IRISH LETTER

NEWS FROM ALL THE COUNTIES OF IRELAND.

What Is Being Done by the People at Home—Various Items From Every Section of the Emerald Isle.

Connaught

GALWAY.—On Easter Sunday, before a large assemblage of spectators, in the old cricket field on Bishop street, loaned by the Very Rev. M. J. MacHugh, president of St. Jarlath's, Tuam, was played a good football match between the Corofin Rebels and Dunmore MacHales. The Rebels won by one point only. The following are the names of the Corofin team: J. J. Daly, captain; J. Stephens, C. Ryan, J. Molloy, P. Stephens, M Nalty, P. Broderick, J. Duggan, J. Glynn, P. Burns, J. Carroll, J. Ryan, P. Welby, P. Lohan, T. MacHugh, T. Costello and Roddy Nohilly.

Mr. P. Joyce, of Headford, died March 31, aged 80 years. During 50 years he held the position of clerk of petty sessions. On April 2 his remains were removed to the church, where solemn high mass de requiem was celebrated, the celebrant being the Rev. ather McEvilly; the Rev. Fathers Heavy and Lee, deacon and subdeacon; Very Rev. J. Canon Barrett, master of ceremonies. After a short interval his remains were placed in the family vault at the ancient churchyard of Killurso, under the shadow of the old church founded by St. Fursa. The chief mourners were: Patrick and William Joyce, sons; Mrs. Kyne, daughter; M. P. Garvey and W. Kyne, sons-in-law; J. Walsh, nephew; the Misses Mary, Nora and Agnes Garvey, granddaughters; Master J. W. Garvey, Thomas and Patrick Kyne, grandsons. Father MacEvilly officiated at the grave.

LEITRIM.—The attendance at the Irish classes held by the Bornacoola Branch of the Gaelic League continues good. The examination of the junior pupils was held on April 1. The progress made since the beginning of the session is marked, and the best proof of the zeal they bestowed on their work. The bad weather which prevailed during Irish language week militated against the collection for the language fund. However, the amount obtained compares favorably with the sums sent by other rural branches. The members are acquiring Irish prayers and songs, in addition to other ordinary book work.

MAYO.—Mr. John Walsh, newly elected chairman of the Westport rural council, was sworn in a justice of the peace on April 16

The Gaelic League two day Feis Mayo was opened in Ballyhaunis, April 15, and was a great success. All that constitute the real Celt were in evidence: Literature, recitation, song, music, dance and story; all hallowed by the faith and suffering of the race.

The remains of the late Mr. Milling, surgeon-dentist, Dublin, killed in the railway accident at Castlerea, arrived in Westport, April 11, and were met at the railway station by a very large number of townspeople and all the available men of the R. I. C. in the town and vicinity, and conveyed to the residence of his father, County Inspector Milling, of arley Hill House, one mile from Westport. On Monday the interment took place in the new cemetery of the Protestant church. Much regret is felt for the late Mr. Milling, who was a great favorite. He was always courteous and affable to all, and a kind neighbor while living in Westport, where he practiced his profession for many years.

ROSCOMMON.—On Easter Sunday the Stokestown Hurling Club, with visitors from Longford, marched to the practice ground, after last mass, headed by their president, Mr. J. Mahony, and captain, Mr. Bernard Duignan. Each carried his caman on his shoulder, and the whole was an inspiring sight as they marched up Elphin street. A splendid practice match was played, the Longford visitors expressing themselves delighted with the play of the Strokestown men.

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The death of Mr. Michael Mullin occurred at Coristoona, Ballintubber, on April 8, aged 92 years. The deceased had enjoyed good health up to a short time previous to his death. The deceased was a member of one of the oldest and most respected families in the parish of Ballintubber, and during his long life earned the respect and esteem of all who knew him. The funeral which took place to Oran, on Good Friday, was of large proportions, testifying to the respect in which deceased and his family are held. The Rev. James Martin, Ballintubber, officiated at the graveside. The chief mourners were: Michael Mullin, son; Mrs. Conlon, Thomas Conlon, grandsons; Mrs. Ryan, Miss Conlon, granddaughters; Thomas Kenny, Pat Kenny, James Kenny, T. Mullin, P. McDermott, nephews; Mrs. Govern, Mrs. Mona, nieces.

