

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.—On June 9, in the Convent of St. Alphonsus, Drumcondra, Dublin, the impressive service of clothing and receiving the dress of the novitiate, was gone through, the novice being Miss Bessy MacHugh, late of Belfast, who has already gone through probation. Miss MacHugh was accompanied by her mother and sisters and fifty guests, including many priests. The ceremony was performed by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Fitzpatrick, Rathfriland, who was arrayed in the dress of a bride, was clothed in the garb of the novitiate, consisting of a red habit, blue mantle and what-never, with crown of thorns. She took the name in religion of Sister Mary Raphael of the Most Blessed Trinity. Mass was celebrated by Monsignor Fitzpatrick, and an appropriate address was delivered by the Rev. Father Griffith C. S. R., and the "Te Deum" was sung during the reception.

The first meeting of the new body of guardians and district councillors elected June 9 was held in the boardroom of the workhouse, Antrim. Mr. Kirk presiding. Present: Thomas Bryson, William Orr, William P. Dickle, John Young, Nathaniel Boyd, James Smith, William Smyth, William J. Briggs, Thomas Ferguson, James Gregg, George Reid, William Cooper, Samuel Gilmer, William Sempie, Arthur Quinn, Robert S. Thompson, George C. S. Dunlop, J. Shannon, David Rainey, Thomas Herdman, William Saffern, James D. Gawn, Robert B. Fleming, Robert McCurdy, George C. Gilmore, Alexander Lawther, Patrick McCuckin, Samuel Nixon, James O'Boyle, William Montgomery, Bernard O'Boyle and O. R. Webb.

ARMAGH.—Cardinal Logue, Very Rev. Father O'Callaghan, superior of the Vincentians, Cork City, and Very Rev. Canon Quinn, pastor of Magherafelt, visited the Cathedral of Cove, County Cork, June 10. He declared that the edifice was magnificent and a credit to the Irish people.

A successful mission was given in the parish of Crossmaglen lately. The exercises of the mission were conducted by the Capuchin Fathers, Rev. Father Leonard, and the Rev. Father Mark. Over 1,400 persons took the total abstinence pledge.

The Carberry Memorial meeting in Armagh was a grand affair. It proved how deep and sincere is the affection for Irish hearts for those who died for liberty, as Carberry did when fighting with the Boers against England. The bands taking part in the procession were the Emmet and Mahoney Bands, Dundalk; St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Bands, Newry; Tuillyallen, Lismaleck and College Land, Dungannon; William O'Brien Band, Armagh; Brian Boru Bands, Newry; Tuillyallen, Lismaleck; Tytholland Flute Band, Lower Darkley; Upper Darkley, Mountain Road and Mullyash, Keady, etc. Contingents attended from Belfast, with two beautiful banners representing the Dr. Brennan and William Orr Clubs, Dundalk, Newry, Monaghan, Smithborough, Banbridge, Warrenpoint, Caledon, Emyvale, Clones, Castleblayney, Middletown, Castlecaulfield, etc. As the procession passed en route through Irish street, Ogie street, Thomas street, and Market street to the place of meeting, accompanied by the patriotic strains of national music the scene was most inspiring. The windows were occupied by spectators, and large crowds congregated at all the vantage points. Mr. Davitt delivered the oration. That is enough. He does full justice to everything he takes in hand.

CAVAN.—A retreat was opened in Mountnugent Catholic Church lately by the Capuchin Fathers, Dublin for the purpose of establishing a total abstinence sodality and a Sacred Heart sodality in the parish. When Father Fiacre administered the pledge for twelve months, 700 people handed in their names, and at the close of the mission, after the renewal of "Baptismal Vows," the congregation, with lighted candles in their hands, again renewed the pledge for twelve months. Father Fiacre blessed them and prayed that they would all keep their pledge for the glory of God and the honor of Ireland. Ballymaguff honored them that evening by the presence of their splendid band, for which he was very thankful, and on his own behalf and on behalf of the priests and parishioners of Mountnugent he thanked them for attending.

