

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 March 3 Thomas Briggs Hutchinson, aged thirty, son of Mr. James Hutchinson of Sandymount, Ballyvaughan, near Ballyclare, was found drowned in a dam near his home.

Right Rev. Dr. Henry Henry, bishop of Down and Connor, administered the sacrament of confirmation to 240 children in St. Paul's church, Belfast, on March 6. He was assisted by Father I. McLevery.

ARMAGH.—The four men named Hamilton Rice, William Blackney, Hugh Caughey and Alexander Kelly, charged at the Armagh spring assizes with an assault on the Rev. Stephen Brown, Markethill, and Mr. John McGrath, Markethill, on Jan. 15 last, were sentenced March 9 by Mr. Justice Wright to terms of imprisonment varying from one month to six months.

Members of the Camlough branch of the United Irish League held a meeting on Feb. 28, with Very Rev. C. Canon Quinn in the chair. The following officers were appointed for this year: President, Very Rev. C. Canon Quinn; vice-president, Owen Maguire; treasurer, John O'Callaghan; secretary, Thomas O'Hare; assistant secretary, Francis McParland. Also delegates to divisional executive: Thomas O'Hare, John O'Callaghan, Francis Maguire and Edward Mooney.

The remains of a prominent member of the Sir Charles Russell branch of the Irish National Foresters were removed from his residence in Shankill street, Lurgan, March 5 for interment in Dougher cemetery. The deceased was Edward McAvoy, aged about thirty-two years.

CAVAN.—On Feb. 16, at a wedding at Coonagoe, Down, a cooper named Patrick Loughlin, while at dinner, was seen to be fainting. He was removed outside, where he succumbed instantly. An inquest was deemed unnecessary, as deceased had been previously suffering from an affection of the heart. The people of the locality regret his demise, as he was a general favorite.

The death of Mrs. Reilly, Laragh, mother of Mr. James Reilly, merchant, Killycannon, Belurbet, took place at Aughagorlick, Laragh, on Feb. 14. The funeral was extremely large. The chief mourners were: James Reilly, husband; James Reilly, Killycannon, Belurbet; C. Reilly, Laragh, and John Reilly, sons; Misses Maggie Reilly and Mary Reilly, daughters. Rev. Father Reilly officiated at the church and grave.

Mrs. Mullen, St. Johns, died Feb. 12, deeply regretted.

DERRY.—On Feb. 25 the remains of Mr. John McErlane, Clady, Portlaine, were laid to rest in the Green-boughs.

The pioneer of shirt and underclothing manufacture in Derry for half a century, Mr. William Tille, died March 6, aged eighty-one years. He employed more than 3,000 hands and was a generous employer, free from religious prejudice.

DONEGAL.—The death of Mr. W. L. McConnell, clerk of petty sessions, Letterkenny, from pneumonia, took place on March 5.

In the beautiful church at Adara, which the late Father Kelly spent years of anxious labor and gave substantially of his means to see completed and dedicated to God's worship, there was celebrated the month's mind of the deceased. In trying times of the land war in the hills of Donegal he was notable in the public controversies that arose around the Gweedore sensation in which Police Inspector Martin lost his life, and he took an active part in procuring the funds and providing the defense of the Irish patriots in the famous Maryborough trial.

At the residence of her father, Mr. Edward Kelly, N. T., Knockbrack, after a brief illness, died Miss Sarah Kelly on the morning of Feb. 20. On March 2 her remains were removed for interment in the burying ground of his native Templebrolagh.

