

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.—A mission which was successful was opened on June 26 in Our Lady of the Rosary church, Ballynafeigh, by the Very Rev. Thomas O'Keefe, rector of the Redemptorist monastery, Perth, Scotland. At the devotion the church was crowded. After the rosary by the Rev. D. McCartan the missionary preached on the "End of Man."

The death of Charles McCreanor, Islandhill, Aghagallon, took place on June 25 after an illness of twelve months.

A profound sensation was created in Belfast city June 27 by the news that David Henderson of 2 Brookvale avenue, that city, and director of the Olivet home for boys and girls, Ballygowan, County Down, and the Elm home, Crumlin road, Belfast, had committed suicide the previous night with the utmost deliberation and determination. He had been summoned to the petty sessions court, Florida minor, County Down, to answer a charge of cruelty by neglecting the children under his care in the Olivet home. It is supposed that he preferred death to meeting the charge.

ARMAGH.—A meeting of the members of the Bellock branch of the U. I. L. was held June 26, the president, Mr. James McElroy, in the chair. The chairman said it would be a good thing to organize an excursion for the members. A day's outing would be inviting for young and old. James McKeown seconded the chairman's proposal. Their brunch was in a flourishing condition, and a day's pleasure would infuse enthusiasm and encourage them to take greater interest in the branch. All the members approved the project.

DERRY.—Mrs. Susanna McLaughlin of Drumragher, formerly of Linnavaddy, died June 25, at the extraordinary age of ninety-five years, fortified by the rites of the Catholic church.

On June 23 the members of St. Patrick's T. A. association, Dunghaven, enjoyed their annual excursion. The place chosen for the day was the popular seaside resort of Moville. On the morning of departure mass was celebrated at 6.30 by Father O'Doherty, after which a procession was formed to the station, headed by the band of the society.

June 24 was prize day in St. Columba's college, Derry, an educational institution which is in the front rank to give exemplification of the ability, talent and cleverness of the youth trained therein, and which has proved that Irish brains and intellect achieve notable honors in whatever field of intellectuality they may be tried. The proceedings took place in the study hall when Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, rector by Very Rev. Dr. McHugh, president of the college, and accompanied by Right Rev. Mr. McGurk Maghera, took his seat on the platform. Many other priests were present also. Addresses were delivered by the bishop and the president of the college. Between 1898 and 1903 the following is a list of the success of the intermediate examinations: Medals for first place in Ireland, 5; exhibitions, new and retained, 73; composition prizes, 10; other prizes, 30; number of boys who passed the examination, 263. Medals, exhibitions and composition prizes were won in all grades.

DONEGAL.—On June 29 an outdoor demonstration, under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, was held in Ballintra. Contingents attended from Inver, Townawilly, Killymard, Donegal, Pettigo, Laghey, Muleek and Ballyshannon. Most of the contingents had bands. Headed by the splendid new banner of the Drumhill division a procession was formed and passed through the town. The gathering of Hibernians was one of the largest witnessed in south Donegal.

Rev. Father McMenamin, pastor of St. Mary's parish, Buncrana, on a recent Sunday preached on St. Columba. He said: "It was my privilege during the eleven years of my position as administrator at Long Tower, Derry, under Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, to have associated with me two of the most zealous priests in the diocese—Father William Doherty and Father Hugh Boyle—for whom I had and have the highest respect. It is well known that Father William Doherty did more than 16 man's part to have devotion to St. Columba extended and appreciated. St. Columba was the dove of the tabernacle, the saint of the blessed sacrament. Let us ask him to pray to that God whom he loved so much to bestow on us some of that love which filled his heart. You are aware that I have been in America recently. During my stay there I was anxious to see the churches and schools. My chief object in visiting the churches was to see how they were kept, and all I visited were models of neatness. The schools, too, are well cared for—the greatest burden and anxiety of bishop and priests in America. But I did not see a church more beautiful or more devotional than our own St. Mary's, Buncrana."

DOWN.—A meeting of the tenants on the estate of the Rev. James Traill Hall, which comprises the town lands of Ballyhorman, Seahorman, Tollumran and Ballybeg, midway between Stranorlar and Ardglass, was held lately in the Commercial hotel, Downpatrick, on average terms with their

landlord for the sale to them of their holdings under the land purchase act. John Woods presided and Denis McQuill acted as secretary. Henry S. Close, Drumabanagher, near Newry, attended to negotiate on behalf of the landlord, and the tenants were accompanied by William Russell & Son, solicitors. Negotiations for purchase were arranged at the following terms: All rents and arrears due to 1st of May to be paid. The proportion of half year's rent accruing between 1st of May and 1st of August to be paid in cash or added to the purchase money. Interest at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent by the tenants on their purchase moneys from 1st of August, 1901, to date of vesting orders. All appeals at the instance of landlord or tenants withdrawn. A reduction of 6 shillings in the pound to all tenants whose rents were fixed prior to 1896. A reduction of 4 shillings in the pound on all rents fixed in or since 1896. All sporting rights vested in the tenants and all existing rights to seaweed and of taking the seaweed preserved to the tenants.

FERMANAGH.—Dr. R. Biggs, head master of Portora Royal school, Ennis kilien, was found drowned in Lough Erne, June 24. He was boating when the accident happened, and how it occurred no person knows.

