

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—When Galway was in ancient times walled in, Williamsburg was one of the principal entrances to the city. It was defended by a battery of cannon on the Lion's Tower, the ruins of which still stand in Elington street.—Tuam Herald.

The death took place on July 5, at the Convent of Mercy of Sister M. Genevieve, Galway City, daughter of John H. Joyce Oughtard, and niece of Very Rev. Father Conroy, P. P., Spiddal, and of John C. Conroy, solicitor of Galway city. Solemn high mass was celebrated at the Mercy Convent, the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. MacCarthy, presiding. A large number of clergymen were present. At the conclusion of the office and high mass, the remains were removed to the cemetery attached to the institution, where the interment took place.

Mr. John Glynn, of the Tuam News, an enthusiastic worker in the movement to revive the Irish language, was recently made the recipient of a presentation from the members of the Tuam branch of the Gaelic League. The presentation took the shape, appropriately, of five volumes, richly bound of "Te Annala of Ireland," by the Four Masters.

The death of Mr. P. T. Keogh took place at Galway on July 9. Deceased was aged 72 years. He was Master at Glennamaddy workhouse, which position he held for over thirty-five years. He belonged to one of the oldest and most respectable families in the County Roscommon. His father, Mr. Thomas A. Keogh, of the Ordnance Survey Department, was a son of the late Mr. Peter J. Keogh of Onagh, Taughmaconnell and nephew of Mr. James Keogh of Dundonnell Castle, Taughmaconnell. The funeral took place on July 11, when amid every token of respect the remains were laid to rest in the family burial ground of Taughmaconnell.

LEITRIM—Mrs. Garrett Hagan, of Courtalbert, Manorhamilton, died July 21, deeply mourned. She had been in Buncrana for some time before she died, it being thought by her medical adviser that a change of air and scenery would do good, but she succumbed to heart failure. The funeral was very humbly attended.

The remains of the late Rev. Mr. Alges who, while fishing at Loughroepoint, on May 25, was swept from the rocks and drowned, on July 22, floated into the Rosbeg shore, two miles distant from and opposite the place of drowning. The body was identified by Constable Flanagan, Ardara. Mrs. Alges, wife of the deceased, lives in Manorhamilton.

MAYO—A life of late Most Rev. Dr. McHale, Archbishop of Tuam, is being published by the County Mayo Committee of the Gaelic League.

Most Rev. Dr. Healy, Archbishop of Tuam has appointed Rev. Michael Heaney, C. C., parish priest of Caheristrane; Rev. Father Prendergast, St. Jarlath's College, C. C., Crossboyne; Rev. J. O'Reilly, Clare Island, C. C., Parry; Rev. W. Byrne, adm., Clare Island; Rev. Father Ronayne, Kiltullagh, C. C., Glennamaddy, and Rev. Father Donnellan, Glennamaddy, C. C., Kiltullagh.

The death of Mrs. Anthony O'Reilly, widow of the late Mr. A. Anthony O'Reilly, an old and revered inhabitant of Belmullet, occurred on July 9, at her residence, Quay street, at the ripe old age of 86 years. Mrs. O'Reilly came from an old respectable Westport family, but the greater part of her life was spent in Belmullet. She retained her faculties until the end. The funeral took place on Sunday at Glencastle cemetery and the mournful cortege was joined in by the inhabitants of the town.

A meeting of the Clerical Managers of the Diocese of Achonry was held in the Presbytery, Rallagherderreen, July 10, and was attended by the following, who control over two hundred national schools: Very Rev. Dean Staunton, Very Rev. Canon O'Hara, Very Rev. Canon Loftus, Very Rev. Canon Lowry, Rev. M. Henry Rev. W. Henry, Rev. E. H. Conington, Rev. J. J. McDonnell, Rev. M. Keaveney, Rev. P. J. Mulligan, Rev. P. R. Staunton, Rev. P. Quinn, Rev. D. J. O'Grady, P. P.; Rev. J. O'Connor, adm.; Rev. J. Spelman, adm.; Rev. M. J. Devine.