DERRY.—Mr. James McCormick, 27 Foyle street, Derry, died June 8 deeply regretted. The Requiem services and funeral were very numerous attended.

On June 9 Derry-Colombille paid its annual tribute to the saint whose name it bears, loves, and honors. At theenary celebration in 1897 Father William Doherty expressed the wish that St. Columba's Day might become for Derry what St. Patrick's Day was for Ireland. Since then that wish has been realized. All the shamrock is to the Irish Catholic on the 17th of March, the oak leaf is to the Derry Catholic on the 9th of June. Aye, and it is more. It is the symbol of a feast that has its essence in that which mortal eye cannot see, nor mortal mind understand, and which the catholic heart alone can grasp with the sense of faith, feel. Derry's tribute to its great patron is eucharistic and worthy in every respect of that which was the celebration in the old Long Town yesterday.

DONAGH.—Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell,

Bishop of Raphoe, was among the visitors to the distinguished strangers' gallery of the House of Commons, on June 11.

The County Council.—The unanimous appointment of Mr. James Dunlevy, solicitor, to be chairman of the Donegal County Council, gave general satisfaction. Mr. Teague Magee was voted with the same unanimity to the vice-chair.

DOWN.—Miss Kearney of Moygath, Lisburn, has obtained one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars as damages for breach of promise to marry from Mr. McHenry, of Hamilton place, Colliery, Lanarkshire, Scotland.

MONAGHAN.—On June 10, at a meeting of the North Monaghan Divisional Executive of the United Irish League, held in Monaghan, the Rev. P. Keown, Adm., presiding, a resolution was passed unanimously calling on Dr. Thompson, M. P., for North Monaghan, to hand in his resignation to the chairman of the Irish Parliamentary party.

TYRONE.—On the Local Council under the Local Government law, Ballygawley is represented by three Nationalists. The Aughraby County Council seat is filled by Mr. Coste, Unionist, from Clougher.

The many friends of Father Grant, Omagh, will be pleased to know that the opening of his new church, Moneygreena Draperstown, lately was well patronized. He was able to declare the building free from debt. The cost was \$20,000. Father Grant was for twelve years a curate at Killybegher, Omagh. Monsignor McNamee, Omagh, and Monsignor McTurk, Maghera, were present at the opening.

On June 10 the ceremony of reception into the Sodality of the Children of Mary took place in the neat little chapel attached to the convent in Strabane. As the opening notes of the "Ave Maria Stella" pealed forth from the organ twelve young ladies to be received walked into the church dressed in blue, with wreaths and veils and bearing lighted candles. They took their places at the altar. Rev. J. McElhatton put the usual questions, which were answered by Miss Annie Jakubham, who read the act of consecration. After the ceremony Father McElhatton addressed the newly received, reminding them of the obligations they had contracted and counseling them to be faithful. After the singing of the "Magnificat" the ceremony concluded with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

MUNSTER

CLARE.—Mrs. Nagle, Ennistymon, died June 6, deeply regretted.

On Sunday, June 8, the Gaelic organizer attended at Inagh and addressed a large meeting after Mass. The meeting was previously announced by Father Carey, who asked all the people to wait and follow the advice of the organizer of the League that was reviving the Irish language. Mr. O'Hourhane spoke in Irish exclusively, as he was addressing the most Irish audience he met in Clare. The chief points he dwelt on were the necessity of using Irish at home, the duty of those who understood Irish to speak it, and the duty of all to learn how to read and write it, the duty of managers of schools in seeing that Irish should have its proper place on the programme and that teachers should not be permitted to undo the work of the Gaelic League by talking the language in their schools.

