

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.

CONNAGHT

GALWAY.—A marriage was solemnized at the Parish Chapel of Caltra on Nov. 17, between Michael Jennings, of Maypowder House, Ballinasloe, and Miss Cahill, of Prospect, Caltra. Rev. Father Curley officiated, assisted by the Very Rev. P. Donohoe and the Rev. John Coghlan, uncle of the bridegroom.

MAYO.—On Nov. 16 a meeting in support of the Irish language movement was held in Killewailee. Rev. P. Forde, on being called to preside, spoke for a considerable time in Irish. Mr. O'Malley also gave a speech in Irish.

LEINSTER

CARLOW.—The Carlow Gaels organized a tournament in the Agricultural grounds, Carlow town, Nov. 16. The game between the Balinglass McAllisters and the Carlow Barrow Fangers was a very good one. Carlow won by seven points. Mr. Nowd was referee.

Mr. Patrick Farrell, Bridge street, Tuilow, died Nov. 17, after a short period of sickness. Requiem services and the funeral were very numerous. attended. The many friends of deceased in the United States will learn of his death with deep regret.

DUBLIN.—The class for stained glass workers at the Dublin School of Art has more than doubled its numbers during the present session. All the pupils are practical workers in stained glass, and several are engaged in productive work in Irish factories.

A concert and theatricals took place at Belvedere College Nov. 18 in aid of the Conference of St. Francis Xavier, Upper Gardner street, Dublin. There was a very large attendance. The programme fully realized the anticipations, and opened with a selection of Irish airs by the orchestra. The second item was a lecture, "Other Lands and Other Peoples," by Dr. A. Birmingham, in the course of which the lecturer gave a most interesting account of a trip through the Norwegian fjords.

Recent deaths in Dublin.—BARRY.—Nov. 21, at 6 Basin View, off James street, Maria Barry BRADY—Nov. 20, Ann Brady, White's lane, Phibsborough road.—MURRAY.—At 2 Albert place, East James, Christopher Murray.—HENSCHAW.—Nov. 17, at the Hospice, Haroldscross, Thomas Henschaw, late of South Frederick lane and Flaggia.—MCAFFREY.—Nov. 16, at the Orchard, Mount Brown, John Thomas McCaffrey, aged 20 years.—BROKER.—At 69 Grosvenor road, Rathgar, John Croker, solicitor.—DEVLIN.—Nov. 20, at 18 Upper Steven street, Ellen Devlin.—MAHON.—Nov. 20, at 13 Royal Canal terrace, Anne Mahon.—WATERS.—Nov. 17, at 59 Florida place, N. C. road, Joseph Waters, late member of the Bakers' Association, 8 Upper Bridge street.—O'CONNOR.—Nov. 19, at 33 Lower Gloucester street, Michael O'Connor, formerly of P. and D. Board.—ROGERS.—Nov. 14, at Garristown, Patrick Rogers.—MORIARTY.—Nov. 21, at 1 Hutton's place, Summer hill, Maurice Moriarty.—MURRAY.—At 9 Albert place, East, James Christopher Murray.—COLLINS.—At 18 Lower Bridge street, Mary Collins.—DALY.—Nov. 19, at Our Lady's Hospice for the Dying, Haroldscross, Teresa Daly, aged 25 late of 19 Great Longford street.—GILLIGAN.—Nov. 20, at the North Dublin Infirmary, William Gilligan, late member Dublin Fifth Branch Amalgamated Carpenters.—M'GUIRK.—Nov. 20, at 5 Francis street, Thomas M'Guirk, aged 54.—FARRELLY.—Nov. 16, at the Mater Hospital, Anne Farrelly, Daburam Cottage, Cabra, aged 38 years.

LDARE.—The court house in Monasterivan was destroyed by fire on Nov. 15. How the fire originated is not known.