The following resolutions were adopted: "Resolved, That the annual examinations should be continued in all primary schools as a most effective provision for stimulating the energies of teachers and pupils and promoting the general efficiency of the schools; and that the proficiency of the school and the salary of the teacher should be determined by the answering of pupils who have made at least one hundred attendances, and that pupils who have not made one hundred attendances should remain a second year in the same standard. That the salaries of teachers should be increased by one shilling a week for male teachers and by six pence for female principals and male assistants, and that after the first three years service the increments to salaries for all teachers should be annual. That we think it impossible for one teacher under the varied requirements of the new programme to teach efficiently even thirty pupils and that in justice to the children every school should have an assistant." They were signed by Dean Staunton as chairman, and Father Keaveney as secretary.

ROSCOMMON—Mr. John Fitzgibbon and Mr. Conry, were driving into Castleroa, July 19, from the country districts, when the horse ran away coming down the hill of Ballindrimly. The animal was got round a sharp turn at Mr. Bligh's corner, but after going a few yards Mr. Fitzgibbon was thrown out. The animal then made across the road toward the residence of Mr. Scroope, solicitor, where its progress was stopped.

The high prices obtained for meadow on the rich lands of Roscommon in the neighborhood of Elphin have broken the record this year. On the Palace lands of the O'Connor Minors £8 an acre was obtained. Dr. White got for his meadows in Springfield £8 10s an acre; and Mr. Joseph Clarke got in the Kinaird lands £9 5s. an acre. Mr. P. J. Croghan of Kinard House topped the record, as he got for superior quality meadow at Springfield £10, 2s 6d an acre.

The funeral of late Mr. James King of Rusheen, Boyle, took place at Easteranow cemetery, July 19, and was attended by a great number of persons. Deceased was only 23 years of age. As a mark of respect for the memory of their departed comrade, sixteen young men, wearing crepe, marched in procession and took turns in carrying the remains to the cemetery.

On July 19 the members of the Elphin William O'Brien Football Club made a presentation to Mrs. Thomas Feely, Leekin House, for the services rendered to the club by her during the season. The presentation took the form of a tea and dessert services, in silver, and a set of table knives (ivory handles). Messrs. Kelly, Power, Rhatigan and Casserly were deputed to make the presentation and in doing so conveyed to Mrs. Feely the thanks of the members for the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Feely toward the club. Mrs. Feely said it gave her pleasure to accept the gifts generously sent her by the old-established and popular football club. She felt complimented on being made the recipient of such a valuable token of their friendship. Apart from the intrinsic value of the articles presented, she valued the gift more highly coming from a body whose success in the football field equalled their truly Irish characteristics. She congratulated them on their signal victories in the past, and hoped that she soon would have the pleasure to hear of their adding fresh laurels to those already won.

On July 18 Solemn Office and High Mass were held in Castleroa Church for the repose of the soul of late Mr. James McLaughlin, of St. Patrick street, Castleroa, who died July 18, 1862, deeply regretted. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Francis Keane, Roscommon; deacon, Rev. Michael Flanagan, president Sligo College; sub-deacon, Rev. Malachy Brennan, Castleroa; master of ceremonies, Rev. J. Corcoran Roscommon.

SLIGO—Mr. Thomas Walsh, of Tern pleavany, near Ballymote, died July 13 at the extraordinary age of 106 years. The funeral to Knockbrack Cemetery July 14, was attended by great numbers.

Rev. Dr. Clancy, Bishop of Elphin, on Sunday, July 19, after last Mass in the Cathedral, Sligo, laid the foundation stone of the new Temperance Hall, as memorial to the late Rt. Rev. Dr. Gilhooly, Bishop of the Diocese. Great numbers attended the ceremony.

On July 19 the funeral of the late Mr. Martin Kennedy, merchant, of Rathglass, Templeboy, took place in the Grammore Cemetery, and was very largely attended. The funeral ceremony was performed by Rev. John J. Melvin, Templeboy, assisted by the Rev. M. J. Clarke, Dromore West, and Rev. M. J. Munnely, Skreen and Droimard.

