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.—South Antrim National Teachers' association at a recent meeting elected the following officers. J. Needham, No. 3 N. S. Antrim, chairman; M. J. O'Cready, Gortgill N. S., and Miss M. N. O'Dowd, Carlane, F. N. S. joint secretaries and treasurers.

ARMAGH.—The negotiations between J. Blackiston-Houston and his tenants for the sale of the estate of Killeen have been concluded. The terms agreed upon are 17½ per cent reduction on second term rents and 10 per cent reduction on leaseholds

CAVAN.—Mrs. Anne Carron, Aughaderralumond, Kinawley, died May 1

DERRY.—It is stated that the directors of the Londonderry Shipbuilding and Engineering company, limited, have taken steps to ascertain the minds of the shareholders as to the advisability of winding up the company and appointing a liquidator.

James O'Kane, merchant, Coleraine, died May 11, deeply regretted. He was a native of the Glen, Garvagh.

Francis McGrath of Waterloo street, Derry, died May 11 at the age of fifty years, deeply regretted. He was a well known and esteemed member of those who deal in horses

Right Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, bishop of Derry, administered the sacrament of confirmation to 500 children in St. Eugene's cathedral, Derry, May 11. The little ones took the total abstinence pledge until they be aged twenty-one years.

DONEGAL.—A shocking railway fatality occurred on May 7 on the Donegal line near Donemana station. A shoemaker named Phillips was making a short cut over the railway bridge when he was overtaken by a train from Derry and cut to pieces.

Died suddenly, at 54 South Wellington street, S. S., Glasgow, on May 1, Francis Lockhart, compositor, aged thirty six years, native of Ballyshannon; May 8, at Lisahully, Ballyshannon, James Mulhern aged eighty years, father of James Mulhern, merchant, Enniskillen, and Edward Mulhern, merchant, Ballyshannon

Father McMenamin, parish priest of Buncrana, left Moville May 6 for a short trip to America He has been overworked recently in connection with his renovated church at Cockhill and the improving and opening of schools in the parish. His medical advisers suggested a trip across the Atlantic as the best form of rest

A ceilidh in connection with the Ballyshannon Hurling club was held in Rock Hill, Ballyshannon, on May 12. The vocalists were Misses McAdam, M. K. Maguire, K Patton and Messrs. Daniel Quinn and E Kelly. A recitation was given by J. McAdam. The members of the Gaelic class danced several Irish dances. Miss Katie Daly played the accompaniments.

DOWN.—A largely attended meeting of the tenants on Dunville estate met on May 7 in the schoolhouse, Carrickmannon, to consider the offer of the landlord to dispose of his estate to the tenants. The proposals made by the landlord were 40 per cent of an abatement on first term rents, 20 per cent of an abatement on second term rents, all rents in arrears to be paid up to May 1, 1904, no reservation of sporting or other rights. A resolution was proposed, seconded and passed accepting the landlord's offer. The estate comprises five town lands, Drumhirk, Ballyalgin, Magherascouse, Carrickmannon and Raffrey, extending from Ballygowan almost to the town of Crossgar.

MONAGHAN.—The month's mind, office and high mass for Rev. E. Gallagher, Currin, took place on May 4 in St. Mary's church, Scotshouse Solemn office for the dead commenced at 11 o'clock, the chanters being Rev P. J. Lynch, Roslea, and Rev. P. Mulligan, Errigal Truagh. At the requiem high mass Rev. J. McElroy, Currin, was celebrant; Rev. D. Meenan, Newtownbutler, deacon; Rev. F. J. Donnelly, Killeevan, master of ceremonies. Also present: Rev. P. McKean, Aghabog; Rev. P. H. Maguire, administrator, Clontibret; Rev. P. McConnon, Currin; Rev. M. Clinton, Castleblayney; Rev. J. Trainor, Newbliss; Rev. P. Farnan, Errigal Truagh; Rev. H. O'Neill, Monaghan; Rev. D. Gormley, Cloes; Rev. T. J. Keenan, Newtownbutler; Rev. P. Owens, Corcaghan.

Charles Diamond of Glasgow, who formerly represented North Monaghan in parliament, intends to seek again the suffrages of the electors at the general election. Mr. P. O'Hare, Glasgow, and Mr. P. Whelan, both County Monaghan men, will also, it is said, put their names before the delegates.

