

**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.**—Mr. Lewis Ferdinand, formerly proprietor of the Galway Indicator, died in Galway Hospital lately. Mr. Ferdinand was a familiar figure in Galway for half a century. He is said to have been one hundred years old.

A meeting of the members of the Tuam branch of the Gaelic League was held April 1, Mr. T. Shine presiding.

The Holy Week ceremonies were conducted with usual solemnity in the church at Clifden. Up to a late hour on Wednesday evening all the priests of the deanery were engaged in the confessional, with the result that 1,000 approached the altar rails. On Thursday morning High Mass commenced at 10 o'clock. Very Rev. Canon McAlpine, Clifden, celebrant; Rev. P. Gleeson, Roundstone, deacon; Rev. M. Glynn, Tully, sub-deacon, and Rev. B. McAndrew, Letterfrack, master of ceremonies. Rev. William Diskin, Ennismore, preached. At the Mass of the Pre-Sanctified on Good Friday, Rev. B. McAndrew was celebrant; Rev. James Burke, Cleggan, deacon; Rev. Thomas Lynch, Roundstone, sub-deacon, and Rev. Michael McHugh, Carna, master of ceremonies. The preacher was Rev. George Steacy. The procession on both days was taken part in by the Sodality of the Sacred Heart, wearing their medals and carrying twenty-five banners. The sight was imposing and edifying. The decoration of the altars was the work of the Sisters of Mercy. Mrs. Hayes presided at the organ. The singing of the choir was excellent.

**LEITRIM.**—The members of the Gortleeragh branch of the United Irish League held a meeting on March 30, with Mr. M. Tiernan presiding. The Drumshambo Nationalists have reorganized the League. At the meeting Mr. I. McRann presided.

**MAYO.**—On March 28 occurred the death of Mrs. Peter Dever, of Peter street, Westport, to the great regret of her husband and friends. Solemn requiem services and the funeral were very numerous attended.

Very Rev. James Daly, president of the Diocesan College at Ballaghaderreen, has received, through the Most Rev. Dr. Lyster, Bishop of Achonry, the degree of Doctor of Divinity, conferred on him by the Pope.

The death of Mrs. Ellen Durcan, of Chapel street, Castlebar, occurred April 1, in the 84th year of her age, deeply regretted. She was mother to the late Mr. James Durcan, who is still lovingly remembered by his many friends in Castlebar and in New York. The funeral to the Old Church Cemetery testified to the esteem in which she and her family are held.

The bazaar of the Sisters of Mercy Ballina, which was to be held Easter week, was postponed until Sept. 16 coming, owing to the sickness of Rev. Mother Mary Paul Dillon. The duplicates of the tickets may be sent on up to that date. The Sisters of Mercy are performing such good and lasting work for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the people that the support given them will be a proof that their works are fully appreciated.

The Lord Chancellor has removed from the commission of the peace Mr. M. C. Henry, chairman of the Swoiford District Council; Mr. M. J. Melvin, chairman of the Ballina District Council, and Mr. James Daly, chairman of the Castlebar District Council. The reason for this extraordinary course is that they attended a meeting held at the Council Chamber, Castlebar, at which addresses were presented to Mr. Conor O'Kelly on his liberation from jail.

The Kilmeena and Kilmaclear bazaar was held in the Christian Schools, Westport, March 31, and was a success. The spacious rooms were decorated, and great credit is due to the young ladies who took an active part in making the bazaar successful.

**ROSCOMMON.**—Office and High Mass were offered in Saint Patrick's church, Castlebar, March 24, for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Egan, wife of Mr. Patrick Egan, of Saint Patrick's street, Castlebar. The requiem services and the funeral to Killeavan cemetery was very numerous attended. Mrs. Egan was only aged 36 years.

The following changes have been made in the diocese of Elphin by the Most Rev. Dr. Clancy: Rev. J. O'Brien, from Roscommon to Athlone; Rev. F. Keane, Athlone to Roscommon; Rev. J. Curry, Ballyvaughan to Athlone; Rev. E. Hannan, Sligo to Ballyvaughan; Rev. Father Keane, Clatrath to Ballyvaughan; Rev. M. Creighton, Ballina to Athlone.