Munster

CLARE—The Kilrush branch of the United Irish League at a recent meeting appointed M. Crotty, treasurer; T. Nagle, secretary; M. O'Meara, J. Burke, J. Shannon and M. O'Dea delegates to the West Clare executive of the United Irish League.

The funeral of the late Mr. James Hersey, of Kiltush, took place to the local cemetery July 18. He was almost one hundred years of age. His funeral was attended by a brother from Lisheen, who is some years older than the deceased was.

Ennis Clare's capital which will always be associated with the memories of the struggle for Catholic emancipation, July 22, fittingly observed the death of the Sovereign Pontiff. It was a day of mourning, the business houses being shuttered, while in the earlier part of the day, during the services at the Cathedral many were closed. At ten o'clock there was a solemn requiem mass, at which the Bishop of Killaloe, Most Rev. Dr. Mc

Redmond, presided. The celebrant was Rev. P. J. Donnelly.

CORK—Henry O'Brien, of Middleton, Glilmartin, in Ballintubber, near Carristohill, when he fell off a tree and sustained fatal injuries.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—YOUNG—July 23, at Lee Mount, Carrigrohane, Robert Young. **CREAN**—July 13, at the Convent of the Sisters of Mercy, St. Marie's of the Isle, of Cork, Mother Mary Baptist Crean, Jubiliarian. **MURPHY**—July 18, Gould's Cross Station, G. S. W. R., Charles Murphy, aged 52 years. **KIELY**—On July 23, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Annie Kiely. **O'LEARY**—At the Mercy Hospital, on July 23, Margaret O'Leary, late Toomes. **O'REILLY**—July 22, at Mullingar, Mary O'Reilly, cattle dealer, daughter of John Sheehan, cattle dealer, Malrow. **MANNING**—July 21, at Coolgariffe, Abinagh, Daniel Manning. **LYONS**—July 20, at 43 Upper John street, Michael Lyons, at an advanced age. **CONNOLLY**—June 23, at Bloomfonteln, South Africa, Joseph (Joss) Connolly of Cork City. **HALL**—On July 21, Margaret Hall. **O'CONNOR**—On July 20, John Joseph O'Connor, 65 Handon road, Cork. **O'NEIL**—At 34 Windmill road, John O'Neil. **MAYE**—July 22, Bridget Agnes Maye, Ballydecane. **DALY**—July 22, at 25 Rathmore Buildings, John Daly, aged 83 years. **DOYLE**—July 22, Maurice Doyle (late employe North Mall Distillery).

KERRY—Jeremiah O'Connor was killed on July 3, at the railway crossing near Farranfor railway station.

LIMERICK—Mr. Gus Gubbins left Limerick for America July 24. At the station a large number of his friends, including members of the Young Ireland Society and Daughters of Erin, assembled to see him off. Mr. Gubbins is a son of Mr. Patrick Gubbins, of Clare street.

At the Convent of Mercy, Rathangan, County Kildare, July 15, died Catherine (in religion Sister Mary), second daughter of the late John Layne, Ballylanders, and sister to the late Rev. J. Layne, Nallyford, Cashel, aged 66 years, 37th year of religious profession.

On July 17 the residents of Fanningtown, four miles from Kiltinane and one from Ardpatrick, were panic-stricken by an unearthly noise, louder than the loudest thunder. A portion of See Fin Mountain had slipped from the summit on the northeast side and spread the peat, timber, gravel and stones over the land of a farmer living at its base, causing great injury to his potato crop and meadowing. Portion of the debris was carried to the Hon. W. C. Trenc'h's demesne. The slip is said to have been caused by recent rains.

TIPPERARY—The Mayor of Clonmel, Alderman MacLissey, having arranged foot races in the town July 20, all the inhabitants turned out to see the sport. For first prize there was a silver cup; second prize, travelling bag; third prize, silver watch. The course being in the town, each district had its residents lining the route. The greatest interest and enthusiasm prevailed. The winner of first prize is Conway, member of the B F A Club, Clonmel; of the second prize, Cahill, of Two Mile Bridge, third prize, Walsh, Clonmel. This was so popular an event that the mayor will give more like it.