DOWN.—A meeting of the Kilmeagan branch of the United Irish League was held at Magherasaul, near Dandrum, on March 6. The following were present: Patrick Cunningham (Moneylane), Henry Carr, Patrick McClimont, James King, N. Burns, P. Dolan, John McSherry, N. Lennon, J. Lennon, Felix Rodgers, E. Lennon, T. Lavelle, P. Cunningham, P. Doran, F. Cunningham, P. Barr, E. Magennis, P. J. Grimes, H. Hanna, J. McClimont, R. McKibbin, J. Kerr, Hugh McCann, E. Murray, P. McGarry, P. Lennon, Seamus Lennon, P. Murray, Neal Murray, J. Toner, P. Savage, A. Kearney, James McCann, P. Cunningham, J. R. Burns, E. Toner, A. Connolly, J. R. Keenan, D. Grant, P. Rooney, J. Grant, John Barr, P. Gibben, P. Markey, W. Fitzsimmons, J. Cunningham, Dan O'Brien, etc. Mr. James King, who was moved to the chair, explained the object of the meeting and congratulated the meeting on being so well attended, especially by the young men of the district. The meeting elected officers for the ensuing year: President, Rev. J. O'Connor, Castledillon; vice-president, James King; treasurer, Patrick McClimont; secretaries, Daniel McCann and James Lennon. Delegates to divisional executive: Patrick Savage, Dandrum; John McSherry, Ballylough; E. Carr, Moneylane; P. McClimont, Magherasaul; N. Burns, Watermark; and P. Cunningham, Moneylane. Committee:

tee: Aughlinasna, B. Lennon and P. McGarry; Ballylough, J. Carr and H. McCann; Ballybannon, P. Hazard and P. McMullan; Watermark, P. Toner and R. Savage; Moneylane, F. Cunningham and P. Doran; Magherasaul, H. Hanna and B. Mulholland; Moneycarragh, H. Carr and J. McMullan; Dandrum, P. Savage and N. Burns.

FERMANAGH.—Mr. John Porter has lodged a claim against Fermanagh county council for \$5,000, balance of money alleged to be due in connection with the building of Innismore viaduct, which had been executed by the late Mr. J. G. V. Porter. The case will be submitted to Mr. Denis Henry by Mr. Falls, solicitor to the council, to ascertain the liability of the council.

Edward J. Gallagher, beloved son of John J. Gallagher and Annie McHugh of Ross, County Fermanagh, Ireland, died Feb. 20 last.

MONAGHAN.—At Monaghan assizes lately, before Mr. Justice Kenny, the trial of Joseph Fee for the murder of John Flanagan at Clones on April 10 last took place and resulted in a disagreement of the jury.

Mr. William McMahon, builder, contractor for the erection of a new Catholic hall in Monaghan, is taking down the old chapel in Park street, the site of the new hall. Mr. McMahon intends to have the work completed about September, when the Catholics of Monaghan will be provided with a new public hall.

A short time ago an old man named Sylvester Brennan, aged 108 years, was buried at Tydavnet. Deceased, who had many relatives, was hale and hearty up to a few months before his death and used to relate the incidents of a century ago. Deceased lived in Eshnallough, near Scotstown, before his death. At the present time there is living at Drumman, beside Scotstown, Owen Smyth, who is 110 years old. He is healthy and active, recently walking several miles without using a stick.

TYRONE.—The death of Mrs. Lynam, mother of Mr. F. J. Lynam, county surveyor, occurred at Omagh on March 6 after a short illness. The funeral left for Glasnevin, where the interment took place.

On March 3 a meeting of the tenants on the estate of Mrs. T. M. Bushe, Novarina, Bournemouth, consisting of the town lands of Galbally, Drumgallon, Ronskey, Ardpatrick, was held in the Railway hotel, Stewartstown. Mr. John Stewart proposed and Mr. Patrick Smith seconded that Mr. Hugh McIlwain act as secretary. After consideration the secretary was requested to write to the landlord that they were willing to buy under the land act of 1903 if the owner is willing to sell on reasonable terms.

Munster

CLARE.—The death of Mr. John Tubridy of Kilrush took place March 7. The late Mr. Tubridy was father of Rev. Brother Tubridy, Christian Brothers, Kilkenny.

Mrs. Timothy O'Gorman, native of Kilkenny, died March 6. The interment took place on Tuesday to the family burial place at Killybrowen. The funeral was one of the largest seen in the locality for a number of years. The chief mourners were Timothy O'Gorman, husband; Michael Carmody, brother; Pat O'Gorman, brother-in-law, and Thomas Nolan.

CORK.—A successful Gaelic concert promoted by the Donaghmore branch of the Gaelic league was held in the Fintona national schools recently. The schools were filled by an enthusiastic audience. Among those present were Rev. Father Barry and Rev. Father Twomey, Fintona. After the concert Mr. D. O'Leary, organizer, addressing the assemblage in Irish, said their entertainment would help them in their efforts to promote the language movement.

