

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.—Among the prize winners of the Abbey Knockmoy Bazaar, held on St. Patrick's Day, was M. Dineen, of Boston, who, with tickets Nos. 13, 438 and 13,482, captured five pounds of tea and a beautiful covey.

The death of Mr. Patrick Conannon happened March 5 in Windfield, aged 72 years. He was on the Jameson & Keeney's property for fifty years. His death is deeply regretted by his family and friends at home and in the United States. The funeral to Meho was largely attended.

A boat one thousand years old has just been discovered in a bog near Knock Mulkeen, at a depth of sixteen feet below the surface. It is hewn out of a single piece of oak. It is singularly well preserved and resembles the canoe of the present day, having a length of forty-eight feet, width of three feet, and depth of two feet six inches. Sir Thomas Esmonde, of Wexford, has purchased it, and will place it in the royal Irish Academy, Dublin.

Irish Industries.—The raffles (of art, lace, souce and cloak), to be held at Convent of Mercy Convent, have been postponed until July 2. Sister M. Philomena asks those who have tickets to dispose of them as soon as possible. She hopes many more of the friends of Ireland in America will help the industries by sending for tickets. The prizes will be sent to winners free of duty. Address: Sister M. Philomena, Convent of Mercy, Gort, County Galway, Ireland, who will gladly send tickets.

LEFTRIK.—In the hallowed and ancient cemetery of Creevelea Abbey on March 5, were laid to rest the remains of Mr. Patrick Gray, Larkfield, Manor Hamilton. He was aged 85 years. Great numbers attended the funeral. Father J. Meehan, of Killarue, officiated at the interment.

Letters of administration of the estate and effects of Sir Hugh Denis Crofton, of Mohill Castle, Leitrim, who died on February 4, aged 24 years, have been granted to his brother, Lieutenant Sir George Crofton, of Mohill Castle, and of Woodside, Marchwood, Hants, Sixth Baronet. The estate has been valued at £7,800 to £10,000.

The collection on behalf of the Irish Language Fund in Borneocoola, Droonod, Roskeel, and other districts, came up to the most sanguine expectations of the promoters, and a very large sum will be sent to the Central Executive. Among those who did the good work were P. J. O'Reilly, M. Flynn, J. Flannigan, J. Murphy, J. Meehan, P. Gilce and J. Murphy.

MAYO.—The funeral of late Mr. Michael Waldron, Ballyhaunis, on March 8, was very numerous. His death was deeply regretted by the entire County of Mayo.

Mr. Patrick McHale, Derrykell, Newport died March 14, at the fine old age of 83 years, deeply regretted. Decayed was father of Mr. John McHale, president of the West Mayo Executive, United Irish League. The remains were removed to Newport Parish church on Saturday and till a late hour the church was crowded with people offering up their prayers for the repose of his soul. The funeral to Bursheole burial ground bore testimony to the esteem in which deceased was held, and was the largest seen in the district for many years.

ROSCOMMON.—On St. Patrick's Day most Rev. Dr. Clany, Bishop of Elphin, preached a sermon on St. Patrick in the parish church, Strokestown, so a very large congregation. The object was to raise funds to pay the debt on St. Patrick's new schools in Elphin street.

Victory!—The United Irish Leaguers in Roscommon have achieved a great victory over the landlords whom they were fighting. Mr. O'Connor, one of them, has abandoned all legal measures against his tenants, and has given them a reduction in their rents of three shillings in the pound sterling.

A conference of United Irish Leaguers was held March 18 in Carrigrohane. On the motion of Mr. Tully, the local chairman, Mr. James Nangle presided.

A meeting of the Croghan Branch of the United Irish League was held March 16. The President, Mr. M. Deved, presided.

On St. Patrick's night the second of the series of Spornidheacht, organized by the Enghin Branch of the Gaelic League, came off in the male schools, and was an even greater success than the one in December. Rev. Canon Shannon's brilliant address on Irish music was a treat.

MR. JAMES FEELY, who twenty years ago left Tubberory for England, died in Birmingham, March 8, deeply regretted. He was aged 44 years. Father Price, of the Sacred Heart church, officiated at the burial.

Mrs. Conolly, wife of Alderman Conolly, of Roseshill, Sligo, died March 8, deeply regretted. Solemn Office and High Mass were held in the Cathedral, where the remains rested before the High altar. The funeral on Saturday was very numerous.