On July 19 the funeral of Miss A. Prendergast took place from Derrygrath to Grange. There was an immense attendance. The chief mourners were: Michael Prendergast (father); Edmond, William, David and Michael Prendergast (brothers).

A motor car accident occurred on July 18 at Freighduff, near Cashel. Mr. Lewis H. Grubb was coming toward Cashel, and two boys named Dwyer were going out against him with a young horse, drawing a common cart in which they were seated. When nearing Freighduff Mr. Grubb was coming against them, and on the motor coming near the horse became restive. The Dwyers got down and caught the horse by the head. Mr. Grubb stopped his car and kept it stationary until the Dwyers had gone some distance. Then he set his machine working, but the horse became furious, broke away, knocking down both men, the car going over one and injuring him internally. The other was severely injured by his fall. Mr. Grubb took up one of the men in his motor car and brought him into the County Infirmary. The other was lying on the road, not being fit for removal. On arriving in Cashel Mr. Grubb called at the police barracks and reported the occurrence, and then brought out Act. Sergeant Cawley and Dr. Russell. It was then found that the man on the road had been removed to a neighboring farmer's house and put to bed where Dr. Russell examined him. Both of the injured men are progressing favorably.

WATERFORD—The trustees of the Irish Parliamentary Fund lately acknowledged the receipt of one hundred dollars from the members of the Tra more branch of the United Irish League. Messrs. I. Halley and I. Tuans forwarded the amount.

The news of the death of the Sovereign Pontiff was received in Waterford City by all creeds and classes with profound sorrow. The hunting on vessels, the municipal flags at Reginald's Tower and the City Hall, and the Pontifical flag at the Temperance Hall were at half mast, and on every

side were indications of mourning.

The death of the Rev. James A. Anderson, O. S. A., of SS Augustinian and John's Church, Thomas street, Dublin, occurred July 23. On Sunday week he unveiled the John O'Reilly monument in Dowth churchyard, near Drogheda, when he spoke with his accustomed vigor. He was ailing only for a few days. Father Anderson was about 63 years of age, and had served in most of the Augustinian houses in Ireland. He received his early education in Callan, and afterward in Perugia and Rome. The most notable incident of his life, to which he referred in his speech at Dowth, was the part he took in the Dungarvan election in 1868, when he secured the defeat of the late Lord Justice Barry and the election of Lord Llandaff. Father Anderson was a Nationalist but he numbered his friends among men of all classes. He was a member of the Executive Council of the Gaelic League and president of the Cleaver branch of the same organization. In his enthusiasm for the national language he made the schools of which he was manager the most Irish in the city of Dublin.

Leinster

CARLOW—Mr. C. J. Engedow has taken a handsome residence near Aghada, Cork, formerly the home of the late Sir John Pope Hennessy, M. P. Mr. Engedow will leave Barton hall in September.

Mrs. Honoria Kelly of Ballylone House, Borris, died June 26, aged 86 years, deeply and widely regretted. Solemn office and high mass were celebrated in Borris church, after which the funeral, attended by great numbers of relatives and friends, left for Clonagooose.

DUBLIN—The consecration of the new high altar in St. Sylvester's, Malahide, took place July 19. Feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The ceremony was performed by the Archbishop of Dublin. The altar, the gift of an anonymous donor, is one of the finest in Ireland.

On the death of Pope Leo XIII, becoming known in Blackrock, it was considered that a public mark of respect should be shown by the citizens. One of the Urban District Council, Mr. Laurence Wickham visited the French College, Blackrock, and obtained a Papal flag and bringing it down to the Town Hall got permission from the officials to have it hoisted at half mast in the Peoples Park, out of respect for the memory of the great dead Pontiff. The flag was hoisted beside the township flag, and the two flags floated together until late on Wednesday night. The following morning on opening the park, the ranger was shocked to find that the two flags had been pulled down, the Papal flag carried away, and the township flag thrown at the park gate. This act of dastardly outrage to the memory of the Pope has aroused indignation in Blackrock.