Mr. Michael Murphy, of Ladytown, Nass, died Nov. 17, aged 64 years, deeply and widely mourned. The funeral to the local cemetery was largely attended.

KILKENNY.—On Nov. 19 occurred the death of Mrs. Nannie White, of Kyle House, Gowran. She was the daughter of the late Mr. John Rice, Dublin. Office, High Mass and funeral were largely attended.

Miss Margaret Mary Hogan, daughter of the late Mr. John Hogan, Galinstown, was professed a member of the Order of Mercy on November 13 in the Convent of Mount Saint Patrick, Downpatrick, County Down. The newly professed took the name of Sister Mary Malacki Joseph.

KING.—Rev. R. S. Craig, Protestant curate of Tullamore during the past fifteen years, has been appointed incumbent of that parish.

Mrs. Catherine Farrell, of Clara, died Nov. 17, at Bury Quay, Tullamore, deeply and widely mourned. Funeral and Solemn Requiem services were largely attended.

LONGFORD.—The Longford Branch United Irish League, is progressing in fine style. The weekly meetings are attended by ever-increasing numbers and the roll of membership correspondingly swelled.

LOUTH.—Sister Mary Celestine of the Convent of Mercy, Dundalk, died Nov. 20, deeply mourned. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Neary, of Dundalk.

A general meeting of the Drogheda Catholic Club was held in the Mayor's House on Nov. 18 for the election of the executive committee and to transact other business in connection with the formation of the club. Right Rev. Mgr. Seagrave, St. Peter's, presided.

MEATH.—Rev. Dr. Gaffney, Bishop of Meath, arrived in Trim on Nov. 17 on a short visit to Rev. M. Woods. He presided over a large conference of the clergy of the Diocese of Meath at Navan, Nov. 20.

QUEEN'S.—Father Mathew Tracy, pastor of Rosenthal, died in Dublin, Nov. 16. The deceased was a native of Carlow and for thirty years was in the sacred ministry. During his long career he was in his early life for two years in the Scotch mission, returning to Clonbullogue, where he remained twenty-three years, being transferred to Rosenthal three years ago.

WESTMEATH.—On Nov. 17 Mr. John P. Hayden, M. P. was presented at the Examiner office, Mullingar, with a magnificently framed certificate of honorary membership in the Irish National Foresters (Dr. Nulty branch), into which Mr. Hayden was recently initiated. Mr. Michael Duffy, chief ranger, made the presentation.

WEXFORD.—John Howlett, aged 30 years, farmer, of Ramsgrange, was killed by accident Nov. 12. On the fateful day young Howlett was engaged with two horses in the carting of corn to Arthurstown. One of these horses was a nasty tempered animal, and on the return journey, in the hollow of the road leading to Ramsgrange, this horse began to give trouble, and got his forefoot into another cart. Howlett, in trying to set the vicious animal right, got jammed between the wheel and the cart, which turned over on him and broke his spine.

The Very Rev. Canon Kavanagh, New Ross, informed the congregations on Nov. 17 that the "Grand Annual Demonstration" in aid of the new church funds will be held at the doors of the churches and chapels of the town. He explained that there had been collected \$115,000, and that \$15,000 of a debt remained.

WICKLOW.—The new Dominican Convent buildings, Wicklow, are being erected as rapidly as could be expected. The situation of the structure is Bay View, Kilmartin Hill. It is intended after completing the present part of the plans, which are chiefly for the residential quarters of the order, to proceed with the erection of a chapel.

MUNSTER

CLARE.—Mr. Andrew Moloney, pig buyer of Ennis, was found drowned in the river near Ennistymon. He attended the Ennis fair on Nov. 12.

A branch of the Anti-Treating League was established in Clooney, on Nov. 16. The objects of the League having been explained by Father Breen 200 persons subscribed their names and were supplied with Anti-Treating Badges.

