

NEWS FROM IRELAND

ALL THE HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST IN THE OLD COUNTRY.

What is Being Done by the People at Home—Gossip From All the Counties of the Emerald Isle.

Ulster

ANTRIM—On Nov. 30 the lecture entitled "Ireland For the Irish" was delivered by Rev. Joseph Burns, Adm. of St. Mary's, Belfast, in Bank Street school, under the auspices of the Ben Madigan branch of the Gaelic League. The attraction which the lecture afforded was enhanced by a very varied programme contributed to by Fels Irish prize winners. There was a great muster of the members of the branch and their friends, every seat in the hall being taken up. The proceeds went in aid of the Irish language fund, which renders the success of the fixture the more satisfactory.

A successful first ceilidh was held in the Gaelic hall, Ballycastle, by the Fair Head branch of the Gaelic League on Nov. 27. The ceilidh commenced with the chorus, "Sinbhal a Ghradh," which was much appreciated. Two other choruses given during the night were "Huisle" and "Is Truagh gan Feata n Mhair Agam?"

ARMAGH—A convention of the Catholic natepayers of St. Bridg's ward, Armagh, was held Dec. 6 in the Catholic reading room, Armagh, under the presidency of Rev. Michael Quinn, Adm., to select a candidate for co-optation as guardian for that ward. The vacancy was caused by the resignation of Mr. James Lennon, appointed town clerk. Mr. Thomas McLaughlin was unanimously selected.

CAVAN—There died in Cavan town lately James Reynolds at the extraordinary age of 120 years. Reynolds was a native of County Roscommon.

A contract of sale and purchase at twenty years of present rent has been concluded in the case of Mr. Beardon's estate at Carricklack, Kingscourt. In the agreement all arrears have been wiped out, and the tenants' future installment will be 7 shillings in the pound less than their present rent.

The following deaths occurred in Derry: Dec. 5, at 3 Little Diamond, Derry, Mary McKeever; Nov. 30, at 6 O'Connell terrace, Derry, Maggie McDavid, daughter of the late William Quigley, Ballynagar; Nov. 23, at 14 Nelson street, Derry, Hannah Gallagher, aged forty-six years; Nov. 25, at Castle Gate buildings, Derry, Andrew Kelly.

DONEGAL—Daniel McElhane of Letterkenny died Nov. 29 at the patriarchal age of eighty-eight years, deeply regretted. The funeral to Conwal cemetery was attended by great numbers of relatives and friends.

The death of Dr. Harkin, Carrick, occurred lately at Tullamore, King's county, where he had gone on a visit to his brother, Mr. F. J. Harkin, I. R. O. Dr. Harkin was son of the late Mr. Michael Harkin, postmaster at Carricknag.

FERNAGH—On Dec. 3, in the vice chancellor's court, Dublin, before Mr. Justice Madden, the case of Owens versus the attorney general came up for the settlement of the scheme for the administration of a charitable legacy of \$250,000 bequeathed by Miss Sarah Ordean, late of Carrigans, Fernagh, for the purpose of establishing a Catholic orphanage for the disease of Clogher, and of a legacy of \$10,000 bequeathed also by the will toward the payment of a salary to the chaplain of such orphanage. These have been appointed as trustees: Most Rev. Dr. Owens, bishop of Clogher; Very Rev. Canon Birmingham, dean, D. D., Carrickmacross; the Right Rev. Mgr. Smullen, archdeacon, Enniskillen; the Very Rev. Canon O'Neill, Clogher, and Very Rev. Canon McGilone, D. D., of Aughnamullen W. The site of the institution has not been fixed. The late Miss Sarah Ordean mentioned her preference as being Brundoran. The institution will be composed of buildings for boys and girls.

MONAGHAN—The tenants on the estate of Lord Rossmore made an offer to purchase their holdings at the rate of eighteen and one-half and twenty-one and one-half years' purchase of the present rent.

TYRONE—The position of postmaster in Stewartstown, vacant through the death of Mr. Hugh O'Neill, has been secured by Mrs. McKelvey, daughter of the late postmaster. Joseph Moan was sentenced in Belfast Dec. 2 to be hanged on Jan. 5 in Derry for the murder of Mrs. Rose Ann McCann near Trillick on Nov. 20, 1902. On two previous trials in Omagh the juries disagreed.