On May 6, at Tanderagee, Monaghan, died Alice Owens, mother of John Owens, Monaghan county committee, and grandmother of Rev. Patrick Owens, Corcaghan, aged eighty-seven, deeply regretted. The funeral was attended by great numbers of relatives and friends.

TYRONE. — On May 12, in St. Eugene's hall, Omagh, Mr. M. Devlin presiding, the Right Hon. J. C. Hutchinson, lord mayor of Dublin, delivered a lecture at the invitation of the Omagh branch of the Irish National Foresters for the purpose of helping to defray the [illegible] red in the erection of the [illegible] the Church of the [illegible]. There was a [illegible] The lecture was on the "Life and Times of Lord Charlemont, Chief of the Volunteers."

A wedding took place in St. Macartan's Roman Catholic church, Omagh, recently, when Miss Kathleen Shevlin, daughter of Mr. Bernard Shevlin, Tullybroom, was married to John Mulholland, son of Mr. J. Mulholland, wine and spirit merchant, Belfast The officiating clergyman was Rev P. Boylan, Clogher, assisted by Rev. P. McMeel Clogher, and Rev. Father Laverty, Belfast

A great meeting was held in the chapel grounds, in Dromore, lately, after last mass, to found a branch of the Irish Gaelic league Father Matthew Maguire presided. Among those present were Rev M Maguire, Rev. Father Eardley, P. H. Pearse, B. A., B. L.; J. J Doyle, Derry; T. Concannon, organizer in chief of the Gaelic league, H. McCann, N Meenan, G Doherty, P Muldoon, J McManus, N T, J Gallagher N T, T McQuaid, N T; J J Hurley, creamery manager, M McGrath, P A MacManus Dermanagh Herald, Lough Erne branch Gaelic league, etc

Munster

CLARE.—William Redmond, M. P., is sick. His doctor has ordered him to refrain from all kinds of work for two or three weeks, and after that time he must take a change of air Mr Redmond is one of the most earnest workers in the Irish party

A fire occurred on May 8 in the business house of W A O'Looney, Parliament street, Ennistymon Efforts were made to cope with the fire, but the progress of the flames was so rapid that Mr O'Looney, Sr was cut off, and all attempts at rescue were in vain His corpse, burned to a cinder, was found in the debris

The death of Mrs. Martin Dillon, Dromdigus, Kilmurry MacMahon, occurred on May 6.

CORK.—A conference of the Fermoy deanery was held in St Patrick's Catholic church on May 6. The Most Rev Robert Browne, D D presided Present Very Rev. W Canon Rice, Mitchelstown; Very Rev E Canon Neville, Conna, Very Rev M. Canon Higgins, Castletownroche, Very Rev W Blake, B. D, R C A, Fermoy, Rev Peter O'Leary, Castlelyons, Rev John O'Donoghue, Rathcormac, Rev T Shinkwin, Rev J O'Donoghue, Rev Jeremiah Twomey, Rev J Browne Rev M M O'Callaghan Rev M Lane, Rev James Browne Rev J O'Keefe Rev C Murphy, Rev M B Kennedy Rev John Murphy and Rev Francis Flannery

The committee of the Ballymartle branch of the Gaelic league held recently a very enjoyable Irish concert Rev Father Carmody presided A long programme of Irish songs, music and dances was gone through The musical side of the programme was excellent. Rev Father Carmody played a selection of Irish airs on the violin Miss Mollie Mahony gave violin selections also, as did Master Jerry Mahony. P. Coughlan played selections of Irish airs on the flute. The following was the programme Irish chorus, school choir, hornpipe, John Roche, James Roche, T Roche and C O'Reilly, recitation, M. O'Callaghan violin selection, Miss Mollie Mahony, Irish song, Pat Prior; Irish song, James Roche; violin selection, Master J. Mahony, Irish song, Richard O'Reilly, flute selection, Mr P Coughlan Irish song Miss Abina O'Reilly, Irish song, Jeremiah Murphy, violin selection Rev Father Carmody, Irish song, Miss Lizzie Duggan, hornpipe, Miss H Roche and Master C. O'Reilly, Irish song, Miss Julia Barry; violin selection Miss Mollie Mahony; Irish song, Miss Mollie Duggan; Irish song, Master C O'Reilly, flute selection, P. Coughlan, Irish song, Miss A. O'Reilly; Irish speech, John O'Sullivan; Irish chorus, school choir

