

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.

ULSTER

ANTRIM.—In North street, Belfast, May 5, while Thomas Bullock, 11 Salisbury street, was riding his bicycle, he was thrown off, and while on the ground the wheel of a van passed over his chest and killed him instantly.

At the close of the year nineteen March 31 last 176,988 tons gross, under construction in Belfast, as against twenty-three, with a tonnage of 187,640 for the corresponding quarter of 1901. No sailing vessels were built in Belfast in either period.

On May 1 the remains of Mr. Joseph Toner were removed from Sorrelia street for interment in Milltown Catholic cemetery. Deceased, who was in the employment of Bernard Hughes Ltd., for a quarter of a century, enjoyed the confidence and esteem of his employers and his fellow workmen.

The Gaelic Athletic Association, in Antrim, deserves praise for the great effort that body is making toward a revival of old Irish games and pastimes. The initial effort to provide meals, and a county championship if possible, to be competed for by clubs, was taken on April 25, when a most successful sportsday was held in the Catholic Boys' Brigade Hall, Falls road, Belfast.

ARMAGH.—Sarah Young, unmarried, who lived in Maveacullion, near Tandragee, was found dead in a field near her home, May 5.

Mr. James McMahon, journalist, Drogheda, died suddenly in the town May 5. He was a native of Armagh, and had held positions on papers in Armagh, Kildare and Drogheda. He had the happiness to receive religious consolations before he died.

CAVAN.—On Sunday night lately a successful representation of "Roy O'Moore" was given at Mountmellick by the Tullyvin dramatic club. The intervals were alleviated by songs by the members of the Drumtradrade National School singing class.

DERRY.—The dead body of Cornelius O'Neill, was found in a drain near the lawn shore in Ballynease, May 1. When going home through the bog from Portlengone, he missed his way and fell into the drain.

On May 1 a deputation, consisting of Messrs. Michael Higgins, M. D.; George MacCormack, John O'Kane, John McCloskey, M. Thomas Donaghy, Matthew McCloskey, Bernard McCreedy, on behalf of the Catholic people of Dungiven parish, waited on the Rev. Patrick McLaughlin with a beautifully illustrated address in Gaelic characters, and a purse of sovereigns, as a tribute of their respect for him and a token of regret at his departure.

Rev. Dr. Henry, bishop of Down and Connor, May 1 administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to a good number of children in St. Mary's church, Portlengone. At the same time he consecrated the new bell for the church. The bell is from the foundry of Mt. Matthew Byrne, Fountain Head Bell Foundry, Dublin. It weighs over twenty-four hundred weight, and the note struck is E. It possesses a deep, rich tone, and is mounted on Mr. Byrne's patent rotary mountings. After it had received the blessing prescribed by the church it was hoisted aloft to its place in the tower, amid a scene of enthusiasm and the delight of the people. Soon the work of completion was accomplished, and by 6 o'clock the sweet tones of the bell rolled forth over hill and dale. The "Angelus" was rung in Portlengone, and the mystery of the Incarnation proclaimed in harmonious sounds over the valley of the Ban and the hills of Antrim and Derry. Far away in Aghahill the people bent to listen; along the Lurg, by the slopes of Tully Hill and up to the shores of Lough Neagh, the faithful crossed themselves and thanked God. Down through the rich meadows of Rathfriland, and across the Ban by Maghera and Eglisay, by Grennough and Innishrush, a new voice was heard calling the people to lift up their hearts from toil and to glorify the name of that Virgin Mother who became the "handmaid of the Lord."

DONEGAL.—The death of Hugh McGovern, Milltown, Ballyshannon, son of the late James McGovern, Bunduff, O'Moore, took place May 1. Deceased who was 22 years of age, enjoyed perfect health until a short time before his death. He was attended by Rev. J. Hackett. The funeral took place on Saturday to the Rock cemetery and was largely attended by all creeds and classes.