A farmer named John McNamara living in the outskirts of Killee, left that town by train a few weeks ago, for Dublin, to enter St. Mark's Ophthalmic Hospital, for the purpose of being operated upon for an affection of the eyes. Since then his friends have lost all traces of him. Mr. Oliver Hanly of Killee traveled with him as far as Ennis, and he was recognized on the platform at the Limerick Railway station, but after that all is blank.

CORK.—At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Cork International Exhibition the Mayor, Mr. Fitzgerald, who presided, said the first thing they would have to consider was the report and balance sheet of the undertaking since the first day they collected a penny up to that day.

The Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Cloyne, has appointed the Rev. Francis Murphy, Middleton, and the Rev. Richard Thorne, Mallow, to make a collection in the city of Dublin for the Completion Fund of the Cathedral of Cloyne at Cork. The two clergymen, who have made successful collecting tours in different parts of the country, will be absent for a month. A great bazaar and fancy fair will be held in the autumn of 1903 for the purpose of liquidating the debt of \$70,000 still due on the Cathedral, and the Bishop of Cloyne hopes that his friends outside the diocese will assist him in making the bazaar a success.

On Nov. 5 the contractors and exhibitors in the machinery section of the Cork exhibition entertained a large company at supper in the Imperial

Hotel the occasion being availed for the presentation of illuminated addresses to Mr. Henry A. Cutler, C. E., honorary architect to the exhibition, and to Mr. H. H. Nalder, chief engineer, Cork Electric Tramway and Lighting Company. Mr. Cutler was also presented with a magnificent five-inch theodolite and a gold stop watch, and Mr. Nalder with a case of silver requisites, a teapot, cream ewer, sugar bowl, and a selection of spoons.

The annual meeting of the Cork branch of the Gaelic League was held Nov. 4 in the Lancashire Schools, George's street. Rev. Father Augustine, O. S. F. C., presided. The secretary, Mr. Shorten, read the annual report of the committee, as follows: "In laying before you the report of the working of the Cork branch of the Gaelic League for the past session, I do not think that the progress made admits of any great congratulations, as far as the movement in the city of Cork is concerned. Not that progress has not been made, but results have not been as satisfactory as we would wish."

Intelligence from Goleen, Nov. 7, stated that a man named Melville was found strangled to death at Ballyrizzard, with a panier. A jury, of which Mr. Patrick Hegarty was foreman, having been sworn, a brother of the deceased deposed that his brother's name was William Melville, aged 35 years, and that in the morning he left the house for the purpose of bringing home a panier of turf. Not returning in reasonable time witness went to look for him, and found him dead, with the rope or "ray" of the panier around his neck, and one twist in it, which squeezed the neck. In witness's opinion deceased put the panier on a sloping rock near the turf rack, and then put the "ray" or rope handle over his head and around his neck, which is the practice with all people with a heavy load, and he must have been trying to fix it when the panier rolled over. He was found dead by witness 16 feet below. The jury found a verdict in accordance with this evidence.

A public meeting organized for the purpose of establishing a branch of the United Irish League for Passage and District was held lately. The attendance was large and representative and the spirit and enthusiasm which characterized the proceedings was an indication that the people of the town and parish are in accord with the programme of the United Irish League, and determined to make the branch worthy of the reputation which their locality acquired in successive National movements.