An interesting lady died Mr. James O'Connell, aged 79 years, deeply regretted. He was a native of Roseshill, Sligo.

LEINSTER

CARLOW.—Mrs. Kate McKeogh, widow of Dr. Anthony Keogh, Tullow, died at Nelson street, Carlow, March 7, deeply regretted. The interment was in Glasnevin cemetery, Dublin.

A successful concert in aid of St. Patrick's Monastery, Tullow, was given on St. Patrick's night. A number of items truly Irish in character were excellently rendered.

The fund to erect a memorial to late Rev. J. C. Corbet, Carlow, is being generously supported by the people. About one thousand dollars have already been subscribed. Rt. Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, gave fifty dollars. The memorial will be a baptismal font.

DUBLIN.—On March 15, when the Ude went out at Millbay, Killkenny, County Down, the dead body of Capt. Joseph Arnold, a native of Skerries, was found on the Strand. It appears he was crossing to Killybeg when he somehow fell into the sea.

The Office and Month's Mind and High Mass in connection with the death of the Right Rev. Mgr. Walsh, Kingstown, was celebrated March 21 in St. Michael's church, Kingstown. The Archbishop of Dublin, the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, presided over the ceremonies, and the Right Rev. Dr. Donnelly, Bishop of Canea, also assisted.

A public meeting of the parishioners of St. Joseph's, Tedenure, and their friends, was held March 16 in the new church for the purpose of raising funds for its completion. Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, attended, accompanied by the Rev. Father Pettit. The vicinity of the church was decorated with flags in token of welcome to the Bishop. The new church, which is approaching completion, is a magnificent piece of architecture.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.

MANNOCK.—March 21, at Ardeevin, Dalkey, Julia Mannock.

MEADE.—March 21, at 32 Lombard street, West, Edward Meade aged 1 year, member of the Bakers Association, 8 Upper Bridge street.

MURPHY.—March 20, at 3 Shamrock Villa Haroldcross, William P. Murphy.

SULLIVAN.—March 21, at 41 Mulgrave street, Kingstown, Laurence Sullivan, late of Newtownbarry, Westport.

SULLIVAN.—March 20, at 3 Lansdowne terrace, T. F. Sullivan, aged 42.

CASSIDY.—March 19, at the Hospital for the Dying, Haroldcross, Hugh Cassidy, of Market street, Kells, County Meath.

DOWLING.—March 21, at Finglas Bridge, Patrick Dowling.

MALONE.—At Our Lady's Hospital, Haroldcross, James Malone, Horseshoe, 8 Malpas street.

FAGAN.—March 19, at Joseph's parade (off Dorset street), Mrs. Margaret Fagan, wife of John Fagan, cab and car proprietor.

YOUNG.—March 18, at 50 Lower O'Connell street, Dublin, Joseph Young, Fitzwilliam square, Wicklow.

REILLY.—March 20, at Glenpoll Cottage, Terenure, John Reilly.

GARLAND.—March 17, at 34 Carlisle terrace, North Circular road, Elizabeth Garland.

GELAGHTY.—March 17, at Tolka View, Finglas Bridge, Kate Geraghty.

WATERSON.—March 17, at 22 Phibsborough road, Walter Joseph Waterston, aged 20 years.

HEALY.—March 16, at Main street, Swords, Catherine Healy, aged 70 years.

MCDONNELL.—March 17, at the Carmelite Convent, Aungler street, the Rev. Paul McDonnell, O. C. S. aged 60.

MAXWELL.—March 17, at Walgrove, Western Australia, Patrick A. Maxwell, M. B., son of the late Sir Patrick Maxwell, of 37 North Great George's street.

KILDARE.—Office and High Mass were celebrated in Kathangan church March 12 for the repose of the soul of Mr. William Gardiner, Kathangan, who died previous Monday, deeply regretted. The funeral was very numerous.

KILKENNY.—The death of Rev. Mother Mary Cecilia, of the Saint Bridget, Goresbridge, happened on March 11, to the great sorrow of the Sisters and the people. She was aged 58 years. When only 19 years of age she entered the novitiate at Goresbridge. Office and High Mass were offered in the Convent chapel. Very Rev. Mgr. Burke presided.