An enthusiastic meeting of North Roscommon Executive was held at Ballinacorney March 30. The president, Mr. M. Dowd, presided.

The death of Mrs. Anne McDermott, of Bepark, wife of the late Mr. Peter McDermott, at the ripe old age of 82 years, took place on March 30 at her home in Cloncurry, deeply regretted. She was daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Tierney, Downings. The funeral was very numerous attended.

**KILKENNY.**—A fire occurred in the mills of Mr. John Browne, Kilmacoon on Good Friday, which did ten thousand dollars' worth of damage.

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South Sligo, when addressing the House of Commons on the new land bill, said that a fatal mistake had been made by the government, when the vast tracts of land now used by graziers had been omitted from the scope of the bill. This is the great question in Ireland, to place persons not cattle on the fine lands all over Ireland.

The members of the Calry branch of the United Irish League held a meeting March 30.

The Sligo Star of April 5 contained the following: "Cork Exhibition, which will open in about a month, will be lighted not by electricity nor by old-fashioned coal gas, but by acetylene, and the carbide out of which this gas will be generated will be made not in Germany, but, every bit of it, in Collooney! We think the manufacturers of it are to be congratulated. It betokens enterprise of the highest order. It would be a blessing to the county if we had more of it. Beside the water-fall in the little town mentioned Messrs. Sims' Company have placed magnificent electrical machines of 2,000 and 3,000 horse power. In the manufacture of carbide very great heat is needed to fuse the coal and lime, and this can be obtained only from electricity."

**LEINSTER**

**CARLOW.**—Mr. Martin Moore, of Modubeagh, House, died on Holy Thursday, deeply regretted. The funeral to Wolfhill cemetery was very numerous attended.

A meeting of the County Carlow Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee was held in Carlow March 31.

**DUBLIN.**—A meeting of St. Columbkille Branch, Swords, of the Gaelic League, was held lately. There was a good attendance. After class, songs were rendered in good style.

While workmen were carrying out alterations at Guinness & Co.'s malt houses, Portland street, Dublin, March 13, a concrete floor collapsed and precipitated them into the ground apartment. Three received fatal injuries, two being dead when taken from the debris, and the third died on an ambulance going to hospital. Their names are Henry Tobin, married, of 36 James street; Joseph Birmingham, aged 29, of 1 Rainsford avenue, and William Owens, of 5 Maxwell street.

A miraculous escape.—John O'Brien foreman in the railway shunt, Bray Road, on April 1 accidentally slipped and fell down the rocks a distance of fifty feet. In his fall he struck the face of the quarry at different points. When he fell he was unconscious and injured about the head. Dr. Hanson found no bones were broken. He had one jagged cut on the top of the head five inches long and several smaller cuts on the face and hands, but was not otherwise injured.

The Irish Industries stall at St. Kevin's Bazaar, Harrington street, Dublin, lately showed excellent examples of Irish artistic talent. A beautiful article was a model of an Irish church, made by Irish hands, and perfect in its design and symmetry. The stall was conducted by members of the Shop Assistants' Industrial League, and contained a variety of Irish-made articles, including books, soap, cigarettes, vinegar, stationery, coffee, cloths, candies, cocoa, blue and toys. The selection of toys sent in by the Irish Toy Manufacturing Company proved that the motto "Made in Germany" need no longer be stuck on the playthings for Irish children.

At the City Hall, Dublin, April 3, Mr. J. E. Redmond, M. P., and Mr. P. A. McHugh, M. P., were presented with the certificates of Honorary Freedom of the City of Dublin. Mrs. Redmond, Mrs. P. A. McHugh and a number of ladies were present. There was a large attendance of the general public. The certificates are illuminated by J. McConnell on vellum, in Celtic designs, mounted on rollers, studied with Irish crystals, and backed with green Irish poplin with shamrock pattern. They are in caskets made by Nash, William street, and the mountings were executed by Hopkins & Hopkins. Mr. Redmond's certificate was in the form of triptych, which folded up and closed with Celtic gold clasps.

**RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN.**

**MOODY.**—April 2, at 55 James street, William Moody, aged 54 years.

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**BRADFORD.**—At 11 Castle street, Mrs. M. A. Bradford.