Recent deaths in Cork.—HURLEY.—On Nov. 19, Anna Maria Hurley, Apsley Cottage, Glasheen Road, grand-daughter of the late Timothy O'Herlihy, Tullimore, Coachford, and niece of Sister Mary, St. Vincent De Paul Convent Good Shepherd, Limerick.—DUNSMOND.—At 59 Richmond Hill, An Drew Desmond, formerly of South Square, Maroon O'CONNOR.—At Turin, Cork, Nov. 18, John O'Connor, aged 88 years.—MAHER.—On Nov. 15, at Abbeyside, Dungarvan, Andrew Maher.—M'CARTHY.—On Nov. 18, at Crowley's Lane, Florry McCarthy, late journeyman of the Butter Exchange.—HEGARTY.—On Nov. 19, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Patrick Hegarty, late of Carrignavar.—SWAN.—On Nov. 7, 289 Center avenue, Chicago, Ill., U. S. A., of pneumonia, Thomas P. Swan, late of Cork city.—DEMPSEY.—At 3 Roche's Row, Queenstown, on Nov. 20, Richard Dempsey, H. M. Customs.—MAHONY.—On Nov. 19, at Ballymore, Queenstown, Dennis Mahony, late of Waterstown, aged 74 years.—MAHONY.—On Nov. 20, at 50 Grand Parade, Ellen Mahony.—O'SULLIVAN.—On Nov. 19, Katie O'Sullivan, Main street, Cahiriveen, aged 21 years.—SHEEHAN.—At Bristol, Nov. 18, Sarah Jane Sheehan, third daughter of Mrs. Nagle, Ballinamorrive, aged 21 years.—COAKLEY.—On Nov. 15, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Ellen Coakley.—ROONEY.—On Nov. 15, John Rooney, 115 Sunday's Well.—CRONIN.—On Nov. 16, at 128 Randon Road, Michael Cronin.—HOBBS.—At 14 Lough Road, Kate Hobbs.—ANGLIN.—On Nov. 20, at Glenbrook, James F. Anglin, of Messrs. S. Anglin and Sons, Cork.—SWEENEY.—Nov. 20, John McSweeney, 29 Boyces street.—O'DONOVAN.—At the Mercy Hospital, Norah Donovan, Dominick street.—SPILLANE.—On Nov. 16, at South Fever Hospital, Norah Spillane, Blarney.—O'CONNELL.—At Lissard, Burnfort, Denis O'Connell.

KERRY.—Probate of the will, dated May, 1902, of the Rev. Matthew Dillon, Newtowndillon, who died Oct. 26 last, has been granted to his nephew, Rev. Jeremiah Dillon, to whom the testator bequeathed his gold watch and library; to his brother Patrick, \$500; to his sister, Mrs. Danaher, \$250, and for Masses for the repose of his soul, \$2250. Father Dillon left the residue of his property in trust as in two-thirds thereof for the children of the poor attending the schools of Newtowndillon, and one-third for children attending the schools of Knockana. He bequeathed to the parish a sum of \$1,125, which he had expended on the Presbytery, and he bequeathed to the parish the thirty-eight new pews which he had put up.

His personal estate has been valued at \$8,512.

The death of Mr. Florence O'Sullivan, of a Ballybroman, on Nov. 14, removed a prominent figure from the life of North Kerry. Mr. O'Sullivan had reached the good age of 74 years. The funeral took place on Sunday. It was one of the largest funerals in the country for many years.

LIMERICK.—The death of Mr. Thomas Kelly, of No. 5 Mount Vincent Cottages, Limerick, occurred Nov. 17, at an advanced age. For many years he had been governor of Limerick City Prison. The remains were removed to St. Michael's Catholic Church, from which the funeral took place to St. Lawrence's Cemetery.

On Nov. 16 a great meeting of Nationalists was held in the Town Hall, Limerick, under the auspices of the local branch of the United Irish League, to protest against the savage Coercion sentence passed on Mr. Jeremiah Buckley, the proprietor of the Limerick Leader, by a bench of Castle Removables. Notwithstanding the extreme inclemency of the weather the hall was packed to its utmost accommodating capacity, and in the whole of the proceedings was to be found the best testimony of the Leader's popularity among the sterling people, of whose National aspirations it is its endeavor to be a faithful organ. The following resolution, among several others, was passed unanimously: "That this meeting of Nationalists and citizens of Limerick place on record its condemnation of the brutal system of tyranny enforced upon a peaceful and crimeless citizen a system under which our best citizens are condemned to imprisonment with hard labor, without trial by their countrymen in court and that we denounce the vindictive sentence imposed on Mr. Buckley of the Limerick Leader, because he had advocated in that paper a crimeless form of combination such as is legally practised by every docker and trades unionist in England and Scotland."

