

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.

MUNSTER

CLARE.—Constable William Lynch, stationed in the Patrick's Well Police Barrack, County Limerick, accidentally shot himself in the guard room of the station on Feb. 6. He was aged 40 years, married, and had four children, and was a native of Tullin.

On Feb. 4 the people of Killaloe had the pleasure of meeting Dr. McRedmond, Bishop of the diocese, who, before he became bishop had been their parish priest and vicar-general. He went to visit the Convent of Mercy, where he was received by Mother Aguin, superioress, and the Very Rev. Dr. Moiney, Killaloe. He also visited the newly erected Male National Schools, which reflect great credit to the vicar-general.

The teaching staff of St. Ursula's College, writes the Armada Argus, received a fresh reinforcement lately, when Miss Jane O'Connor, daughter of Mr. John O'Connor, Shore Farm, Kildyart, County Clare, Ireland (in religion Sister Mary John Berchman's), received the habit of the order at the hands of his lordship, bishop of Torrington. At the conclusion of the ceremony the wedding feast was laid out in the community room, and a similar treat provided for the boarders, each of the young ladies and children received a silver medal as a memento of the event from the Rev. Mother, and Father Tobin was presented, on the part of the bride, with a surplice of fine Irish linen trimmed with Limerick lace.

CORK.—Since 1895 more than one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars have been paid out for the erection of the Cathedral of Cloyne. An extraordinary large salmon, weighing forty-five pounds, was killed by Mr. Samuel Haynes on the Lee River on Feb. 2. Mr. Haynes brought the fish to the gaff after twenty minutes' play.

A very successful concert was given in the national schoolrooms, Timoleague, on Feb. 2, in connection with the Irish classes conducted by the young principal of the male school, Mr. J. Hennessy. The programme was thoroughly Irish in character. Most of the songs were in the Irish language and the dances and instrumental items were purely national.

A few months ago a successful Irish concert was held in Berrings on the establishment of a branch of the Gaelic League. A meeting was afterward held, at which Rev. Timothy O'Twomey was appointed president. Classes were immediately formed and eighty members were enrolled.

The funeral of Mr. H. H. Barry, 80, doctor, Kanturk, took place Jan. 22, and was of very large proportions. Requiem High Mass was celebrated. The remains rested over night in the church. The celebrant was the Rev. Charles Brew, Kanturk; deacon, Rev. W. Lillis, Kanturk; sub-deacon, Rev. E. Honohan; master of ceremonies, Rev. Michael P. Norris, Adm., Newmarket. At the conclusion of the Mass the funeral took place to the parish church cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Buckley of Mill street, Clonakilty, took place Jan. 11 to Kilgariff cemetery, and was numerously attended. The clergyman present was the Rt. Rev. Mgr. O'Leary, Clonakilty; Rev. John Kearney, Castlehaven; Rev. Thomas Kearney, Skibbereen (nephews); Rev. J. O'Sullivan, Clonakilty. The chief mourners were: F. P. Buckley (son), Messrs. M. Kearney, Sunny Rock; James Kearney, Gearagh (brothers); Mr. Kearney, Sunny Rock, and M. Kearney, Gearagh (nephews).

A return of joint stock companies that issued shares Messrs. McCullen & Son, Cork, as having a capital of £50,000, divided into 500 shares, 350 of which have been taken; Munster Club, Cork, £30 capital, 210 shares, 151 taken; McCowan & Sons, Trale, £50,000 capital, 60,000 shares, 60,000 taken; Killarney Poultry Industry, £1,000 capital, 1,000 shares, amount taken not stated; Victoria Hotel, Cork, £6,500 capital, 1,300 shares, 1,100 taken; Garde & Co., Castlemary, £20,000 capital, 20,000 shares, amount taken not stated; News Brothers, Cork, £12,000 capital, 12,000 shares, 12,000 taken; Jacob & Co., Cork, £3,000 capital, 1,600 shares, £60 taken; Patent Box Company, Cork, £10,000 capital, 10,000 shares, 2,000 taken; Golden Vein Dairy, Cork, £12,000 capital, 12,000 shares, 9,000 taken.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.