With sincere regret we chronicle the death of the Very Rev. James A. Anderson, O. S. A., which took place July 23, at the Priory of S. S. Augustin and John, John street, Dublin, after a brief illness. Father Anderson who was born in Drogheda sixty-three years ago, was known and revered throughout the length and breadth of Ireland as a holy priest, whose loss for his native land was only second to his devotion to his sacred calling among the last public action of the patriot priest was the unveiling of the Boyle O'Reilly memorial in Dowth, a few weeks ago.

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—HANLON—July 19, at Rathmines, Mary Hanlon, daughter of George Dixon, Kingstown, aged 27 years. **MAGPIRE**—July 20 at 3 Windsor terrace, Fairview George Maguire, late of 14 Upper Abbey street. **DOYLE**—Thomas Doyle at 2 Bridge street, Ringsend. **DUNNE**—July 21, at the Hospice for the Dying Haroldscross, John Dunne, of 114 Lower Baggot street. **DUNNE**—July 23, at 30 South Cumberland street Ellen Dunne. **BRADY**—July 23, killed in the Phoenix Park by a motor car Richard Francis Joseph Brady, of 121 Morehampton road. **Donnybrook** **BURKE**—July 22, Mary O'Brien, wife of Patrick Burke, of 6 Hawthorn ave. Church road. **FLEMING**—July 21, at 113 Marlborough street, Elizabeth Fleming. **MACCAFFREY**—June 24 at Rangoon, Eugene Charles McCaffrey inspector Burma police, son of the late Owen McCaffrey, Dublin, and grand son of the late Thomas Hammond of County Meath. **KIRWAN**—July 23, at Athfarrell, Brittas, Mrs. Mary Kirwan aged 70. **MORAN**—July 23, at 4 Ranelagh avenue, Ranelagh, Edward Moran. **REILLY**—July 23, at Loughlinstown, Catherine Reilly. **VALENTINE**—June 14, at Melbourn, Valentine Brown, M. D., son of the late Valentine Brown, Harcourt street. **KEOGH**—July 18, at Richmond Hospital, Mary Josephine Keogh, at 74 Rathmines road. **ANDERSON**—July 23, the Rev. J. A. Anderson, O. S. A., Augustinian Priory, John street, W. Dublin. **HAO KETT**—Saturday, July 13, at 24 Lau derdale Terrace, New row, South Bernard Hackett, late member Amalgamated society of Engineers. **BERGAN**—July 20, at 141 Clonliffe road Isabella Bergan, Quinsboro road, Bray. **McDONALD**—July 18, Mrs. Catherine McDonald, of 132 Great Brunswick street and Queen's square. **MAHONEY**—At 227 Pilsborough road, Julia Mahoney. **HANLON**—At 19 Castle

street, daughter of George Dixon, Sandycove, aged 21 years. **FLEMING**—July 19, at 37 York street, William Fleming, aged 48.

KILDARE—The death of Father Joseph Bunbury happened lately in Australia. The deceased was a native of Monasterivan, and received his early education at the Christian Brothers schools there. He went to Clongowes College, and thence to Rome, where he was ordained. After his ordination he proceeded about fourteen years ago to Australia. He had been ailing and was making preparations to return to Ireland.

KILKENNY—Mrs. T. Fewer, of the Fiddown Postoffice, died July 12, deeply regretted.

The Iverk Farming Society will hold the annual show in the demesne of Bessborough, Pittown, September 15. The prizes offered for cattle, sheep and pigs are liberal. There will be large entries in these departments. This old and popular society is keeping pace with the times. Entries are made with Secretary William Richardson, Belline, Pittown.

KING'S The Coolidge Branch of the United Irish League, per Mr. J. Dooley has given a good donation to the fund of the Irish Parliamentary party.

LONGFORD—Profound sorrow was felt in Longford by all classes and creeds when the news of the death of the Pope was received. During the day the bell of St. Mel's Cathedral was tolled.