After Hugh A. Law had been elected unopposed for West Donegal, the Rev. Canon McFadden, parish priest of Glenties, formerly of Gweedore, at whose arrest, it will be remembered Mr. Martin, district inspector of police was fatally injured, delivered a speech. Speaking of Mr. Justice Ross, of the Land Court, who has represented the Crown in a prosecution against the reverend gentleman, he said that Judge Ross was not now priest hunting in Donegal, persecuting and causing suffering, but he was attaching persons for the right of free speech and giving journalists for exercising the liberty of the press. Nemesis, however, overtook Judge Ross, who had heard the last of his judgments, and he would find that times were changed. Referring to Judge Webb, county court judge of Donegal, before whom he had also been tried, he characterized him as a dyspeptic, fossilized old fool. Canon McFadden said he had taken off his coat one or two times before. He had done so again in a fight for the betterment of the people in Ireland, and he told the government that it would be a fight to the end, in which one or the other would go under.

DOWN.—The death of Mr. James Kelly, district agent from Drom, and formerly a resident of Newry, occurred May 4. He took suddenly ill at a meeting in Newry, and died on the 4th, and shortly after the last

rites of the church had been administered to him by the Rev. Andrew Lowry, he died.

On May 2 took place the funeral of the late Rev. R. Magill, pastor, Saintfield, to the ancient burial place in Saul. The funeral was large and representative.

FERMANAGH.—The new Catholic church for Lisnakea will be a fine edifice. The following are some of the dimensions of the church. The nave is 100 feet long and 36 feet wide; the chancel from the communion railing to the back of the high altar, 25 feet 9 inches in entire length. The transepts are each 21 feet 6 inches long and 18 feet in depth; the side chapels are 10 feet by 9 feet 6 inches, and the tower is in the interior 10 feet square. The whole edifice when completed will recede credit upon Rev. Mgr. Meegan and his parishioners. Mr. James Myne of Dundalk, is the contractor.

MONAGHAN.—Mr. Thomas Beatty, of Rossnalong West, near Newry, was evicted from his farm recently, by Mr. Quinn of Newry. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Beatty in his trouble by the people. It is stated that the new tenant gave the landlord one thousand dollars for the privilege of going into the farm.

A meeting of the organizing committee of the bazaar in aid of the new technical schools for Monaghan was held in the Town Hall lately. Mr. Owen McNally in the chair. The following committee was appointed: The ladies of the town and county to secure their cooperation; Dr. Whittia D. K. Keenan, solicitor; J. C. R. Lardner, solicitor, A. Macartney Ulster Bank and W. F. Barry, C. S. On the motion of the Rev. L. S. Orr, seconded by Mr. Joseph Mullen it was agreed to appoint the following subcommittee to draft a scheme for the bazaar and make arrangements: T. F. Mouldie, Belfast Bank, D. P. McQuary, Peter Mullin, Owen McNally, W. Greaves, Joseph Mullen and H. Morley. The following committee was appointed to solicit prizes and subscriptions: T. F. Mouldie, J. McArdie, A. Macartney and O. McNally.

The death of Mrs. Mary Tierney of Cloonkeenlusk, occurred May 2, at the age of 78 years, deeply and widely mourned. She had been an invalid for several years. The interment took place on Sunday, and the immense procession of persons who followed the remains gave evidence of the esteem in which the deceased was held. After mass the Very Rev. Canon O'Neill delivered panegyric on the deceased. The remains were then conveyed to the family burial ground in Clones new cemetery.

TYRONE.—Increased interest is being shown in the Omagh Fies (Celt) as the time for closing the entries approaches. A brass and reed band from Lurgan, and also the Conamony (county Donegal) and St. Columba's temperance band, have entered. The number of competitors is increasing every day. The committee are sparing no effort to make the event a success, and the results are encouraging. Fies coils are an outcome of the Gaelic spirit that is spreading throughout the country, and are everywhere supported with enthusiasm.

The death of Mrs. McCarroll, wife of Mr. Arthur McCarroll, spirit merchant, Eskra, took place on May 2. The sad event was widely regretted. She was only 22 years old. The funeral was the largest seen in the district for a great number of years, great numbers coming from Clogher, Augher, Pinton, Beragh and Omagh. The remains were carried to the church where mass was celebrated by the Rev. H. McMeel. After mass Father McMeel delivered a very touching tribute to the deceased's memory.

MUNSTER

CLARE.—An old and esteemed resident of Ennis in the person of Mrs. Catherine Hehr died April 28, deeply regretted. The remains were conveyed to the Cathedral, where a solemn mass was offered for the repose of her soul. The funeral was well attended, and the last prayers at the grave were said by Father Devanny.