ROCHE.—On Feb. 4, at 8 St. Patrick's Terrace, Greenmount, Hannah Roche, mother of the Rev. William Roche, Spanish Place, London.

MCCARTHY.—On Feb. 6, at Foranagh, Donoughmore, Owen D. McCarthy, father of the Rev. John McCarthy, C. C., Ballyhea, aged 87 years.

DENNEHY.—On Feb. 7, at Fair Hill, Clonsilla, Wm. Dennehy, late watchmaker, Lady's Well Brewery.

O'SULLIVAN.—On Feb. 6, at St. Mary's Place, Pope's Quay, Patrick O'Sullivan.

LUCY.—On Feb. 6, at Colligrenan, Imahisela, Patrick Lucy, at an advanced age.

WYNDE.—On Feb. 7, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Margaret Wynde, aged 83 years.

HURLEY.—On Feb. 7, at Passage, Mary Hurley.

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BARRY.—Feb. 7, at 187 Barrackton, Edward Barry, late of Bengal Fusiliers.

MORROGH.—Feb. 3, 18 Nile street, Kate Josephine Morrogh.

GALVIN.—Feb. 2, at 106 Main street, Mallow, Minnie Galvin.

COLLINS.—At No. 1 Nicholas street, Lizzie Maclurk.

CUNNINGHAM.—At 21 Margaret street, Nellie Cunningham; funeral Feb. 5, for Killingley.

CARROLL.—Daniel J. Carroll, late of McBirney's, Dublin, Gloutane, New market.

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The death of Miss Julia Slattery, daughter of Mr. M. Slattery, occurred early on Feb. 1, at her father's residence in Rock street, Tralee. Deceased had been but a short time sick and her death at an early age caused widespread regret. The funeral to the family burial place, Ardret, was one of the largest which left Tralee for years.

On Jan. 16, in the Benedictine Abbey of St. Mary's, Buckfastleigh, Devon, England, brother Patrick O'Leary, of Killarney, had the happiness of receiving the religious habit of St. Benedict Dom Patrick, O. S. B., is the son of Mrs. Catherine O'Leary, Main street, Killarney. He is now the first cleric novice, and will commence his clerical studies immediately.

LIMERICK.—Constable William Lynch of the Patrick's Well's Police Station, on Feb. 6 was killed in the guard room. He was aged 40 years, was married, and had a family—wife and four children. During two years he had been on duty in the district, Quinlan, County Clare, is his native place.

Great regret was felt among all classes of the Catholic people of Limerick at the transfer to Fethard, County Tipperary, of the Rev. Father Knowles, O. S. A. Father Murphy, O. S. A., brother of the president of St. Munchin's College, Very Rev. Andrew Murphy, succeeded Father Knowles in the mission at Limerick.

Mr. James Geary, son of Mr. John Geary, Thomas street, Limerick, left for the Philippines, Jan. 25, where he intends to settle down with his brother, who holds a lucrative situation there. Mr. Geary was a prominent member of the Catholic Institute, and of the Lansdowne Football Club. Mr. Geary's brother was through the recent Cuban and Philippine campaigns.

The West Limerick Executive of the United Irish League held a meeting in the Rathkeale. The chair was taken by the Rev. William Casey, Abbeyleafe, president of the executive. Mr. W. D. Power, hon. secretary and Mr. T. J. McDonnell, Ballygarry, treasurer, were in attendance.

TIPPERARY.—The death occurred lately at Cairns, North Queensland, of the Rev. Father Corcoran, O. S. A., who since his ordination at home labored in Australia. Father Corcoran was born in Ballygarry thirty-five years ago, and his death in the prime of life was due to his generous duty.

Mr. Teddy O'Brien, head porter, Carrick, who has been connected with the W. L. & W. Railway for 53 years, has retired on pension. He was the oldest man in the service of the railway, having worked in the making of the line.

A concert was given in Templemore last week under the patronage of Father Godfrey, for the benefit of the Templemore Football Club. The following assisted: The Templemore string band, the children of the Convent of Mercy schools, Mr. James Ryan, Bombardier Reeves, Mr. Frank Evans, Miss Fogarty, Mr. Redmond, Miss K. and Miss M. A. Tracey, Mr. P. Maher, Miss M. Maher, Miss Thompson, Mr. P. Carroll, etc. The concert was brought to a close with the singing of "Let Erin Remember."