Rev. Cornelius Hogan, P. P., the Mauritian, died Feb. 28, in Castlecomer, deeply regretted. He was a native of Gaustown, parish of Buckalee, and member of a family that has given many children to the Church. He was a son of the late Mr. Richard Hogan, Gaustown, and nephew to the late Very Rev. Canon Hogan. The Mauritian, and brother of the Rev. Matthew Hogan, of the Archdiocese of Sydney. Seven of his sisters were nuns. He was only 53 years of age, and his twenty-ninth years in the sacred ministry, all spent in the Mauritian. His funeral took place on March 2, and was large and very representative. The burial was in the family ground at Buckalee.

KING'S.—Mullingar Cathedral.—In Tullamore, where the people have subscribed £10,000 for the building of a new church, the people subscribed £500 to assist the Bishop of Meath in erecting a Cathedral in Mullingar.

The Novena ordered by the Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin in honor of St. Patrick came to a fit conclusion on St. Patrick's Day in Edenderry. Great numbers of people attended Mass and joined in the devotions every morning, and a vast crowd received Holy Communion. To add to the movement in favor of our country, the people came forward and contributed very generously to the Parliamentary Fund.

The Most Rev. Dr. Gaffney, Bishop of Meath, paid his triennial visit to Clara lately and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to the children of the parish and of the neighboring parishes of Strametta and

Horseleap. He was accompanied by the Diocesan Catechist, the Rev. R. Kelly.

LONGFORD.—The death of Mr. M. Moud, a highly esteemed resident of Longfordtown, and a sterling nationalist, died March 16, after a short period of sickness, deeply regretted. Solemn Office and High Mass were held in the parish church, and were very numerous. It was his wish to be interred in Glasnevin, where his two sons and his nephew are interred, and thither his remains were removed on Tuesday from the Cathedral.

A successful meeting of the Columic Branch of the United Irish League was held March 16, J. Lynch, presiding.

LOUTH.—Rev. Charles Montague, C. C. Loughgal, County Armagh, has been appointed C. C. of Faughart, County Louth, vice Rev. Father Carolan, C. C., appointed C. C. St. Peter's, Drogheda.

The Louth County Council has given on lease to the Dundalk Tota; Abstinence Society a plot of ground adjoining the court house, including the ruins of the old jail, on which a hall will be erected.

Rev. Mother Magdalene Malone, daughter of the late Mr. John Malone, Hamstown, Dundalk, and superress of the Mater Infirmarium Hospital, Belfast, died March 12. Great numbers of relatives, friends, clergy and laity attended the Solemn Requiem Office, High Mass and funeral.

MEATH.—Among the deaths recently reported in Meath were: March 13, at Maceown, Margaret Markey, of Oldtown, March 17, Oldtown, Navan, Maria O'Brien, March 13, at Market street, Kells, Jane Lynagh, daughter of Peter Smyth, Newmarket street, Kells.

An exhibition of Irish industries was held at Killybeg, March 17. This was the third exhibition arranged by the Rev. Father Barry, with the view of encouraging home industries. A concert was given in the evening, at which Irish music was rendered. Prof. Carroll of Dublin gave a lecture on "Home Industries" at the opening of the exhibition. Father Barry presided in the evening of the concert of Irish music was attended by a large audience. The exhibits consisted of lace, spun materials, knitting, etc. The produce was extremely good. Butter making and bacon curing were a prime feature. The exhibition was a considerable success, and gave promise of future helpfulness in bringing much comfort to the homes of the people.

Father Barry is doing more for the quick and sure revival of Irish industries than all the lecturers of the Government department. More Father Barrys are wanted in Ireland not Government lecturers with fat salaries. Talk will not revive Irish industries.

QUEEN'S.—On March 11 Office and Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Mr. James Brennan, Ballinacloyer, were celebrated at Arles. Interment took place immediately after to the family burial place adjoining.

WESTMEATH.—Serious military disturbances took place in Athlone, March 16, in several parts of the town between soldiers and civilians. For some time the feeling between them has been strained, and a reference to the Boer war occasioned the hostile demonstrations. At Gallowa Hill, where the fighting commenced, the military were reinforced by a number of their comrades. The attitude of the people was orderly, and a number of them took refuge in the licensed premises of Mr. Rafferty. A fusillade of stones was directed against the establishment, and all the windows smashed and it looked as if very grave results were about to ensue when a strong command of police arrived. The crowd assembled was dispersed, and ten artillerymen were marched back to barracks, and handed over to their authorities. The soldiers called to their comrades in barracks to rescue them, but they did not do so. Later in the evening there were several skirmishes in the upper parts of the town, but owing to the police serious collisions were prevented. Some soldiers who had broken out of barracks endeavored to create a riot outside the Father Mathew Hall, where an Irish concert was being held. The hall adjoins the military barracks. They were prevented by the police and the Very Rev. Father Langan.

