended by the people of the district, and testified to the esteem in which deceased was held by all who knew him. The last prayers at the grave were read by the Very Rev. Canon Flatley, Aghagower. Deceased was the father of Mr. Anthony Henaghan, merchant, Westport, and of Mr. Henry Henaghan, better known as "Henry Burton," now in America.

Miss Lillian Agnes Mary Burke, of Oldtown, Ballindine, while going to a meet of the Roscommon stag hounds held at Castle Plunkett recently, was thrown from her horse, near Castleria, and fatally injured. The remains were conveyed to Castlereagh Church, where Office and High Mass were celebrated; Celebrant, Rev. J. Russell, Castlereagh; deacon, Rev. M. Brennan, Castlereagh; sub-deacon, Rev. E. Doreley, Lisacul; master of ceremonies, Rev. T. Sharkey, Castlereagh.

On Dec. 3, a fine demonstration was held in Ballyroy to reorganize the branch of the United Irish League on the motion of Mr. Loughlin Sweeney, seconded by Mr. P. John Loughlin; the chair was taken by Mr. John O'Donnell.

ROSCOMMON.—A fire broke out in the premises of Mr. W. J. Sloan, Boyle, on Sunday, Dec. 8, and the entire premises were destroyed. The loss was very heavy.

Mr. John Hughes presided at recent meeting of the members of the Kilglass Branch of the United Irish League, Dec. 8. The members gave a hearty welcome home from the United States to their pastor, Rev. P. Lynch, and regretted the loss of Rev. Michael O'Beirne, who went to Kilgein.

On Dec. 11 the death of Mr. Hugh McDermott, Cloons, Bredogogue, occurred at the extraordinary age of 95 years. The funeral, which took place on Thursday to the Kilmannagh Cemetery, was large and representative, and a fitting tribute to one who had been so noble and charitable. The chief mourners were: Mr. John McDermott (son); Mr. H. Mylett, Mr. John Murray, Mr. E. Murray, Mr. E. McDermott (nephew).

SLIGO.—Rev. P. Boland has been elected vice-president of the Keash branch of the United Irish League in place of Mr. P. Duggan, resigned. The branch is doing good work in the cause of Ireland and the "land for the people." Messrs. D. Crofton and M. Gray are the honorary secretaries.

The Most Rev. John Glynn, D. D., Bishop of Limerick, visited the Rev. P. Duggan, Clontarf, on Sunday, Dec. 11, and was most successful in his mission.

tion. They were accompanied by the Right Rev. Monsignor Ryan, Vicar-General at Dubuque.

On Dec. 6, the occurrence of a most melancholy description took place at Battledieu in the Keash direction, by which James Dowd came by his death. It appears he had been working in England trying to support his aged relatives, when some of the family were attacked with the fever and he returned home to nurse and look after them, and in the execution of his meritorious work fell himself a victim to the disease. On Friday night, whilst in the heat of the disease, he left the home, and no tidings were forthcoming as to his whereabouts, although keenest search was made by police and people. Some days afterward the poor fellow was found in the river. It is supposed that he wandered off whilst raving in the fever.

LEINSTER.

CARLOW.—On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, ordained to the priesthood in Saint Patrick's College, Carlow, Rev. I. McDonald, for the Diocese of Dubuque.

An adjourned meeting of the Carlow branch of the United Irish League was held in the Town Hall, Carlow, Dec. 7 and was attended by a great number of persons.

DUBLIN.—On Dec. 9, the solemn blessing of the new altars of the Sacred Heart and of St. Joseph took place in the beautiful Church of Mary Immaculate, Inchicore. The altars are proof of Irish genius and Irish workmanship. No stronger plea could be made (since God help us, we must plead) to Irish persons to have work of this kind done in Ireland. The figures of our Lord and Saint Joseph are grand works of art. The Tabernacle gates and great lamps are also the work of Irish artists and are magnificent. High Mass was celebrated by Father Donnelly; deacon, Father Shinnors, sub-deacon, Father O'Reilly; master of ceremonies, Father Malone, O. M. I. Father Coyle, O. M. I., preached on the Immaculate Conception.