The Cashel Sentinel writes: "It was with feelings of sincere pleasure we learned that Mr. T. J. Condon, M. P., had been re-elected Mayor of the city of Tipperary, Clonmel. The re-election of Mr. Condon proves that the members of the Clonmel Corporation recognize his qualities as a staunch Nationalist. The tribute conferred on Mr. Condon is only what he deserves, because himself, his father and his deceased brother were Nationalists when it was not fashionable to be so, and prison cells had no terrors for them either. We dwell on these facts because Mr. Condon is member for the base Division of Tipperary and was never absent from duty." To signalize the re-election of Mr. Condon as Mayor the C. J. Kickham Fife and drum Band, accompanied by a large concourse of people, paraded Clonmel and played outside the Mayor's residence on the quay, where a large bonfire was lighted and loud cheers were given for Alderman Condon. There was a further enthusiastic demonstration at the Labor Hall.

The death of Mrs. Mary Loneygan of Neddis, happened Feb. 5, after a short period of sickness, aged 33 years. She was daughter of the late Mr. John Morrissey, Molough Abbey. The remains were removed on Friday morning to Ardinnan, where Requiem Office and High Mass were offered up. Celebrant, Rev. W. Ryan, Ardinnan.

WATERFORD.—Rev. John Power, pastor, Carrick-on-Suir, has been transferred to Dungarvan. He was formerly parish priest of Abbeyside.

Office and High Mass for the repose of the soul of Miss Kate Flynn, of the Weston Hotel, Tralee, was held in the parish church, Feb. 3, and was very numerously attended by clergy and laity. She was sister to

Very Rev. Father Flynn, the patriotic and esteemed pastor of Trinity Without in the city of Waterford. The funeral to Clashmore was largely attended.

ULSTER

ANTRIM.—A successful flax show was held in Ballymena Fair Hill lately, under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland. The value of the prizes amounted to the sum of £124. The competitions were open to all farmers resident in Antrim, Armagh, Cavan, Down, Derry and Tyrone—who have subscribed to the Department's general flax improvement scheme.

A farm of land in Upper Woodburn has just fetched a very high price. The farm, which contains 17a. Or. 20p., statute, subject to the judicial yearly rent of £18, was disposed of for £900 at a public sale at Davy's Hotel, Carrickfergus, by Mr. Samuel Murphy, auctioneer.

The "Cattle King" of Australia owns more than 1,000,000 acres of farm land and leases about 1,000,000 more. He is an Irishman named McCauley (from near Ballymena), who in 1856 landed in Australia almost penniless. One of his farms on Darling Downs is forty miles long and thirty-six miles wide. Another farm at Yanco, 500 miles from Melbourne, on which he has for his own use and those in his employ a sawmill, traction engines of all sorts, blacksmiths' shops, carpenters' shops, saddlers, tailors, a bakery, and also a brick kiln. He is completing a grand palace on this station. He likes men from the old country, and is ever their friend.

ARMAGH.—Many new branches of the United Irish League are being founded in Armagh. The Primalton county will hold an honorable place in the ranks of those fighting for the destruction of felonious landlordism in Ireland.

Considerable excitement was caused in Armagh and neighborhood lately by the appearance of a rare specimen of a badger. The creature, which has successfully baffled all efforts to capture, was first noticed near the local cemetery. The attention of the gravedigger was attracted by the extraordinary number of rabbit skins strewn about the graveyard, the badger having done away with the rabbits. A number of hen roosts in the locality were pillaged also. A number of local sports made elaborate preparations to catch the badger, and a number of good hunting terriers were pressed into the service. After lying in ambush for a time the badger was found, and a most exciting chase took place the hunted animal steering for the city. The chase proceeded along English street and down Russell street along the Mall toward the County Court House, and up College Hill, where the hunted animal got into a field off the road and escaped.