WEXFORD.—A meeting of the committee of the Castlebridge Reading Room was held on March 7, Mr. John Roche presiding.

The ceremony of ordination took place on February 22, in the Cathedral of Buenos Ayres, the ordaining prelate being Most Rev. Dr. Espinosa. Amongst those who were raised to the order of sub-deacon was Rev. J. A. Murphy, Dominican, son of the late Mr. John Murphy, Ballybeg, Taghmon.

On March 14, Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, held an ordination at St. Peter's College, Wexford, when three students received presure. The names of the students are Messrs. John M. Dwyer, M. J. J. Caulfield and James Somers. His lordship was assisted by the superiors of the college. Next morning (Saturday) he held another ordination in the church of the college, assisted by the Very Rev. N. T. Sheridan, president; Rev. William Codd, vice-president; Rev. P. King, Rev. T. O'Connor, Rev. W. Harpur and Rev. James Donovan, professors.

The following are the names of the students and the orders conferred: To deaconship, Rev. James Codd; to sub-deaconship, Rev. H. J. Holbrook, Rev. M. Murphy, Rev. P. Kane; to minor orders, Rev. John McDwyer and Rev. J. J. Caulfield.

WICKLOW.—Sister Mary Margaritha O'Hanlon, of St. Joseph's Academy, Galzburg, Illinois, died February 25, aged 38 years, deeply regretted. She was the daughter of Mr. James O'Hanlon, Arklow; sister of the late Rev. M. B. O'Hanlon, O. S. A., and niece of Rev. Father McEvry, Hoboken, N. J.

St. Patrick's day was fittingly celebrated in Arklow. In addition to the novena in the Church of SS. Mary and Peter in honor of the feast, there was solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church on Passion Sunday, from 12 o'clock till the evening devotions.

MUNSTER

CLARE.—Mr. William Casey, of Cullina, Libasheeda, died March 5, and his death is deeply regretted. Being young, he entertained the hope to the last that he would recover. The funeral cortege which accompanied his remains to Killofin burial ground was extremely large, and testified the high esteem in which deceased was held. Twenty-four young men of the G. A. A. bore the remains on their shoulders to the grave.

On March 11 Rev. Frederick Keane, of Ennis, appointed an Army Chaplain sailed from Southampton for South Africa. Father Keane had been for two years on the South African Mission, and returned home a few months ago. Having been offered a Chaplaincy with the troops at the front, he immediately accepted and is now proceeding to take up his duties.

St. Patrick's Day was fittingly celebrated in Killybeg by religious services and public demonstration. The National Brass Band, under Mr. McAlister, marched through the streets of the town, discoursing national airs. In front was carried the handsome banner of the United Irish League Branch. The band, yet in its infancy, acquitted itself very creditably. The musical treat afforded was appreciated by the people.

CORK.—At the extraordinary age of 92 years died Mr. Eugene MacCarthy, of Shanbally, Monkstown, March 20. He was a native of Grenagh.

The funeral of late Cornelius O'Callaghan, of the Hospital Corps, Sixth Artillery, United States Army, took place March 28 from 147 E 116th street, New York City. The interment was in Calvary cemetery. A large number attended the funeral. Mr. O'Callaghan's death occurred in Manila. All who had the pleasure of knowing him deeply regret his early demise. In every way he was an exceptionally good man. He was of a deeply religious nature and in that way his conduct should be a grand example to others.

A meeting for the purpose of establishing a local organization to be known as the Daughters of Erin was held at the Victoria Hotel, Cork, March 18, under the presidency of Mrs. Maud Goude. Several preliminary details having been arranged a large number of ladies became members.

A successful concert was given in Town Hall, Youghal, on St. Patrick's night, before a large audience.

On March 9 the ceremony of the reception of a novice took place in the chapel of the Presentation Convent, Wexford. The young lady is Miss E. E. Lee (in religion Sister M. Benignus Joseph), daughter of Mr. John Lee, Carrigrohane, Mitchelstown. Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, assisted by the Rev. P. Doyle, Adm. officiated and delivered a very impressive discourse on the duties and obligations of the religious life.