Those who are taking a deep interest in the revival of the Irish language in Kilnihil are doing all that can possibly be done to bring others who ought to lead in the movement to a sense of their proper duty. Mr. J. Lorgan, of Lick, who conducts the classes, is most painstaking and enthusiastic; he has taught several Irish songs to the pupils. The classes meet after tea, on Sundays, and also at 8 o'clock Sunday evenings. Mr. Donnelly, N. T., of Cooraclare, attended on Sunday evening, April 20, and entertained all present with the singing of several Irish songs. Several young ladies have joined the classes, and matters are looking better. The Gaelic Organizer paid the classes a few visits, and encouraged the pupils. He was pleased with the proficiency of the singing class, but disappointed at the small number of adults who attend, and at the lukewarm manner in which the clergy treat the movement.

CORK.—Great numbers continue to visit the Cork exhibition, and the promoters are confident that the undertaking will be a great success from all points of view.

The German manoeuvring squadron, under Prince Henry of Prussia on board the flagship Kaiser Friedrich III., arrived off Berehaven May 6. The vessels making up the squadron are Kaiser Wilhelm II., Kaiser Wilhelm George, Kutturk Kaiser, Kaiser Barbarossa, Wasserburg, Amazon, Heia and Wilhelm Braudberg. They are all painted very light gray, so that it is not easy to discern them. The smoke was the best guide as to their whereabouts.

Most Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, bishop of Cork, visited Dumanaway, May 3, and spent the afternoon in a searching examination in Christian doctrine of the children of the parish schools. On Sunday he celebrated mass at 8.30 a.m. and presided, assisted by Rev. Father McCarty, Adm., Cathedral, Cork, and Rev. Canon Shikwin, Bantry, at the high mass at 11 o'clock, celebrated by the Rev. J. Brady, Dumanaway, decan.; Rev. Canon Lane, Dumanaway, sub-decan. Subsequently he administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to two hundred children.

The Duke of Connaught, brother of the King, was commander of the British army of occupation in Ireland,

on May 7 opened a new bridge over the river Lee, connecting College Road with the main western entrance to the city of Cork. The road along the summit of Gill Abbey will be known as Connaught avenue. The lord mayor (Alderman E. Fitzgerald), accompanied by his secretary, was present to receive the Duke. His Lordship was supported by several members of the corporation, including Alderman E. Walsh, J. P.; Alderman Daniel Horgan, Alderman Sir John Scott, Alderman Sir Daniel J. Hegarty, Alderman C. Heffernan, Councilor M. O'Donnell, P. D. Buckley, John Lynch, Jeremiah Ahern, Sir A. G. Dobbin, Dr. Corby, H. O'Shea, John Reardon, Michael Murphy, H. H. Beale and Mr. H. A. Cutler, city engineer.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK. McCARTHY.—On May 8, Rev. John McCarthy, C. C., Ballyhea.

PETERS.—On the 7th, at the South Infirmary, John Peters, late of Messrs. Newsom & Sons.

RUSSELL.—On May 7, at St. Patrick's hospital, Joseph Russell, 23 Sarsfield Terrace.

O'DONOGHUE.—Ascension, Thursday, Spa Square, Mallow, Ellen O'Donoghue, Ballinlisma, Kilsane, Co. late of Dunmanway, at an advanced period.

O'REGAN.—On May 7th, at Kilbarry, Cornelius O'Regan, aged 70 years.

DAWSON.—On May 5, at Ballynora Lodge, Middleton, William Dawson, father of the Rev. Peter Dawson, C. C., Abina aged 68 years.

RYAN.—On May 5, 21 Roches Road, Queenstown, Ethel Johnson, Warren.

MORRISSEY.—On April 30, at Woodstock, Cappoquin, Hannah Morrissey.

BURKE.—On May 2, at Killemee, Cahir, Samuel Burke, aged 80 years.

DINAN.—On May 3, at Knockevon, Rushbrooke, Ellen Dinan.

RUSSELL.—On May 7, at St. Patrick's hospital, Joseph Russell, 23 Sarsfield Terrace.