On Dec. 9, the anniversary of the death of Very Rev. Theobald Mathew, the great apostle of temperance, was commemorated in the Father Mathew Centenary Memorial Hall, Church street, Dublin.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.

COCHRANE—Dec. 7, at Woodbrook, Bray, Lady Margaret Cochrane.

CONRAN—Dec. 7, at 4 Warrenpoint, Clonarf, Mary Conran, Bailinure, Grangecon County, Wicklow, aged 70.

GREER—Dec. 7, at 20 Upper Fitzwilliam street, Richard Cassan Greer, B. A., son of the late James W. Greer, M. A., Inspector of National Schools.

GUNNING—At 6 Coburg place on Dec. 8, James Gunning (late member Typographical Society).

CASEY—Dec. 1, at the residence of her nephew, Joseph Mullett, 44 Great Brunswick street, Dublin, Ellen, widow of the late John Casey, late of 12 Cook street, Dublin.

MATTHEWS—Dec. 6, at 25 North Great George's street, Mary Matthews, aged 27.

BURY—Dec. 10, at 23 Mountjoy square, Eliza Bury.

LAPHEN—At 28 Sherrard avenue, Bartholomew, Laphen.

DONOHOO—Dec. 10, at 15 Queen's square, Annie C. Donohoo, aged 15 years.

MORRIS—Dec. 10, at 103 Capel street, Margaret Morris, Forrest Court, Dublin, and sister of the late John Morris, Oak View Lodge, Glasnevin and Forrest.

DOWLING—Dec. 9, at Coolock Bridge, Raheny, Andrew Dowling.

MEEHAN—Dec. 8, in the 77 year of his age, fortified by the rites of Holy Church, Rev. Thomas Meehan.

MONAHAN—Dec. 8, at Cabra House, Cabra, Mary Monahan.

SHEEHAN—Dec. 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception, at Kirkee, Merion, Jeremiah Sheehan aged 68.

KILDARE.—Mr. J. O'Neill, son of the late Dr. P. L. O'Neill, Geraldine, Ahy, died recently in Fermatine, Australia, where he went a year ago for the benefit of his health.

The death of Mr. Peter Kelly, of Naas, occurred Dec. 7 at Graham's Court, Temple street, Dublin, deeply regretted. The remains were conveyed by rail to Naas and interred in Upper Cemetery.

A meeting for the purpose of electing a president of the Athy branch of the United Irish League was held Dec. 12 in the Town Hall, the Rev. Father Duggan, elected president at the previous meeting, being unable to act.

KILKENNY.—Rev. W. Fogarty presided at a great public meeting held lately in Lisdowney, in support of the United Irish League. The Rev. Martin Crotty supported the League in an earnest speech, contending that every man who professes to be a Nationalist should be a member of the United Irish League. Everywhere, at home and abroad, the Irish people were taking their stand under its banner. Lisdowney had a bad name, for the freedom with which grabbers and graziers piled their evil practices, but he believed that in a short time, without crime or violence, Lisdowney would clear its name of the stain that now attached to it. He appealed to every householder in the parish, in the interests of all, and for the freedom of their country to become members of the great national organization, and to do all in their power to carry out its principles. Mr. David Sheehy impressed on the meeting the impossibility of forcing a Compulsory Land Sale act so long as the odious practices of grabbing and eleven months' grazing were tolerated. Meetings alone would not succeed in doing it. Stern, persistent action in fair and market would make those practices unprofitable, and as soon as that was done the grabbers and the graziers would stop

their dirty work. Mr. Keane, Kilkenny People, also spoke.

KING'S.—Brother George Sillery, of St. Stanislaus' College, Tuillamore, died Nov. 26, aged 85 years, and on Nov. 24 died Mrs. Mary Downes, of Edenderry. Both were deeply regretted. The Edenderry Board of Guardians, at recent meeting, Mr. Patrick Duggan, chairman, presiding, the resolution of the Roscommon Board of Guardians was passed advocating the purchase of the land from the present owners of vast tracts of land for the benefit of the tenants.