CAVAN.—Mr. Nicholas Brady of Main street, Ballyconnell, died January 18, deeply regretted by his people at home and in the United States. The remains were conveyed to the parish chapel and Mass having been offered up by Rev. H. Newman, the funeral cortege proceeded to the family burial ground in Slaghtall.

DERRY.—The funeral of Rev. Thomas J. Larkin, pastor of Moneymore, took place on Feb. 4, to the Loop Cemetery, numerously attended. During fifty years he had labored zealously for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the people. Father Larkin was born at Ballinaderry; ordained in 1855, being educated in Armagh Seminary. He was remarkable as one of the leading singers in Gregorian chant in Ireland and was leader of the choir in Maynooth when a student. The coffin bore this inscription: "I. H. S. Rev. Thomas J. Larkin, P. P., Died Feb. 2, 1902. Aged 78 years."

The annual meeting of the Maghera Branch of the United Irish League was held in the National Hall, Feb. 2, to elect officers and committee for ensuing year. Mr. J. E. O'Neill presided.

DOWN.—The Irish Weekly of Feb. 8 contained this interesting item: "A correspondent writes, 'I was an eyewitness of the election scenes in Downpatrick in the year 1852, when Hill and Ker were against Sharman-Crawford. The hired mobs of the Orange side were principally from Ballynahinch, the Maze and other Orange districts. In their entry into Downpatrick every man was armed with bludgeons. They had received a guinea each and in open public houses drank free ad libitum. There can also be no doubt that they had command of the cavalry and police were their strong partisans, for it was impossible for a National voter to proceed to record his vote at the court house save at the risk of his life. The Nationalist body in thousands, seeing this state of affairs, tried repeatedly to force their way, and in the efforts they made to get clear through the landlord party which they scattered, the cavalry came to the rescue with drawn swords."

A lecture was delivered in Castlewellan recently by Rev. D. McAllister, Cusendall. The chair was occupied by Rev. Joseph O'Connor. The reverend lecturer was very heartily received and afterward proceeded with his lecture "The Trumpet-Call of Erin to Her Sons."

FERMANAGH.—On Jan. 6 the large flax mill at Irvinestown, belonging to Mr. William D'Arcy Irvine, D. L., was completely gutted by fire.

A meeting of the Enniskillen Branch of the United Irish League was held in the League rooms, lately, the Rev. Father Maguire in the chair. The chairman referred to the recent election and condemned the action of the nationalists who proved false to their religious and political principles in supporting the Tory candidates. Speeches

were delivered by Messrs. Duffy, Flanagan, Brady, and others. The following resolution was adopted unanimously: "That we, the Nationalists of Enniskillen, denounce the action of the so-called Nationalists who betrayed the National cause at the recent municipal elections by supporting Tory candidates."

MONAGHAN.—Mr. McArdie has been elected chairman of the Urban Council of Monaghan, and Dr. Whittia, vice-chairman.

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A meeting of the committee of Clones Gaelic League was held in the Town Hall lately, Rev. Father Gornley presiding. A number of National school teachers were present, having been invited by circular to confer with the committee in reference to the introduction of Irish into the schools of the district. It was announced that the deputation which waited on Canon O'Neill with reference to this question had been well received, the canon promising to meet their views as far as lay in his power, and to endeavor to induce the teachers to commence the study of the Irish language.

TYRONE.—A lecture entitled "The Irish Language" was delivered lately under the auspices of the Gaelic League in the Convent Schools, Dungannon, by Rev. Peter McShane. The chair was taken by Right Rev. Monsignor Byrne, Dean of Armagh. Among those present were: Rev. Patrick Hughes, English; Rev. John P. O'Callaghan, Dungannon; Rev. John Ward, B. D., professor of St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon; Rev. Thomas McBrien, S. T. L., professor of St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon; Rev. Joseph O'Neill, Donaghmore; Rev. Francis Donnelly, Carrickmore; Rev. Hugh Taggart, Galbally; Rev. Thomas Markey, Moy; John Hoy, solicitor, Dungannon; W. J. Reynolds, Dungannon; M. J. C. Marmon, M. D., F. R. C. S., John A. Quinn, solicitor, Dungannon; Terence McGuone, Francis McElhone, Matthew Creighton, postmaster, James Shields, John O'Neill, Donaghmore, etc.

