

# 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**—Rev. Michael J. McHugh, president of St. Patrick's College, has been appointed P. P. Crossboyne.

These changes were made recently in the archdiocese: Father Healy, to Aran Island, and Father Hughes to Loughburgh; Father Greany to Achill and Father O'Toole to Mulltown; Father Macken has been transferred from Kilkerrin to St. Jarlath's college.

Miss Madge Conway, daughter of Mr. Thomas Conway, Ballinacorney, died Oct. 10, at the residence of her uncle, Rev. Walter Conway, pastor of Glensmaddy.

**LEITRIM**—A young man named James Devins, while bringing boxes to Ballinall Dair, near Manorhamilton was killed by his own horse, which ran away. The wheel of the cart passed over him.

**ROSCOMMON**—A thoroughly Irish program was gone through in Athleague on Oct. 11 under the auspices of the Athleague Branch of the Gaelic League. It was owing to the efforts of J. Healy, J. Carty, G. Duffly, P. Killian, M. Brennan and J. Keegan that the concert was a success.

James Brennan, of St. John's parish Roscommon, died recently in Brooklyn where he had lived for the past 47 years. A wife and four sons survive him.

The Elphin Branch of the Gaelic League having secured the services of a native Irish-speaking teacher, the people of Elphin and district are afforded an excellent opportunity of acquiring a colloquial knowledge of their national language.

Mr. Thomas Queenan, of Cloona-granahy, Boyle, died Oct. 5, deeply regretted. The funeral took place Oct. 7.

The death took place on Oct. 4 of Mr. Patrick McDonnell, at Moor, Castlerock, at an advanced age. The deceased belonged to one of the most respected families in the parish at Kilkenny. On Monday evening his remains were removed to the Catholic Church, Castlerock, followed by a large number of people. On Tuesday morning solemn requiem mass was offered up for his soul. The celebrant was the Rev. John McDermott, Castlerock.

**SLIGO**—On Oct. 11, after second mass the friends of Dean Davy in the parishes of Ballymoe and Kilmorgan met in the boys' school and previous to his departure for Australia, presented him with the signed address.

The Very Rev. Canon Loftus presided. At a meeting of the members of the St. John's Branch of the United Irish League, held Oct. 11, there were present: Thomas Kilwee, chairman; Jas. Taggart, vice president; Michael McGowan, treasurer; P. Marren, sec.; Peter Harte, William Scanlon, James McLoughlin, John Scanlon, Myles Ward, Thomas McLoughlin, John Davaney.

The tenants on the Carroll estate were present, and said that they held a meeting for the purpose of approaching the landlord with a view to settling the estate to the tenants, also to grant a reduction on the hanging gale. Mr. Hargadon has received a reply to the effect that Dr. Carroll was prepared to sell, but the tenants should have sent on their offers. No reductions, the agent said, would be given on judicial rents, and 3s in the pound would be given on the non-judicial rents. P. Marren and J. Lynch, secretaries.

### Leinster

**CARLOW**—A meeting of the Tynock and Kiltinan United Irish Leaguers was held at Portlinton, Oct. 11, with Mr. William Murphy in the chair. Present: John McArdle, V. P.; John Harman, treasurer; J. Foley, Joseph Harman, M. Murphy, T. Harman, E. Harman, J. Byrne, M. Fennell, James Foley, P. Mulhall, J. Byrne, honorable secretary, etc. Mr. Mitchell Murphy, Steeverleigh, handed in a statement showing he was a tenant of Hassard, Hudson and others. The agent was Richard Fenton, Ballynacloy. He gave details of what was a very harsh eviction. The agent, said he, meant to make an example of him for the part he took in politics. The secretary read correspondence from the wife and son of the late John Murphy, of Bridge, Hacketstown, who were evicted from their farm on May 1, 1883. John Harman evicted tenant, Tynock, also notified to the meeting his intention of putting in his application. A long consultation was held as to how many years' purchase the tenants could afford to offer on the estates in the district, considering the very bad prospects now before the farmers.