LONGFORD.—A meeting of the members of the Longford branch of the United Irish League was held Dec. 7, after last Mass, in hall at Market Square. Peter Igoe presided.

The initial meeting of the Longford Ladies' Class of the Gaelic League was held in the rooms, Church street, on Dec. 5. The attendance was large. "Cuall Gubhan," in the Roscommon Herald of Dec. 7, gave a picture of a very ancient cross and said of it: "The majority of the people of Longford are not aware of the existence of this ancient Celtic Cross, which stands in a field belonging to Miss Bierney, at Lisduff, and is situated in the centre of what appears to have been a chapel, or religious edifice. That the cross is of a very ancient origin, the rude carving, and the crude attempt at the cross on the front amply testify. About ten feet to the right of the cross a portion of the earth six feet by four feet is sinking. Miss Bierney informed me that the depression has been only noticed within the past few years, and that she remembers the time when the ground inside the circular inclosure was perfectly level. A hollow sound is produced by striking the soil heavily with the foot and from this it is supposed that there is a cavity beneath. The cross and its surroundings are well worth a visit."

WICKLOW.—Mr. Pierce O'Mahony, of Grange Con, has been co-opted unanimously a member of the Wicklow County Council.

MUNSTER.

CLARE.—The death of Mr. P. J. O'Dwyer, of the Imperial Hotel, Lisdownerna and of Ennistyman, occurred Dec. 10, at his home in the latter town. He was aged 74 years. The funeral was one of the largest seen in the town for years.

We regret to record the death of Mr. James O'Hogin, of Lackan, Kilmihil, which sad event happened on Dec. 8. He was a prominent member of the Gaelic League and worked hard for the revival of the Irish language. The funeral was large and testified to the esteem in which deceased was held.

CORK.—The death of Miss Maude Travers happened Dec. 6, to the regret of the entire community. She was daughter of Mr. R. Travers, Timoleague House, Timoleague.

Charles McCarthy (Crimeen), of Arvala was found drowned at the railway bridge end of Hen street Skibbereen after a terrific storm of wind and rain which swept over the town on the night of Dec. 12.

The 13th of December being the anniversary of the death of the Most Rev. Dr. McCarthy Bishop of Cloyne, a Solemn High Mass was offered in the Cathedral, Most Rev. Dr. Browne Bishop, presiding. Father O'Hea, Rush celebrant; Rev. C. W. Corbett, deacon, and Rev. P. M. Murphy, sub-deacon. The clergyman present were: The Very Rev. Canon Hutch, Middleton; Rev. Canon Ryan Aghada; Rev. T. Madigan, Adm., Queenstown; Rev. D. O'Connor, D. D., and Rev. Father O'Donoghue. There was a very representative congregation in attendance.

On Tuesday, Dec. 10, the pretty chapel adjoining Convent of Mercy, Kinsale, was the scene of an imposing ceremony, when Miss Nora Twohig, daughter of the late Mr. William Twohig, of Bawnrook, Macroom (in religion Sister Mary Monica) made her final vows as a religious and received the veil of holy sisterhood Very Rev. Canon Lyons Kinsale, officiated assisted by Rev. James O'Leary Rev. Father McDonald Rev. Father Dunlea Rev. Father Carroll and Rev. Father Dunne. O. P. A very large number of friends of the newly professed lady were present at the ceremony.

The funeral of the late Mr. John Archdeacon took place on Dec. 5 and was very numerously attended. The place of interment is Castlemagner Cemetery.