Recently a native of Fortgrady, Banter, named Cors Riordan died at the age of 107 years. The deceased, who led an active life, was wiry and energetic. His mental and physical faculties were wonderfully preserved, and up to within a few days of his death he was in his usual health. The deceased had visited towns little and enjoyed the open air life, which contributed to his great longevity.

A serious accident occurred March 7 to Miss Maxwell of East Ferry House, near Middleton, while playing in a hockey contest with the Middleton Ladies' Hockey club near Cork. She received a blow of a hockey stick on the nose. The injured young lady, who is only twenty-two years old and an only daughter, was removed in a prostrate condition, and medical aid was speedily summoned. It was found impracticable to have her removed to her home, and she was conveyed to Sydney place, Cork, where she lies in a critical condition.

On March 6, under the chairmanship of Rev. E. Griffin, spiritual director, a very instructive debate was held in Kanturk Young Men's society, the subject being "The Fiscal Policy in Relation to Ireland." The debate was conducted in a remarkably able manner and spoke eloquently for the research of the speakers. For "Protection" Mr. Hanrahan, J. Cashman, O. Bourke and J. D. O'Connor; for "Free Trade," J. Fitzpatrick, Michael Shine, J. Bourke and J. O'Leary. The complicated and far reaching problem was handled with skill and the various aspects very ably dealt with. On a vote being taken, the "little loafers" carried all before them, the champions of free trade being left in a hopeless minority.

Amid manifestations of deep and universal regret, the funeral of Rev. B. McCarthy, D. D., Inniscarra, took place March 8 from the parish church, Cloughree, to Macroom.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—MCARTHY—On March 5, at the parochial house,

Inniscarra, Rev. B. McCarthy, D. D. —TIERNEY—On March 6, at Sherbro, Derry road, Dublin, John Tierney, for many years representative of Welch, Margetson & Co., London. —BRENNAN—On March 9, at 60 Evergreen road, David Brennan. —O'KEEFE—On March 8, at 51 St. Finbarr's road, William S. O'Keefe. —LYNCH—On March 8, at Blackrock, Daniel Lynch. —HEVEY—At 3 Alto place, Gardner's Hill, Martha McNiece Hevey, Belfast. —DOYLE—On March 8, at station house, Colinstown, William Francis Doyle, aged nineteen years. —TWOHIG—On March 5, at Scraban, Inchigeela, Patrick Twohig, aged ninety years. —LONG—At the South Indrummy, Daniel, eldest son of the late Jeremiah Long, Knockrath, Ballingrath. Funeral on March 9 via Drissey and Peake for Aughabullogue. —OWENS—On March 8, at Spring lane, Eliza Owens. —MSWEENEY—On March 6, at 12 Tuckey street, Catherine MSweeney. —O'MAHONY—On March 7, at St. Patrick's hospital, Wellington road, Jeremiah O'Mahony. —BRENNAN—On March 9, at 60 Evergreen road, David Brennan. —SULLIVAN—On March 9, Patrick Sullivan. —CROWLEY—On March 11, at Pouladuff road, Jeremiah Crowley, late employee of Cork and Bandon Railway company. —FITZGERALD—On March 11, at Church street, Kanturk, Edward Fitzgerald, aged forty-eight years. —NAUGHTON—On March 11, at Killellen, at an advanced age, Margaret Naughton. —O'BRIEN—On March 7, at Blacklion, County Cavan, Cornelius O'Brien, second son of Mr. John O'Brien, Round Hill, Dunmanway. —LYNCH—At Croom, March 11, Thomas Lynch, aged fifty.

KERRY.—Each tenant on the north Kerry estate of the Earl of Listowel has received notification of the landlord's willingness to sell on the following terms: First term tenants, twenty-one and a half years' purchase; second term tenants, twenty-four years' purchase, and individual cases dealt with on their merits. The property extends over a great portion of north Kerry, comprising many thousand acres of land, and includes the town of Listowel.