**DUBLIN**—An impressive ceremony took place at Syon Abbey, Clontarf, on the festival of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, when two young ladies made their profession as nuns in the Order of Our Most Holy Mother. They are known in the world as Miss Mary Grace, of Clontarf, and Miss Christina.

Corway, of Westpatstown, Dublin.

The death of Mr. Richard McCabe, Dublin street, Balbriggan, occurred on Wednesday, Oct. 14. The funeral took place on Friday for the burial ground at Balrothery. The cortege was the largest seen in Balbriggan district for some years, and fully testified to the high esteem that the deceased was held, not alone in Balbriggan, but the county generally.

Recent Deaths in Dublin—**KELLY**—Oct. 10, at the Hospice for the Dying, Harold's Cross, John Kelly, East James' place. **LAMBERT**—Oct. 11, John Lambert, of Milltown, aged 62 years. **HAROLD**—On Oct. 9, at 119 Lower George's street, Kingstown, Louis Harold, aged 58 years. **ROONEY**—Oct. 15, at 105 Chapel street, Dublin, John Joseph Gerard. **O'ROURKE**—Oct. 4, at 7 Inns quay, Cornelius O'Rourke, late of Arran quay, aged 49 years. **HIGGINS**—Oct. 14, at Phibsboro' road, Mary Higgins. **MCDONNELL**—Oct. 10, at 55 Greenville Terrace, Dublin, Patrick McDonnell, late of Tullamore. **KELLY**—Oct. 10, at the Adelaide Hospital, Lawrence Kelly, son of Andrew Kelly, formerly of Naas County, Kildare. **CARROLL**—Oct. 11, at the Hospice for the Dying, Harold's Cross, Marlon Carroll, 46 Townsend street, aged 56 years. **DOYLE**—Oct. 13, at St. Joseph's place, Dorset street, Michael Doyle. **DUFFEY**—Oct. 13, at 30 Fitzwilliam place, Dublin, Sir George Frederick Duffey, M. D., ex-president Royal College of Physicians, Ireland. **McCABE**—Oct. 14, at Dublin street, Balbriggan, Richard McCabe. **McManus**—Oct. 3, at 10 Westmoreland street, Mrs. Ellen McManus.

**KILDARE**—Thomas Walsh, aged 60 years, of Drogheda street, Monaster-evan, while helping to shunt a wagon at the local railway station, on Oct. 7, was crushed between a wall and the wagon. The injuries proved fatal.

On Oct. 14, while Mr. T. Orford, Foxhill, was superintending the making of the grave for his brother, the late Mr. James Orford, at Suncroft cemetery, a tombstone fell on him and broke a leg. He was attended by Doctors Kenna, Ballitore and O'Neill, Athy. Sympathy is felt for Mr. Orford, who is a member of Kildare County Council.

**KILKENNY**—The death of Mr. Edward Cody, Inistioge, occurred Oct. 11, in Dublin, and the sad event was deeply and widely regretted. The remains were conveyed from Dublin to Thomastown on Oct. 12. Long before the time of arrival an immense number of mourners had assembled to pay a last tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased. The remains having been removed to the house the funeral procession wended its way through Thomastown amid manifestations of regret.

A shocking tragedy occurred at Graigue-na-managh, Oct. 12, and one unparalleled in the country. It appears that some weeks back Kate Baker, aged 26, assaulted a young man in the presence of a policeman. She was summoned for the offence, and a heavy fine was inflicted with terribly harsh alternative of four months' imprisonment in Waterford jail. The girl was unable to pay the fine, and on Monday morning the police proceeded to arrest her and convey her to prison. She was working with a farmer about a mile from the town. As soon as she heard that the police were on her track she became excited and started to run in the direction of Graigue-na-managh. She was extraordinarily fleet of foot, and kept a good distance ahead of her pursuers. After running for a long time on the Kilkenny side of the river she crossed the bridge to the Carlow side and entered one of the houses in Tlanahinch, known as McCombe's buildings. At this point the number of her pursuers was doubled some remaining at the Kilkenny side of the river, while the sergeant and a constable entered Tlanahinch. The girl, seeing the police at hand, left the house and ran along the track line, but she here found that one of the police had got below her, while the other was in close pursuit behind. As they closed on her she took the desperate resolution of jumping into the river. She sank from view but rose again. After a brief struggle all was over, and she was drowned before the eyes of her would-be captors. The terrible affair caused an awful sensation among the people of Graigue, and in a short time the banks of the Barrow were crowded. Steps were at once taken to recover the body, but it was only on the following day that it was found.