CORK.—A very interesting ceremony took place in the Exhibition grounds, Cork, June 12, when the mayor was made the recipient of a valuable presentation for the citizens of Cork by Rev. W. H. Mahony, on behalf of Mr. J. J. O'Brien, of Leyland O'Brien, Auckland, New Zealand. The presentation consists of specimens of New Zealand timber, polished gum, gold and silver quartz, birds, etc., and several Maori curios and illustrations of the flora and different phases of life in New Zealand.

The death of Major Deane Tanner, occurred on June 8 at 32 Upper Fitzwilliam street Dublin, after a prolonged illness from blood poisoning. The deceased, who had reached the age of 60 years, met with a trivial accident Thursday before Easter, which brought about blood poisoning. He was a brother to Dr. Tanner, late member of Parliament for Mid-Cork.

Cardinal Logue, accompanied by Very Rev. Canon Quinn, Magherafelt, and the Rev. Father O'Callaghan, Superior of the Vincentians, Cork, paid a special visit to Queenstown June 10 for the purpose of studying the magnificent work for which the interior of the Catholic Cathedral is famed. His visit was unknown to any one. From an indirect source the Rev. T. Madigan, administrator, heard of the Cardinal's arrival, and proceeded to meet him and accompany him to the Cathedral, where he was shown over the building. He spent hours in the edifice, during which he went in detail through it and with every phase of it he expressed his admiration. The carving of the figures in the reredos and other carved work called forth his special attention and approval. The church, in its present state drew forth expressions of delight from the Cardinal. Regret was expressed that the Bishop, the Most Rev. Dr. Browne, was unaware of the intention of the Cardinal to visit the church. It is a well-known fact that Bishop Browne's affection for His Eminence is warm.

The Cork Examiner of June 9 said: In the Cork Exhibition an artistic and gratifying exhibit is that of Mr. D. F. Hogan, Shandon street, Cork, which consists of specimens of embossed work on glass. The display is most gratifying, as it attests the excellence achieved by a local artisan, without patronage and with meagre encouragement in a department of artistic work

which is found in other places only when nourished by the fostering attention of affluence. Embossing on glass is a specialty of decorators and house painters, though now very little of it is practiced in Ireland. In fact, among the majority of the trade it is regarded as a lost art. The process is a most delicate one, and requires an unusual amount of skill and patience to insure an excellence such as attained by Mr. Hogan. Among the specimens which forcibly attract attention in Mr. Hogan's exhibits are panels which are specialties of the art. One is on obscure glass, one on partly obscure glass and one on clear glass with embossed ornaments. The designs are chaste, and the execution admirable. Another sample illustrates what is known in the claims to be the only man in Ireland trade as maat gliding, and Mr. Hogan at present who does this work. Another panel which catches the eye is one suitable for office doors bearing on obscure glass in embossed lettering the name of the firm by whom Mr. Hogan is engaged, viz. J. J. Murphy & Co. The work on this panel is beautiful, and the same can be said of all the articles, which certainly rebound to the artistic taste and skillful execution of Mr. Hogan. It might be mentioned that the exhibits have been presented by Mr. Hogan to the mayor and members of the Executive Committee, and accepted.

RECENT DEATHS IN CORK

GOULD.—On June 9, at Monkstown, Helen Dowd Gould.

CALLAGHAN.—On June 11, at 8 Boyce street, Cornelius Callaghan.

CHONIN.—At Ballyard, Chonin, Margaret Cronin, at an advanced age.

TWOHIG.—On June 11, at 70 Douglas street, Ellen Twohig.

FLYNN.—On June 11, at Ballyhologue, Bridget Flynn.

CONDON.—On June 10, at Busnets town, Kilmaree, Hannah Condon.

DONOVAN.—On June 11, Charles Donovan, Ballyvaughan, Ballinacorney.

COUGHLIN.—On June 12, Lily Josephine Coughlin, Main street, Buttevant.

MAUNSELL.—On Sunday, June 8, at North Monastery, Cork, Brother Justus Maunsell of the Christian Brothers, in the 33 year of his age and 17th year of his religious life.