On Dec. 8, the Irish drama, "Tadhg Saor" (by Father Peter O'Leary), and a concert come off in the Town Hall, Clonakilty, under the auspices of the Rosmore Branch of the Gaelic League. Besides the drama, there was a varied and interesting programme of music, dance and song. It was a thorough Irish night. There was the reel and jig, four-in-hand reel, step-dancing. All the songs and recitations were in Irish, except a few, and these were of a thorough Irish character. Those who took part in the play and entertainment are members of the Rosmore, Ballinacorrug and Dunmanway branches of the Gaelic League, with two from Clonakilty. Miss Minnie Sheehy and Mr. Charles Hurley, and the orchestra composed of the following: Violins, Messrs. T. J. Powell, J. J. McCarthy and E. Burke; piano, Master Frank McCarthy. There was a very large appreciative audience, the hall being crowded to inconvenience. It was the first public performance of a thoroughly Irish character in the town, and from the genuine enthusiasm evinced in the proceedings, there can be no doubt that the people of Clonakilty are in thorough accord with the movement for the revival of the Irish language.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.

COLBURN—On Dec. 9, at 6 Sunview Terrace, College road, Mary Gertrude Colburn.

O'SULLIVAN—Dec. 10, Richard O'Sullivan, Sr., Tevenie, Liscarroll.

FITZGERALD—On Dec. 5, Julia Fitzgerald, wife of principal teacher of Saean N. S.

CANTY—At Baggot street, Dublin, Maria Canty, Ballyvolane.

SYNAN—On Dec. 9 at 3 Perry street Limerick Synan.

CRONIN—Dec. 9 at Bottle Hill, Mary A. Cronin, nee O'Hanlon, of Upper Bear-Forrest, Mallow.

DONOVAN—On Dec. 10, at Blackrock, Mary Donovan.

SLYNE—On Dec. 10, Denis Slyne, publican, Unisikean.

McMAHON—On Dec. 8, at 7 Castle street, Mary Anne McMahon.

MACDONALD—Dec. 7, at Britfields-town House, Mary Anne MacDonald, aged 81 years.

McNAMARA—On Dec. 11, at Kilbar-

ry, Cork, Daniel McNamara (for 28 years in the employment of Messrs. Marsh & Sons, auctioneers).

HURLEY—Dec. 8, Sarah Anne Hurley, Ballinaspittle.

DOWNEY—On Dec. 7, at 117 Bandon road Denis Downey.

DILLON—Dec. 7, at 18 Harbor View Queenstown, Sarah Dillon.

FLYNN—Dec. 12, at Ballyvinter, Mallow, Hanora Flynn.

BEAUSANG—At Castleview, Macroom on Dec. 11, Margaret Beaussang.

McSWINEY—On Dec. 11, at 4 Mary Villas, Western road, Mrs. Bridget McSwiney, aged 89.

SLYNE—On Dec. 10, Denis Slyne, Ennisikean.

WALSH—On Dec. 12, Kate Walsh 22 St. Finbarr's Terrace, Greenmount, daughter of D. J. Hegarty, Coole, Carriagarvar.

KYAN—On Dec. 13, at 145 Barrack street, Mary Agnes Ryan.

KERRY.—The death of Mr. Maurice O'Connor, of Craughdarrig, occurred lately at Belgrave avenue, Dublin. The remains were conveyed to Listowel, and from there to Kilmacconny Cemetery for interment.

The death of Hanoria O'Shea took place at Rosmore, Sneem on Dec. 2, having reached the extraordinary age of 106, and having lived in parts of three centuries. Up until a fortnight before she died she enjoyed good health, and used to attend to household business. She used to relate stories of '98 told to her by her parents when she was a little girl.

On Dec. 1 a fatal accident happened to Mrs. Bessie Cronin, National school teacher, at Cahirrevane, near Waterford. Mrs. Cronin was for many years teaching in the Cahirrevane National School with her husband, Mr. Daniel Cronin, and at the time of his death, a good while ago, she became the principal teacher of the school. Some years ago she resigned her position in the Cahirrevane National School, and became a teacher in the Ballinakilla National School, some miles distant, the principal teacher of which is Mr. Patrick Murphy, her daughter Mrs. O'Shea, succeeding her in the Cahirrevane National School, the principal of which is now the husband of the latter, Mr. Daniel O'Shea. Poor Mrs. Cronin was going to Cahirrevane on Friday evening from Ballinakilla in a donkey cart. Within a short distance of her own house she was found dead, with the donkey and cart capsized.