TIPPERARY.—Mr. Thomas O'Connor, Gladstone street, Clonmel, died Nov. 19, deeply and widely mourned. Funeral and Requiem services were numerous attended.

A man named Michael Ryan was run over and killed Nov. 14 by a train from Thurles to Fethard when crossing the line between Farnateen and the last mentioned town.

On Nov. 18 the return home, after a sentence of two months imprisonment under the Coercion Act, of Reo Colpus Meagher and Joseph Gantley, was, as in the case of their fellow-prisoners, fittingly celebrated. The Roserea band traveled down to Ballybrophy, where they were joined by the local life and drum band, and both discoursed patriotic airs on the railway platform until the arrival of the train. On alighting Messrs. Meagher and Gantley received a great ovation, while the bands played. Before the train of the Roserea section left Mr. Meagher addressed the people, and he had come back determined never to carry on the good work of the United Irish League.

WATERFORD.—While in the work of excavation in Condit lane, Waterford City, Nov. 18, while a cutting is being made for sewerage purposes, workmen unearthed six human skulls, and some bones. The lane and adjoining houses, it appears, are on the site of the grounds attached to the old Blackfriars Abbey, and it is probable that the place where the discovery was made was in ancient days a cemetery.

The Board of Works, in their annual report, issued as a Parliamentary paper, record that they have under the Ancient Monuments' Protection Act, taken over the care of the historic French Church in Waterford, in which the family of Lord Roberts retained burial rights. The rule, which dates back to 1240, when the Franciscans founded their first monastery in Ireland on the spot, now consists of the nave, tower, transept, and choir of an ancient church, the tower and transept only being roofed. The 1695 the choir was set apart as a burial place for the Huguenot community who had settled as refugees in Waterford. The last pastor of the Waterford Huguenots died in 1819, and was buried in the nave of the church. The great-grandmother of Lord Roberts was a Huguenot, Mary Susannah Sautelle, his great-grandfather being an eminent architect of his day. It was through the Huguenot side of the family that the existing burial rights arose.

Seizures were made in Tallow Nov. 20 consequent on the verdict in the celebrated United Irish League case. A posse of 80 armed policemen, with bailiffs, seized on the farm of Miss Carroll, Tourtane, property supposed to belong to Mr. Con Ronan, at 4.30 a. m. Leaving a force in charge the remainder proceeded to Alex Hecker's and seized stock on his brother's farm which they impounded in defendant's yard, leaving men in charge. The remainder proceeded to Tallow, where their numbers were augmented by 60 police, who arrived at Tallow road and seized and impounded Mr. P. F. Walsh's cattle, then took possession of his house and the houses of the other defendants in the town, viz., Mr. John O'Brien, Mr. J. J. Walsh and Mr. John McGrath. Mr. Laurence

Walsh, farmer, was also visited and police and bailiffs left in charge. Mr. John Condon, Templevally, County Cork, another of the defendants, has been also visited by Cork bailiffs and police, although he has appealed. No resistance was offered in any case.

ULSTER

ANTRIM.—On Nov. 16, died at No. 94 Hanover street, Belfast, Mr. Hugh Black, who had attained the age of 103 years. He was born at Ballycastle the year after the insurrection, but spent the greater portion of his life in the County Down, where he followed the occupation of a farmer. For the past three years he was in failing health, and when his wife died seven months ago, at the age of 93, his son brought the old man to reside with him in Hanover street.

Owing to an accident which occurred lately in the North Howard street branch of Fairbairn, Lawson, Combe & Barbour (Ld.), Belfast, the well-known iron and steel founders, the works have been temporarily closed and two thousand hands are out of employment. The suspension was caused by the breakdown of a 50-ton flywheel. No person was injured.