An encounter of a very serious nature took place at Midleton on May 9 between the police and two brothers named James and Peter Morrisson, farmers, Ballycroneen, Ballycotton. James Morrisson lies in a critical condition in the hospital, Midleton. The Morris sons were going home from Midleton fair when they were followed by two policemen, who proceeded to arrest James Morrisson, who at the time was walking by the side of his horse, while his brother Peter was driving in a crib. When going up St. Mary's road they were overtaken by the police, and an encounter took place in which Peter Morrisson joined in defense of his brother, who was being subjected to cruel treatment. One of the police drew his baton, which he used freely and with serious effect on the head of James Morrisson. So severe was the encounter the baton was broken in two From the wound inflicted on James Morrisson's head blood flowed copiously, and for the time it was feared his life was in imminent danger as he lay prostrate on the roadway. A priest and doctor were in attendance on the injured man. Dr. Walter Long, observing the very critical state of Morrisson, directed that he be conveyed into a hospital without delay, where he is detained at present in a precarious condition.

The funeral of the late Thomas Barry of Killavullen, which took place May 11 from the parish church, furnished ample evidence of the appreciation in which he was held by all classes. The announcement of his death caused widespread regret not alone in the south, but in every part of Ireland where the principles of honest patriotism and sturdy nationality are honored.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—O'DONOVAN—On May 7, Humphrey O'Donovan, Dunbar street.—NOONAN—On May 5, at Listowel, Hannah Noonan. —LYNCH—On May 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, at St. Patrick's hospital, Wellington road, Molly Lynch, butter market, Cork.—TREACY—On May 8, at 25 Trimbath's lane, Nora Treacy. — BARRY — On May 9, at Ballingurrane, Thomas Barry, chairman Mallow rural district council.—LUNDON—On May 10, at Bruff, Mary Anne Lundon, daughter of the late Robert McNamara, Bruff, niece of the late Dean McNamara, Bruff, and sister of P McNamara, ex secretary Cork Vintners' association. —O'SULLIVAN At Curravrivreeda, Bandon, May 9, Mary O'Sullivan.—BUSTEED On May 10, at Seamount, Ringaskiddy, Elizabeth Busted FRYER On May 11, at South Infirmary, John Fryer of Tuckey street, plumber.—TWOMEY On May 10, at Knopogue, Ballinagree, Macroom, Michael P. Twomey, aged fifty three —DUGGAN On May 10, at Kyrle street, Thomas Duggan HANRAHAN On May 11, at Marina Villa, Patrick Hanraban — HANLON On May 8, at Waterfall, John Hanlon MARRETT On May 9, at 20 James' square, Benjamin Marrett, aged fifty five years SHANAHAN On May 9, at St Patrick's hospital, Wellington road, Simon Shanahan BOWLES On May 9, at Spring field, Castlemartyr, Elizabeth Wood Bowles

KERRY. — A communication from Brosna appeared in the Freeman's Journal of May 13 as follows During the past few weeks an alarming and unprecedented mortality among cattle was prevalent in the Castleisland, Brosna and other East Kerry districts Cattle are literally dying wholesale It is believed that the insufficiency of hay and fodder and the intrinsitous quality of same are responsible for the extraordinary mortality Not within memory of the present generation has there been experienced such dearth of fodder and pasture at this period of the year in those districts and farmers pay exorbitant prices for hay in the markets

LIMERICK.—On May 11, as John Hogan, aged thirty five employed in the bacon factory of Messrs Shaw & Son, Mulgrave street, Limerick, was oiling the machinery, his clothes were caught by a wheel and he was carried round, his feet at each revolution striking a beam Instant action was taken to stop the machinery but before it could be done the man's legs were broken off and he died immediately

The death of Edward Ryan of O'Brien's Bridge, occurred at his father's residence near Clonlara on May 6 Deceased belonged to an old and respected family and the announcement of his death was received with sorrow by a large circle of relatives and friends

TIPPERARY.—Most Rev. Dr Fennelly archbishop of Cashel administered the sacrament of confirmation to 400 children in the parish church of Cashel May 13

Patrick Phelan, gardener, and Mary McGrill a deaf mute were killed by the upsetting of a side car near Cahir, on May 3 They were returning from Shanbally where they had gone to see King Edward