John Cahill and John Walsh, two respectable young men of the agricultural class, were charged before Captain C. P. Craus, R. M., with having, with others, on March 5, 1904, at Glenoe, willfully and unlawfully rescued six cattle from three bailiffs named James Edward, Marshall, Frederick Wyatt and John Eager which had been taken under a civil bill decree from Mrs. Walsh of Knockalougha.

Members of the Aedes branch of the United Irish League held a meeting on March 5. John Coughlin, chairman, presided. Present: T. O'Connor, D. Gleeson, Johanna O'Connor, M. Tiddings, D. O'Carroll, Eugene Moriarty, Martin Platt, James O'Connor, John O'Sullivan, Ed. McElligott, M. O'Connor, James Mahony, Martin Collins (from Ballybunton branch), P. Crowley, P. Kilsane, M. C. Scanlon, Ed. O'Connor, Ed. McElligott, John Gorman, and others. Among the letters read was one from the national directory regarding the application in favor of Mrs. C. Scanlon (evicted tenant), regretting the standing committee had no funds at its disposal for evicted tenants.

Mr. Michael A. Manning, national schoolteacher, Ballyferrier, died March 5 deeply regretted.

LIMERICK.—An event of a very interesting nature took place recently, when a deputation of his parishioners from Rockhill and Bruree waited on the Rev. Eugene Sheehy, pastor, recently returned from America, for the purpose of presenting him with a horse and carriage and an illuminated address.

Patrick Fitzgerald, Routha, was found lying in a field in an unconscious state, March 6, a short distance from his own house. He never regained consciousness, dying about an hour after he was found.

The death of the Rev. Father Stephenson, O. S. S. R., took place March 11 at the convent, Mount St. Alphonsus, Limerick. Deceased was young in years. His ordination took place twelve months ago. Solemn requiem mass was celebrated at the Redemptorist church. Father Stephenson was a native of County Waterford.

The sale of Lord Emily's estates in Limerick and Clare has just been completed. In Clare the property is in the Clare district, and in Limerick it extends through Croom, Bruree and Athlacha districts. Some of the land is the finest in Limerick. A satisfactory feature of the negotiations closed through the agent, Mr. James G. Barry, is that they were conducted with friendly feeling on each side. Under the conditions of sale occupiers of farms held under first term judicial rents buy at twenty-one and a half years' purchase, while the tenants holding on second term judicial rents bought at twenty-four and a half years' purchase. The sale is the first large one in the county of Limerick under the new land act. The tenants are pleased. On the conclusion of the negotiations for the sale they expressed their thanks to Mr. Barry, regretting the severance of a long connection between them.

TIPPERARY.—Mr. Michael Gubbins Nenagh, died March 6, deeply and widely regretted.

A meeting of Ballingarry branch of the United Irish League was held March 6, Mr. B. Delahunty presiding. Present: P. Prout, J. Connell, E. Morrissey, T. Ryan, M. Sparrow, H. Blackmore, J. McDunnigan, M. Pollard, E. Grace, L. Power, T. Clear, J. Kelly, P. Grant, M. Purcell, J. Kennedy, D. O'Sullivan, T. Hanly, M. Tobin, T. Kenny and J. Hanrahan.

WATERFORD.—There was no criminal business before the city commis-

sion at the Waterford assizes, which were opened in March by the Right Hon. Lord Justice Holmes, and he was presented with white gloves by the city high sheriff, Alderman Thomas Whittle.

The death of Mr. P. Flynn of Kilmacmahon, uncle of Canon Flynn, Ballybricken, Waterford city, occurred on Feb. 25.

Leinster

CARLOW.—On Feb. 25, at Port Elizabeth, South Africa, in the twenty-sixth year of her age, died Mrs. Anna Mary Hennessy, sister of the Rev. M. Rice, Stradally and the Rev. W. Rice, Kilmacmahon.

The Carlow branch of the Gaelic League has on its roll of members Mr. E. Williams, Mrs. Whyte, Messrs. J. O'Neill, M. P. O'Noid, F. P. O'Phelan, W. McNevin, W. O'Neill, P. O'Kelly, A. Nolan, P. J. O'Lawlor, J. O'Kane and F. O'Duffy.