The death of Mr. Ambrose Mandeville, solicitor and coroner, happened rather suddenly on Sunday, March 16. Whilst reading his letters on Saturday he was stricken. His death is deeply mourned in the south of Ireland. He was youngest son of the late Mr. James Hackett Mandeville, of Ballydoole Castle County Tipperary. His mother was sister to Col. John O'Mahoney, founder of the Irish Republican Brotherhood. For more than a century his maternal ancestors have been leaders of patriotic movements in the Galtee district and prominently associated with the struggles of the people against the "wolves of the Galtees" in 1798. In 1843 Mr. Ambrose Mandeville's uncle, Col. John O'Mahoney, had charge of the Kilkenny contingent, under Smith O'Brien at Ballygarry. After the failure of Smith O'Brien's movement Col. O'Mahoney went to America, and with Doherty and a few others founded the Irish Republican Brotherhood. Col. O'Mahoney was the president or head centre of the I. R. B. for five years, and on his death the Irish people had his remains transferred to a cemetery in New York City and Glasnevin, in Dublin, where the remains rest beneath a monument erected by his fellow-countrymen. Mr. Mandeville's family preserve some relics of their furniture which was burned in King's Square, Mitchelstown, by order of Lord Kingsborough, colonel of the North Cork militia, in 1798 as a warning to all Popish rebels. It is unnecessary to recall the patriotism and sacrifices in the national cause of the late Mr. John Mandeville, brother of Mr. Ambrose Mandeville. The public is well acquainted with the history of the great tenant struggle of 1847 and the incidents of it under Mr. Balfour's coercion regime, the arrest of Mr. John Mandeville along with Mr. William O'Brien, and the historic Mitchelstown massacre on the day of their trial in the Mitchelstown court house. Mr. Ambrose Mandeville was wounded in the massacre, and the manner in which he was maltreated was brought under public notice by Mr. Mary Josephine (Mollie) Hayes, M. P. for the Mitchelstown constituency after his liberation from Tullamore jail from disease contracted during his confinement. As regards the personal ancestry of the Mandevilles their first ancestor in Ireland was Philip de Mandeville, who came with Henry II, from whom he obtained large tracts of land in the neighborhood of Carrick-on-Suir and a Norman castle at Ballydine, and despite the vicissitudes and changes which have since occurred the castle and lands are in possession of the Mandevilles. A present the residence of Mr. P. H. Mandeville, ex-M. P. for South Tipperary and brother of the late Mr. Ambrose Mandeville, is in that place.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.

O'CONNOR.—On March 18, at the North Infirmary, Joseph O'Connor, of 19 Castle street (late employe of City of Cork Steam Packet Co.)

KIELY.—On March 19, at Whitechurch, Mary Kieley, daughter of John McAuliffe, Rahansky.

MADDEN.—On March 19, at Bandon Road, Andrew Madden, aged 53 years.

CAHILL.—On March 19, Mary Ellen Cahill, of 24 Coal Quay.

SHEA.—On March 14, at the Hotel Glenbeigh, John F. Shea, aged 48 years.

O'CONNOR.—At Bettyville, Kanturk, on March 19, Maggie (Marge) O'Connor, aged 21 years.

BARRY.—On March 18, at 14 Roman street, Ellen Barry.

CARTER.—At Sneeem, on March 14, Mary Carter, late postmistress of Sneeem, aged 31 years.

CONWAY.—On March 17, at 60, 20 Rutland street, Willie Conway.

MURPHY.—On March 16, at Passage West, Daniel Murphy, vintner.

MULLANE.—On March 16, at Riverside, Lombardstown, Ellen O'Mullane, Ghoutane Cottage, Mallow.

DONEGAN.—On March 16, at "The Hospice," Harold's Cross, Dublin, Kathleen Donegan.

SCANNELL.—On March 16, Nora Scannel, Ballinrea.

DORGAN.—On March 16, at Lyrebarrow, Carrignavar, Mary Dorgan.

MACCARTHY.—On Feb. 20, at Shanbally, Monkstown, in his 102d year, Eugene MacCarthy, a native of Grenagh.

CARROLL.—On Feb. 22, at the North Presentation Convent, Gerald Griffin street, Sister Mary Joseph Carroll, in the 36th year of her age and 13th of her religious profession.

HARTNETT.—On Feb. 23, Patrick Hartnett, 110 Evergreen road, Cork, the result of an accident.