MCCARTHY.—On June 8, at 39 Greenmount, Bridget McCarthy.

CONROY.—On June 8, at Glanmore, Queenstown, Mrs. Mary Conroy.

MCWINEY.—On June 9, at the North Infirmary, William McWiney (date of Honan's).

AHERN.—June 9 at 43 Shandon street Johanna Ahern, formerly of Keelrish Desmond.—On June 13, at 68 Clarence street, James Desmond, master cooper.

BUCKLEY.—On June 13, at 46 Patrick street, Kate Buckley.

MURPHY.—On June 12, Katie Murphy, at 49 Prosperity Square, Cork.

HERLIHY.—On June 13, at The Glen, Kinsale, Mrs. Ellen Herlihy.

ROBERTS.—On June 8, at the Cottage Rigsdale, Ballinacorney, John B. Roberts, aged 13-1/2 years.

VEALE.—On June 8, John Veale, sailor of 22 Drawbridge street.

CREEDON.—At Annahala West, Jeremiah Creedon, aged 83.

DALY.—On June 6, at Ballinacorney, Ballymartin, Michael Daly, aged 20.

ODONOGHUE.—At Millown on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, Mrs. Mary O'Donoghue, at an advanced age.

COAKLEY.—On June 7, at Puckane, Hanoral Coakley.

PRICE.—On June 7, at 1 Bellevue Terrace, Queenstown, Susan Price.

DRINKWELL.—On June 9, Mary Kate Drinkwell, of Boreenmore road, aged 7 years.

HOLMES.—On June 10, at Courtmacsherry, Edward Holmes.

KERRY.—Michael Shea, of Lohar, near Waterville, died recently at the great age of 104 years. His wife, who survives him, is supposed to be the same age. Deceased belonged to a family remarkable for longevity. His mother lived to be 105 years, and a female cousin to 103, while there were several octogenarians.

On June 10, in the Probate Court, the trial was resumed of the case of Shea v. Reidy, in which the plaintiff, Mrs. Margaret Shea, of Castleisland, sought damages from Patrick Reidy farmer, also of Castleisland, for breach of promise of marriage. Plaintiff alleged that in August, 1900, the defendant proposed to her, and she consented to marry him. The jury awarded Mrs. Shea seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Christian Brothers' Centenary.—At the meeting of the Tralee Urban District Council, June 13 the chairman (Mr. Thomas Slattery) said he had a resolution to propose which would meet with the approval of all. He proposed: "We, the Urban District Council of Tralee, unite with the other bodies throughout Ireland congratulating the Christian Brothers on the centenary of the foundation of the order. Most of us were pupils of the school and hold in loving memory all that we owe to our old masters. Be it therefore resolved that our clerk be directed to send to the superior general of the order this resolution, with the assurance of our lasting gratitude for the unpurchasable services rendered by the Brothers for half a century to the people of Tralee and the surrounding district." Adopted enthusiastically.

A painful impression was created by the sudden death of the Rev. Matthew Dillon, who for fifteen years was in charge of the Newtown parish, Lisdowney. The deceased clergyman who was 58 years of age, had been actively engaged with a retreat being conducted in his parish, and on June 10 rose at half-past six o'clock having wished the missionaries goodby, was taking a walk in his garden when he received a telegram from one of the missionaries who had left some time previously. He left the garden, entered his study, called the servant and said: "I am dying, send Father Keane to me." The servant tried to reassure him, but the clergyman repeated his request, began to take off his boots and made other preparations, and being anointed, Father

Keane, his curate, arrived and had only time to administer the last rites of the church when death came. He was in his 58th year, thirty-four of which he spent on the mission. His first parish was Ballymacelligott from here he went to Ballylongford, thence to Castleown Bere and subsequently to Kenmare. From Kenmare Father Dillon was promoted to the pastoral charge of Newtown, where he labored assiduously to his death. The obsequies took place in the parish church on Thursday. The ceremonies were presided over by the Very Rev. Thomas Carmody, Dean of Kerry. At the conclusion of the office Requiem High Mass was celebrated. Celebrant, Rev. M. A. Dillon Duagh, deacon, Rev. P. J. Dillon Dingle, sub-deacon, Rev. Jeremiah Dillon, Manchester and master of ceremonies, Rev. John Dillon, Ballymacelligott.