**HERBERT.**—April 29, at the Mater Hospital, Mary Ellen Herbert.

**KILLEEN.**—At 7 Lower Grange-gorman, Maggie Killeen.

**McMAHON.**—April 1, in Dublin, Rev. Dr. John Andrew McMahon, of the Christian Brothers' Community, Crumlin road, Belfast.

**NOLAN.**—March 31, at 13 Henrietta street, Ellen Nolan.

**FULLAN.**—April 2, 1902, Michael Fullan, late of The Buildings, Gormanstown.

**LARKIN.**—March 30, at St. Joseph's terrace, South Circular road, Mary Larkin.

**KILDARE.**—On Saint Patrick's night a fire concert was given in the Town Hall, Athy, under the auspices of some local artists. A great number of truly Irish items figured on the programme.

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March 15 and 16. Most Rev. Dr. Katter, Archbishop of Milwaukee, conferred Holy Orders upon Rev. Patrick Phelan, Diocese of Lincoln, Neb., son of Mr. Richard Phelan, Kiltarragan, Monocoln.

The death of a well known Journalist, Mr. J. J. Comerford, occurred at his home in Kilkenny City, March 28, aged 55 years, deeply regretted. He was a native of Kilkenny and educated at St. Kierman's College. He began his career as a journalist upon the Munster Press. For some time he represented the Freeman's Journal at Limerick, but his health failing, he proceeded to South Africa in the hope of its restoration. He was at Graaf Reinet when the war broke out, and his letters from that place published in the Freeman's Journal gave a graphic and reliable account of the state of Dutch feeling in Cape Colony, and were among the most accurate forecasts of the task that confronted the would-be conquerors of the Boer Republics. The climate of Graaf Reinet, though beneficial for a time, did not effect the radical cure which was hoped for by his friends.

**KING'S.**—John Gurke, employed in Goodbody's factory, Tullamore, whilst filling a cart in the Canal Harbor premises somehow got entangled in the machinery and was fatally injured. Mr. Michael Reddy, M. P., for South King's County, visited lately John O'Donnell, M. P., and Denis Johnston, U. I. L. organizer, in Tullamore Jail, where they are undergoing sentences of imprisonment under the Crimes Act for advocating the cause of the "Land for the People." He found both in excellent health. As they are not allowed to read periodicals or newspapers, they were interested in hearing of recent events, and learned for the first time of the suspension of Mr. John Dillon and the scenes in the House of Commons. Mr. Reddy states they are a fearful amid their gloomy surroundings, and are anxious to have another look at the hereditary enemies of the Land.

**LONGFORD.**—The members of the St. Bridget's Branch of the Gaelic League, Longford, held an entertainment on Easter Monday night at their rooms in Bridge street. Some of the members of the O'Farrell branch were present. The items consisted of Irish songs, recitations, jigs, reels and strolling. It is surprising the progress that the ladies of this branch are making in acquiring a knowledge of their native songs and dances. It is a pleasure to see so many young ladies taking to the Irish Language Revival movement in Longford.

The death of Mr. Harry McCann, clerk of the Union, Longford, occurred suddenly on Good Friday, while he was getting ready to attend Mass in the Cathedral. Up to the moment of his death he was in his usual health. In the commercial life of Longford he stood beyond any other. The magnificent mills at Tenehick were run by him, and there were few boats plying on the Royal Canal from Longford that did not bear his name; but the decline of the corn trade removed Mr. McCann, with hundreds of others, from the calling which was at one time the most remunerative of all others in Ireland. From '60 to '66 he acted as magistrate for the County Longford, and had the honor of being deprived of the Commission of the Peace for his acknowledged leniency toward the Nationalists of the country who may have incurred the displeasure of the ruling powers of their day. Mr. McCann always took a pride in the indignity thus sought to be cast upon him by the Castle gang.

**LOUTH.**—On March 17 occurred the death of Mrs. Margaret Moss, wife of Mr. Francis Moss, at 41 Fair street, Drogheda, deeply regretted. The funeral to Saint Peter's new cemetery was very numerous attended.

On Good Friday evening, during devotions in the Franciscan church, Drogheda, smoke was observed in the church. Father Doggett was preaching, and Father Fitzmaurice came on the altar, whispered to him, and, turning round, told the large congregation that the place was on fire, to leave quietly, and that there was no cause for alarm. The fire occurred in a room in the rear of the vestry. The congregation got out in good order. The fire was soon got under.