**KINGS**—The landlord of the property on which is the farm of Margaret Kilkenny has given notice of intention to evict her.

**WICKLOW**—Mr. Ahern, Coolgreany, the well known Irish scholar who has been so successful in imparting his knowledge of the old tongue to the Arlow Gaelic class will soon undertake the duties of teacher to the Irish class in Castletown, County Wexford.

The death of Mr. James Cunningham, Dunlavin, occurred on Oct. 9 deeply regretted. The deceased had carried on an extensive business in Dunlavin for years, and was highly esteemed for his excellent qualities.

### Munster

**CLARE**—The Aims of the Gaelic League was the title of a very instructive and interesting discourse by

J. P. Mackey, Ennis, before a large audience in the new school, Kilmurphy road, Ennis, on Oct. 13. Rev. Father O'Connell, vice-president, Diocesan college, presided.

The death occurred Oct. 13, at the Ursuline Convent, Blackrock, Cork, of Miss Katie O'Mahony, in religion Sister Isidore. The sad event took place on Tuesday, and on Thursday the interment took place in the cemetery of the convent after high mass. Sister Isidore was the sister of Mrs. Julia Nagle, and sister-in-law to Mr. Thomas Nagle, Moore street, Kilmurphy.

**COBK**—The people of Kanturk will present an address to Rev. M. Brew, as a mark of their esteem on his removal to Youghal.

The remains of Mrs. Maurice Griffin who died at O'Brien street, Mallow, were interred on Oct. 11 in St. Joseph's cemetery, the funeral being large and representative of every class. The mourners were John, William and M. Griffin, sons.

Michael J. Lehane, 158 Blarney st., Cork, has been missing since Sept. 26. He was bill collector at the Queen's Old Castle, and was aged 50 years. The mystery surrounding the disappearance is deepened by the fact that his accounts were square. He has a wife and six children, who are much disturbed at his disappearance.

Mary Sullivan, native of Millstreet, was interred in the Millstreet cemetery on October 11. She had reached the age of 96. On Oct. 4 Mrs. Hanoria Donohy died in Cullen and had attained the age of 104. As a Seanachie she was much honored in her neighborhood, and her ancient tales were listened to with appreciation around the turf fire. A man named Daly, of Roscaup, Knocknagore, was also buried the same week in Cullen graveyard. He had reached the age of 102 years.

Mrs. Michael Donohy, Knockree, near Skibbereen, was found drowned at Skahanore Point on Oct. 12. She had been missing since Saturday night previous, and no trace or tidings had been seen or heard of her beyond the finding of a fur which she wore, found in the Marsh River. The night was very stormy when she left the town for home and the pier was flooded, and it is supposed she got into the flood and was swept seawards. She was some fifty years of age and had a family, some in America and others at home.