ARMAGH.—The Armagh Branch of the United Irish League recently forwarded \$100 to the trustees of the Irish National Defense Fund. The remittance was made through I. Donnelly, B. Downey, J. McGilone, and P. McKenna to William O'Brien, M. P.

CAVAN.—Miss Ellen O'Reilly, daughter of the late Mr. Patrick O'Reilly, Oakfield Mullagh, died Nov. 7, in Dublin. The remains were conveyed by rail to Kelly's and from there to the family burial place in Kelly's Church.

The death occurred rather suddenly on Nov. 1 of Mrs. Philip Keown, Cornahulla. When returning from Mass she took suddenly ill on the road near the chapel. Father Farnan administered the last sacrament. The funeral on Monday was largely attended. Interment took place at Toura Chapel, Father Farnan officiating.

In the Dublin courts, lately, before the Lord Chief Baron, the cases of Crookenden and another vs. Reilly, John Leddy and James Leddy, which were judgments on the well-known Dobra estate, were listed for hearing. Mr. D. S. Henry for the plaintiffs, mentioned that he and Mr. Healy, M. P., who represented the tenants, were endeavoring to effect a settlement, as had been suggested by the Lord Chief Justice. Some 400 cases depended on these actions, and he would ask that they should stand over to next term. An order was made adjourning the cases as requested.

The annual meeting of the Dobally Branch of the United Irish League for the election of committee and officers was held at Dobally Chapel on Nov. 9. There was a very large attendance. Unbounded enthusiasm was displayed by all present in reference to the manner in which the duties of the old committee were carried out in the past and especially since the commencement of the great and glorious struggle on the Morley estate.

DERRY.—Dr. Thomas MacLaughlin presided over the recent meeting of the Derry Board of Guardians.

From the returns supplied by Mr. George Shott, Postal Government Inspector, the number of persons who sailed from Derry to United States of America during October was 808. The number for the same month last year was 579. The number of persons who sailed to British North America from Derry during October was 141. The number for the same last year being 120.

DONEGAL.—The parishioners of Buncrana have contributed about \$3,000 to the fund to liquidate the debt on St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry.

Mr. Bernard Quinn, of Lifford, died Nov. 14. He had attended the fair in Strabane on Wednesday previous. Deceased had lived almost all his life in Ballymagory. The interment took place at the family burying ground Cloughcor.

According to the census lately issued Letterkenny has a population of 2,370, exactly eleven more than Ballyshannon. Of 2,370 there are 1,112 men and 1,258 women. The returns of the ages show there is one man over a century. There are two women over 90 and under 95, two men and one woman over 80 and under 85, 5 men and 7 women over 75 and under 80, 17 men and 23 women over 70 and under 75.

November Festival was celebrated in true Irish fashion at Marble Hill, Dunfanaghy, the home of Mr. Hugh A. Law, M. P. On the night before Halloween a pleasant kitchen party was given by Mrs. Law to the young people of the district.

On Nov. 6 the twenty-fifth annual reunion of the natives of County Donegal and their friends resident in Glasgow and the West of Scotland was held in City Hall, Candleriggs. The first event of this character by the natives of Donegal took place twenty-five years ago, and at it Mr. Patrick Cannon presided. Cardinal Logue was in the chair on the present occasion, making it the fourth time he presided over the meeting of the Irish Gaels in Scotland. There were three

thousand present. National banners, and arrangements have been made for the erection of a new schoolhouse. The site is near the old school, and the landlord of the ground has given the site free for ever. He has also defrayed the legal expenses caused by the transfer of the property. The sum of \$250 is required for the securing the tenant-right of the plot. To meet the expenses a collection has been opened among the Catholics of the districts of Shinn and Sheeptown.