LIMERICK.—The United Irish League is making great headway in the county and in a short time the entire country will be fully organized, and fighting the alien landlords.

TIPPERARY.—On Sunday evening, June 8, a young man named Fahy (son of a respected tenant in Lissanagh) fell cycling down a hill on the road from Clonmel to Kilsheelan near Glenpatrick lost control of his machine, which was propelled with great violence against the guard-rails of the Balla Bridge. The rider was thrown over the wall falling down sixteen feet, breaking his leg and an arm. His body was severely bruised. He was discovered by a passer by who with a help shot had him removed to a house. Rev. Father Meagher, Gurnonshill, and Dr. White were in attendance. He was conveyed to Clonmel Hospital on Monday, where he lay suffering great pain. The bicycle was broken to pieces by the impact.

Mr. W. Norris of Whitefort, died June 8, aged 73 years, deeply mourned. He was a member of an old and respected family, who gave many of its members to the church. Some of his daughters entered religion and his son (Rev. Father Norris) minister in the sacred service of God under the Southern Cross on Tuesday, after Requiem Mass, the funeral took place to New-castle. The cortege was large and representative.

WATERFORD.—On June 11 in the Dublin Court was heard the case of Miss Alice Fitzgibbon of Kilmacthomas, against Mr. Peter Murray merchant, Athlone, claiming ten thousand dollars for breach of promise to marry. The jury awarded her one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars as damages for her wounded heart.

Christian Brothers' Centenary. The Waterford Corporation at special meeting June 11 passed this resolution unanimously, proposed by Dr. O'Sullivan, and supported by all: "That we offer our congratulations to the Christian Brothers, and to those in Mount St. Ignace in particular, on their centenary celebration and that we recognize the tremendous obligations we are under to the community and their founder for the sacrifices they made during past hundred years in the cause of religion, education and patriotism, and hope that this work which has borne good fruit may continue in no less degree in the future." A grand open air concert and band promenade was held in the gardens attached to Mount St. Ignace, which brought the celebration in connection with the centenary of the founding of the order by Brother Edmund Ignace, S. J. to an appropriate and successful conclusion. Three hundred persons were present including the clergy of the city. Barrack street, where the monastery is situated, was beautifully decorated. Triumphant arches spanned the streets at the entrances; and notices such as "Prosperity to the Christian Brothers" were much in evidence, and ablaze with lights. The grounds were illuminated with Chinese lanterns. A platform was erected at the end of the gardens, and was occupied by the boys' band, Artane School, which contributed nineteen items, including songs by Master McCullagh of the band, medalist Feis Ceoil, and first prize winner Oreatas, Masters Donogh, Doyle and Flood, Lismore Christian Brothers' Schools, gave a splendid exhibition of Irish dances.

LEINSTER

CARLOW.—Miss Anastasia Butler of Cloistre, died June 8, deeply and widely regretted. Solemn Office and High Mass were held in Tinryland Church, and were numerous attended by priests and people.

DUBLIN.—A sad drowning accident occurred June 11 at Sandycove. A man named Colman, aged 21 years, novice of the Catholic Order of St. Vincent, St. Joseph's, Blackrock was bathing at Sandycove when he became exhausted. His companion, on observing his position, went to his assistance, but, not being strong swimmers, were unable to reach him in time and he sank.