Recent Deaths in Cork—**DALTON**—Oct. 15, at 63 Grand Parade, Timothy Dalton, aged 24 years. **O'CALLAGHAN**—Oct. 15, Mrs. O'Callaghan, at Maymount House, Sunlaysia Well. **BYRNE**—On Oct. 16, at 117 Lower Road, Bridget Byrne. **CASHMAN**—On Oct. 16, at Rathfildole, Watergrasshill, John Cashman. **ALLAN**—On Oct. 11, at the Clisterian Abbey St. Aphill Priory Wimbourne Dorset, England, Maggie, in religion Sister Juliana, youngest daughter of the late Robert Allan. **SMILLANE**—On Oct. 11, at No. 7 Camden quay, Patrick Spillane, of Carleahue. **SCRIVEN**—On Oct. 11, at 8 Clonon street, Thomas Scriven. **PENNY**—Oct. 11, at Blackrock, Mallow, Stephen Penny. **CASHMAN**—On Oct. 13, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Cork, Patrick Cashman of Middleton. **McCLENAHAN**—On Oct. 10, at 3 Adelaide Villas, Corlinie McClehanan. **BRENNAN**—At Berhane, on Oct. 10, Timothy Brennan. **GRIFFIN**—On Friday, Oct. 9, at Mallow, Ellen Griffin. **DESMOND**—Oct. 10, at 8 Evongreen building, Hannah Desmond. **FLEMING**—On Oct. 14, William Fleming. **COGGIN**—On Oct. 8, at Temple Row, Kanturk, Mary Goggin. **O'HANLON**—On Oct. 9, at Mount View Terrace, Sunday's Well, Jane O'Hanlon. **GARVAN**—On Oct. 8, at Castletownmole, John Garvan. **CONNOLLY**—At 2 Anderson's quay, late M. Joseph Connolly, late of Sanlino and Sons, Cork street. **MEHGAN**—On Sept. 25, at 251 Columbus avenue, Boston, Mass., U. S. A., Mrs. Margaret Mehigan, late of Monks town. **MURPHY**—On Oct. 8, at Foranville, Donoughmore, Timothy Murphy, aged 91. **BEVERES**—At Dingle, on Oct. 7, Minnie Bevers, daughter of the late Dr. Henry Webb, Kanturk. **O'BRIEN**—On Oct. 12, Merchant's quay George V. O'Brien, R. N. DALY—On Oct. 4, Timothy Linehan (Lynne) youngest son of P. J. Daly, Broeger Mills Kanturk. **MARSHALL**—On Oct. 12, at Carlingsford road, Drumcondra, Dublin, Mrs. Eliza Marshall, widow of the late James E. Marshall, solicitor. **SULLIVAN**—On Oct. 11, at St. Vincent Cape Verde, Thomas O'Sullivan, telegraphist, in his 18th year, son of John O'Sullivan, Valentia. **DYNN**—On Oct. 14, at 15 Grattan street, Thaddeus Dynn. **BUCKLEY**—On Oct. 13, at Rooves, Coachford, Cornelius Buckley, bootmaker, aged 27 years. **BARRY**—Oct. 14, at 174 Blarney street, Ellen Barry.

**KERRY**—The Temperance Hall which Rev. Father O'Flynn succeeded in having erected in Daugh, was opened Oct. 16 with a grand concert in which the following assisted: Miss Crowley, Miss Browne, Mr. P. Browne, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Connor, Listowel; Mr. T. J. Noonan, Abbeyfeale; Misses Walsin Islandanny; Misses McCarthy, Mr. P. O'Donnell, Knockmeal; Mr. W. Dea, Mr. J. Harnett. The members of the Daugh Amateur Dramatic Society contributed a play to the entertainment which was much enjoyed. Mr. W. Dea and Mr. O'Connor were also present. An Irish song class also took part in the concert.

Venerable Archdeacon Mangan, pastor of Kenmare, presided at a great meeting of farmers who wish to be the owners of the land they till, if favorable conditions can be gotten from the owners. He delivered a very clear address on the conditions which ought to guide the tenants in their dealings with the land owners. Fifteen years' purchase, he considered, enough for land in Kerry now. Mr. Denis J. Sullivan then proposed the following resolution: "Resolved, That a committee representative of the several estates in the parish be appointed for the purpose of communicating with the landlords as to whether they would sell to their tenants under the Land Purchase Act, and if so, to state their terms." Continuing, he said that fifteen years' purchase is enough for the land in the district, Mr. John T. Guilan, solicitor, seconded the resolution, which was adopted.