Most Rev. Dr. Foley, bishop of Kildare, has recently made the following changes: Rev. John James, Graignamagh, to Clongall; Rev. M. O'Brien, C. C. Graignamagh, to Hacketstown; Rev. D. Gorry, C. C. Naas, to Graignamagh; Rev. A. Delaney, C. C. Clongall, to Naas; Rev. W. Rice, C. C. Hacketstown, to Graignamagh.

Mr. John Byrne, Jr., Dunroe, Baginbala, died March 2, aged thirty-seven years, deeply regretted.

DUBLIN.—The Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas was observed March 7 with special devotion and plenary indulgence in the Church of St. Saviour, Lower Dominick street, Dublin. High mass was celebrated by Very Rev. J. D. Fitzgibbon, Rev. Father Ryan, deacon, and Rev. Father Glendon, subdeacon. The panegyric was preached by Very Rev. Vincent McNabb, O. P., Woodchester.

At a meeting of Dublin corporation in the council chamber, city hall, March 7 a resolution, moved by Mr. Kelly, reducing the salary of the lord mayor by £2,000 from Feb. 23, 1905, was adopted by a majority of 40 to 20. The announcement was received with applause, in which those in the public gallery joined. The salary heretofore was £3,841 10s., £362 10s. of which was intended to remunerate his secretary.

Father Patrick Hughes, S. J., Milltown Park, Dublin, passed away on March 8.

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—ROGERS—March 9, at 9 St. Patrick's road, Drumcondra, Mary Rogers, Piercestown.

—FOLEY—March 5, at 3 West terrace, Inchicore, Michael Foley. —LYNN—March 5, at 9 and 10 New Bridge street, James Lynn, bootmaker, aged seventy-one years. —MCABE—March 8, at 2 Lincoln place, Owen McCabe, aged forty-five years. —MAGANN—March 9, at the hospice, Haroldscross, Francis Magann, aged thirty-two years. —DOYLE—March 9, at 8 Summerhill parade, Peter Doyle, exchange court, aged twenty-six years. —ORRIDGE—March 5, at 1 Whitehall terrace, Clontarf, Cornelius A. Orridge, age twenty-four. —BRENNAN—March 9, at 24 Suffolk street, Mary Brennan. —HAND—March 9, at Grace Dieu, Kate Hand. —ROCHE—March 6, at 47 St. Ignatius road, Dublin, Patrick Roche, late Cornmarket, Wexford, formerly Librarian Mechanics' Institute, Wexford. —ANDREWS—March 1, Ellen Andrews, aged eighteen years, wife of James Andrews of Math. Little Naul. —FAHRELL—On March 2, at the Mater hospital, Peter Farrell, Caba. —LEDWIDGE—On March 3, at 36 Main street, Bray, Margaret Ledwidge, aged seventy years. —MAGUIRE—March 3, at the Harkwick hospital, Dublin, Eva Maguire, Ballinrobe, sister of Dr. Connor Maguire, Claremorris. —RUSSELL—March 3, at the monastery, Mount St. Joseph, Clondalkin, Anthony Russell, in the seventy-eighth year of his age and fifty-first of his religious life. —DOWLING—March 9, at 12 Great Charles street, Edward Dowling. —COFFEY—At Sandymount, Thomas P. Coffey. —COONEY—March 7, at 25 Castle street, Dalkey, Edward Cooney, aged forty years. —FITZPATRICK—March 8, at 38 Marrowbone lane, Stephen Fitzpatrick. —HUGHES—March 8, Father Patrick Hughes, S. J., Milltown Park, in his sixty-sixth year. —MCABE—March 8, at 14 Fitzroy avenue, Drumcondra, Catherine McCabe. —BRENNAN—March 7, at North Circular road, Anne Brennan, late of Killoogh, County Wicklow. —BYRNE—March 1, at 8 George's place, Henry Byrne, late member of No. 3 branch A. S. C. and J. —QUIRKE—March 5, at 31 Frankfort avenue, Rathgar, Ellen Browne Quirke, Newton, County Meath. —O'REILLY—March 10, at Cloughbally, Mullagh, Mrs. Mary O'Reilly, mother of the late Rev. Michael O'Reilly, U. C. A. N. Y.; Rev. M. O'Reilly, New York, and Rev. H. O'Reilly, Los Angeles, aged ninety-four years. —FARRELL—March 10, at 1 Beaver street, off Amiens street, Patrick Farrell, in his nineteenth year. —WYATT—March 5, at 41 Haroldscross, Miss Sarah Wyatt. —CASSIDY—At 20 George's quay, Mrs. Ellen Cassidy of Belview buildings. —O'REILLY—March 7, at the Mater hospital, Fergus O'Reilly, aged twenty-six years, brother of Thomas O'Reilly, T. C. 140 Upper Dorset street. —FLYNN—At 5 Frankfort place, Upper Rathmines, Mr. Patrick Flynn.