RYAN.—On May 7, at 18 Pine street, Timothy Ryan, late Glountane, Malton.

DONOVAN.—On April 17, at 9 Walmer Terrace, Glasgow, Julia Donovan, age 67.

CODY.—On May 8, at 2 Dublin Hill, Catherine Cody.

FITZGERALD.—On May 8, at 78 North Main street, John Fitzgerald.

KRONIN.—On May 7, at 43 Barrack street, P. Cronin, late Cork, Bandon, and South Coast Railway.

RYAN.—On May 9, at Gurth Mills, John Matthias Ryan, of Glenville Park.

KERRY.—Nine tourists, including four women and four boatmen were drowned May 18 by the upsetting of a boat on the lakes at Killarney during a squall. The wreck of the boat in which they went sailing was found the following day. Three corpses were clinging to the sides of the boat when found. Four of the tourists were South Americans, the others English.

Mrs. Downey, of Listowel, daughter of Mr. John Kennedy, Dingle, died May 13, aged 22 years, deeply regretted. At Listowel, she was buried in a procession headed by Father Crowley, reading the burial service to the railroad for Tralee. His arrival at Dingle was awaited by large numbers of the townspeople at the station where it was borne to the Parish chapel till 3 p.m. on Wednesday when the funeral took place to the cemetery in the town where the remains were interred in the family vault.

The Irish language movement is going ahead in Killarney, and the Fies which was held there May 9 under the auspices of the local branch of the Gaelic League was worthy of Ballyvooney. The project was started six weeks before, and it was only completed at that time to have a small Fies with 60 or 70 entries. As a matter of fact, the entries kept pouring in until they numbered 278 and the Temperance Hall had to be utilized along with the Town Hall. The convent schools entered enthusiastically into the work, competitors coming from the Mercy and Presentation convents, Killarney, and the Presentation convent, Milltown, both in dancing and singing. Competitors came from Tralee, Glenkeefe, Ballyvooney, Killarney, Cahirciveen, etc., Dr. Lynch, Ballyvooney, presided.

LIMERICK.—Mrs. Patrick Shannon, late of Corbally, Limerick, died May 1 at No. 1 Guildford Lawn, Dover, England, aged 36 years.

On May 5 occurred the death of Mr. Henry Keller, Limerick, after a short illness, deeply regretted. The funeral took place at St. Michael's R. C. church. The large number of mourners and sympathizers showed the deep respect in which the deceased was held.

The annual convention of the Gaels of Limerick was held at the Commercial Hotel, Limerick, lately. The Rev. Father Carr, Templeington, presided. Following delegates attended: Limerick Commercial—J. F. Halvey, T. Martin; Bradford F. C.—Dan O'Donnell, E. Murran; South Liberties—J. O'Reilly; Castleconnell—Dennis Ahern; Breston—J. Kildimo; P. O'Rourke; M. Coughlan; Palsabeg; William Coffey; Young Ireland—F. Farrell, J. Sweeney; Dromcollogher—M. J. Geary, T. Mooney; Money—J. Shanahan; Rathkeale—J. Hanrahan, Michael Kelly; Wolf Tones, Newcastlewest—Michael Keane, John Collins; Templeington—Maurice Dee, Rev. Father Carr; Kilminee—T. R. Flynn; St. Michaels—P. O. Leilly, W. H. Flynn; Knockase—P. O. Leilly, W. O'Keefe; Tourmaline—P. J. Hartnett, P. McAfee; Abbeyfeale—C. C. O'Rourke; Sherrott—C. C. Keefe, S. Frost; Mungret—P. Halvey, M. Walsh.

TIPPERARY.—The attendance list of the Irish party which shows how the members attended to their duties in the House of Commons from April 18 to April 26, indicates that Mr. Thomas J. O'Connell, M. P., missed only one division out of fifteen during that time.

On May 7 Patrick Dabhl, aged 22 years, was brought up at Cahir police barrack, charged with having set fire to Lord Lismore's mountain at Oullinagh North, a few miles from Cahir, on the evening of April 15. He was remanded for eight days to Clonmel goal. On the date in question about thirty acres of mountain heath were consumed.