MULCAHY.—On Feb. 22, at Roche's buildings, William Mulcahy, for 22 years an employe of Cork Gas Co.

HEGARTY.—At 27 Red's square, Daniel Hegarty, late employe of Cork Gas Co.

DALY.—Feb. 22, Josephine Daly 4 Summer Hill Terrace.

HENNESSY.—On Feb. 22, at the Mercy Hospital, Bryan Henry, aged 12 years, son of W. Pope Hennessy.

STARK.—On Feb. 21, Michael Stark, at Blarney street.

MCCARTHY.—On Feb. 23, at 22 York street, Blackpool, Peter McCarthy, late of Glenville.

MADDEN.—On Feb. 22, at Talladuff, Lisncarrig, Daniel Madden, aged 46 years.

HEALY.—On Feb. 22, at Fern Villa, Lismore, Michael Healy, aged 65 years.

KERRY.—The death of Mr. Maurice Foley of Coolbane, Killybegh, and for some years of New street, Killybegh, occurred in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England on March 6, aged 28 years. Pneumonia caused death. The remains were conveyed to Liverpool and interred there.

The members of the Tralee (Daniel O'Connell) Branch of the Irish National Foresters on March 15 held their annual banquet in commemoration of the national festival. Mr. John J. Maher, chief ranger, presided.

LIMERICK.—Mr. David Hanrahan died in Rathkeale Hospital March 20 at the extraordinary age of 104 years. During sixty years he had been a teetotaler. He took the pledge from Father Mathew.

The members of the Abbeyfeale Amateur Dramatic society gave a successful entertainment at the courthouse March 16, which consisted of a drama entitled "The White Boys" and a concert. The courthouse was crowded. The Temperance Brass Band and a number of violinists contributed the musical portion.

On St. Patrick's Day in Limerick there was a procession to honor the Saint. The Boherbuoy No. 1 National Brass and Red Band, with banner, headed an immense throng of people from Bank place, around the Strand, through George street, Colonee street, etc. playing Irish airs. In the procession also were the Workingmen's Band and the No. 9 Fife and Drum Band with the band of the Boys' Orphanage. The latter were accompanied by all the boys of the orphanage, wearing green favors and marshalled by their patriotic teachers. One of the young lads carried a banner of St. Patrick. Early in the day the Boherbuoy band serenaded the Redemptorist Fathers at Mount St. Alphonsus, and were addressed by the Rev. Father Tierney, who congratulated the men of Limerick on the success attending their efforts in reviving Ireland's national holiday in its proper spirit.

TIPPERARY.—The affairs of Mr. James Coffey, who disappeared on June 5 or 6 last, are now in the Dublin courts. Mr. Coffey was a coroner and solicitor. He is said to be in the United States.

Mother Chere (Frewen), of the Presentation Convent, Cashel, died March 9, deeply regretted. She was born in the Glen of Aherlow, near Tipperary. Her brother, Mr. Robert Frewen, still resides there. Deceased entered the convent forty years ago.

Married.—On Feb. 11, at the Parochial Church, Solohead, by the Rev. J. M. Quinlan (brother of the bridegroom) assisted by the Rev. Thomas O'Dwyer, Solohead, Patrick Quinlan, Knockaney, to Mary Josephine (Mollie) Hayes, M. P. for the Mitchelstown constituency after his liberation from Tullamore jail from disease contracted during his confinement. As regards the personal ancestry of the Mandevilles their first ancestor in Ireland was Philip de Mandeville, who came with Henry II, from whom he obtained large tracts of land in the neighborhood of Carrick-on-Suir and a Norman castle at Ballydine, and despite the vicissitudes and changes which have since occurred the castle and lands are in possession of the Mandevilles. A present the residence of Mr. P. H. Mandeville, ex-M. P. for South Tipperary and brother of the late Mr. Ambrose Mandeville, is in that place.

The death is announced of Sister Mary Clare, of the Sisters of Mercy, Hull, England, aged 27 years, daughter (Elizabeth) of the late Alderman Benjamin Wright, who on several occasions was Mayor of Gloucest. She was 16 years old when she commenced her novitiate, and was professed eight years ago.