KILDARE.—Office and high mass was held in Levittstown chapel, March 9, for the repose of the soul of Miss Margaret Lalor of Skenguan, Castle demot, who died in the Mater Misericordiae, Dublin, Feb. 20. The interment took place in the burial ground of the chapel. Among those present were Mr. Richard Lalor, brother; Mr. E. O'Neill, brother-in-law; Mr. James O'Neill, nephew; Mr. J. Conlan, Mrs. Conlan, niece; Miss O'Neill, the Misses Lalor, nieces; Miss Germaine, Mr. J.

O'Neill, cousin; Mr. P. Farnan, Miss Brennan.

Mrs. Patrick Whelan, Duke street, Athy, died March 4 after a short period of sickness, deeply and widely regretted.

KILKENNY.—The death took place March 4 of Mrs. James King, the Butts, Kilkenny deeply regretted.

The sale of the Lane Fox estate, Gaultstown, Tullaroan, has been arranged on the following terms: Twenty-one years' purchase of the present rents, a half year's rent to be remitted; interest at 3½ per cent till the date of the vesting order, and, finally, sporting rights are the property of the tenants.

The funeral of the late Mr. Nicholas Brennan, Sart, took place March 5 to Ballinamara. The large and representative cortege was a testimony to the popularity which the family enjoy, and a tribute to the memory of the deceased.

KING'S.—Hugh Devane, an employee of Messrs. Goodbody, Clonsilla, was found dead on the road leading to the railroad station in Mullingar on March 3.

LONGFORD.—The month's mind, high mass and office for the repose of the soul of the late Mr. J. Brady of Cranary, Granard, father of Mr. John Brady, Longford, was celebrated in the parish chapel in the parish of Colmuckille, March 10. A large number of clergy attended.

One hundred tenants of the Doory Hall estate, Ballymahon, headed by Rev. Canon O'Farrell, Adagh, and Rev. Dean Monaghan, Carrickmacdon, recently met Mr. E. S. Darley, the agent at Doory Hall, Ballymahon. Mr. Darley said he wanted to offer terms which would give Miss Jessop "her present income net." The terms were: Nonjudicial and evicted tenants, nineteen years' purchase; first term tenants, twenty and three-quarter years; second term tenants, twenty-three years; all arrears and the hanging sale to be wiped out; interest at rate of 3½ per cent, payable from March 15, 1904, until completion of purchase. The tenants agreed, but stipulated that the sporting rights should be reserved to them. They had no objection to the Jessop family enjoying sporting rights in conjunction with them during their lifetime.

LOUTH.—The tenants on the estate of Captain Macartney-Filigate have been notified that he is willing to sell at twenty-six years' purchase of second term rents and twenty-three years' purchase of first term rents. The estate includes two large evicted farms, vacant for the past twenty years.

Cardinal Logue administered the sacrament of confirmation in St. Peter's church, Drogheda, March 6 to 500 children. After the 12 o'clock mass and before administering the sacrament he preached an eloquent sermon on "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit Received in Confirmation." At the close of the ceremonies he administered the total abstinence pledge until they be twenty-one years of age.