On Dec. 2 Owen Colton was found dead on the roadside near Newtown Stewart. Deceased was well known in the district. An inquest was held before Mr. John Elliott, Strabane, at Deerpark. Death from heart disease was the verdict.

On Nov. 28 an inquest was held at Derry, six miles from Dungannon, on the body of an unknown young woman found in the river Blackwater the previous day. The body had been in the water for a considerable period. The deceased was apparently aged about twenty years and not of the tramp class. No person is missing in the neighborhood. The jury returned a verdict of "Found drowned." The body was interred in the workhouse graveyard at Dungannon.

Munster

CLARE—At a meeting of the members of the Dunce branch of the Gaelic League, held on Sunday, Dec. 6, the

members for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Rev. J. Glynn; vice president, Mr. Quinley; treasurer, Mr. Lahiff, national teacher honorary secretary, Mr. Clifford.

The funeral of the late Rev. M. J. Lynch, Killmer, took place to his native parish, Castleconnell, Limerick, on Dec. 17 and was attended by great numbers of the clergy and laity.

The death of Mr. Michael Hasset on Nov. 25 deprives Killrush of one of its most honorable citizens and sterling Nationalists.

CORK—On Dec. 3 died Mary Twohig, at the remarkable age of 105 years at Coolinane Macroom.

Mr. Timothy Collins, who had been for twenty-two years an inspector in Cork butter market, died Dec. 6, aged fifty years, deeply regretted. The funeral to St. Joseph's cemetery was attended by great numbers of the citizens.

Inspiring demonstrations in honor of the Manchester martyrs were held in Enniskean, Skibbereen, Ballycough, Bantry, Lisgoold and the many other places of importance in Cork. The people of Cork will never allow the memory of these heroic men to die out.

The Cork city branch of the United Irish League at a recent meeting passed a resolution requesting Mr. John Redmond, M. P., to call a national convention to settle the affairs which are alleged to have caused the resignation of Mr. William O'Brien from the Irish national movement. Mr. John Redmond believes that it would be unwise to hold such a convention just now.

The ceremony of religious reception took place on Dec. 1 in the chapel of the Middleton Presentation convent. The young lady who received the white veil was Miss Elizabeth Ronayne (in religion Sister M. Aloysius), daughter of the late Mr. Patrick Ronayne of Dover, Ladysbridge.

The obsequies of the late Sister Mary Ita Colgan, Kinsale, took place in the Convent of Mercy, Kinsale, on Dec. 3. The deceased was a native of Galway.

Recent Deaths in Cork—LYNCH—On Dec. 6, at 7 Roman street, Laurence Lynch—LAWTON—Dec. 7, at 17 Sunday's Well avenue, Mary Lawton, mother of James Lawton, Bridge street, Bandon.—FORREST—Dec. 6, at Holly Hill, Blarney road, Denis Forrest.—MAHONY—On Dec. 6, Mary Mahony, Adrah, aged thirty-eight years.—BOWEN—On Dec. 6, at 15 Horgan's buildings, Hannah Bowen.—CONROY—At Aberla, County Cork, on Dec. 6, Catherine Conroy.—AHERN—On Dec. 7, at Glounthaune, Timothy Ahern, aged twenty-six years.—DESMOND—On Dec. 6, at Mitchelstown, Catherine Desmond.—DONOVAN—On Dec. 6, at Old Castle, County Meath, Gretta, daughter of C. Donovan, Curraigh, Inniscarra, aged twenty years.—DOYLE—At Monkstown, on Dec. 7, John Patrick Doyle.—LYONS—At Kibarraban, Roskeen, on Dec. 6, Jerh. Lyons.—FITZGERALD—On Dec. 3, at 14 Ninety-eighth street, Frances Fitzgerald.—MOORE—On Nov. 15, at San Jose, Cal., Patrick C. Moore, Knockgriffin, Midleton, aged sixty-nine years.—SHEEHAN—On Dec. 3, at the Square, Cloyne, Mrs. Margaret Sheehan, aged fifty years.—MAHONY—On Dec. 2, at 48 Clarence street, Catherine Mahony, nee Sullivan.—O'KEEFE—On Dec. 3, Mrs. Bridget O'Keefe, Sallybrook, Riverstown.—BOLAND—On Dec. 3, at St. Patrick's hospital, Ellen Boland, aged seventy-four.—JUDGE—On Dec. 2, at 39 Horgan's buildings, Ellen Judge.—O'BRIEN—On Dec. 4, at Ballinlough road, John O'Brien.—BIRMINGHAM—At Ourragh road, Margaret Birmingham.—MULCAHY—On Dec. 2, at Gurrane, Upton, Humphrey Mulcahy.—SHEEHAN—On Dec. 2, at Burnfort, Michael Sheehan, late of Droungarriff.—MCARTHUR—At Cardiff, on Dec. 3, Elizabeth McCarthy of Youghal.