A meeting of the Tireragh Coiste Ceantar was recently held at Tubbercurry N. S. Mr. Patrick Golden, [illegible], presided. There was a reception of committees from Skreen, Dromard and Templeboy. The acting secretary said that their professor, Mr. Meagher, wished to say a few words relative to the kindness of his employer, Rev. M. J. Munnelly. Mr. Meagher said that in all his experience a worthier clergyman never came under his notice. He wished that his most sincere thanks should be conveyed to Father Munnelly, and he would ever remember his kind words—words of the dear "soggarth aroon." He hoped when he would return, his pupils would welcome him in the sweet voice of the God. The chairman on behalf of Father Munnelly, said that he (Father Munnelly) had not only won the confidence of Mr. Meagher, but he had made a host of friends. He had converted the degraded drunkard into a temperance soldier; he had won the love and esteem of every household in the three parishes. He furthermore, had made smithereens of the shebeen house. Father Munnelly was on the path to make Ireland of to-day as the Ireland of the early days. He, at some length, spoke of ancient history, and concluded by showing that the establishment of the Gaelic League would achieve Ireland's greatness as a nation.

Munster

CLARE.—Among the delegates representing County Clare in the great National Convention held in Dublin, April 16 and 17, were: Rivertown, John Callaghan; Kilrush, Michael O'Meara, P. Burke, Michael Meehan, Michael O'Dea; Cooraclare, T. Lillis, Michael Mescal, Edmond Murphy; Lobasheeda, John O'Neill, John Kelly, W. Kelly; Touclea, Daniel O'Loughlin, M. Clancy, Jeremiah Considine; Bealaha, Thomas Greene, James Downes, T. McGrath; Ballyconell, Hugh McKiernan, J. F. O'Kane, Francis McGovern; Killimer and Knockerra, T. Talty, John Grogan, James Blake; Parteen, Denis F. McNamara, Thomas Hartigan, Michael O'Grady; Feakle, William O'Connor, T Malone, John Doyle; Truagh, P. Fitzgerald, T. O'Brien, John P. Nunan; Kilmihill, Patrick Ryan, P. Lillis, J Fitzpatrick.

CORK.—The first conference for the year of the priests of the Midleton Deanery was held April 13 in the Midleton new Church of Our Lady of the Rosary. Most Rev Dr. Browne, bishop of the diocese, presided, and the clergy present were: Midleton, Very Rev. Canon Hutch, D. D.; Rev. C. S. O'Connor, Rev Francis Murphy, Rev. Dr. Dineen, Youghal, Rt. Rev. Monsignor Keller, Rev M Aherne, Rev. J. Nagle, Rev M Whelan; Queenstown, Rev T Madigan, administrator; Rev. J D Sexton, administrator; Rev. D O'Connor, Rev J O'Donoghue; Cloyne, Rev. J. O'Riordan, Rev. J. rowne, Aghada, Very Rev. Canon Ryan, Rev McRea, Rev D. Foley; Castlemartyr, Rev M. Aherne, Rev. D. rowne, Ladysbridge, Rev. James Sisk, Rev D Dennehy, Rev. James Keller; Lisgoold, Rev J O'Keeffe, Rev. M Curtin, Carrighwohill, Rev. John arry, Rev T Roche, Killeagh, Rev. E. Murphy, Rev. P. T. Sheehan.