Most Rev. Dr. Walsh Archbishop of Dublin, paid his triennial visitation to Balbriggan, June 10, for the purpose of conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation on 200 children. He was attended by Very Rev. J. A. Brennan, Balbriggan, Very Rev. J. Dolan, Skerries, Rev. T. Hill Rev. J. O'Carroll. The fine choir of the church rendered the "Egoe Saceros Magnus" by Cellin, in grand style under the organist, Miss Canty, and T. J. Graham and J. Gaynor, basso; J. Carton, tenor; Mrs. Cumisky and Miss Mary Canty, sopranos. After conferring the Sacrament, he gave them the pledge.

The Archbishop of Dublin on Sunday June 8, blessed for divine worship the Church of St. Maur, Rush, which has recently undergone such alterations and received such additions that, though nominally a reconstruction of the old church, is in reality a new and handsome edifice. The enlargements consist of new transepts, chancel, side chapels and sacristies. Adjoining the north transept a new bell tower has been erected, with an entrance to the

transepts. The old nave has been reconstructed and made to harmonize with the new work which is in the early Gothic style, with tracery windows, the chancel being finished with octagonal apse, having a two-light tracery window in each bay. At the end of the nave a new organ gallery has been constructed, with marble columns and balustrade, with Gothic tracery richly molded. A new roof has been put upon the building. The ceremony of blessing the Church commenced at half-past 11 o'clock in the presence of a large congregation by His Grace, who was attended by Rev. R. C. Bowden, Cathedral, and Rev. M. Kennedy, Luck.

RECENT DEATHS IN DUBLIN. CAUL.—June 12, at Ratoath, Robert Caul, aged 74 years.

CULLEN.—June 13, at 11 Whitworth road, Drumcondra, Daniel J. Cullen, only son of the late John Cullen, of Wexford, aged 63.

DONNELLY.—June 12, at 8 Lower Camden street, Patrick Donnelly, aged 22 years.

M'KEOWN.—June 13, at 8 Lower Buckingham street, Dublin, Alexander M'Keown.

MORAN.—At Our Lady's Hospice, Haroldcross, Joseph Moran.

MURRAY.—June 13 at Sallins, Myles Murray.

HASSAN.—June 12, at the Hospice for the Dying, Haroldcross, Michael J. S. Hassan, aged 19 years.

LAWLER.—June 11, Michael Lawler, 36 Bolton street, in his 18th year.

LAWLER.—June 11 at Manar, Kildare, Mary Lawler.

GOGGIN.—June 7, at St. Michael's Hospital, Kingstown, Daniel Goggin 3 Tivoli terrace East.

HAYDEN.—June 7, at 17 Frankfort avenue, Rattagor, Elizabeth Mary Hayden, the beloved wife of Hugh D. Hayden.

HLAKE.—June 7, at 32 Usher's quay, Peter Hlake.

CULLEN.—June 7, at Embankment, James Cullen.

KEARNEY.—June 6, at Hawthorne Cottage, Broadgreen, Liverpool, aged 52 years, Patrick Kearney.

SCALLY.—June 7, at 82 Manor street, Roseanna, Scally.

MC DONALD.—June 9, James McDonald, 29 Great Clarence street.

MAQUIRE.—On Sunday, June 8, at 15 Lower Gardiner street, Dublin, Chas. Maquire.

BARRY.—June 11, at Tannerswater, Balbriggan, Mary Barry.

KILDARE.—The death of Mr. Peter Farrelly, late Relying Officer, Kildare occurred June 19, at the fine old age of 82 years. The funeral to Clare via Newbridge, was numerous attended.

KILKENNY.—The quarterly meeting of the North Kilkenny Executive of the United Irish League was held in the Town Hall, Mr. Michael Meagher, president, in the chair. The following branches were represented: Tullaroan, Bennetsbridge, St. Patrick's, Three Castles, Danesfort, Dungarvan, Castlewarren, Goresbridge and Paulstown.