KERRY—Daniel Lynch and two other tenants of the Clonson estate, near Killarney, were evicted recently. They were reinstated as caretakers.

Mr. Richard O'Gorman, for many years reporter on the Kerry Sentinel, Tralee, died Dec. 4, deeply regretted.

Mr. John M. O'Sullivan, son of the late Mr. Michael O'Sullivan, chairman of the Killarney urban council, at the recent Royal university examinations secured first place in all Ireland in his M. A. degree and a special prize of \$250 for correct answering.

The death of E. M. Barnard of Faha Court, Killarney, occurred on Nov. 27. He was descended from the well known Cork family of Morroghs, who had been strenuous upholders of the Stuart cause.

LIMERICK—The following changes have taken place recently in the diocese of Limerick: Rev. John Conway, C. C., Tournafulla, to be C. C. at Croagh in succession to Rev. Father O'Carroll, deceased. Rev. Father Fitzgerald, C. C., has been transferred from Feenagh to Tournafulla and Rev. Father Wallace, C. C., from Fedamore to Feenagh.

A unique and interesting ceremony took place in the town hall, Limerick, Dec. 3. In presence of the municipal council, the mayor presiding, medals and certificates of the Royal Humane Society were presented to Mrs. Murphy, Councilor J. F. Barry, ex-mayor, and Mr. John Meers for life saving from drowning, while the society's certificate in vellum was presented to Master Halpin for similar heroism. A certificate was also to be presented to Master Topplin for gallantry; but, he being at school, the function had to be postponed. There was a large attendance of the public, who generously applauded the honored ones as each received the decoration.

The annual celebration commemorative of the martyrdom of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien was held, as usual, at Abbeyfeale. A torchlight procession, accompanied by the local brass band, started from the Temperance hall and marched through the streets. On returning to the hall Father Casey ad-

ressed the assemblage and said he was glad to see such crowds as came there to perpetuate the memory of the three brave men who, on Nov. 23, thirty-six years ago, suffered martyrdom for Ireland in a center of English rule—the city of Manchester. As long as they lived they would come together in the memory of those dead heroes, because it was due to the action of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien and the other Fenians who constituted one of the great institutions of its kind the world over saw that the Irish people were indebted for whatever ameliorative measures were dragged from the English government.

TIPPERARY—On Nov. 22 the archbishop of Cashel arrived at Borriscorleigh for the consecration of a new marble altar erected by Father Williams of Marlborough street, Dublin, a native of the parish, in memory of the late Mrs. Ryan, Ivy House, Borriscorleigh. At the ceremony the archbishop was assisted by the Rev. James Hayes, St. Patrick's college, Thurles, and Rev. Michael Finn and Rev. Father Hackett, Adm. and curate of the parish. After the ceremony, which was a long one, the archbishop presided at 12 o'clock mass, which was celebrated by Father Williams, and after mass preached to a large congregation.