A discovery was made on April 8 in a wood near Passage. While boys were birdnesting they came across the skeleton of what appears to have been a man. Word was sent to the police barrack, Passage, and Sergeant O'Donnell was at once on the scene. The sergeant stated that the skeleton was evidently that of a man. The skull is preserved and a number of the bones are intact. The skeleton bears evidence of having lain in the place for twenty years. Traces of what is known as a "three-decker" hat, a clay pipe and a half-penny were discovered. Where the remains were found the furze and briars are exceedingly high. The extraordinary part of the affair is that the discovery was not made before. No clue has been found as to the identity of the remains, and probably none will be found, as they seem to have lain there for twenty years. The bones are moss-grown and some of them have melted away, as also have the clothes, with the exception of the hat, boots and part of the shirt, all of which are old fashioned. The pipe, though unbroken, is in a very brittle condition, and the halfpenny dates from 1862. Popular theories maintain that they are the remains of a man hunted down in the "bad times" or of some patriot who died of exposure. There is no recollection of any one missing for such a long time. The matter has been reported to the coroner.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—MEANY—On April 16, at St. Patrick's hospital, Timothy Meany. SMITH—On April 15, at Snugboro, Ballycotton, Isaac Smyth, aged 64. LANE—On April 13, at Bank House, Dunmanway, Thomasina H. Lane. O'BRIEN—On April 13, at Kippane, Charleville, Margaret O'Brien, daughter of the late Patrick Kagney Dullas, Croom. O'SHEA—On April 13, at Templemichael, Upper Glanmire, Bartholomew O'Shea. BARRETT—On Easter Monday, at the Mercy Hospital, Cork, Edward Augustine Barrett. CULLINANE—On April 12, at 15 Great George's Street West, Nora Cullinane, aged 15 years. HORGAN—On April 12, at 14 Hawthorn terrace, Queenstown, Mary Horgan. O'CONNELL—On April 17, at 26 Madden's Buildings, Bridget O'Connell. KENT—On April 16, at St. Patrick's hospital, Wellington road, Edward Kent, Roman street. CARROLL—On April 17, at Ross Cottage, Charleville, Kate Carroll. GAYER—On April 1, at 28 Grand parade, Ellen Gayer, St. Ann's Mills, Blarney. HEMEON—On April 16, at 3 Sandymount, Queenstown, Florence Marian (Flossie), daughter of the late Capt. James Hemeon of Port Tampa, Florida, and the grandchild of Frances and James Welwood, R. I. C., Queenstown. SHEEHY—On April 17, at Reen, Kate Sheehy. MURPHY—On April 17, at St. Dominick's terrace, James Murphy, sanitary officer.

KERRY.—Mrs. O'Neill died in Dingle, April 10 at the most extraordinary age of 125 years.

Robert Taugney, aged 80 years, fisherman, of Guerameen, was found dead in his boat on the Upper Lake, Killarney, April 13. The point where his boat was found is named Kingsboro. The boat was partly filled with water, as if he had fallen out of it, succeeded in getting in again, and then died.

The death of Mrs. Mary Wren Letter, Asdee, occurred April 16, at an advanced age. The funeral cortege to the family burial place at Ahavalla was large and representative. The funeral obsequies were performed by the Very Rev. Father Pierse, allylongford, assisted by the Rev. J. Harrington.

LIMERICK.—Three members of the Redemptorist Community at Mount St. Alphonsus, Limerick, Rev. Father Murphy, Rev P. J. Lynch, Rev. Father Stack, have left Limerick for the Australian mission.

A Limerick mystery has been cleared up by the finding of the body of Mrs. Lucy Hanrahan, aged 65, of Henry street, Limerick, in the Shannon at Meelick, County Clare, on April 13. The deceased had been missing since Nov 27, when she left her home to visit some friends at Arthur's Quay, and, being shortsighted, walked into the river. The remains were identified by her daughter, Mrs. Howlett. eceased, who resided in the Henry street district for over fifty years, was esteemed The funeral, on April 4, was well attended.

TIPPERARY. — On Easter Sunday teams representing the Tipperary Club and Galtee Rovers met on the sports' field, Tipperary, in the semi-final round of the County Football Championship Mr John Fogarty, Kilfeacle, F C, acted as referee. The Tipperary team were victorious

On April 14 Patrick Coady, aged 70 years, of Annesgrove, near Thurles, was traveling from Clonmel to Fethard by train, when he was noticed by occupants to suddenly become ill In a very short time he collapsed and his dead body was taken out at Fethard eceased spent many years in the gold fields of Australia where he made a considerable amount of money Only a few coppers and a loaded revolver were found in his pockets The remains of deceased were interred at Callan

WATERFORD.—Among the deaths reported lately from Waterford City were those of Mr rancis MerFnin, of 16 Patrick street Mr Bernard Hayden, and Mr Maurice McGrath, Gracedieu

Miss Alice Kavanaugh, Ballylaneen, died April 23, aged 25 years, deeply regretted The funeral to Dunhill cemetery was very largely attended.

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CARLOW.—In football contests, Gaelic juniors, teams Borris Sarsfield, Ballenkillen, Sarsfields, played in Borris, Easter Sunday, the Sarsfields were victors.