The remains of the late Mr. James Paschal Kelly were removed for interment in St. Peter's New cemetery, Drogheda, April 1, alongside those of his father, the late Mr. John Kelly. After solemn Office and High Mass, at which the Right Rev. Monsignor Seagrave presided, the funeral took place from the Oliver Plunkett Memorial church.

**MEATH.**—Rev. James Owens, of Mornington, died April 1 at the residence of Mr. Joseph Connolly. He was born on St. Patrick's Day, 1817, and made his studies in Navan and in Rome.

**IRISH LANGUAGE IN MEATH.**—These schools were visited by the Gaelic League Organizer in the parish of Clonmellon and Killybeg-Killallon (male) 36 on rolls, average attendance, 29; principal teacher, Mr. M. O'Donnell; Irish not taught as the teacher does not know the language, but regretted very much that he had had no opportunity of earning it. Asked if there was any probability of his learning Irish, Mr. O'Donnell said yes—that the manager of the schools, Rev. W. Healy, Clonmellon, would start a branch of the Gaelic League in the parish as soon as the teacher commenced to learn and as soon as he had sufficient knowledge. Killallon (female) school—On rolls, 44; average attendance, 30; principal teacher, Miss M. A. Brody, who is in favor of the movement, but has no knowledge of the Irish tongue; as soon as the Rev. W. Healy starts the class, Miss Brody will introduce it into the school when convenient. Miss Brody added that the children were all in favor of learning their native tongue and she hoped

that the manager would secure a teacher.

**QUEEN'S.**—Mr. Timothy Guinon has been elected master of Mount Mellick Union.

Mrs. Margaret Heragh, Vicarstown, died on Good Friday, at the fine old age of 73 years, deeply regretted. On Easter Sunday her remains were removed for interment to Arles, and the large number of persons that composed the cortege testified to the esteem in which she was held.

**WESTMEATH.**—Mrs. Anna Taaffe, of Piercefield, Bunnbrusa, died March 14, at the age of 73 years, much regretted. She was the widow of Mr. Peter Taaffe, her many friends in the United States and South America will learn of her demise with regret.

**WEXFORD.**—The steamship Wexford brought from Wexford to an East Indian liner at Liverpool, 3,000 chilled ploughshares, being the first consignment of an order for over 15,000 destined for China. This is the fifth large order received and executed by the Wexford Engineering Company, Limited, for the Chinese market. The company are also contractors for the Dublin United Tramways, Limited.

The Easter conference for the Diocese of Ennis-corthy was held in the Cathedral, Right Rev. Dr. Brown, Bishop of Ferns, presided.

**MUNSTER**

**CLARE.**—On March 26 Mr. F. Cullinan, Coroner, held an inquest at Lisconnor on the body of Thomas Doherty, of Lisconnor, who was killed by a fall from his horse at O'Brien's bridge while he was returning from Lahinch on the previous day. "Accidental death" was the verdict rendered.

The funeral of the late Mr. W. Reddy, of Ballynagura, took place on March 31. The large concourse which followed the remains to their last resting place bore ample testimony to the esteem in which the deceased and his family are held. The remains were interred in Lettrim Churchyard. Rev. Father McNamara officiated.

A scene of religious fervor without parallel in the history of the parish was witnessed in Corofin on St. Patrick Day. The pastor, Father Eagleton, announced the previous Sunday that before Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament a procession around the church would be held, and that enrollment in the Temperance Society would take place after last Mass. The grand display of 300 children walking in procession with candles and temperance badges and 200 male and female members of the Sacred Heart Confraternity with badges and ten banners, headed by a fine painting of St. Patrick, was a spectacle never to be forgotten by the present generation at Corofin. But the most thrilling scene of all was the administering of the temperance pledge to 300 children and nearly 200 adults.

**CORK.**—Mr. John Moher, of Messrs. Cash and Co., Cork, died suddenly at Mitchelstown on April 1, when going to his relatives in that town.

Philip Mulcahy, aged 40 years was found dead on the public road at Ballycannon, near Midleton, on March 29. He was knocked down by a horse, which rolled over him also. He died almost instantly.