On Dec. 5 a meeting was held in the town hall, Tipperary, to organize the district and to give to the people of the town and the farmers in adjoining districts an opportunity to subscribe their share of the capital of \$50,000 to start the baron factory and to appoint an organizing committee. It is most satisfactory to learn that this project is no longer at an academic stage, but has long since arrived at a position which assures success. On the motion of Mr. Tobias English, Solohead, seconded by Mr. J. Godfrey, Grogan, it was proposed that the necessary steps be taken to establish the factory in Tipperary. Carried unanimously. It was proposed by Mr. D. Quane, seconded by Mr. J. Godfrey, that the Rev. P. Murphy be trustee for Tipperary district. Carried unanimously. Mr. Hannon said: "Mr. Chairman, somebody has passed me a note asking me what has been done at the meetings in other districts. A number of shares have been signed for. I should say about 2,000, at the nominal value of £1 each." The following organizing committee for Tipperary district was then appointed: J. W. Shea, W. Doherty, Church street; L. J. Dalton, J. Godfrey, Greenane, J. Bourke, Greenrath; John McCarthy, Carron, and Timothy Doherty, D. C.

Mr. O. Fitzgerald, Ballinagatt, Ballinagatt, died Dec. 1, after a short period of sickness, aged sixty-nine years. He was a brother of the late Rev. Michael Fitzgerald, Templemore, the late Mr. Martin Fitzgerald, Jessfield, the late Mrs. Alexis and James Fitzgerald and of Miss Fitzgerald, Jessfield.

WATERFORD—Miss Ducoy, daughter of Mr. Michael Ducoy, Ballyhane, Modello, died Nov. 29, deeply and widely regretted.

The commissioners of national education have awarded to Mr. E. Shanahan, teacher of Ballyhealy national school, Ballyduff, an increment of \$50 per annum for the efficiency in which his school is conducted. Mr. Shanahan studied under Mr. P. Whelan, principal of Clonca national school, was classed in 1880, receiving the percentage of 94.

The marriage of Mr. Roger Phelan, Knockniska, Ballinacorney, to Miss Annie Prendergast, youngest daughter of Mr. John Prendergast, Poulbatha, Cappoquin, was solemnized in the chapel of Affane on Nov. 29 before a large gathering of friends.

Nov. 30 a highly enjoyable Irish concert was held in the courthouse, Lis more, under the auspices of the Gaelic League, the object being to defray the expenses incurred in furnishing the Christian Brothers' schools, Lismore.

On Dec. 6 a meeting was held after mass at Kilwatermo, Knocknora parish, and a branch of the United Irish League formed. Among those present were: Thomas Murray, James Flynn, John Greene, P. Ryan, M. Hendnessy, P. O'Connell, Thomas Greene, A. O'Keefe, P. Morrison, J. Morrison, B. Murray, T. Roche, M. O'Brien, M. Donovan (evicted tenant), E. Baridge, M. Donovan, J. Cody, J. M. Grant, P. Swane, R. Smith, T. Allen, J. McCarthy, William Bennett, M. Doocey, J. Russell, J. Sullivan, J. Sullivan, J. Sullivan, J. Dunne, J. O'Brien and many others. From Tallon there attended P. F. Walsh, Alex. Heston, J. J. Walsh, John O'Brien, William O'Brien, Kilwinney. A deputation consisting of Thomas Murray, P. F. Walsh and James Lyman, organizer, waited on the Rev. W. Quinley for the purpose of enlisting his support and cooperation. The reverend gentleman received them cordially and promised all the assistance in his power, but owing to his short connection with the parish he could not presently accept any honorary office in the new branch.

KILDARE—On Dec. 8 the Rev. M. Rice, Stradally, gave a magic lantern entertainment in the schoolhouse at Vearstown. The audience was large and appreciative.

As a result of negotiations between the landlord of the Colley estate, Carbury, and the tenants a sale has been agreed upon, the tenants' offer being accepted, viz: First term and nonjudicial tenants to purchase at such a price as will reduce their rents by 6s. in the pound (21 1/2 years' purchase); second term tenants at a figure as will abate rents by 4s. in the pound (24 1/2 years' purchase); cottier tenants to purchase at 6s. 6d. in the pound; the current half year's rent and arrearage to be paid at similar rates or added to the purchase money, either course to be at the tenants' option; the bog to be vested in the estates commissioners for the benefit of the tenants and the sporting rights to pass into the tenants' hands.