Mrs. Mary Hughes, wife of Mr. Timothy Hughes, died at Ballinabranna, April 5 A large circle of friends and relatives mourn her death Deceased was a member of the Carlow board of guardians and district council; as a member of the visiting committee and of the ladies' committee for visiting nurse children. She was a sister of Mr. John Byrne, Clonagh, member of the Queen's county council, and of Mr. Patrick Byrne, Coolenagh, member of the Carlow board of guardians. Office and high mass at Ballinabranna church on Friday, after which the funeral took place.

Miss Bridget Rafter, of Knock-thomas, died on Easter Saturday, deeply regretted The requiem office and high mass were sung at the parish church, Newtown, on Monday. The Rev. T. J. Kelly, Emo, presided; the Rev. John Breen, Bagnalstown was celebrant of the mass.

DUBLIN.—Mr. George I. Wells, of Wells and Holohan, died April 13, at his residence, Sandymount, Dublin, aged 63 years.

Mr. A. M. Geddes, of Crofton Ter-race, Kingstown, was killed on Good Friday, by being thrown off a motor-bicycle on the Stillorgien road. He removed his right hand from the handlebar for one instant, and thus caused the machine to get beyond control.

A case of exceptional importance to Gaelic speakers and supporters of the Gaelic revival came on for hearing April 14, at Rathfarnham Petty Sessions Court. Constable William Corrigan summoned John Lawless for refusing to give his name and address while on the licensed premises of Teresa Murphy. It appears the defendant, when asked by the constable for his name and address gave them in Irish, and the constable thereupon took him into custody. When the case was called the district inspector applied for an adjournment, upon the grounds that he wished to have advice and instructions from headquarters. Mr. David A. Quaid, solicitor, who appeared for the defendant, stated that his client had no objection to an adjournment, stated that his client had no objection to an adjournment, and he would facilitate the authorities in every way, as the case was one which occupied considerable public attention, and which occupied considerable public attention, and which should never have been brought into court, and, in his opinion, the zeal of the constable had outrun his discretion. His client was prepared meet the charge whenever the district inspector was in a position to bring it forward.

Recent Deaths in Dublin—BYRNE—April 16, at 2 Casino terrace, Malahide road, clontaf, at Riverdale, Killucan, Mrs. Elizabeth Cunningham, aged 76 years, Rathmines, Thomas Elzo Glenan, aged 67 years BRADY—April 16, at 9 George's place, Kingstown, Margaret Brady, Cross avenue, Kingstown. O'TOOLLE—April 15, Patrick O'Toole, 35 Cornmarket. SCALLY—April 16, at 2 Arran quay, Bridget Scally, formerly of Prospect terrace. Glasnevin. GUTHRIE—April 15, at 12 Courtney place, Ballybough road, Dora Brunswick street, Mrs. Anne Coates. DODD—April 17, at Drumcondra Hospital, Francis Leo Dodd, of the Education office. GANNON—April 17, at Main street, Rathfarnham, William Gannon. BYRNE—April 13, at 9 Weaver's Square, George Byrne, Warrant Officer, D. M. P. DAY—April 13, at 34 Pembroke street, Irishtown, Joseph Day. HAYDEN—April 13, at 43 Pleasant street, John J. Hayden, City Marshal's clerk. HAYDEN—Easter Sunday, April 12, at Infirmary, Mary Anne Hayden, daughter of the late Joseph Keogh, of 73 Great Britain street HERRA—April 14, Mary Frances (Dottie) aged 23 years, wife of E J Herra ROGERS—At Lusk, County Dublin, on April 11, 7 Hillsborough terrace, Botanic avenue, Drumcordra, Edward Finneran. McENERNEY April 10, at the Hospice for the Dying, Haroldscross, Mary McEnerney, daughter of John Caulin, formerly of Edmonstown, Kilkee, also sister of Mrs McEneney, Fairview, April 2, the Very Fev William J. Mahoney, S M, rector of Nelson, New Zealand Office and requiem, April 15, in the Parish church, Pallasgreen, County Limerick

KILDARE.—Mr. Sylvester Byrne, farmer of Punchestown, died Easter Monday from a gunshot wound in the breast

The death occurred at Nurney on April 2 of High Stapleton, who had reached his 100th year on the 15th of March last To the last he retained all his faculties unimpaired, and could relate experiences during the past half century with wonderful clearness Up to the time of his [illegible], which occurred a couple of months ago, he could read without the aid of glasses.