WATERFORD.—The Christian Brothers of Mount Zion, Waterford, will celebrate the centenary of their order next June. To Waterford belongs the distinction of having witnessed the birth of an institution which has done so much for the edu-

cation of the country. Small in the beginning, it has spread its branches far and wide. Members of the Order of Irish Christian Brothers are to be found all the world over, laboring zealously in the cause of Christian education. A committee has been formed to start a grand Gaelic tournament, the proceeds to be devoted to the renovation of the Brothers' Chapel, and the two schools which are in want of repairs.

A great demonstration in honor of Saint Patrick was held March 17 in the City of Waterford. When the procession arrived in the People's Park a meeting was held. The mayor (Ald. T. Hearne) presided.

ULSTER

ANTRIM.—Under the auspices of the Ballymena Branch of the Gaelic League, a lecture and concert were given in the Town Hall on St. Patrick's night, before a large audience.

On March 16 was held a fine meeting of the people of Ardglass and Dunsford. On the initiative of Mr. William Sheehy, Sheehyland, seconded by Mr. Patrick Fitzsimons, Dunsford, Mr. John Woods was moved to the chair amidst applause and read these resolutions:

"That we, the Nationalists of Dunsford and Ardglass, establish a branch of the United Irish League. That we be pleased with the action of the Government on their introduction of coercion, as such action will further strengthen the bonds of unity and determination on the part of the Irish race to press forward with great determination the claims of Ireland for independence."

The remains of the late Mother Magdalene Malone, daughter of the late Mr. John Malone, Hamstown, Dundalk, and for many years Superior of the Mater Infirmarium Hospital, Belfast, were interred March 14. The funeral obsequies of the Office and Solemn Requiem Mass were celebrated in the chapel of the hospital, Most Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor, presiding.

ARMAGH.—The first annual concert in the interest of the Irish language was given in the Portadown Town Hall, St. Patrick's night under the auspices of the local Gaelic class. The building was crowded with an appreciative audience, and the concert was in every other respect a most gratifying success.

James Peel, farmer, of Kennedy's Hill, Killylea, attending the fair of Ballybay, March 15, died suddenly, deceased, who was 65 years of age was stated with some neighbors on a car and was leaving town for home when he fell back and expired.

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated in a splendid manner in the city of Armagh—the city so intimately identified with the Apostle of the Irish people, shortly after 1 o'clock the contingent proceeded to the centre of the city and, turning into processional order, marched to the scene of the meeting at Lurgavallen Bridge, the bands discoursing national airs. The procession was one of the most formidable witnessed for many years, and presented a grand appearance.

At meeting of the members of Tuleaghan branch of the United Irish League, March 10, Mr. Thomas Maguire, presiding, it was announced that there were 219 members in the branch.

On Feb. 9 the remains of Mr. James McPhillips were laid to rest in the graveyard at Crosskeys. The deceased had carried on business in Crosskeys for forty years past. At the Solemn Office and Requiem Mass the celebrant was Rev. P. Donohoe, Crosskeys. Very Rev. P. Lynch, Crosserlough, presided in the choir.

DERRY.—W. J. Maultsail, a building contractor in Derry, was killed at the level crossing of the Lough Swilly Railway, in Derry, March 17. He had been confined in the insane asylum for some time.

DONEGAL.—Mrs. Patrick Carr, wife of Mr. Carr, National school teacher, Rosbeg, died March 10, deeply and widely regretted. Requiem services and funeral were very numerous.

A fire was discovered in the parish church, Buncrana, March 13, and considerable damage was done. How the fire originated is not known, but smoke issuing attracted the attention of passers-by. When the doors were broken open it was found that fire had obtained a firm hold between the organ and the pulpit. The organ was destroyed and the seats and woodwork considerably injured.

DOWN.—A most enjoyable concert was held in the Ballyvarley National school rooms on St. Patrick's night. Rev. M. McPolin, P. P., for the purpose of providing funds for the improvement of the Parochial schools.

MONAGHAN.—The premises known as the Colliegists School, Monaghan, and recently transferred to Rev. Brother Higgins, superior of the Christian Schools, at a cost of £1,200, are at present in the hands of builders undergoing alterations that will suit them to the requirements of a technical school. A considerable sum to the initial cost, but no money will be spared to equip the establishment. Upon the land attached experimental plots for agricultural purposes will be laid out.

A very successful concert was given in the Taplagh Hall formerly Broomfield old church) on March 18, before a large audience. The object was to secure funds to help in reducing the debt that yet remains on the new church, and the result was most satisfactory.