KILKENNY—The funeral of Mr. O. Fitzgerald, Ballinagatt, to Kilmannagh cemetery on Dec. 3 was one of the greatest seen in that part of the country for many years.

Married, on Nov. 28, at the church, Carrigra, by the Very Rev. Canon Phelan, Mooncoin, John Connolly, The Mills, Templemore, to Annie, daughter of the late John F. Fielding, Portnassac House, Mooncoin. Nov. 25, at Piltown Protestant church, by the Right Hon. and Right Rev. Earl of Beesborough, assisted by the Rev. T. E. Winder, M. A., rector, and Rev. A. W. Richardson, B. A., Adelaide Maude Blackmore, daughter of Robert Blackmore, Garranagh, Piltown, to William Jackson, Rathfield, Kilkenny, County Kildare, son of Mr. James Jackson, Davinstown, Kilkenny.

KINGS—At a recent meeting of the Edwery board of guardians, in accordance with notice of motion, Mr. Peyton proposed, "That we, being a representative body and custodians of the public purse, while deprecating hasty and ill-considered bargains, trust that a thoroughly businesslike attitude be maintained so that under the new land act landlords and tenants may speedily come to an amicable arrangement whereby the tenants may buy at a reasonable number of years' purchase, and so obtain a substantial reduction in their second term rents and so end this vexed question to the benefit and happiness of all." The proposition was seconded by Mr. Moore and passed.

LONGFORD—Mr. Thomas Clarke, Ohill, Drumlish, died Nov. 30, aged seventy-five years, deeply regretted.

LOUTH—Mr. William Kelly of 10 Magdalen street, Drogheda, died Dec. 1 after a short illness, deeply and widely regretted.

MEATH—On Dec. 8 the ceremony took place in the chapel attached to the Convent of Mercy, Trim, of the reception of Kathleen, third daughter of Mr. Peter Austin, Beechville, Beauparc. The newly received sister takes the name in religion of Sister Mary Evangelist, and the Rev. Father Casey, assisted by the Very Rev. Michael Woods, celebrated mass.

QUEENS—The tenants on the Kyle-

hanced by the illustrative songs sung by Miss Rose Byrne and Mrs. Scarff Godman. The choir was occupied by the president, Dr. George Sigerson, P. B. U.

The death of Mr. James McShane took place Nov. 26 at Fairview, Dublin. He was formerly assistant teacher of Killydysart, County Clare, where he married Miss O'Hehir. He was subsequently appointed principal teacher of the national school, St. Dolough's, Dublin, an appointment he held for thirty years. He retired on pension a short time since.

The Forty Hours' Adoration was commenced in the church of St. Mary of the Angels, Church street, Dublin, Dec. 2, when solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Leonard, Rev. Father Angelus and Rev. Father Sebastian being deacon and subdeacon respectively.

Recent Deaths in Dublin—FENNELL—Dec. 5, at 17 Ashfield avenue, Hane-lagh, Christopher Fennell, late of H. M.'s customs, aged seventy-two years.—HYNES—Dec. 5, at paragon house, Collinstown, Rev. M. Hynes.—KELLY—Dec. 5, at 15 Russell place, N. C. road, Charles Kelly.—KENNY—Dec. 4, at St. Vincent's hospital, Thomas Kenny, 4 Erne place, lower, aged seventy years.—KINNELLA—Dec. 5, at the South City Infirmary, James Kinsella.—KIRK—At 32 East Arran street, Bridget Kirk.—CLAIRKE—Dec. 2, at Jervis street hospital, Christopher Clarke, for many years doorman at the Arch. Henry street, aged sixty-two years.—COLLINS—Dec. 2, at 29 Great Charles street, William Collins.—DUNNE—Dec. 3, at Our Lady's hospital for the Dying, Haroldscross, Margaret Kirwan, 41 Royal Canal bank, Philborough.—LAMB—Dec. 1, at 84 William street, Ellen Lamb.—M'GETTIGAN—Dec. 3, at 22 Belvedere road, Dublin, Anna M'Gettigan, mother of Mrs. O'Sullivan, national teacher, Leixlip.—CORRIGAN—Dec. 4, at 9 Emoryville avenue, South Circular road, Henry Corrigan.—CROOKSTON—Dec. 3, at 48 Lower Sheriff street, Ellen Crookston, late of 18 Commons street.—BYRNE—Dec. 3, at 21 Landor-terrace, New Row, Ellen Byrne.—CLARY—Dec. 3, at Mater Misericordiae hospital, Dublin, Michael Clary, Bulkead, Kilmallock.—O'GORMAN—Dec. 3, at Upper Sherrard street, Dublin, Edward O'Gorman, scholar, T. C. D.—POWER—Dec. 6, at 7 Darley street, Haroldscross, Mrs. Anne Power, relict of the late Edward Power, Newtownmountkenedy, County Wicklow.—WARD—Dec. 4, at the Hospice for the Dying, Margaret Ward, 9 Meek lenburgh.—BYRNE—Nov. 25, at Sir Patrick Dun's hospital, Margaret Mary Byrne, 12 Delahanty's buildings, Mount street.—COMERFORD—Dec. 8, at 6 Lower Dorset street, Catherine Comerford.