KING'S.—Phillipstown is the latest recruit to the Anti-Treating League. The inauguration took place on June 8 under the most felicitous circumstances. The League has before it much useful work, particularly in small towns, where the practice of "treating" is a fruitful source of trouble. The influence of the League has largely extended since it was established a few months ago, and there are now many vigorous branches throughout the Midlands particularly in this country.

LONGFORD.—Coercion in Ireland.—On June 12 the Crown business of the Quarter Sessions was taken up by Judge J. A. Curran, in Longford, when there was only one case to go before the Grand Jury, and in that case they found "no bill."

A Solemn High Mass was celebrated in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford, June 9, for the repose of the soul of the late Mr. M. Doyle, son of Mrs. Doyle, of Garvagh, who died in April last in Jersey City, New Jersey, U.S.A. Several clergyman took part in the celebration, which was attended by a large number of friends of deceased. The late Mr. Doyle was a young man of 28 years of age. He went out some years ago to his uncle, Mr. Doyle, who is a very prominent citizen in Jersey City, and who had held the position of mayor of the city on several occasions. The news of the young man's death was heard with deep regret by his friends in Longford.

LOUTH.—The death of Mr. Philip O'Callan occurred rather suddenly June 13, at Lower Baggott street, Dublin.

Mr. Callin had been about during the day and seemed to be in the best of health. In the evening he was taken sick. Mr. Callin's career in Irish politics was a stormy one. He was elected member of Parliament for Dundalk, and was an ardent supporter of Mr. Isaac Butt. At this period of his career he was a conspicuous advocate of amnesty for the Fenian prisoners. His opponent at Dundalk on two occasions was the late Lord Russell, of Kilowen, then Mr. Charles Russell. In 1880 Mr. Callin was defeated, and then stood for County Louth, in opposition to Mr. A. M. Sullivan and Mr. George Harley, Kyrke. Mr. Callin was successful, Mr. Kyrke being defeated, and the defeat of his colleague led to Mr. A. M. Sullivan's resignation. In 1885, on the extension of the franchise, Mr. Callin stood for North Louth, after having been rejected by the Nationalists Convention. Mr. Parnell took a personal part in the contest, which resulted in the defeat of Mr. Callin. Subsequently Mr. Callin stood for South Louth, where he was defeated by the late Dr. Ambrose. Since the passage of the Local Government Act he was one of the Louth representatives on the Richmond Asylum Board, where he acted as a vigorous champion of economy.

On June 13 the remains of the late Very Rev. Canon McCrystal, Kilberley, Dundalk, were interred before the altar in the parish church at Haggardstown, in the presence of a large assembly of

priests and an enormous concourse of laity. Requiem Mass commenced at 11 o'clock. Rev. M. Fiegan, celebrant; Rev. J. McAleer, Toghier, deacon; Rev. C. Montague, Faughart, sub-deacon; Rev. P. Kennedy, Kilberley, master of ceremonies, and Rev. E. Clarke, Dundalk, and Rev. P. J. McArdie, Crossmaglen, Chanters.

Meath.—Died—BROGAN.—At Sacred Heart Convent, Lisburn, June 11, Mary Josephine (Mille) Brogan, Market street, Trim, High Mass, Trim. Funeral to Newtown, Trim, was very numerous attended. Deceased was aged 18 years.

On June 12 Mr. John Reilly, Coroner for Meath, held an inquest on the remains of Thomas Ward, of Orgenstown Navan, killed the previous day at the Blackbull, Dunshaughlin, when returning from the Dublin market, by the overturning of the cart. The body was discovered by Michael Colbrick, Dunshaughlin. The verdict was death from concussion of the brain, due to the accidental overturning of a cart.

At the annual meeting of the Dunshaughlin District Council, held lately, Mr. Laurence Ward was elected chairman and Mr. F. Delaney vice chairman.