In the chapel of the Presentation Nuns the ceremony was solemnized by the Most Rev. Dr. Browne, bishop of Cloyne, and was attended by a numerous group of the happy young lady's relations and friends. Among those present were Mgr. Kelleher, Foughal; Rev. Father Roche, chaplain to the convent; Mr. and Mrs. F. Quirke, parents; Misses M. and H. Quirke, sisters; Mr. P. Quirke, brother; Mr. P. Quirke, uncle, and Mrs. Quirke, Mrs. Landers, grandmother; Mr. J. Landers, uncle; Mrs. Lynch, aunt; Mrs. and Miss Maher, and Miss Quinlan, cousins, and Mrs. Costelloe.

WATERFORD.—At the Catholic church, Dungarvan, lately were married by Father Gleeson, Aglish, William Crawley, Maryborough, to Bridget Mary Power, Curraheen, Aglish, Cappoquin.

Rev. Dr. O'Hara, bishop of Cashel, who resides in Waterford City, has been condemned by the public bodies and the people of the city for saying in a sermon recently delivered in Coleraine, Derry, that the Protestants in Waterford and Tipperary were persecuted by the Catholics. He knew this was telling lies when he preached this from the pulpit in the home of the Orange riflemen. It was an incitement to the North.

Mrs. Nicholas Morrissey, of Woodstock, died April 30, at an early age, deeply regretted. She had been only a short time married. Her father is Mr. John Morrissey, Cappagh Office, and high mass at Ballinacoma on May 2. The remains were conveyed for interment to Touranema. The funeral was one of the largest seen in the locality for many years.

The torpedo destroyer boats Bullfinch and Dove, arrived in Waterford May 5. They are attached to the Channel Fleet, and have been cruising along the coast. They were visited by large numbers.

A largely attended meeting of the Waterford branch of the United Irish League was held in the Town Hall, May 7, the mayor presiding. Alderman Whittle said he had a resolution to propose against the proclamation of their city under the coercion act: "That we protest against the gross attack upon the liberties of the people, and the maintenance of our city under the millicie coercion act by a government pledged to kill home rule with kindness, and that we deplore this wretched effort to manufacture criminals."

LEINSTER

CARLOW.—Rev. Father Nagle of Carlow College, on May 4 delivered a very instructive lecture on the movement to revive the Irish language. The members of the Carlow Gaelic class were present.

The property of Mr. Kelly, a large farmer at Rathdaniel near Rathvilly, was discovered to be in flames May 3. The fire had got such a hold of the place that ten heads of cattle were burned to death. Three cattle had broken their fastenings and made their escape, but not without receiving serious injuries from which it is supposed they will not recover.

The death of Miss Mary McDonnell, Ballytasna, occurred May 6, causing great regret to be experienced by her family and friends. Her interment took place on Thursday in the family burial ground, Newtown cemetery, the cortege being very large and representative. The Rev. Paul Mar, late Presentation, officiated at the grave. The chief mourners were J. E. Hatter, M. McDonnell, Dillow street; Carlow, nephews; M. Hatter and J. Hatter, Office and high mass were held at Newtown church May 12 and were numerously attended.

DUBLIN.—On May 4 the remains of Mr. James Furlong were laid to rest in Conley Graveyard, one mile outside Leixlip. The deceased was born three miles outside Luccan at Coolcommon, and lived to be 107 years of age. He turned in good health, and spirits up to a few weeks before his death. He leaves behind him his wife, aged 10 years, and one son.

A meeting of the Dublin North City Ward Branch of the United Irish League was held May 9 in reference to the high sheriff (Mr. McCabe) in intimating his intention to be present at the coronation. Alderman Hennessy presided. A resolution was adopted to the effect that as Mr. P. J. McCabe contested the ward in the Nationalist interest, and owed his position as high sheriff to the Nationalists, and had by his recent actions forfeited their confidence and abused the trust placed in him, they called upon him to place his resignation in the hands of the town clerk. His conduct is condemned by the whole city.

Recent Deaths in Dublin. HOGARTY.—May 9, at 60 Great Brunswick street, Laurence Hogarty.

MCGEHEE.—April 27, at 5 O'Connell avenue, Berkeley road, Elizabeth McGehee, aged 25 years, late teacher St. Patrick's National Schools.