On the request of the Mayor of Cork, Mr. Edward Fitzgerald, and of the executive committee of the Cork Exhibition, King Edward has signified his intention of presenting a cup for a yacht race contest in Cork Harbor during the Exhibition.

The remains of Mr. Laurence Sheehan, Cloyne, were removed from River street, Cork, on March 31, to the Cloyne cemetery. The cortege was large, and testified to the regret felt by all.

The members of the Teachers' Congress visited Queenstown April 3. They proceeded to the Cathedral, with the magnificence of which they were impressed. The teachers had often heard of the Cathedral and of its beauty, but it is exceeded their expectations. English and Scotch representatives said that they saw nothing to approach the Queenstown Cathedral in any place visited in the past.

The death of Mr. John Slattery, of Cork, March 30, was deeply and widely mourned. Mr. Slattery served a term of six months' imprisonment under the Coercion Act during the Land League agitation. He represented the North West ward in the Council. On the establishment of the United Irish League he entered its ranks, and was one of its most assiduous promoters up to his death. At the time of the cattle trade dispute he was one of the men that established a fleet of cross-channel steamers, which competed with the service of the Steam Packet Company till the matters in dispute were settled.

The freedom of the city of Cork was conferred on Mr. John E. Redmond, M. P., chairman of the Irish Party, on April 4. It was a historic scene in the Council Chamber.

**RECENT DEATHS IN CORK.**

**McCARTHY.**—On April 4, at 31 Cork street, Kinsale, James McCarthy.

**TWOMEY.**—On March 8, at Smartville, California, the Rev. Andrew Twomey, youngest son of the late Jeremiah Twomey, National Teacher, Coaghford.

**DINAN.**—On April 4, at Lyrenamom, Carriganavar, Mary Dinan, in her 16th year.

**COLLINS.**—On April 4, Margaret, sister of Michael Collins, of 5 Prince's street.

**SAVAGE.**—April 4, at Rockvale, Hanna Savage.

**O'BRIEN.**—April 4, at 224 Blarney road, Jeremiah O'Brien, late of Portney lane.

**DOREY.**—At 21 James-street, James Dorey, tailor, late of Mallow.

**BURKE.**—April 1, at Shamrock Lawn Douglas, Mary Louise Burke.

**HARRY.**—March 30, Patrick Barry, of Great Britain street.

**LYNCH.**—At 35 King street, Honora Lynch.

**ENGLISH.**—On March 31, at St. Pat-

rick's Hospital, Wellington Road, Eily Teresa English.

**DONOUGHUE.**—At Castleknagan, on March 31, Julia Donoughue, aged 15 years.

**BEAUSANG.**—At Clonmone on April 1, Bridget Beausang; funeral from Ladysbridge Chapel for Cloyne.

**MAHER.**—On April 2, at 24 Dannt's Square, William Maher.

**LYNCH.**—On April 1, Mary Lynch, aged 9 years.

**McCARTHY.**—At Fair Hill, Margaret McCarthy.

**DUKE.**—On April 2, at Montpellier, Douglas, Edith Maude.

**O'DRISCOLL.**—On April 3, Jeremiah O'Driscoll, son of Timothy O'Driscoll, Lynch's quay, Queenstown.

**MACCABE.**—On April 3, Mary Frances, daughter of Michael MacCabe, of Lower Glanville Road, aged 4 years.

**KERRY.**—The death of Mr. Daniel O'Sullivan, East End, Cahirciveen, occurred March 25, deeply regretted. Deceased was an ardent patriot and supporter of all the national movements. His conduct as a Catholic was a most edifying example to all. His eldest son is Father Eugene O'Sullivan, of Sittingbourne, Kent, England, whose sister is a member of the Bon Secour Order.

Mr. Maurice Fitzgerald, Cahirciveen, the Irish amateur champion at billiards, met Gilligan (professional) in Dublin lately in a billiard contest for 1,000 up level and beat him by 300 points.

The friends of the member for North Kerry, Mr. M. J. Flavin, will learn with pleasure that he has recovered from his indisposition. Acting on the advice of his doctor, he went abroad early this year. Writing from Las Palmas under date of March 19, 1902, to Mr. Quirk, journalist, Tralee, Mr. Flavin said: "You will be glad to hear I am in excellent health, and intend to resume Parliamentary duties immediately after Easter, ready and willing for another fight for Ireland."