The death occurred at her residence, Carnbrian House Clonmel May 14 of Mrs. Cantwell relict of the late Alderman Edward Cantwell who was for many years mayor of Clonmel. The sad tidings of her rather unexpected demise were received by all classes of the community with sorrow The requiem services and funeral were very numerously attended

Rev. Nicholas Holohan died May 4 at the residence of Rev James Holohan pastor of Castletown who was his brother

WATERFORD.—The Waterford Star of May 14 contained the following "Although small numbers of emigrants have been leaving the country districts around Waterford since Easter, it was not until Tuesday that the emigration season opened, when numbers of emigrants left here en route to Queenstown The south station was crowded with the friends of the emigrants and at all the stations along the line viz, Kilmeaden, Kilmacthomas, Durrow and Dungarvan the train was boarded by fresh contingents of emigrants, most of them being young boys and young girls The scenes at some of the stations were most affecting"

The death of Richard Costen of Manor, Kilrossenty, uncle of P Costen, builder and contractor the Manor, took place May 11

The Rev. W. B. O'Donnell, P. P., St. Patrick's parish, Waterford city, writing from Alexandria, gives an interesting description of the voyage through the Mediterranean of the Catholic pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Father O'Donnell states, "All our party is Catholic, 131 in number We have two lectures daily on some place in the Holy Land that we are to visit. We have forty masses on board every morning. We have a string band, which plays twice a day and during dinner, and we have concerts in the evening. We have a glorious time The bishop says mass every morning and is well; so are the other priests Ireland is well represented, and between the band and the singers you would sometimes think you were in Ireland. However, we are far, far away, but our hearts are still at home.' The pilgrims arrived in Rome on a Saturday. On Monday they were received by the pope, who kissed their banner when he heard that it had been taken to Jerusalem. In the evening the pilgrims were entertained at dinner. During the day the Most Rev. Dr. Sheehan, bishop of Waterford, was received in private audience by the pope.

Leinster

CARLOW.—Among the tenants who were evicted from the estate of John G. Adair, in Queen's county, was Edmund Nolan of Belin, who is now in New York city.

At a recent meeting of Kyle branch, U. I. L., there were present: P. Greally, J. Dooley, J and D. Moloney, T. Breen, M. Phelan, M. Maher, M. Tehan, D. Phelan. The following resolution was adopted "That at this our first meeting since the national convention we commend to the people its policy which has renewed activity and organization in the national ranks."

DUBLIN.—Dr. Patrick J. Hayes of Idrone terrace, Blackrock, died May 11 For many years he was senior surgeon to the Mater Misericordiae hospital and consulting surgeon to St. Patrick's college, Maynooth

In the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Upper Gardiner street, Dublin, the Rev. James Walsh, S. J., preached the annual charity sermon in aid of St Joseph's Portland row, under the charge of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God The response was very generous

The will of the late James McCann, M P of Simmonscourt castle, Dublin, has been proved and lodged in the proper office in Dublin The personalty is sworn under $911,000 The testator left to his wife Mary McCann, all personal ornaments and the household furniture and effects There are two annuities of £300 each to his two sisters, Nanny McCann and Mary Spicer. He left all his real and personal estate to his wife and to his two sons, and Charles Felix Dixon, in trust, for Mrs McCann's own use, with provisions for raising certain sums for the education and advancement of the testator's sons, and with powers of appointment by Mrs McCann for the benefit of the testator's sons and grandchildren

The Freeman's Journal of May 10 contained the following "We record with regret the unexpected death, from influenza, followed by pneumonia, of George Johnston Allman, one of the most distinguished of the Irish men of science of our time"