MACMAHON.—May 7, at 26 St. Patrick's road, Drumcondra, William Charles MacMahon, for over sixteen years clerk to Thomas F. O'Connell & Son, solicitors.

BUTLER.—May 8, at Portobello road, Henry Butler, grocer, aged 67 years.

WARD.—April 28, at 26 Courtney place, Patrick Ward, Cloughran.

TALLON.—April 27, at 18 Usher's quay, Dublin, Stephen Joseph Tallon.

CULLEN.—May 8, at 54 Newcomer avenue, North Strand, John Cullen.

DAUGHNEY.—May 8, at Our Lady's Hospice for the Dying, Elizabeth Daughney; funeral from 144 Upper Abbey street.

FLYNN.—May 8, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Mr. Peter Flynn, late of 114 Townsend street, and for many years in the Public Health Department Dublin corporation.

BYRNE.—May 4, at the Mater Hospital, result of an accident, Patrick Andrew, of Count Argus.

COLLINS.—May 5, at 31 Denville street, Katherine Collins, aged 28 years.

JONES.—March 28, at St. Kilda, Melbourne, Australia, Richard Jones, late of Bagwell street, Clonmel, aged 62.

McAULEY.—May 5, at the Hardwicke Hospital, Josephine C. McAuley, of Haymarket.

STORY.—At School Street Foundry, Thomas Story; funeral from St. Catherine's Chapel, Meath street.

HOWERS.—May 4, at 35 Upper Clabgrassall street, Joseph P. Howers.

BURKE.—May 4, at 16 Merrion row, Stephen's Green, Eliza Burke, of Sackville street.

KILDARE.—The death of Mrs. James McCann, of Hodgestown, happened on May 2, deeply mourned. She was daughter of late Thomas Palmer.

Successful sports were held at Newbridge on May 7 in presence of a large gathering of spectators. The main bicycle was won by a local wheelman, L. Fulham, Murphy, Newbridge, being second, and P. Breen, Ivy Cycling club, third. M. Forde, Monasterivan, won the 100 yards, T. F. Killy made fine displays of hammer throwing, and won the 100 yards in which he was followed home by M. Hefferhan, Athy. For the mile bicycle scratch, J. O'Reilly, Iolanthe Cycling club was first; T. Goss second, and J. J. Burke third. Forde, Monasterivan, and the 440 yards, and Cunningham, Iolanthe, the mile flat. J. Claxton, Strathally getting third in the latter event. O'Reilly won the two mile bicycle. Fulham getting second in the three miles bicycle contest. T. Murphy was first, T. Fulham second, and L. Fulham third. J. J. Duffe, Fingert, won the five miles bicycle. Doyle, Dr. Rowan and Mr. J. H. Moxey were secretaries and Mr. P. J. Gately acted the weights.

KILKENNY.—On May 4, Most Rev. Dr. Browne, bishop of Ossory, was elected dean of the college chapel, Kilkenny, on Rev. Martin Egan, Ossory, Rev. Martin Keary, Ossory; Rev. Columba Kennedy, Ossory; Rev. Andrew O'Keefe, Ossory; Rev. Patrick O'Keefe, Newport; Rev. Ralph Hunt, San Francisco; Rev. Peter Power, Sidney; Rev. Edward Long, Trinidad; Rev. Patrick Brennan, Perth; Rev. Cornelius O'Farrell, Denver.

General Viscount Falkland de Montmorency, whose death has just been announced, was the holder of a Union peerage. In the list of recommendations for Union peerages sent by Lord Cornwallis, the corruptorist lord lieutenant of the Union to the English government, the following entry describes the first holder of this peerage, "Right Hon. Lodge Morris, lord of the treasury. He is of the family of Lord Mountmorris, and has estates amounting to £5,000 a year, in the counties of Kilkenny and Waterford, and has given a warm and useful support to the measure" (for the destruction of the Irish parliament).

KINGS.—Sister Gerald Dingnan, of Saint Joseph's Convent, Ferbane, died May 3, deeply regretted by the religious in the institution and by the people of surrounding districts. She was aged 60 years, 35 of these were spent as a religious. Great numbers of priests and people attended the funeral.