KINGS.—Patrick Walsh, an army pensioner, who lived in Banagher, was found dead in his room on April 11 He was aged 70 years

KILKENNY.—In the Convent of Mercy Carlow, April 14, Miss Kearns, of Ballyhale, was professed a member of the Order by Rt Rev Dr Foley, taking the religious name of Sister M. Baptist.

A largely attended meeting of the parishioners of Gowran was held on Easter Sunday, the Rev Father Ryan presiding. On the motion of Mr. Joseph Walsh, Redbog, seconded by Mr Henry Moore, Gowran, a resolution of regret at the death of Rev. Father Rockett, Rathdowney, was passed.

LONGFORD.—On April 15, a man named Kilduff, who resided near Keenagh, dropped dead on the canal bridge at the Longford side of Ballymahnon. He was going to Ballymahon to procure medicine for his wife.

The death of Mrs. Catherine Sorohan, Coronay, at the ripe age of 80 years, occurred lately. The deceased lady, whose maiden name was McGlade, belonged to a respectable family in Columbkille, and was an aunt of Mrs Patrick McGlade, inspector of National schools. In and around Coronay she was held in high esteem. The funeral was very large.

LOUTH.—On April 11, Mr. McCabe, assistant teacher in St. Mary's National school, Drogheda, picked up a $100 bank note, blown about by the wind on the footpath in West street. He immediately proceeded to the South Quay Police Barracks and handed it to Sergeant Doonan, after informing him of the manner in which he found it. In the course of the evening a young woman named Flinn reported the loss of a $100 bank note. She appeared in great distress. The sergeant questioned her, and her replies being satisfactory, he sent for McCabe and in his presence, after hearing the girl again repeat the circumstances of her loss and giving a description of the note, handed it to her.

MEATH.—Sister Mary Angela, of the Convent of Mercy, Carlow, was professed by Rt. Rev. Dr. Foley, bishop of Ildare and Leighlin, on April 16. She is Miss Julia Smith, of Kilmainham, Kells.

Mr. Lawrence Dowd, of Railway street, Navan, died April 10, deeply regretted. He was well known at the Navan Railway station during the past thirty years. The funeral was of very large dimensions, the chief mourners being: Mrs. Dowd, widow; Thomas, Bernard and P. Dowd, sons, Frances Dowd, daughter; Mrs. Kavanagh and Mrs. Skelly, sisters; Bernard and Shephen Ryan and James Skelly, brothers-in-law, and the nephews and nieces of deceased. On Wednesday evening following a meeting convened by Mr. J. Spicer, Chairman Urban Council, and Mr. W. Curry, chairman board of guardians, was held in the Young Men's Society hall for the purpose of starting a testimonial for the late Mr. Dowd's wife and family. Among those present were: J. Spicer, presiding; W. Curry, J. Maguire, J. Finegan, P. Mangan, James Fincane, P. J McQuillan, J. Cooke, P. Glacken, J. Grennan, J. Davis, J. Russell, J. P. Timmon, P. F. Byrne, J. Cuffe, J. Sheridan, J. Browne, S. Murray, E. O'Reilly, etc. A good sum of money was subscribed at the meeting.

QUEEN'S.—The death of Rev. James Rockett, pastor of Rathdowney, occurred on Good Friday, after a long period of sickness, deeply and widely mourned by the people and the clergy of the Diocese of Ossory.

An extraordinary incident took place in Abbeyleix lately An old pensioner named Howard was removed to the workhouse hospital on Easter Monday, and died the same evening. The friends signified their intention of providing a coffin. The remains were transferred to the mortuary. Next day the friends arrived, and carried away the coffin they had provided. A service was held in the church by the Rev. Mr. Bor, and the "interment" took place, a large number of friends and mourners attended the "funeral." On the following day (Wednesday) another death occurred in the workhouse, and this led to the discovery that Howard's remains had not been removed from the mortuary. The affair was rumored throughout the town, and caused a sensation. The police insisted that no attempt should be made to exhume the coffin until they be present, as a report was current that an old woman had been buried in mistake It was found, however, that the coffin buried in the churchyard was empty