CONNUGHT

GALWAY—Most Rev. Dr. Healy, archbishop of Tuam, on Nov. 29 blessed the new bell in the church of Athenry. He delivered a very instructive sermon on the use of musical instruments to praise God.

Patrick Dempsey, son of Patrick Dempsey, farmer, Cloonavadogue, near Mounava, was found dead on a mountain near his home on Dec. 9. He had been looking for a horse that had strayed.

The Rev. John Hughes, S. J., St. Francis Xavier's, Upper Gardiner street, Dublin, has been appointed to succeed the Very Rev. M. Weaver, S. J., as rector of the Jesuit College and Church of St. Ignatius, Sea road, Galway.

On Saturday morning, Dec. 5, Patrick McKeogh, Carrara, Connemara, was drowned at the docks, Galway. He had come in to the market and was carrying turf from one lugger to another when he fell between the two, and before assistance arrived he was drowned.

Most Rev. Dr. O'Dea, bishop of Clonfert, acting for the nuns in Loughrea, has made arrangements with the Rev. Father O'Farrell, Killebuck, to sell to the nuns in his parish a large grass farm in the vicinity of Gert on terms that will secure to the nuns their net income.

A great meeting of tenants in the parish of Killebrin and Barnadorg district was held in Barnadorg Dec. 6, at which contingents were present from the districts before mentioned; also Cortoon, Killannan, Abbey and Monkssea. Mr. Martin Connolly, president of the local branch of the United Irish League, presided. Addresses were delivered by Mr. O'Connor Kelly and others. Resolutions adopted: "That we pledge ourselves not to enter into any negotiations with landlords for the purchase of our holdings except on conditions that all the grazing farms in the estate be included in the sale for redistribution among the tenants." "That we call upon the estates commissioners to carry out the intention of the legis lature by refusing to give a bonus to any landlord who reserves any portion of his estate, and that in no case should the estate commissioners treat as an estate any portion of the estate unless the entire estate is sold."

LEITRIM—Mrs. Mary Maher of Canaboe, near Ballinamore, died suddenly Dec. 3. The authorities are making investigation into the cause of death.

On Dec. 6 the Mohill Amateur Dramatic club gave a grand dramatic performance in the Hibernian hall in aid of the fund for the erection of a new public hall in Mohill. The Irish drama of "Kathleen Ma vourneen" was played in a creditable manner.

The death of Mr. John Thompson of Roskeery, Mohill, took place on Dec. 4. Deceased was in his seventy-ninth year and was popular in the district. The interment took place in the Mohill churchyard, and the funeral was largely attended.

MAYO—Mr. John Nally, James street, Westport, died Dec. 7, aged forty-eight years. During his life he was a member of the Sacred Heart sodality. For many years deceased was a teacher of catechism in Westport parish church, and many who were taught by him will read of his death with sincere sorrow.