LOUTH—On learning of the death of the Sovereign Pontiff great grief was manifested in Ardee. The bells of St. Mary's Chapel were tolled and the parishioners attended there during the day and offered up prayers. The Board of Guardians, Capt. William De Salis Filgate presiding, met and adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the great deceased. They passed in silence a vote of regret.

MEATH—The people of the parish of Clane regret the departure of Rev. J. Fenelon, C. C., who has been transferred to Phillipstown, Kings County. Dr. John Jones, medical officer of Drumcondra Dispensary District, was found dead in his bed, July 19. He was aged 76 years. During 50 years he had been medical officer of the district. About one year ago he resigned on pension.

QUEENS—The death of Mrs. Macdonald, of Glengearry, occurred July 14. Deceased was wife of Mr. W. H. Macdonald, who was Nationalist member of Parliament for Ossory Division of Queens County from 1886 to 1892. She was a well known figure in the House of Commons during the period of the Home Rule contest. Her great devotion to her husband, who was blind, only equalled by her affection for the land of her adoption and the interests of its people. She was buried at Mount Jerome, Dublin, on July 18.

WESTMEATH—The death of Rev. John Purcell, C. C., occurred at the Presbytery, Sandymount, Dublin, July 18. Father Purcell was for 22 years attached to the Star of the Sea Church at Sandymount. Since his appointment he was Spiritual Director of the Men's Sodality of the Sacred Heart. He was in his 48th year and 24th of his priesthood. Members of Father Purcell's family were for years in business in Greville street, Mullingar. On Sunday last the remains were conveyed from the Presbytery to the Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount, and were received by Very Rev. Canon O'Hanlon, Sandymount.

Mr. J. O'Reilly, Gtan, died July 18 in St. Patrick's District Hospital, Mullingar. For seven years he had been teacher of the children in the Workhouse, Mullingar. He had been clerk of St. Michael's Church, Castletopland, for 22 years. The remains were conveyed from Mullingar to Castletopland Church on Sunday evening, where they remained till Monday, when the interment took place, the funeral procession being of a large and representative character.

WEXFORD—The first meeting of the concert committee of the Kilmuckridge Branch of the Gaelic League was held on July 31. Mr. James O'Dempsey was moved to the chair. There was a good attendance of members, the ladies being in the majority. A great deal of business was disposed of. The secretary was requested to write to the secretaries of the branches and ask for names of singers and dancers willing to give their services. A few members were co-opted on the committee. The following is a list of the committee: James O'Dempsey, M. O'Connor, Patrick O'Dempsey, John Sinnott, T. Sinnott, Joseph Sinnott, James Murphy, Morgan Murphy, Jas. O'Rain, Jr., Jas. O'Rain, Sr., Laurence Somers, Martin Cullen, the Misses Kathleen and Maggie Redmond, Ellen, Bridget and Kathleen O'Dempsey, Maggie Murphy, Annie Murphy, Stasia Doran, Kathleen O'Rain, Maggie Phillips, Kathleen O'Kelly, Bessie Kehoe, Mary Sinnott, Kathleen Power, Philip Kavan, William Ransom and Denis Kavanagh.

WICKLOW—Miss Ellen Jutty, aged 20 years, of Kiltegan, recently sued John Morris, of Eagle Hill, near Hackststown, for breach of promise to marry her. Verdict two hundred dollars. The defendant is over fifty years of age.

Ulster

ANTRIM—On July 19, the Redemptorist Fathers at Glenside celebrated

the festival of the order. The church was decorated with great taste. High mass was celebrated in the presence of the Most Rev. Dr. Henry, bishop of Down and Connor. Rev. Father Griffith, rector, celebrant.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Daniel Kearns of Grainville Terrace, Green-castle, took place July 24, to the local cemetery. Great numbers were at the interment.

CAVAN—The Bawnboy Nationalists have contributed a substantial sum to the Irish Parliamentary Fund. The remittance was made through Mr. J. McGinn.

The death of Mr. Charles Carolan, Seeharn, Mullagh, occurred July 9, at his father's residence, at the early age of 27 years. The funeral to Kelly's church was attended by a great number of persons.