On Oct. 14 a conference was held in Ardferd Abbey between Mr. Lindsey Talbot-Crosbie, high sheriff of Kerry and the tenants on his estate with reference to the purchase of their holdings under the new Land Act. All the tenants, numbering 300, were present. Mr. M. J. Flavin, M. P., the Rev. J. K. Fitzgerald, Ardferd, and the Rev. Father Cremins, Ardferd, were also present. Mr. Talbot-Crosbie was accompanied by his son, Lieutenant M. Talbot-Crosbie, recently returned to Ardferd, and by Mr. George F. Trench, agent. The meeting was called on the following circular: "Estates Office, Ardferd, Oct. 5, 1903. Dear Sir—As the Irish Land Act will soon be in active operation, it seems desirable that all parties interested should consider the new relationships in which they will be involved by this important measure, and with this object Mr. Talbot-Crosbie proposes to meet his tenants at Sackville House Estates Office on Wednesday, 14th inst., at 12 o'clock, when you are requested to attend. Yours faithfully, G. F. Trench." Mr. Crosbie offered to sell at twenty-six and twenty-three years' purchase of their rents. This arrangement the tenants did not accept, but business was not finally decided.

**LIMERICK**—The residence of Mr. Stephen Edward Collins, of Glin, a former high sheriff of Kerry, was burned to the ground on Oct. 14, and a valuable collection of paintings and Indian furniture was destroyed.

Mrs. Conway, of Carnane, Fodamore, died Oct. 3, aged 75 years, deeply regretted. The funeral to St. Lawrence Cemetery, Limerick City, was attended by a great number of persons. Office and High Mass took place at the church, Feenagh. The celebrant was Rev. John Conway, Tournafula (son of deceased); Deacon, Rev. John Conway Glin; Sub Deacon, Rev. John Reeves, Tournafula; Master of Ceremony, Rev. George Cullane.

**TIPPERARY**—A retired National school teacher named John F. Quinn died suddenly in Thurles, Oct. 12. He entered Butler's Hotel in Friar street ordered dinner, which was served. Hardly had the dinner been served when he died in the chair at the table.

Mr. Patrick Phelan, Chasel, died on Oct. 13, in his home on John street, at the fine age of 90 years. During half a century he carried on an extensive business in the well known grocery, wine and spirit store in the town. Requiem services and funeral were attended by great numbers from the town and adjacent districts.

**WATERFORD**—The tenants on the estate of O'Neill Power, of Snow Hill which is situated at Williamstown, near the city of Waterford, have purchased their holdings at 20 years' purchase of the rents.

Miss Cooke, Touraneau, died recently, deeply and widely regretted. The deceased was sister of the distinguished prelate, Dr. Cooke, O. M. I. and was a descendant of the ancient McGrath family, identified with the district for centuries, and related by marriage to that true Nationalist, Mr. Patrick Walsh, of Clonagallie. Some time ago she presented the beautiful altar of Our Lady to the church at Touraneau.

The funeral of the late Capt. Nicholas Parle, who was drowned at Snow Hill, in the River Suir, Oct. 5, by the foundering of a small sailing boat, took place from the Catholic Cathedral, Waterford City, Oct. 14, and was the largest and most representative cortege ever seen in the city. Solemn office and High Mass were held in the Cathedral on Tuesday. The interment was in the cemetery of the Chapel of Erse, Ferry Bank.

**LONGFORD**—In the Mater Hospital, Dublin, on Oct. 12, died Thomas Minnaugh, of the city police force, son of John Minnaugh, of Willsbrook, Longford. The remains were conveyed by rail for interment in Granard Kil Cemetery.

**LOUTH**—Mr. Joseph Nolan, M. P. MEATH—Rev. J. Curry, pastor of Mornington, lately forwarded a substantial sum of money to the trustees of the Irish Parliamentary Fund. It was generously subscribed by the people.

**QUEEN'S**—The death of Mrs. Annie O'Connor, Market Square, Portlarnon, occurred on Oct. 13, deeply regretted. After solemn office and High Mass the funeral cortege went to the cemetery of Killenard, where interment took place.

**WESTMEATH**—Mr. Joseph Cissy of Clonagh, Mullingar, died Oct. 14

aged 64 years, deeply regretted. Office and High Mass were held in Turin Chapel, and were attended by a great number of the townspeople; funeral cortege was very long and representative.

### Ulster

**ANTRIM**—Mr. Thomas Duffy, a well known and respected citizen of Belfast, met with a very serious accident on Oct. 12. He was cycling from his business premises in Divis street, after he closed up, to his private residence, Clanchattan street, Antrim road, when he ran into a trench at Carrisle Circus, and sustained injuries which necessitated his removal to the hospital and detention there for some time.