**LIMERICK.**—The death of Mr. Patrick Ryan, Ballygrogane, Sixmille-bridge, occurred March 18, aged 66 years, deeply regretted. He had lately been pensioned off by the Waterford and Limerick Railway. His remains were interred in Ballysheen and his funeral was one of the largest that passed through Sixmillebridge for many years. The burial service was read by Rev. P. Curtin, assisted by Rev. M. Leahy, C. C. Cratloe.

The United Irish League in County Limerick is spreading like wild fire. The announcement of the death of Dr. Timothy Charles Downes, which took place in England lately, was received in his native town, Kilmallock, with deep regret. Dr. Downes commenced his professional career in London, from whence he returned to Kilmallock, where he practiced for the greater part of his life. He was medical officer of the Kilmallock Workhouse for twelve years. A few years ago he went to reside in England. He was brother of the late Rev. William Downes, Ballingarry, and nephew to the late Rev. Dr. Downes, Kilmallock.

At recent meeting of the Killynny branch of the United Irish League Mr. James J. Hickey presided.

**TIPPERARY.**—Mr. Thomas Meagher, principal of Killusty National Schools, died suddenly March 26. Deceased, who was only thirty-four years of age, was much esteemed. Archdeacon Jones, parish priest, at mass on March 30, spoke highly of the late teacher.

On Holy Thursday died Mr. Patrick White, Clashaquirk, Bansa, aged thirty-two years. The funeral to Killarduff cemetery on Easter Sunday was largely attended. Fathers Hayes, Power and Byrnes officiated at the interment.

The Mayor of Clonmel, Alderman J. J. Condon, M. P., visited the Templemore Coercion prisoners in Clonmel jail in April. All were in good health. Mr. R. A. Corr had been in the hospital for a short time. Mr. Condon also attended the recent meeting of the National Directory of the United Irish League in Dublin.

Manchester Martyrs Memorial, Tipperary.—We appeal to the Irish beyond the seas with confidence. We ask on behalf of a movement which appeals not to Irishmen alone, but to men of every nationality who love freedom and admire patriotism. We ask help to erect a memorial worthy of the men who gave their lives for their country. Who can recall the tragic event of that November morning without feeling his emotions urging him on to do his best to perpetuate the memory of the Manchester Martyrs? We appeal to the friends of freedom, and to the people from Tipperary in particular, to come to our aid in making this monument at Tipperary worthy of Tipperary, worthy of the Manchester sacrifice, worthy of the Irish cause and of the Irish race. Subscriptions will be acknowledged by Mr. John Woods, president; Mr. Robert O'Neill, M. P. O'Dwyer, treasurers; and Mr. Joseph Ryan and Mr. P. R. Cleary, honorable secretaries, Tipperary, County Tipperary, Ireland.

**WATERFORD.**—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Power, Carrick-on-Suir, on Easter Sunday in the Killoosey cemetery, was very numerous attended. There were 120 carriages in the cortege.

The Irish Musical Festival, held in Dunganvar March 31, was the biggest thing of its kind yet held in the county.

The Waterford Star of April 5 said: "Another unanswerable proof of the power and efficacy of the national organization in the County Waterford comes to hand this week. A farm from which Mr. Roger McKeeon, Sport-house, was evicted was put up for sale by the Land Commission. The 'sale' turned out a frost, as no one turned up to bid for it except the evicted tenant himself. Verily the League is a power in the land. We want many more instances of this kind. If they

are frequent we may soon hope to see something practical done for the wounded soldiers of the land war.

The death of Mr. Nicholas Richard Power O'Shea, of Gardemorris, Killy, happened on Easter Sunday, at the age of 81 years. His mother was Margaret, daughter of Nicholas Power, of Snow Hill, County Kilkenny. He was born in 1821, and succeeded his brother in 1859. In 1865 he married Lady Gwen-doline Isabella, daughter of first Earl of Lichfield, and has with other children, Richard Alfred, born in 1867. The late Mr. O'Shea was High Sheriff of the County Waterford in 1861, and he was a D. L. and J. P. for that county. He was a landed proprietor in the county of Kilkenny, the Sheestown estate being in the family for generations. The funeral took place on April 1. Mass was celebrated in Kill Chapel by Father Burke, assisted by Father O'Donnell, after which the cortege left for Sheestown, County Kilkenny. The interment took place in the ancient graveyard in Sheestown, demense, the last rites being performed by the Rev. Father Keogh, assisted by the Rev. Father Cassin, administrator.