On Dec. 1 a public meeting was held in Ballyheigue for the purpose of establishing a branch of the United Irish League. Mr. M. J. Flavin, M. P., attended and made a patriotic speech. On motion of Mr. John Godley, seconded by Mr. Thomas Godley, Mr. John Mulqueen presided.

The members of the Caheriveen branch of the United Irish League held a meeting on Dec. 8, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year.

LIMERICK.—Some of the electors of the Irishtown ward, Limerick City have requested Mr. John Daly, Mayor, who is Alderman for the ward, to resign the office of Alderman.

A serious accident occurred to a young man named Doran, from Skule Bog on Dec. 4. He was felling timber on the lands of Glenview, near Ballyneety, the scene of Sarafield's famous and successful attack on the Williamite army and guns, and as a tree was falling one of the branches broke, fell on him and knocked him down, breaking a leg and inflicting many and serious bruises on his body.

The death of Mr. Denis O'Loughlin, the celebrated Irish piper, which occurred on Dec. 5, at his late residence, Ballingarry, at the age of 75 years, caused the greatest regret. He enjoyed the highest respect of all classes. Though deprived of his sight at three years of age, he was singularly gifted in all other respects.

An extraordinary occurrence has been reported from Rathkeale. During a thunderstorm on Dec. 8, and 9 a field owned by Michael Collopy, farmer, of Clonool, was torn up to a depth of six feet five feet in breadth, and one hundred yards in length by a thunderbolt. Collopy states that he thought his house would be tumbled down. He was paralyzed with fear. The whole house was enveloped in a blaze of lightning of dazzling brilliancy, accompanied by fearful thunder. An examination of the field revealed that fearful havoc had been wrought. Large stones were hurled a considerable distance, and a big rock was crushed to matchwood.

An immense concourse of persons assembled on the O'Grady estate at Ballyhehy, Dec. 6, to celebrate the victory of the evicted tenants who were restored to their holdings on Dec. 4, after twenty years spent in Land League huts supplied by Mr. John Dillon, M. P., in '82. The Abbeyfeale Brass Band, headed by torch-bearers, proceeded from the town to the estate, and were met by another procession with torches, and conducted to the farm of Mr. Harnette (evicted tenant), where the meeting had assembled round a huge bonfire. Rev. Father Casey was then presented with an address expressing gratitude and congratulation from the evicted tenants, which was read by Mr. D. E. Leahy. Father Casey returned thanks. The tenants had fought a long and bitter fight, and had won. The young men who surrounded him would remember that glorious night in which they celebrated the victory of the O'Grady tenants as an epoch-making date in the history of their country. They honored the brave soldiers who had made many and severe sacrifices in their struggles against landlordism. Many of them had witnessed the cruel application of the torch to the old homes of the tenants; but under the United Irish League no landlord would have the courage to repeat it. Out of 25,000 acres of land in the parish, nearly 22,000 had been purchased by the tenants, and there now only remained Ballyhehy, Balaugh and the little townland of Knockbrack. He

would say to the young men, never to lay down their arms until they had swept away landlordism and became like the rest of the 9000 householders in the parish, who had purchased. Owners of the soil they filled. The tenants whose victory they celebrated, and who swung 90 per cent reduction off their rent by their sacrifice should not be withdrawn from the firing line. After twenty years and the fight continued by others until no slave to landlordism remained.

TYRONE.—Twenty young girls were received in the Sodality of the Children of Mary, in the Convent Chapel, Cloughreena, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Rev. K. Pheasant pastor, officiated.

Most Rev. Dr. Desmond Bishop of Killaloe, has appointed Rev. Charles Stuart Chaplain to the Sacred Heart Convent at Roscrea, in the parish of Priest of Roscrea and vicar-general of the diocese.