FERNANAGH.—The parish church at Ardess was filled lately with persons to witness the marriage of Miss Mary Ann Elliott, daughter of Mr. David Elliott, merchant, Ederney, to Mr. Joseph Scott, of Ederney; and formerly of Binghamton, N. Y., youngest son of Mr. William Scott, Methuen, New Zealand. The presents were useful, numerous and very valuable.

MONAGHAN.—On Nov. 16, a meeting of the Maghera Branch, U. I. L., was held. Mr. Thomas Toal in the chair. The collection in aid of the Parliamentary and Defense Funds and for registration purposes was made in the Maghera district and was a success. Collectors were appointed to take up the collection in the other districts.

Those on the Divisional Executive of the United Irish League in South Monaghan held a meeting in the Hall, Ballytrain, Oct. 26. The object of the meeting was to organize parochial collections for the national defense fund.

Mr. Duffy, relict of the late Thos. Duffy, Old Cross Square, Monaghan, breathed her last at her residence, Drumhirk, Nov. 15. The funeral on Monday, was very largely attended and afforded evidence of the esteem in which Mrs. Duffy was held.

TYRONE.—Samuel Patterson, Aughnamore, Dromore, died Nov. 13, at the great age of 100 years.

The remains of Mrs. Rose McCann of Badoney, near Trillick, were found in a big hole near her home Nov. 21. She had been in Trillick that day, and was returning to her home about 8 p. m. The remains showed that the poor woman had been brutally attacked and resisted as long as it was possible for any person to resist the brute or brutes who assailed her. The police are making inquiries, and it is hoped that the guilty person or persons will soon be under arrest.

According to the census just published, the total number of persons speaking Irish and English in the urban and rural districts in the county is: Cookstown urban, 44; Dungannon urban, 114; Omagh urban, 104; Strabane urban, 137. Rural districts: Castleterg, 780; Clogher, 97; Cookstown, 560; Dungannon, 445; Trillick, 42; Omagh, 2,887; Strabane, 1,242. The total number in the county speaking Irish only is 2, one in each of Omagh and Castleterg. The total number able to speak Irish and English in 1901 was 6,452, and in 1891 6,680. While the general population decreased by 12 per cent. in the decade, the Irish-speaking population decreased by only 3 per cent.

An exciting scene with the crooked convict, James Lynch, has been reported from Beltany. Grange Wood, Newtownstewart. It appears that while Constable Duffy, Lurgan, was on vacation a few miles from Omagh, he was making his way by bicycle from Newtownstewart, in the late evening, he noticed a man walking close to the hedge. This caused the constable to alight and approach the man whom he asked for a match. A powerful bike lamp threw a light on the wayfarer, when the wily constable learned, to his surprise and pleasure, that he was face to face with the redoubtable Lynchman. Lynchman obliged with a match, but the policeman wanted more, and proceeded to ply the traveler with inconvenient questions. Lynchman replied: "What is your business who I am?" Duffy said that he was an Irish detective. Immediately the detective took the man in charge and requested to have the pleasure of his company as far as Newtownstewart. The prisoner consented, but they had not gone far when Duffy remarked that his charge put his hand in an off pocket, from which he drew a knife, the flash of steel being discernable by the light of the lamp. Presently the prisoner made a violent thrust, which was ducked by the policeman, who at the same time seized the convict by the arms, overpowering him. Whilst down the constable wrenched the knife from the hand and threw it aside, and also extracted from his baffled charge a promise to go quietly with him. Bedaubed with dirt and bleeding, they proceeded on their way, but hardly had they started when the ex-convict, using his disengaged hand, gave his captor such a blow as completely stunned him, and Lynchman got away. Grangewood, where Lynchman got away, is the place where Sub-inspector Thomas Hartley Montgomery hid the money stolen from the Northern Bank, Newtownstewart, after the murder of William Glass, the cashier, who was also the bosom friend of the murderer of thirty years ago—June 20, 1871. Lynchman, who speaks Irish fluently, is wanting for nothing from the peasants of the Gortin district, who are themselves largely Irish speakers.