WESTMEATH.—On April 15 a deputation from the tenantry of the Killucan estate of the Earl of Longford, K. P, waited on him with an address and presentation of a cup to his son and heir, Lord Silchester The cup is silver, weighing 40 ounces and is of Irish design and manufacture

The death of Mr. Francis Byrne, of Earl street, Mullingar happened in Dublin, April 13 after a short period of sickness deeply regretted The remains were conveyed to Mullingar and were met by a large concourse of people, and carried to St Mary's Cathedral. Solemn requiem office and high mass was celebrated on Wednesday morning The funeral took place from the cathedral for [illegible]shestown cemetery, the cortege being one of the largest seen in [illegible]

WEXFORD.—Mr. John McGrath, a farmer of [illegible], parish of Tintern died suddenly on the morning of Easter Sunday aged 67 years He had been about his business on the farm all Saturday in usual health.

Mr. P. Redmond, farmer, of Pepard's Castle, near Clonevan, died suddenly on Easter Saturday aged 40 years. He had been about his business on the farm Good Friday

WICKLOW.—Miss Grace Annesley, of 28 Main street, Arklow, died April 7, aged 50 years

The inquiry in re the closing of Kilgobbin and Rathmichael graveyards was resumed on April 16, when the claims of persons having right of burial there in were gone into. A public meeting was held at Loughlinstown to protest against the action of the district council in attempting to close Rathmichael burial ground. Several resolutions against the closing were passed.

Ulster

ANTRIM.—The death of the oldest inhabitant in the Ballycastle district, in the person of Mr. Alexander McKinnon, took place at Cloughcorr House, near Ballintoy, on April 12, at the patriarchal age of 104 years. Deceased lived in the Ballintoy district all his life, and was well known throughout the northern portion of Antrim. He had lived to see his great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Cole-man of Ballymoney, relict of the late John Coleman, took place from her son's residence, Slate street, Belfast, on April 3, to B. & N. C. railway terminus, and thence per rail to Ballymoney for interment. There was a good attendance, as follows: W. J. Coleman, son; P. Quinn, H. Owens, P. Laverty, H. Shields, H. Tevlin, G. Twible, A. Watson, S. Curran, J. O'Callaghan, O. Gilmore, P. Dempsey, P. Kelly, etc. At Ballymoney the funeral was attended by Rev. J. O'Gara, J. McMaster, J. McAfee, G. McFall, D. Dempsey, G. Bradshaw, J. Boyle, solicitor; J. Boyle, D. Boyle, D. Henry, J. O'Keefe, Dr. O'Kane.

ARMAGH.—The members of the Cladymore Branch ofthe United Irish League, held a meeting April 12. Among those present were: John O'Hara, president of the branch, presiding; Peter Gollogly, hon. secretary; Peter Harte, Charles Corr, F. Rocks, T. Gollogly, Malachy P. Vallely, F. McCann, Hugh Boyle, J. McArdle, M. Rafferty, Owen McCann, M. Lennon, J. Fee, Peter Rocks, T. Largy, M. McParland, James Love, O. McParland, Henry Rocks, F. Corr, etc. Mr. John O'Hara referred to the duty of every Irishman to support the National organization. Mr. Malachy P. Vallely, said if the government meant to settle the agrarian question they would accede to the demands of the Irish people. Mr. Peter Gollogly, hon. secretary, distributed copies of the Irish land bill sent by Mr. Campbell, M. P., and said that instead of the United Irish League dying, as Mr. Wyndham suggested, it is quite the contrary.

CAVAN.—The death of Mr. Michael Teevan, Kilnaglare, happened on March 31, at the age of 77 years, after a week's sickness, deeply regretted. The funeral to Dunlane Cemetery was very numerously attended.