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—LYNCH—May 10, at 52 Upper Gardiner street, Dublin, Elizabeth Charlotte Lynch of Petersburgh, County Galway — McKEE May 9, at Kiltall, Mrs. Mary McKee, at an advanced age O'KEEFFE May 11, at Brambles town, Cowran, Mrs. O'Keeffe, aged eighty five years — STUART May 12, at Ballinagh, Cavan, John Stuart, aged seventy three years WHARRIE May 10, at 7 Castle terrace, Edinburgh, James Drysdale Wharrie, aged fifty two BROWN On Ascension Thursday at 55 Bishop street, Elizabeth Brown — O'BRIEN May 11, at Albany House, Albany terrace Dunlaghi Martin O'Brien HOGARTY May 12 at 7 Trivoli terrace, east, Kingstown Ellen Hogarty SHEILS Patrick Sheils 4 Abercorn road, off Sheriff street OAKLEY At Booterstown railway station Thomas Oakley station master BEHAN May 9, at 12 Ardmore avenue, N C R Sarah Behan G P O BYRNE May 9, at 54 Merrion square Dublin Elizabeth Byrne Rossmakea County Louth — DOYLE May 8, at 9 Upper Ormond quay, Thomas Doyle formerly of Ballinglass — CUMMINS May 9, Esther Mary Cummins St Mary's, Terenure FITZPATRICK May 8, at Balally Sandyford, James Fitzpatrick CHARLES—At 24 Portland place, N C R Margaret Charles KAVANAGH May 7, at the Convent of the Holy Faith Glasnevin, in the twenty ninth year of her religious profession, Brigid (in religion Sister Mary Brendan), eldest daughter of the late Patrick Kavanagh Ballinamogue Tinahely County Wicklow — ROCHFORD At 54 North Clarence street, William Rochford, late of Kingstown aged eighteen years. ROUGHAN April 2 at the Residency, Narrogin West Australia of pneumonia John A Roughan B A, M B, resident magistrate the Williams, aged thirty youngest son of the late George Francis Roughan inspector local government board, and of Mrs Roughan, Carlisle House, Monkstown

KILDARE. — The remains of Mrs. Anne Colgan Clonbin, Rathangan, who died at a very advanced age were interred in the family burial place, Rathangan, on April 28

KILKENNY. — A meeting of the Mooncoin branch of the United Irish league was held on May 8, Rev James Brennan in the chair Present Patrick Irish, Patrick Phelan, Walter Walsh, Thomas Howley, William Doyle, William Oakey, R. Dunphy, William Dalton, Nicholas Cantwell, Martin Doherty, Robin Reddy, Thomas Foskin, Patrick Purcell Father Brennan advised the people to join the league, as in no other way will they be able to get anything like fair terms from the landlords. A circular was read from the Rev. Thomas Brennan, honorable secretary South Kilkenny executive, notifying the branch that it is expected to finish the collection for the parliamentary fund on June 20

Mrs. Jane O'Carroll of 5 Herbert road, Sandymount, who died Dec. 19 last, widow of Daniel O'Carroll, left personal estate valued at about $40,000. Probate of her will of Dec. 12, 1900, with codicil, the last dated Oct. 27, 1900, has been granted to the Rev. Tobias Walsh of Freshford, Kilkenny. The testatrix left the income from $10,000 to her sisters, Mary Ann Gladstone and Elizabeth Clarke; $500 to the Rev. T. Walsh for the poor of his parish; $800 to the Stanhope Street asylum, Dublin; $1,000 to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul; $750 to the Society For the Propagation of the Faith; $750 for the Little Sisters of the Poor; $750 each to three branches of the Magdalene convent; $750 to the almshouses, Waterford; $750 to the Convent of St Joseph for masses, and, subject to numerous other sums for charitable and religious purposes, she left the residue of her estate to be devoted to the celebration of masses for the repose of the souls of her husband and herself and other relatives.

LONGFORD.—Died, James McQuaide of Drumlish, on May 2; Miss Gill of Cullenamore, County Sligo, late of Lamagh, Newtownforbes, on April 30; Mrs. Gannon, Carrickedmond, April 27; Mrs Marcella Flynn of Tang, Ballymahon, on April 27, all deeply regretted.

LOUTH.—The members of the Drogheda branch of the Gaelic league continue to do good work in the movement to revive the Irish language

In the report of the proceedings at the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Royal Irish Academy of Music, held at the Royal university, Dublin, May 6, the first and highest prize, the Vandeleur academy scholarship and gold medal for harmony and counter point, was awarded to Miss Annie McGough of Drogheda, who also won the Vandeleur scholarship and silver medal for organ playing. She won also the second prize for organ scales and exercises (first grade) Miss McGough also secured third prize for organ playing at sight, at the concert where she played the march from "Tannhauser" on the great organ This talented young lady is a daughter of John McGough of Palace street, Drogheda

MEATH.—The death took place on May 6 at Cunniberry, Kilmessan, of William Swan, at the patriarchal age of 101 years. He was able to be about up to three weeks before his death, when he attended mass in the parish church at Kilmessan

On May 8 the feis organized by the county Gaelic league was held at Navan on the grounds of the County Meath Agricultural society The attendance was the largest that has yet been seen on the show grounds It is estimated that there were 3000 persons present There were 700 competitors, and this large number represented Navan Kells, Trim, Oldcastle, Longwood Athboy, Dunshaughlin and several other places It shows the firm hold that the language movement has taken of the County Meath

WESTMEATH.—Rev. Peter Flynn, Mullingar was ordained subdeacon in St. Peter's college, Wexford, by Right Rev. Dr. Browne, bishop of Ferns, on May 3.