The following were co-opted members of the Council, James O'Brien, Christopher McCormack and Michael Fitzsimons. At the annual meeting of the Dunshaughlin Board of Guardians Mr. W. Lynch was elected chairman, Mr. T. Halligan vice-chairman and Mr. H. Black deputy vice-chairman. The following were co-opted guardians, James Black Dunshaughlin, Christopher McCormack, Ellickstown, and Christopher Fitzsimons, Dunsany.

QUEEN'S.—Sister M. Liguori Ennis, Jubilarian, of the Bridgide Convent, Mountrath, died June 9, deeply regretted. Solemn office and High Mass were held in Saint Fintan's Church and were very numerous attended by the priests and people.

WESTMEATH.—A Noble Move.—The Athlone Woollen Mills have inaugurated a scheme of old age pensions for the workers of the company, by which those who join the scheme by paying twelve cents per week for each ten shillings of their wages, will receive the same amount from the firm, who in addition will allow three per cent, per annum, at compound interest on both sums, computed from the end of each year in which the contributions are made. A worker on reaching the age of sixty-five, will be entitled to receive the full amount standing to his or her credit, either in weekly sums, in the purchase of a business or in the purchase of an annuity. The same terms will hold good in the case of a contributor who may have become incapacitated from work and retire from the service of the firm. In case of death the sum standing to the credit of the deceased will be handed over to the family.

The death of Mr. Lawrence J. Shiel, of Dominick street, Mullingar, occurred June 8, deeply and widely regretted. He was aged 44 years. The funeral took place on Tuesday last from the residence of Dr. W. P. Shiel, Killaigas, to Walshestown cemetery Requiem Office and High Mass was celebrated in Longwood Catholic Church. The funeral cortege was very large and representative, and was considerably augmented when Mullingar was approached.

WEXFORD.—The population of County Wexford in 1891 was 112,063 according to the last census it was only 104,104.

A find of an extraordinary kind was made in Killystown lately. Some boys were taking up the trunk of an old tree at a farmer's named Murphy, when one of them struck his pick on some hard substance that made a jingling noise. When the clay was cleaned off, great was the surprise of the workers to perceive a couple of old stockings at their sides bursting with coins, being pennies and half-pennies of the reign of George III. All bore the date, 1805, with a harp surmounted by a crown, and the word "Hibernia" on one side. On the other side is a crownless head with the motto, "Georgius III. D. G. Rex."

WICKLOW.—Mr. Richard Doyle or Scratana, died June 10, at the age of 63 years, deeply mourned. Requiem services and the funeral to Rederos Cemetery were numerous attended by the clergy and laity of the district.

CONNACHT

GALWAY.—John K. Joyce, formerly of Clifden, died on Easter Monday last at his residence in Saint Kilda, Australia.

League Victory.—Mr. Thomas Corbett was elected County Councillor for Oranmore district, Galway, by 766 to 124 for the Unionist candidate. Mr. Henry Perras.

Mrs. Haynes, of Newbridge, died June 9, deeply and widely regretted. The Solemn Requiem services and funeral were very numerous attended. She was mother of Rev. John Hynes, of Sligo.

In the convent of Mercy, St. Xavier's, Ennis, County Clare, lately took place the ceremonies of profession and reception. Most Rev. Dr. McRedmond Bishop of Killaloe, officiating. One of the young ladies who received the white veil is Miss Julia Brehney, daughter of Mr. John Brehney, Dunmore, who took the name in religion of Sister Mary Benignus. A great number of clergy and laity attended. Among those present were M. Brehney and Mrs. Ronayne, Dunmore; Rev. Father Diskin, Milltown, and Miss Margaret Potter, Dunmore.

MAYO.—Mrs. John Joyce, of Ashmount, Leenane, died June 9, at the fine old age of 89 years, deeply and widely regretted. The interment took place in the ancient churchyard of Ereenan, and was of extremely large proportions, which was expected, as the deceased was one of the Joyces of "Joyce Country."