LONGFORD.—Father John Kelly, pastor of Drumshambo, who died suddenly lately, was brother to Mr. Patrick Kelly, contractor, Longford. He was aged 53 years. His death was deeply regretted.

On May 7 died Mr. John McCormack, of Dublin street, Longford, in Saint Mark's hospital, Duca, where he had undergone an operation for an affection of the ear. He had been for years an employee of the Longford post office. His remains were conveyed to Longford on Wednesday evening, and were met at the railway station by one of the largest assemblages that ever Longford turned out. On Thursday evening the remains were taken to St. Mel's Cathedral, whence they were removed for interment in Ballynacormack burial ground. Deceased was quite a young man, and leaves a wife and two babies to mourn his loss.

LOUTH.—The death of Mr. James McMahon, Nationalist and journalist, happened suddenly in Drogheda, May 5, much regretted.

The funeral of William Kelly, son of William Kelly, No. 7 Magdalen street, Drogheda, took place at St. Andrew's cemetery, May 5, and was very numerously attended.

On Sunday a joint meeting of the Drogheda committee and the Dublin Boyle-O'Reilly club was held in the Mayoralty House, Drogheda. L. J. Elcock and Michael A. Casey, editor of the Drogheda Independent, members of the Drogheda committee and Messrs. Mooney, Murphy and Mohan, members of the Dublin Boyle-O'Reilly club, were present. Mr. Mooney presided. Mr. Elcock said that he had received three hundred and seventy dollars. In a short time the design for the memorial will be decided upon.

MEATH.—Mr. P. McGuinness, Navan, died May 7, deeply and widely regretted. He was a member of the Navan Rural Council and of the Poor Law Board.

The lace industry has been established in Slane, and over eighty girls are now learning the business, that will make them self-supporting in future, and keep them in their native land.

At a meeting of the Meath county council held in the court house, Navan, on April 25, Mr. P. J. Kennedy, M. P., chairman, presiding, Mr. William Curry proposed: "That we, he county council of Meath, at this, our first meeting since His Holiness Pope Leo XIII., was by Divine Providence enabled to celebrate the twenty-fourth anniversary of his coronation and enter on the year of his Pontifical Jubilee, humbly and reverently desire to offer and lay at the feet of one of the successors of St. Peter our warmest and sincerest congratulations, and to express the hope and prayer that the Supreme Pontiff may be spared for years to govern and guide the Catholic world." Sir John Dillon seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted, and it was ordered that copies be forwarded to the Pope, Cardinal Logue, and the Most Rev. Dr. Gahey, Bishop of Meath.

QUERNS.—On May 4 a mission to Murray was commenced in Newborough by Fathers Griffith, Murray and Connor, of the Redemptorist Order. High mass was sung at 11 o'clock. The officiating clergymen were Rev. J. Kearney, celebrant; Right Rev. Mgr. Murphy, decan.; Rev. C. Coyne, sub-decan and master of ceremonies. The opening ceremony and the devotions were attended by large congregations. Mass soon

ing the Holy Mass was offered at 7 o'clock, followed by a short instruction. The evening devotions began at 7 o'clock and consisted of the Rosary, sermon and benediction. The missionaries visited the sick and the feeble of the parish.

Mr. Michael Glennon, U. I. L. organizer, was liberated from Kilkenny jail May 7 on completion of his three months' imprisonment in default of finding bail, under the Coercion act. On arrival in Abbeyfele he was given a hearty welcome. A fine concourse attended from Ballyvan with the band. In the market place Mr. Glennon delivered a rousing speech. Mr. Glennon left Abbeyfele for his home at Leixlip. A large number of people, headed by the band, accompanied him to the station cheering for "Glennon" and "Ballyvan" and groaning at the sight and the glaze of W. Carroll, M. Kelly, secretary United Irish League; Denis Delaney, Ballyvan; James Mullah, Ballyvan; John O'Brien, Castletown, and a number of others accompanied Mr. Glennon as far as Maryborough.

WESTMEATH.—The death occurred on May 7 of Mr. John Taaffe, Cullin, Mullingar. The deceased had attained a ripe old age, and during his long life was known for his good qualities and kindness of heart. The funeral took place May 4 to the family burial ground at Walshestown and was a condition of somnambulism.