The quarterly meeting of the North Westmeath divisional executive of the United Irish league was held May 5 in the market house, Mullingar Mr Owen Wickham, chairman, Mullingar rural district council, and vice president of the executive, presided A standing committee was appointed to look after the organization and to deal with any matter of urgency between the quarterly meetings The following form the committee John P Hayden, M P, president of the executive, O. Wickham, vice president, P Connellan, honorary secretary James Fegan, Tore honorary treasurer E Dangan, chairman Delvin board of guardians, and James Cleary M Ronan, D Flood, W Gilligan, M Leslie P Daly J Dunleary M Ward B Carr, J T Roche James Mangan and M Hynes

WEXFORD.—A motor car service for trade has been established from Shillelagh to Newtownbarry by the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway company

The death occurred at Main street, Newtownbarry on May 5, of Mrs Catherine Brennan who had attained the age of 103 years Deceased was the mother in law of Christopher Sinnott, draper, with whom she lived

WICKLOW.—Mr. Wake, principal of Technical schools, Wicklow attended at Ballinglass recently when a meeting was held in the national school to appoint a subcommittee to make arrangements for the classes in cookery and needlework The following were in attendance Very Rev T O'Neill, presiding; Rev Father Wall, Dr J Gorman, Messrs E P O'Kelly T B Doyle, M M Gleeson, W Flinter, H. Byrne W O'Neill, P Heydon, J Monrihane M Byrne

On May 8 Thomas Doyle died at his son's residence, 9 Lower Ormond quay, Dublin

Connaught

GALWAY.—Very Rev. Canon McAlpine, Clifden, with the Very Rev L. Healy, provincial, Blackrock college, Dublin, had a private audience with the holy father May 9 His holiness spoke lovingly of Ireland and the Irish people, expressed himself pleased at hearing of the constancy to the faith of the people of the west amid the many trials and temptations to which they are subjected and as a token of his affection sent them his special blessing. He presented Canon McAlpine with a magnificent gold watch as a prize for his coming bazaar, together with an autograph letter commending the project and bestowing the apostolic benediction upon all who help it.

The bazaar and drawing of prizes to assist the nuns of the Presentation convent, Galway, in their laudable work of providing increased and up to date improvements in the schools and convent under the care of the good religious, will be held on Aug. 1 next Since their foundation in 1815 they have devoted themselves to the education of the children of Galway and have never made public appeal for aid. Many thousands of ex-pupils, successful in positions at home and abroad, afford evidence of the zeal and efficiency with which the nuns did their duty by the little ones placed under their maternal care.

LEITRIM.—Intense regret was felt in Carrick over the demise of John Fox, which took place at his residence on May 12. The deceased was popular with all creeds and classes. The funeral was attended by a great number of relatives and friends.

James Murray, Carrick-on-Shannon, Flatley estate, acting as honorary secretary on behalf of tenants, recently received a reply to the tenants' proposal, made on Jan. 2 last, stating that on account of the delay on the part of the government in bringing the land act amendment bill before the house and fixing the position of limited owners it is impossible for Mrs. Whyte to give an answer to offer to purchase their holdings made by the tenants.

MAYO.—The well known Massbrook estate was sold lately by James H. North & Co., at 110 Grafton street, Dublin. The residence was built ten years ago from plans by Sir Thomas Drew and stands in a beautiful demesne over Lough Cona, and enjoys fishing and shooting rights of a very valuable character. The sale caused great interest. The opening bid of $27,500 was quickly increased The residence and demesne of 356 acres were sold to Hirst & Copes, solicitors, Harrogate, England, for a client.