The sale of Ballinlennan estate has been agreed to on the following terms: The tenants to buy their farms at twenty-three years' purchase on second term rents, or a reduction of 5s. in the pound; first term tenants to receive an abatement of 2s. 6d. in the pound and one perpetuity leaseholder 4s. in the pound in order to bring them to the level of second term tenants; all tenants to have a half year's rent forgiven; tenants owing more than two years' rent to Nov. 1 to have a year's rent remitted; a year's rent, if desired, to be added to purchase money; interest at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent on purchase price to be paid from date of agreement to closing day. The landlord has not reserved sporting rights.

Mr. Martin O'Gara, Kilmovee, Ballaghaderreen, died Nov. 21 from a cold taken about six months ago.

"Eileen Ogue" as produced at the town hall, Ballinrobe, lately by the Ballinrobe Amateur Dramatic club was a decided success. The hall was well filled by an appreciative and delighted audience. The following was the cast: Patrick O'Donnell, a young farmer, Mr. John Moran; Harry Loftus, his landlord; Mrs. O'Connell, his wife; Mr. Brennan, agent on the estate, Mr. Thomas Leatt; Brian O'Farrell, a jobbing haymaker, Mr. John Staunton; Father Mahoney, a parish priest; Mr. J. O'Shaugh-

nessy; Mr. Moriarty, Eileen's father; Mr. James O'Toole; John Thomas, servant to Harry Loftus, Mr. J. Donnell; Tim the Penman (clerk to Mr. McLean); Mr. Patrick Feerick; Creagh and Talbot, friends to Loftus, T. Vahay and P. Moran; MacShane, a ruffian in McLean's service; Mr. Patrick Gannon; officer of foot, Mr. Thomas Staunton; Eileen Moriarty, betrothed to Patrick; Miss Kate Feerick; Norah O'Donnell, Patrick's sister; Miss Martha Cooney; Mrs. O'Donnell, his mother; Miss Teresa O'Connell; Bridget Maguire, servant to Mr. Moriarty; Miss Cissy Cooney; soldiers, peasants, servants, haymakers, etc. Miss J. M. Cunningham presided at the piano. Mr. Thomas Brett was stage manager. The play from start to finish was a decided success. The performance was followed with songs contributed by Messrs. Brett, O'Toole and Staunton.

On Dec. 8 a magnificent demonstration was held in Ballycastle under the auspices of the United Irish League. As Mr. O'Kelly, M. P., drove through the streets he was cheered, and regret was generally expressed that Mr. John O'Dowd, M. P., was unable to be present. The proceedings were enthusiastic throughout. Among those present were: Rev. H. Conway, Rathlacken; Rev. M. Munnely, Adm., Ballycastle; Rev. J. Tully, Ballycastle; Dr. Crowley, Messrs. C. O'Kelly, M. P.; A. McGuire, John Lavelle, John Corcoran, George Ormsby, P. W. Durcan, J. Kelly, P. Loftus, W. McNamara, P. Munnely, etc. On the proposition of Mr. A. McGuire, seconded by Mr. Lavelle, the chair was taken by the Rev. Father Munnely. Mr. Anthony McGuire proposed the following resolutions, which were adopted with acclamation: "That as the land bill has cleared the way for home rule we mean to press this all important matter to the front and beg to direct the attention of all the members and officers of branches of the United Irish League to make this subject at all their meetings the foremost plank in their platform." "That we deplore Mr. O'Brien's resignation at this juncture as a serious loss to the national cause."

ROSCOMMON—The tenants on the O'Connor Doris estate named Clonnanis, County Roscommon, have signed agreements to purchase their holdings at twenty-one years' purchase of their present rents.

The dry goods establishment of Mr. P. Lennon, Main street, Roscommon, was burned to the ground a few days ago.

Mrs. Bridget McLoughlin, Frenchpart, died recently, deeply regretted. The funeral to the cemetery in Cloonshanville was very numerous attended.

The residents in Ballyfarmon have held two meetings for the purpose of establishing a co-operative store in the district, and the project will be accomplished soon.

SILIGO—The Golf estate, near Geevagh, has been purchased by the tenants at twenty-one and one-half times their present annual rent. The tenants were offered this estate for eighteen years ago, but they did not take advantage of the offer. Their offer at that time was thirteen years' purchase.