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LOUTH.—On Jan. 25, William Connor, in the employment of Mr. Thomas McCullough, Staleen, was proceeding home, driving a horse and cart loaded with coals. He was seated on the front of the cart, and accidentally fell off. The wheel of the cart passed over his body; death was instantaneous.

MEATH.—Mr. Richard Moran died Feb. 4 at the home of his brother in Whitelea, Stamullen, aged 55 years, deeply regretted. The funeral to Ardcahan Cemetery was very numerously attended.

QUEEN'S.—Mrs. Thomas Reddy, of Luggacurren, died Feb. 6, at 2 Julian's place, off Mayor street, Dublin. Her remains were conveyed by rail for interment in Claspock. The funeral was very largely attended.

At special meeting of members of the Abbeylex branch of the United Irish League held Feb. 2 the following officers were appointed: President, Mr. Edward Dea; vice-president, Mr. James McEvoy; hon. sec., Mr. William Carroll; treasurer, Mr. Daniel Cass. The following members of the committee were present: R. Keating, P. A. Keane, R. Kilbride, Patrick Kelly, Michael Kelly, Patrick McCormick, Thomas Moore, John Maher, John McGrath, William Spooner, James McCarthy, Edward Duff, Dan Byrne, John Quinn. It was decided to have the collection for

WESTMEATH.—The Amateur Dramatic Class of St. Mary's Temperance Society, Mullingar, produced the new Irish drama, "A True Son of Erin" in the Lecture Hall. Successful as have been all the previous entertainments of the class, this eclipsed all in point of attendance and acting.

The death has been announced of Sister Gertrude Flynn, Convent of Mercy, Naas. The sad event was not

unexpected by the Community, as the deceased, who was in her seventy-sixth year, had been in failing health. She was the grand-niece of the late Most Rev. Dr. Marum, Bishop of Ossory. Sister Gertrude was in the fifty-fourth year of her religious profession. Solemn High Mass and office were celebrated in the Convent Chapel. Rev. Father McCarthy, Ballymore, presided; celebrant was the Rev. Dr. Gorry; deacon, Rev. Father Fenelon, Caragh; master of ceremonies, Rev. Father Cullen.

KILKENNY.—Sister Mary Patrick Holohan, died in the Convent of Saint John of God, Waterford City, lately in the thirty-fourth year of her age and the eighth of her religious life, deeply mourned. She was sister to Rev. M. Holohan, Mooncoin.

On Feb. 5, a poughing match came off in a field in the vicinity of Grace station, Mooncoin. The judges were Messrs. Borthwick, Jerpoint, Thomas-town and Glennie, Curraghmore. The committee having charge of the arrangements consisted of: Chairman, Mr. Richard Comerford, Mooncoin; Mr. A. G. Bowers, Ballysprung, hon. treasurer; Mr. John Dollard, hon. secretary; Mr. Comerford, Tuorid; Patrick Phelan, Ballytarsney; James Walsh, Clogga; L. Smith, Kilorragan; John Walsh, Gange; William Walsh, Dournaun; James O'Halloran, Kiltirragan; McDonald, Emili; Nicholas Doherty, Mooncoin; William Walsh, Mooncoin, who were assisted by James Farrell, Kilmacow, J. O'Keefe, Kilmacow; John Moore, Philip Dalton, Walter Walsh, Edward Kirwan, Kilmacow; Martin Doherty, Mooncoin; T. Kinsella, P. Kinsella, J. Fogarty. The competitors resulted as follows: Prizes for Chill Ploughs—prize, a Plough P. L. N. plough, won by Thomas Prendergast Kilonerry; second prize, won by John Kinsella, Ullid, third prize, won by Peter Doherty, Clogga, fourth prize, won by Ambrose Daniel, Rahen; prize for the best centre, won by John Kinsella, Ullid; prize for the best furrow, won by T. Prendergast, Swing Ploughs—second prize, won by John Walsh Loughaheen; third prize, won by Mr. Nicholas Walsh, Luffany; fourth prize, won by P. Sinnott, Ballymountain; prize for the best furrow, won by Edward Walsh, Ballygorey.

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