The office and high mass for Mother Mary Hyacinth, who died on March 5, took place in the convent chapel, Drogheda. In the choir were: Very Rev. J. Curry, St. Mary's; Very Rev. Father Doggett, O. S. F.; Very Rev. Father Purcell, O. S. A.; Rev. Father Fitzmaurice, O. S. F.; Rev. Father Hanrahan, O. S. A.; Very Rev. Father Condon, O. P., prior, St. Saviour's, Dublin; Very Rev. Father Powell, O. P., prior, Tallaght; Rev. Father J. Roche, O. P., Tallaght; Rev. Father Peter McDonnell, St. Peter's; Very Rev. Father Kenny, O. P., St. Magdalene's; Rev. Father Boyd, O. P., St. Magdalene's; Rev. Father Collins, O. P., St. Magdalene's; Rev. Father Breen, O. P. The chanters were: Very Rev. Father Powell, O. P., and the Rev. Father Peter McQuillan, O. P. At the high mass the celebrant was Very Rev. Father John Dominic Roche, O. P.; deacon, Rev. Father Collins, O. P.; subdeacon, Rev. Father Desmond, O. P.

MEATH.—The death of Mr. John McDonald, Flower Hill, Navan, occurred March 6, deeply regretted. The funeral to Donaghmore cemetery was attended by a great number of relatives and friends. The chief mourners were Mr. P. McDonald, son, and Mrs. Farrell, daughter.

QUEEN'S.—Mr. Nicholas Cass of Redhills, Abbeyfeale, died Feb. 27. He was a member of one of the oldest families in the district and was highly respected. He was a brother to Mr. Daniel Cass, merchant in Abbeyfeale. The funeral was very largely attended.

WESTMEATH.—The tenants on the Mountgometry estate, Ballymore, have purchased their holdings on the following terms: Twenty-four years' purchase of present rents, all arrears, including the hanging sale, to be wiped out; 3½ per cent interest, payable by the tenants on purchase money until completion of the sale.

Right Rev. Dr. Gaffney, bishop of Meath, on March 8 administered the sacrament of confirmation to 378 children in Mullingar. They were from St. Mary's college, Mullingar; Loreto convent, Presentation convent, Mullingar; the national schools of Walshestown, Ginstown, Carraghamore, Balinea, Glascorm and Balrath. Mass was celebrated by Rev. P. Daly, Mullingar. The following clergy were present: Rev. W. Bracken, administrator, Mullingar; Rev. J. J. P. O'Connell, Mullingar; Rev. N. Woods, Mullingar; Rev. Dr. Dooley, Killybeg; Rev. P. Tuohy, Delvin; Rev. W. P. Kearney, Kilmacard; Rev. James Murphy, Mullingar; Rev. W. Rooney, administrator, Longwood; Rev. C. Murray, E. P., Rochford Bridge; Rev. T. Drus, Rev. Father Carpenter, Tagmon; Rev. C. Casey; Rev. O. Geislan, Ballinacra; Rev. F. Gerard, Kilmacard; Rev. P. J. O'Callaghan, Milltown.

WEXFORD.—The New Ross school-

factory was opened on March 8, when twenty girls were given employment for the start.

Mr. James Hennessy, Kilmacdon, died March 9. He spent many years in Australia. After his return to Wexford he went to reside in a beautiful house on the Slaney river, and his intervals of leisure were spent in looking after the interest of his neighbors.

Mr. Thomas Boyd of Chilcomb House, New Ross, died March 8, aged eighty-seven years.

Mr. John O'Neill, Carrigane, Sparrowsland, master of the Bree Harrier's, on March 7 was killed while riding with the Wexford hounds near Raheen.

WICKLOW.—A fatal railway accident occurred on the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford railway line on March 7 at Kilkcannon crossing, midway between Rathdrum and Glenely railway stations. Philip Bell, aged eighty years, who resided in a cottage beside the crossing, was going over the line when the 7 a. m. train from Wexford to Dublin struck him, killing him.

Died, March 6, at Drumdangan, Rathdrum, Mrs. Jane Ward, aged eighty-eight years. March 8, at Arklow, Henry Delahunt, son of the late Sylvester Delahunt, Fuzeditch, Wicklow; funeral to Castletymon well attended.

Connaught

GALWAY.—The greatest regret was expressed in Portumna when it became known that the Rev. Joseph Pelly was to be transferred to Ballymacward. During his stay Father Pelly endeared himself to the parishioners.