Mr. Michael O'Reilly, merchant, Ballymadduff, died July 12. The funeral to Crosserlough cemetery was almost two miles in length. Rev. Bernard Gaffney and Rev. Peter McGee ney officiated at the interment.

Mr. Michael McCabe, National school teacher, Dunnyduff, Knockbridge, had been in the service during forty-two years and retired on pension lately. To mark their appreciation of his services the past pupils presented him with an address. Messrs. John Leddy and Robert Farrell signed the address on behalf of the others.

The members of the East Cavar Executive of the United Irish League met in Balleborough, July 5. Mr. Francis J. Lynch presiding, and elected these officers for ensuing year: Mr. Francis J. Lynch, president; Mr. Thomas Smith, sherrcock, vice president; Mr. James Hannigan, chairman of Cotehill Board of Guardians, treasurer, and Mr. James Brady, secretary. Resolutions endorsing the action of the United Irish Parliamentary Party were passed unanimously.

DERRY—The members and friends of the St. Patrick's band, Waterside Derry, numbering one thousand, had their annual outing Sunday, July 19 to Bundoran, County Donegal. A most pleasant day was spent. The following committee had charge of the arrangement: Henry Coll, Patrick Doherty, Jr., John McLaughlin, Daniel Coyle, Michael McCreevy and James McLaughlin.

Deep and heartfelt sympathy was felt in Irish Ireland circles in Derry City on the death of Mr. C. O'Kane. The funeral on Sunday, July 19, was a tribute to his memory and to the esteem in which his family are held. The cortege, large and representative and embracing every creed and class in the community, included Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, Rev. W. B. McPeely, adm., and the priests of St. Eugene's. In the mournful procession were representatives of the Gaelic League and Gaelic athletic societies in the city. The Erin Og were especially marked, walking in a body. At the cemetery the funeral services were read by Father McPeely.

DONEGAL—The Donegal Agricultural and Industries shows will be held in Donegal September 8.

Mr. John Hughes, Mail, Ramelton, father of Rev. Arthur Hughes, C. C., Ardara, died July 21, deeply regretted. The funeral to the ancient cemetery, Doe, was very largely attended.

DOWN—There has been erected lately in the cemetery at Ann at Annacloe a monument to the late Rev. H. Devlin, P. P. The monument consists of a finely carved cross of Sicilian marble, pedestal of same, surrounded by enclosed granite cutstone and railing. On the pedestal is the inscription: "Pray for the repose of the soul of the Rev. Henry Devlin, P. P., of this parish, who departed this life 23d January, 1903, in the 66th year of his age and 38th of his sacred ministry. May he rest in peace."

FERMANAGH—An interesting find was recently made by James Johnston a farmer's son, residing near Newtownbutler, Fermanagh. While bathing in Lough Erne a few days ago his foot was cut by some sharp substance and on diving to ascertain the cause he picked up a large sword. The blade is three feet ten inches in length basket hilted, with rich carving, the general appearance suggesting that it belonged to an officer of high rank in the forces under Viscount McCarthy. The date decipherable is 1640, a memorable year in Irish history. The sword is in a fine state of preservation, notwithstanding its long immersion.

MONAGHAN—An excellent Irish Ireland concert was given lately in the Catholic hall, Smithboro, in aid of the funds for the new church in Lillanskae. Among the ladies who made the business successful were Mrs. Henry Murphy, Mrs. Francis Maguire and Mrs. William McKenna. Mr. Cornelius J. Rafferty, solicitor, Carrickmacross, died in Dublin, July 16, deeply and widely regretted. He was a son of Mr. Patrick Rafferty, of Bundoran and Monaghan, and only 27 years of age. The remains were conveyed by rail to Monaghan, thence by public road to the ancient cemetery of Urblanshaun. Great number from Carrickmacross, Monaghan and other districts were in the cortege.

TYRONE—A laborer named Murray, residing in Garvaghey, near Ballygawley, unearthed while cutting turf, a sword of a curious pattern. Murray gave it to Mr. Robert S. Clements, Kiltadroy, Beragh. Mr. Patrick Campbell, Garvaghey, in whose land it was found, has made a claim for it.