The Anglo-Celt of April 11, said: "The new bishop of Los Angeles, Cal., Most Rev. Dr. Conaty, was born in 1847, at Gallon, Kilbride, now Mountnugent, in the county of Cavan, Diocese of Meath, within half a mile of where the present Bishop of Meath, Most Rev. Dr. Gaffney, was born. It is an interesting fact that when only 4 years of age Dr. Conaty's family were evicted because his father voted against his landlord. They then removed to Kilnaleck and after remaining there for a time emigrated to the United States. It is also remarkable that the Most Rev. Dr. Conaty is the third Bishop the Parish of Kilbride, or Mountnugent, has given to the church. In addition to the Most Rev. Dr. Gaffney, Bishop of Meath, who was born in the Cavan part of it, the late Most Rev. Dr McCabe, Bishop of Ardagh, was born in the Meath part of the parish. Dr. Conaty was rector of the Catholic University at Washington from 1896 to 1901, and his bishopric of Los Angeles forms part of the archdiocese of San Francisco, over which Archbishop Riordan rules"

DERRY.—The death of Mr. Philip O'Doherty, Waterside, Derry, took place on April 16. Deceased was a son of the late Mr Daniel Doherty, Sr., Bishop street, and ofan old Derry family held in esteem. He was well known in the cattle trade and conducted a prosperous business as butcher at Waterside. Deceased was a sterling Nationalist and a faithful member of the Catholic church.

DONEGAL.—Mrs. Breslin, of Clarhougeske, near Donegal Town, died suddenly a few days ago. The deceased was about 55 years of age. Mrs. Breslin had been in the town of Donegal doing business the day preceding her death, and after returning home retired for the night in the best of health and spirits Having members of the family working on the Donegal and Ballyshannon Railway extension works, she got up the next morning at 3 o'clock to prepare breakfast, when she was induced to go back to bed, as it was too early. She complained that she might oversleep herself, when her husband said some one would awaken her up in time The husband got up about 5 o'clock, kindled a fire, and entered the room to awaken Mrs. Breslin to prepare breakfast, but found her dead

Right Rev Monsignor Walker, Burtonport, gave the members of the choirs of his parish an excursion on Easter Monday over the new line of railway to the cathedral town of Letterkenny The party, in charge of Miss Hendren, Keadue, and Miss McCrossan, Mullaghduff, left Lough Meda at 8 a m As soon as the train steamed out of the station, the choristers, in the melodious and inspiring tongue of the Gael, made the hills resound with the grand and appropriate song "Mo Shean un na gall"

DOWN.—Mr. Michael Davitt, the veteran Irish patriot, delivered a fine and lucid address on the land bill in Joomebridge, April 13 It was one of the largest meetings ever held in the district, and was attended by priests and people It was most representative in character

MONAGHAN.—The interment took place on April 8, in Tyldesley Catholic cemetery, Manchester, of Mr. John Hand, who was a prominent figure in Irish circles in Liverpool. Mr. Hand was born in Castleblayney in 1843. He went to Liverpool at the age of 20, and was for a long time associated with the management of the Catholic Boys' Refuge in that city. Later he was engaged in the cotton trade. When the Home Rule movement was inaugurated in Great Britain, Mr. Hand was honorary secretary to the association, which welcomed Isaac Butt to Liverpool. He was a member of the committee of the first branch of the Land League estabiished in the Mersey city, and was a welcome speaker at the meetings. He was honorary secretary to the Irish Distress fund in 1880, which raised thousands of pounds for the relief of the famine-stricken people of the West. or twFelve years he was a faithful and efficient representative of the Catholic body in the Liverpool school board. He was a frequent contributor of verse and prose to Irish and American papers.

BERMANAGH.—Under the auspices of the St. Michael's Hall Celtic Football club, a grand ball was held in Enniskillen on Easter Monday night. Connolly's string band from Strabane rendered a delightful selection of music. Mr. John Holmes acted as master of ceremonies. The dance was the success of the season. The president, Mr. A. Hynes, the honorable secretaries, James Donnelly, Daniel Maguire, Mr. John Holmes, M. C., the committee and of the whole club are to be congratulated for their combined efforts to make it so.

TYRONE.—Died—April 12, Felix McCristall, Glenhordial, Omagh, aged 17 years. On April 9, at Carlea, Bernard McCullagh, for 42 years teacher of Ahee National school. Catherine McGrath, at Glassmullagh, Kilskerry, on April 8, aged 24 years.

The death took place on April 9 of Mr. Bernard McCullagh, who for half a century was teacher of the National school at Corlea, taught three generations, and was held in great respect. He had retired only a few months. The interment took place in Killyclogher; the funeral was largely attended. The Rev. Father McGlade paid a touching tribute to the good and useful life of the deceased. The chief mourners were: John McCullagh and Sam McCullagh, Liverpool; and Robert and William McCullagh, sons, and John McCullagh, brother.