Miss Agnes Conway, Killeenduff, Easky, has been received into the Order of St. John of God, at the convent in Wexford. Her religious name is Sister M. of the Sacred Heart.

In the Catholic institute, Quay street, Siligo, lately, Rev. Father Hynes, president, in the chair, the lecture hall was crowded, as it was announced that Rev. P. A. Kieley, vice president, College of Immaculate Conception, Siligo, would deliver a lecture on his travels in the fair land of France. He delivered a most instructive and interesting lecture truly.

Mrs. Casey, Meenmore, Cloonloe, Boyle, died Nov. 22, aged fifty-seven years, deeply regretted. The funeral on Tuesday to the family burying ground at Knockbrack was attended by great numbers. The burial service was performed by Rev. Father O'Donnell, Keash. The chief mourners were: Michael Casey, husband; Thomas, James, Michael, John and Mark, sons; Gallagher, daughter; Mrs. J. Casey, Mrs. J. Casey, Mrs. M. Casey, daughters-in-law; Michael Dyer, John Dyer, Patrick Dyer, brothers; Mrs. Wynne and Mrs. O'Gara, sisters; Mrs. P. Dyer and Mrs. M. Dyer, sisters-in-law; John Dyer, Patrick Dyer, Patrick P. Dyer, P. O'Gara, nephews; Bridget Dyer, Annie Dyer, Katie Dyer, Ellen O'Gara, Mrs. J. McDonagh, Mrs. J. Feury, nieces. Among the general public were: J. M. Cryan, P. O'Connor, Boyle; J. McDonagh, Boyle; J. Cox, master of workhouse, Boyle; J. McDonagh, Mrs. J. Dyer, J. P. Dyer, Boyle; Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, Killybeg; Mr. and Mrs. Davery, Killybeg; William Gilmartin, T. Keavill, J. Duffy, M. Gray, T. Boylan, M. C. Cronin, N. T.; P. Gaffney, M. Dyer, P. Shannon and Mrs. Shannon, Boyle; Mr. and Mrs. Hannan, Miss Gallagher and Miss Donegan, Mrs. Boylan, N. T.; Mr. and Mrs. Sherlock.

The following are the winners of prizes at the bazaar held at Killybeg on Nov. 22: First prize won by J. Kelly, Derrymaher, ticket 265; second prize, Ellen Lehel, Ardakip, ticket 2,105; third prize, M. Glancy Beagh, ticket 1,527; fourth prize, Mrs. M. Ternan of Clonbonill, ticket 3,008; fifth prize, Eileen Wynne, Dourlynn, ticket 5,848; sixth prize, Mr. James Morrison, Siligo, ticket 1,774; seventh prize, Thomas Hannan, Killybeg, ticket 1,558; eighth prize, Miss McGovern, Clunee, ticket 5,489; ninth prize, Mr. Hutchinson, Liverpool, ticket 3,548; tenth prize, Mrs. P. O'Rourke, America, ticket 308; eleventh prize, Mrs. W. Kelly, Liverpool, ticket 3,557; twelfth prize, Thomas Kelly, Scotland, ticket 2,207; thirteenth prize, Mrs. McGoldrick, Cadda, ticket 715; fourteenth prize, James Gilmartin, Bootle, Liverpool, ticket 3,554.

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CARLOW—In view of the proposed founding of a new industry in Bagnalstown to afford much needed employment, a deputation consisting of some of the business men of the town waited on the Very Rev. Mgr. Burke lately to ascertain his views with reference to the project. Mgr. Burke approved and promised to give all the assistance in his power to the new undertaking. It is proposed to establish the contemplated industry as a limited liability company, shares of £1 each to be issued.

DUBLIN—Mr. J. J. Rossiter delivered an interesting lecture lately in the large hall, 6 Stephen's green, under the auspices of the National Literary society, Dublin, on "The Minor Poets of Young Ireland." There was a very large attendance. The lecture was en-

acted at a meeting of the members of the Dunce branch of the Gaelic League, held on Sunday, Dec. 6, the