On Saturday, Oct. 3, the remains of the late Mrs. Eliza McNally, of Islandreagh, Antrim, were interred in the family burying ground, St. Comgall's Antrim. The cortege, which represented all classes of the community testified to the respect entertained for the deceased and her family. Rev. Father O'Callaghan officiated at the interment.

**ARMAGH**—A meeting of the Armagh branch of the United Irish League was held in the Foresters' hall on Oct. 11. The chair was occupied by Mr. Patrick McKenna. A large number of new members joined the branch. The following resolution was proposed by Mr. T. Hughes, seconded by Mr. B. Downey: "That we tender our heartfelt congratulations to Mr. John E. Redmond and the Irish Parliamentary party on the decisive victory gained over factionism in South Meath by the election of Mr. Sheehy, who was opposed by Mr. John H. Parnell, brother of the late Mr. Charles S. Parnell."

On Oct. 5, a meeting of the tenants of the Wilson estate in Divernagh and Rathcabery, was held to consider the landlords' proposals to sell to them their holdings at twenty-three years' purchase on the first term rents and twenty-six years' purchase on the second term rents. Mr. Edward Harris, solicitor, a tenant, presided. After considerable discussion Mr. Harris was instructed to write to the landlords, informing them that the tenants were willing to purchase on the following terms: First term rents, twenty years; second term rents, twenty-three years, and asking them to make an appointment to discuss the matter with the following committee: Thomas Wallace, Thomas Elliott, Robert Wallace and Robert Williamson (representing the tenants on the Rathcabery estate), Samuel Cartmill, James Graham, John McCormick, Joseph White, Robert Harpur, Jr., and William Williamson representing the tenants on the Divernagh estate.)

**CAVAN**—The members of the Cooteshill branch of the United Irish League at recent meeting elected as officers for ensuing year: Mr. Philip Smith, president; Mr. John McBrean, vice president; Mr. Thomas Kelly, treasurer; Mr. Philip Smith, secretary; John J. McGurk, assistant secretary.

The Anglo-Celt of Oct. 10, contained the following: "A Down correspondent writes: Mr. W. Gregory, M. P., and C. E. writes of the Moneask Mining Property at Down, where work was suspended for want of funds, that he is confident 470 acres of the property is rich in coal, full of gas and coke. The same authority says that analysis shows it to be excellent coal, with not less than 28 per cent. of ash." In another part of his report he says that "considering the number and value of the minerals and the low cost at which they can be worked and delivered at the Down old road, I can not believe that a profitable industry could not be developed in a short time. The minerals that can be worked, either by open work or by self-draining headings are as follows: Coal, fire-clay, friable fire stone, gannister, flagstone building stone and (near the old road) lime stone." He concludes: "I may say I have opened and developed a similar property in South Wales, but at a higher altitude from the coal seam to the railway than at Moneask by nearly 150 feet." It is not so many years ago since Down had its furnaces for pig iron, but like everything else, was allowed to die. When some Englishman comes over and grabs the mineral wealth of the district, our local capitalists will raise a hullabaloo, but why do they not put their hands in their pockets and 'risk a bit' if they mean to help on the country as well as making money for themselves. What the Cavan County Council ought to do is nominate a committee—not necessarily county councillors—who would see to the mineral wealth of the county."

**DERRY**—A serious accident occurred recent at Carrichue, Patrick Carton from Kilmarnock, by the Scotch steamer arrived at Derry to visit friends at Largy, near Limavady. He started with a comrade to walk from Derry. Having reached the bridge at Carrichue he sat down to rest, fell asleep and tumbled over the bridge, a distance of twenty feet. His companion was not about when this happened but young men on the road hurried to his assistance, and found that he had sustained severe injuries to his head face and back. He was removed to Limavady infirmary.

At the farmhouse of Mr. William Thompson, Drumbane, near Limavady

Mrs. Thompson recently had a terrible experience. Before her eyes her two-year-old daughter fell down a well 22 feet deep. Mrs. Thompson, with true maternal instinct, regardless of all fear and without a moment's hesitation, scrambled down the well and reached the bottom in safety, which contained water to the depth of about five feet. She seized her child in time to save it from a watery grave, and managed most courageously to keep her own head and the child above the water till assistance arrived. A number of men were brought on the scene and with a rope mother and child in a short time were extricated from their perilous position. The child was not hurt or shocked. Mrs. Thompson escaped with slight injury.