Mrs. Cunningham, Ballytrasna, Tuam, died recently at the age of sixty-five years. She was the mother of Father Cunningham, pastor, Hastings, St. Paul diocese, U. S. A., and sister of Rev. Canon Ronayne and Rev. James Ronayne, Mountbellew. The remains were taken from the residence of the deceased March 4, a great number having assembled to pay the last tribute to her memory. The cortege was one of the largest witnessed here for many a year, sixty vehicles attending.

LEITRIM.—Mr. James Drum, Mullies, Manorbannigan, died March 7, aged forty-three years. The remains were interred in Killoosk Wednesday following, the funeral cortege being large and representative and a tribute to the memory of the deceased.

MAYO.—Mrs. Anne Loughlin, Hollymount, died March 4.

Mr. Michael Kelly recently disposed of eight acres of land belonging to Mr. Patrick McNamara at Tooraree, near Ballyhanna. The tenancy was a yearly one at £2 12s. 6d. per year. There were no buildings on the holding; nevertheless it went at the extraordinary price of £210. In other words, the sale of the tenant right realized eighty years' purchase on the rental. Mr. Kelly sold the grazing of Mrs. Carney's land at Cloonkeary, near Ballinrobe, and realized on an average about £3 10s. an acre per annum, and he also disposed of a small holding of land at Cloontubrid, the property of Mr. Richard Foy, the price realized being £50.

At the Gaelic league concert held March 6 in Westport town hall was well maintained the success which has attended those gatherings since they were commenced by the Westport branch of the Gaelic league. There were two new recruits in the dancing performance, and they were a great success. Mr. Thomas Gibbons, Westport quay, danced an Irish reel and slip jig and was applauded. Mr. Furlong danced a hornpipe and reel in a way which captured the good opinion of the audience. Mr. Joseph McGreal, now a familiar figure before Westport audiences, danced a reel and double jig in graceful style. Mrs. Peter A. Harty and Miss Baby Harty sang a duet, "Has Sorrow Thy Young Days Shaded?" which they rendered faultlessly. The following were the other items on the programme: Mr. Joseph Moore, song, "Corrig Dhun"; Mr. Martin McGreal, song, "The Dear Irish Boy"; Miss Casey, song, "Eileen Allanna"; Mr. Frank Gill, song, "God Save Ireland"; Mr. Denis J. McLoughlin, song, "The Meeting of the Waters"; Mr. Patrick Gaffney, song, "Norah, the Pride of Kildare"; and "The Moon Hath Raised Its Lamp"; Mr. Peter A. Harty, song, "The Shan Van Vocht"; Miss Ethel Byrne, song, "Inisfall"; Mr. Patrick Walsh, song, "Lay Him Away"; Mrs. Peter A. Harty, song, "The Whistling Thief"; Mr. Robert Lane, song, "My Mary of the Curling Hair"; Miss Gallagher, as usual, presided at the pianoforte.

ROSCOMMON.—Mr. James Sandys, Durham Lodge, Roscommon, died in Dublin, March 7.

SLIGO.—The committee of the Templeboy branch of the United Irish League is composed of: Rev. J. J. Melvin, president; T. O'Dowd, P. McDermott, C. Finnegan, P. Sexton, J. McGuire, T. Tierman, O. Healy, P. Lang, J. Burns, T. P. Melvin, C. McGowan, P. McAndrew, J. Rooney and J. McGowan. T. P. Melvin is secretary.

The death of Mr. Austin Larkin occurred March 3 at Sunnyvale, Sligo.

A meeting of the North Sligo executive of the United Irish League was held in the town hall, Sligo, on March 6. Mr. William Frazer presided. Delegates were present as follows: Sligo Borough branch—Edward Connolly, B. T.; B. McFerran, John Jinks, Terence Fox, Thomas Brennan and James Conway. Cairny branch—Owen Clarke, Phil McGoldrick, W. Frazer, W. O'Brien, J. Milmo and Patrick Foley. St. John's branch—Thomas Kilavee, Kiloran branch—P. Cawley, Thomas Ffian, T. Coleman and B. O'Hara. Drumcliffe branch—J. G. Quilty, B. Regan, P. Shaw, P. Jinks, Thomas McGough and M. Chrystal. The secretary is Mr. McFerran. A great amount of business of local and national importance was considered and acted on.