Inquest was held at Ballymore, May 5, by Mr. J. J. Gaynor, solicitor on the body of Mr. George Cunningham, who met his death on Sunday night by falling from a window in his residence into the street. Deceased was in the habit of walking in his way station, and put on the midday sleep, and on one occasion he attempted in his sleep to climb up a chimney. The jury returned the following verdict: "That deceased died on May 5 from injuries received by falling from the window of his bedroom while in a condition of somnambulism."

WEXFORD.—Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, has appointed Rev. Nicholas Codd to be C. C. of St. Leonards, Enniscombe, in succession to Rev. Dr. Allen; and Rev. W. Harpur, who has been, since his ordination, in the Franciscan convent, Wexford, to the chaplaincy of the Enniscombe workhouse.

In the Cathedral of Enniscombe on May 4, Rt. Rev. Dr. Browne, bishop of Ferns, administered confirmation to a large number of children, assisted by the Rev. J. Dunne, adm.; Rev. H. Fitzhenry, Rev. D. Kavanagh, Rev. John Butler, Rev. E. Hartley, M. S. S., and Rev. Father Codd.

Father Cleary, whose learning has won high recognition beneath the Southern Cross, will soon revisit the friends and scenes of his boyhood. Father Cleary is a son of Mr. Cleary of Monakeer. For many years he has filled with distinction the position of editor of The New Zealand Tablet. He is making an extended tour of the American continent.

WICKLOW.—Mr. John O'Neill died suddenly May 6, while eating in the house of Mr. Wheatley, Redcross. A piece of meat stuck in his throat.

Several new branches of the United Irish League have been founded in Wicklow, as also several branches of the Gaelic League. The two organizations worked vigorously will soon make an Irish Ireland.

CONNAUGHT

GALWAY.—The premises of Mr. John Polan, Cornarona, was lately destroyed by fire. Those in the house had a narrow escape from death by burning. As shopkeeper, farmer and postmaster, Mr. Polan was very popular. Loss is estimated at four thousand dollars or so.

The Freeman's Journal of May 5 contained the following of a melancholy boating accident in Galway Bay. "A Galway telegram says: It is reported a boating disaster occurred at Galway Bay. Ten lives lost. The Press Association's Galway correspondent, telegraphing before midnight, says: At a late hour this evening news was received in Galway from a horseman who had ridden from Killoicgan, eight miles from Galway and fronting the harbor on the opposite coast, that a terrible boating disaster had happened there. He stated a boat, supposed to be from Galway, holding eight to ten men, capsized within a mile of Killoicgan Point. He saw the boat capsized and turn keel upward, the men clinging to it for support. Before aid could be given all the men went under. The sad news that evening news was among the fishing population with the utmost consternation, and cast a gloom over the town. Eight men belonging to Claddagh had left there this forenoon, and it is supposed that those are the men drowned. They left in a fishing boat on an excursion across the bay, and had landed at Killoicgan Point. There were, it appears, twelve in the boat at first, but four remained on land, while the other eight cast off, and it was there that the accident was supposed to have taken place. The names of the men are given as Michael Dwyer, Patrick Folan, John Barrett, Michael Bourke, Patrick Walsh, Patrick Bunas, Stephen Hynes and Patrick McDonough. Michael Dwyer and Patrick Folan are married men and have families. The other men are all young.

The office and high mass for the repose of the soul of Rev. John Kelly, pastor, Drumshambo, which were held April 28, were attended as follows: Most Rev. Dr. Hoare, bishop of Ardragh and Ochoamnoise, presided; celebrant, Father Marley, Ballinacorney; decan., Rev. Father Geraghty, Carrick-on-Shannon; sub-decan., Rev. Father Newman, Ballinacorney; officiating at ceremonies, Rev. Father Michael Keadey. The chanters were: Rev. Fathers Murphy and Manning, St. Mel's College, Longford; in the choir were: Very Rev. Canon Gilligan, Carrick-on-Shannon; Very Rev. Father Shelly, Newtownforbes; Very Rev. Father Honican, Drumsna; Very Rev. Father McGovern, Drumcong; Very Rev. Father Mohan, adm., Longford; Rev. Father Kangle, Gowle; Rev. Father