**ULSTER**

**ANTRIM.**—Easter Monday, when the excursionists who visited Larne were being entrained, some serious accidents occurred. Mary Ann Brown, of 12 Denderry street, Belfast, got jammed between the platform and the footboard of a carriage and was badly bruised. The footboard had to be sawed in order to extricate her. John Hutchinson fell between the carriages of a train in motion, and got caught below the footboard of a carriage. Fortunately he was too stunned to move, or he would have been crushed to death. After resting for a while Hutchinson was able to proceed home. Thomas Ashe sustained a badly contused leg in the crush on the platform.

An inquest was held in the Pakenham Arms Hotel, Crumlin, March 31, on the body of Rev. Alfred Reiton, vicar of Brinsop, near Hereford, England. Deceased had arrived Thursday evening, took sleeping accommodation in the hotel and asked that breakfast should be prepared for him at 9.30 the following morning. However, at 1 o'clock he had not left his room, and the sergeant of police was sent for. On his arrival he found that the gentleman was dead, and an emptied bottle of chlorodyne on the dressing-table suggested the cause of death. In a letter addressed to his wife deceased had written that should he die from an overdose of sleeping draught she was not to have his body removed to England for burial. The jury came to the conclusion that the death was due to misadventure.

The remains of Mrs. Macken were removed from her late residence, Newcastle, for interment in the family burial ground, March 24. The cortege was one of the most representative ever witnessed in the vicinity.

**ARMAGH.**—Some miscreants entered the Catholic church in Moy lately and stole some altar requisites.

**CAVAN.**—Mr. Patrick Gargan, an old and respected resident of Virginia, died recently, deeply regretted.

Mrs. Catherine Shannon, of Ballyconell, after going home from Mass on March 23, complained of a pain in the side, and died in a short time. The sad event was very deeply mourned. Rev. Father Newman, parish priest, officiated at the interment.

**DERRY.**—Irish classes in connection with the Swatragh branch of the Gaelic League are held in the National Hall, Grange-gan, Corlecey, N. S., and Tirgarvil, N. S. The class in the National Hall is in charge of Mr. Frank Ferran, who is conducting it on the Berlitz system. At a recent meeting there were close on 250 present, all eager to take advantage of the facilities afforded them for acquiring a knowledge of the native language. Father John F. O'Kane invariably attends his class. The Corlecey class, the first opened in this district, is taught by Mr. F. Bradley, and splendid progress has been made. About sixty are ready for promotion to O'Growney, Part 2, and a great many others are far advanced in Part 1. Besides this, all have committed to memory a good stock of Gaelic phrases and greetings, and they can recite the prayers in Irish. This class and the Tirgarvil class are held on Sundays at 3 p. m., and the latest is taught by P. Rowan.

**DONEGAL.**—Mrs. MacManus, wife of Mrs. Seumas MacManus, Irish novelist, died on April 2 at her Donegal home in Mount Charles. As "Ethna Carbery" Mrs. MacManus was known to literary fame in both hemispheres as one of the sweetest of verse writers and locally as Miss Anna Johnston.

**DOWN.**—When George Lynas, from Carrick, was passing by the Warrenpoint Reservoir he observed a body lying alongside the bank on the north side in two feet of water. The body was that of Mrs. Halliday, over sixty years of age, who resided in Milltown, near Warrenpoint.

**MONAGHAN.**—On St. Patrick's Day the Agbabog and Corraghan bands visited Ballybeg. They were entertained by Mr. Philip McGuirk and other Nationalists in Mr. Patrick Coyne's.

**TYRONE.**—The opening ceremony of the Omagh Bazaar was performed lately by the Right Rev. Mgr. McNamee, under circumstances that promise a most successful result. The bazaar was promoted to raise funds to clear off the debt on the new Church of the Sacred Heart, Omagh, and to help in the completion of the second spire. The remains of the late Mr. Edward E. Devlin, Tullyhugh House, Bally-gawley, were interred in the family vault at Brigg