The Connaught Telegraph of May 14 "congratulates Thomas Mullin, Breaffy, N. S., on having got full fees—10 shillings for each pupil presented at last examination for Irish taught as an extra to the school children. He has this year also got full fees 17s 6d. for each of the average attendance at the night school conducted during the winter months. Irish was one of the subjects taught in the night school This is practical work for pupils as well as teacher. Such work Irish Ireland demands for all Irish teachers, and to such is due a full meed of praise"

The death of Mrs. Crofton, Glenhest, took place at the residence of her mother Mrs Garry, Linenhall street, Castlebar, after a short illness

ROSCOMMON.—M. Noone, Ballyroddy, died May 5, deeply and widely regretted

A well known resident passed away on May 3 in the person of Patrick Cuttle, Ballinagare, at the age of seventy-two years The large funeral cortege which followed his remains to the family burial ground bore testimony to the esteem in which deceased and his relatives are held

The Roscommon Herald of May 14, among its Castleplunket and Ballinagare notes, had the following "During last week it was painful to observe the fine youths of both sexes who left en route for the United States from this and surrounding localities. The advice of the clergy and bishops of the Catholic church seems not to have a deterring effect on the would be emigrants, and something of a practical nature must be forthcoming before the alarming exodus of the flower of the Irish peasantry can be stemmed. The flaring placards displayed by emigration agents in Castlerea have more attraction for the youths than a similar placard announcing a national meeting would have As long as the youths continue indifferent there is small hope for Ireland"

On May 9 a meeting of the representatives of the districts of the county was held in the courthouse, Castlerea, for the purpose of considering the advisability of the county feis and in what town it should be held Present: Right Rev Mgr Hanley, Castlerea; Dr Douglas Hyde, Rev M. Brennan, Castlerea, Rev P Forde, B. D., Athlone, Rev J McDermott, Castlerea; Rev. B Geraghty, Kilbegnet; Very Rev Canon White, Loughglynn, Rev. C McHugh, Castlerea, Rev Father Hannan, Ballymoe, Rev J Martyn, Ballintubber, Rev Father O'Beirne, Athleague; M. H Grogan, Dr P Donnellan, James Durkan, P Hanley, secretary Castlerea branch Gaelic league, Messrs M Mulheran, P Conroy, T O'Connor, P Flanagan, M G. Sweeny M Rogers M Fetherstone, M Gillan, Miss Annie Egan, Castlerea; Miss Josephine O'Connor Castlerea; T Watt, Roscommon, T Egan Castlerea; D J Hartnett, J Lynch, D White, Rochfield, B Conry, J Silk, Castlerea; J. Hanson, Castlerea, P J Hannelly, Castlerea, M Brannelly Kilbegnet, P. O'Sullivan, N T, Athleague, J Brennan and many others Right Rev. Mgr Hanley said he had much pleasure in proposing that Dr Hyde preside at the meeting Dr Donovan I second that The chair was then taken by Dr. Hyde It was decided to hold the feis in Roscommon or, if not possible there, in the town of Elphin

SLIGO.—Mrs. Moran of Sweetwood, Killargue, died May 10, deeply regretted The funeral to the local cemetery was numerously attended

Mrs. Jane Gill, Cullenamore, died April 30, aged sixty eight years

On May 12, in the presence of a very large and representative gathering, the Grange bazaar was opened The bazaar was organized to provide funds for the beautiful new temperance hall which has just been erected. The building is of beautiful design, of large dimensions and is now almost completed, but a considerable sum of money is required to wipe off the debt. The bazaar was a success, as was the concert held in the evening. The school children opened the entertainment by singing the "Wearing of the Green." J. Boyle sang "The Irish Emigrant," Miss K. Conway sang "Ireland," B. Kelly rendered Irish airs on the violin, Mr. Gallagher sang "The Snowy Breasted Peal," etc.

A special meeting of the members of the grange branch of the United Irish league was held lately for the consideration of purchasing the Ashley estate and the conduct of members who violated the rules of the organization. The following attended: Bernard Harte, president; O. Feeney, J. McGowan, J. O'Connor, M. Carvey, P. Waters, Cormac Feeney, P. Teighney, P. McCullagh, Terry Meehan, James McGarraghy, John Kearns, James Gillen, P. Christal, Thomas Gilmartin, Bernard Kelly, Michael Harte. Mr. Cormac Feeney complimented the president, Mr. Harte, on being able to attend their meetings again after his serious illness. The following resolution was proposed by O. Feeney, seconded by John Kearns and passed unanimously: "That we condemn the conduct of the members of the branch who violated the rules of the organization by sending cattle to graze on forbidden ground; that they be expelled from the branch, their subscription returned, until apology be made by them to those whom they offended."