The Presentation convent, Inarues, was recently the scene of the ceremony of profession of two nuns of the order. Most Rev. Dr. Cennelly presided, and there was a large attendance of lay and clerical friends. The ladies professed are Miss Katty Murphy (in religion Sister M. De Pazzi), daughter of Mr. P. Murphy, South Quay Drogheda, and Miss Elsie Walsh (in religion Sister M. Donalck) daughter of Mr. J. G. Walsh, The Keries, Tralee. The Rev. Innocent Ryan secretary to Most Rev. Dr. Croke was also present.

WATERFORD.—The family of Connors of Monstrea, near Youghal were evicted by Mr. Percy Smyth, of Headborough, County Waterford. The holding consists of forty acres and the rent was eight dollars an acre per year.

A branch of the United Irish League was founded in the City of Waterford Dec. 9. The meeting was held in the Town Hall, the Mayor, Mr. Richard Hearne, presided.

ULSTER.

ANTRIM.—Rev. P. Convery, pastor, Cushendall, has thrown himself in the movement for the revival of the Irish language with a whole-heartedness that is not often witnessed, therefore, the Irish language is getting great attention in the districts where his influence exists. Mr. Clatley, National teacher, is teaching classes in Cushendall, Glenarn, and Carnlough, where the attendance is generally one hundred pupils.

ARMAGH.—A most successful flax show was held in Armagh, Dec. 3, for growers and scutchers, under the auspices of the Agricultural Department. The attendance was everything that could be desired, and the greatest interest was evinced in the proceedings. The judges appointed by the department were A. Wilson, Newry, and J. Wilson Armagh and they expressed themselves highly satisfied at the excellent manner in which the flax from the Drumara Co-operative Flax Society was handled, and also that scratched by Mr. Samuel Robinson of Ballytrillick, and by Mr. Marshall, of Tullyglush.

CAVAN.—In Portliffa lately was held a meeting of the Killeshaundra William O'Brien branch of the United Irish League, Mr. T. McLean, president, presiding. Several large subscriptions to the Irish Parliamentary Fund were handed in. An appeal was made to those farmers who had not become members of the organization to do so, and thus help the Irish people to regain possession of the lands of which they were robbed by the British centuries ago.

DERRY.—Those in charge of the Brian Boru stall at the St. Eugene's Cathedral bazaar, Derry, gave recently a most successful concert in St. Columba's Hall.

DONEGAL.—Mr. Daniel Connolly, Lifford, gave another of his concerts in Porthalf National School in aid of St. Patrick's stall for the St. Eugene's Cathedral fund. The beautiful banner of the Murlog Temperance Society made an excellent display. Father McElhatton presided. The program consisted of nine items.

DOWN.—Mrs. Nicholson of Ballymagarrett Mills, near Killeel, met with a heavy loss lately by the death of five young cattle worth \$360. They got into the lawn, where yew trees are growing. They all ate of the tree, and three of them dropped dead immediately, the other two expiring shortly afterward.

The funeral of Miss Devlin, Downpatrick, was held on Dec. 6 and was very numerously attended. She was second daughter of Mr. Patrick Devlin, of Irish street.

MONAGHAN.—The death of Mr. Michael Daly, of Drummlard, Shan-tonagh, Carrickmacross, happened Dec. 8, at the age of 81 years, deeply mourned. The funeral to Augenanulken East cemetery was very numerously attended.

TYRONE.—On Dec. 5 a sacrilege was committed in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Omagh, the two alms boxes being broken open. The culprit was evidently hard pushed to get out, though the presumption is that he must have known his bearings. He broke the glass in the door leading to the vestry and then succeeded in opening the door by pulling two bolts. He brought out into the church, and by this means made his escape.

At a meeting of the Omagh branch of the United Irish League, Dec. 1, the following delegates were appointed to represent the branch at the convention: M. Lynch, chairman of the Urban Council; P. McLoughlin, secretary; Phil. Gormley, E. Murnaghan, J. J. John Gormley, B. C., and P. J. McGlinchey.