**DONEGAL**—Mr. Hugh Law, member of Parliament for West Division of Donegal, at the opening of the new session of the Dundee Debating Club, delivered an instructive and interesting lecture entitled, "New Ireland." Mr. John Sweeney, the Castle, presided.

**DOWN**—On Oct. 12, a sealed bottle was found on Ballinabattan Shore, Killeel, by Mr. Hugh Morgan. On breaking the bottle a paper was found on which was written with a lead pencil: "Lost off Dalkey Island—Jack Jenkins, George Handly, J. S. Finley and all hands. Good-by. R. P. P."

An accident of a very serious nature occurred on Oct. 9 to Hugh Brennan, of Kernan, near Banbridge. He was engaged in excavating a quarry belonging to Mr. James Woods, of Ballyvarney, when a large portion of the gavel fell upon him, fracturing his ankle bone.

A shocking affair took place in the Newtownards Hosiery Company's establishment, Court street, Newtownards, Oct. 12. At about 8:15 o'clock, which all hands were at work, an explosion occurred in the finishing department. One of the large steam presses had burst, and had dreadfully scalded the two men in charge, Henry Watson and Matthew Bennett. On the floor above the finishing department is the knitting department, in which were working fifty girls. The heavy masses of the iron from below burst through the floor. Fortunately there was only Minnie McCutcheon in the room, who was filling an oil can, but she was terribly lacerated and her nose almost severed from her face. She dropped through the hole caused by the explosion into the debris below.

**FERRANAGH**—A meeting of the North and South Fermanagh executives of the United Irish League was held in Enniskillen, Oct. 16. Rev. P. H. Maquire presided. Present: Rev. Eugene McMahon, Arney; Messrs. P. O'Brien, M. P.; Jeremiah Jordan, M. P.; R. H. Lindsay, P. C. Mullan, E. M. Flanagan, chairman Lisnaskea Board of Guardians; James McGovern, P. McGivney, Patrick Duffy, Edmund Corrigan, C. Gallagher.

The resolutions dealing with the land act, the claims of the laborers, the University question, etc., passed at the meeting of the National Directory, were adopted, after which Mr. P. J. O'Brien, M. P., said the land act was not a perfect act, and he never saw a perfect act coming from England to Ireland, but it was the best act ever passed by the British Parliament for Ireland since they curse the country with their presence, because every man who tilled the soil and who, before God, was the right man to own it could own it if he wished, and if he purchased it at too high a price the fault was his own. A Delegate—If the landlords do not sell to us cheap what will we do? Mr. O'Brien—Stay where you are. You can wait and they can not. You have the right to go into the court and get reductions. All you have to do is to sit tight and say nothing. I would discountenance as far as possible individual action, and I would discountenance such a thing as a body of tenants going to the landlord and asking him what he is willing to sell at. You need not go near his door, but he is bound to come to you; because he never will get such a chance again.

**MONAGHAN**—The people of Monaghan parish and the Diocese of Clogher learned with regret of the intended departure of Rev. James Gallagher, C. C., for Australia, and at a public meeting decided to make him a presentation as a mark of their esteem for him.

**TYRONE**—A meeting of the tenants on the estate of Sir John Marcus Stewart, Bart., Carrickmore, was held on Oct. 12, to take steps for the purchase of their holdings under the new land act. Mr. Terence O'Neill, County Councillor, was called to the chair, and there was a large gathering. Several of those present were in favor of waiting for an offer from the landlord, and others were of the opinion that the tenants should wait until they saw the results of conferences on other estates. N. McBride and P. Kelly thought that the tenants should not approach the landlord. Mr. J. Grogan was in favor of approaching the landlord and ascertaining his intentions. A vote was taken, when the majority decided to open negotiations with the landlord and Mr. T. O'Neill was appointed to carry on the negotiations.