MONAGHAN.—Mr. Monray of Fort Tintleton, Ennyvale, who died Feb. 4 last, left an estate valued at \$27,000.

TYRONE.—A destructive fire occurred in Omagh on June 26. One of the staff noticed smoke coming from the building in connection with Montgomerie's works in John street. The printing works with the entire stock and machinery were destroyed.

Mrs. Mary Hughes of Killyclogher died June 26 at the great age of eighty-one years. She was sister to Right Rev. Mgr. McNamee, pastor.

Under the auspices of the Eire Og club, Donaghmore, an aerobath and bonfire were held on June 23. The members and friends assembled at the league rooms before proceeding to the place selected for the night's entertainment, Cnoc Chiuin, near Donaghmore. The party was accompanied by the Lord Edward Flute band, Cnoc Chiuin having been reached, a few energetic hands were detailed to get everything in readiness for the lighting of the bonfire. On the motion of John O'Neill, seconded by Edward Carbery, Catholic O'Toole was called upon to act as "fear an tigh." At a signal the bonfire was lit and Cnoc Chiuin presented a scene which will not soon be forgotten.

Munster

CLARE.—Very Rev. Dr. Fogarty, vice president of Maynooth college, has been appointed bishop of Killarney. The priests and people of the diocese are pleased.

James Lynam, U. I. L. organizer, on June 29 commenced an organizing tour through East Clare. Accompanied by John McInerney, chairman Limerick board of guardians, John Griffin and other Nationalists he visited Shanille bridge, Killyshen and O'Callaghan's Mills and gave advice to the farmers not to rush into foolish bargains with the landlords, but to stick to their organization. On the proposition of Mr. Vaughan, O'Callaghan's Mills, seconded by Mr. O'Dwyer, secretary East Clare executive, Thomas Looney took the chair. The meeting was representative and of an enthusiastic nature. Delegates present: Feakie, E. M. Slatery, J. O'Connor, T. Malone, T. Rochford, J. White; Bodyke and Tomragney, P. Purcell, Daniel Nunan, P. Stewart, John Malone, D. Tuohy, L. Boland; Doora, M. Hegarty, T. McInerney, M. Nihill, J. Muirgovan; Thradaree, John Lynch, president; P. McMahon, J. Houlihan, John Doyle, T. Quinn, J. O'Grady; Tulla, C. McGrath, J. Lane, J. McInerney, M. Glynn, P. Vaughan; O'Callaghan's Mills, Denis McInerney, Michael Vaughan, vice president; James McInerney, J. Tobin, P. O'Mara, J. Sheehan, F. McNamara, M. McInerney; Cratloe, John McInerney, J. Griffin, T. McNamara, M. Kenny, P. Carthy, T. Donnellan; Clonlara, A. Stritch, P. Stritch, P. Mulqueen, M. Corry, M. Stritch and E. O'Dwyer; Parteen, M. O'Grady, P. Carroll, P. McMahon, P. Boyle, A. Dundass.

CORK.—Father Browne, pastor, Glengriffith, has founded a lace making industry. The work turned out by his people is of first class character. The congested districts board has appointed Miss Mary Teresa O'Donnell, Western road, Cork, teacher and superintendent. Miss O'Donnell was for years a pupil of the Crawford School of Art, Cork.

Two hundred and fifty new members have been initiated into the women's branch of the Holy Family Confraternity in Middleton. Rev. Father Murphy has charge of the organization.

A meeting of the national monument committee was held on June 17 at the Cork Young Ireland society's building in Great George's street. J. J. Crowley, chairman of the society, presided. The secretary announced that he had received from John O'Connor, ex-M. P., \$5 toward the monument fund. Mr. O'Callaghan also announced that the lord mayor had given him \$155, composed of a subscription of \$125 from the Cork harbor commissioners, \$25 from Alderman Phair and \$5 from Mr. Forde, Ballincollig. There was also \$5 received from W. Dillon.

The demise of Captain H. Townsend took place at his residence, Courtmacsherry, June 14. Deceased belonged to one of the most respected families in the county. He was associated with the Lifeboat Institution in Courtmacsherry, and on occasions of shipwrecks rendered valuable assistance to distressed mariners by providing them with food and clothes and money.

The obsequies of the late Mother Mary Aloysius Dwyer were held in the

Presentation convent chapel, Youghal, on June 10. She was among the first to join the Presentation community at Youghal after its foundation. Mother Aloysius was second daughter of the late Captain J. J. Dwyer, Ceylon rifles. She was aged seventy-seven years.

A sensational accident occurred to a special American mail express from Queenstown to Buttevant June 30. The train consisted of an engine, four passenger vans and a guards van. The rails had been laid at Queenstown from the White Star liner Majestic from New York. The train was running at fifty miles an hour. When Buttevant was reached the driver was horrified to find the gates closed and a child tender years in the gateway. She tried to clear the gate, and only escaped in time to avoid being mangled. The driver blew the whistle continuously and the child got away. The speed would not admit of the train being brought up in time. The mail carriers became alarmed at the whistle and one, on looking out, saw the situation and shouted to his companions to get off the floor of the vans. A few seconds after and the crash of the engine with the gates came and partly checked the train, but the engine and train tore past the obstruction, carrying both gates away as if they were wicker work. The train was brought up some distance from the crossing, and clinging on to it were portions of the gates twisted round the buffers. Relief from terrible anxiety only came when the train was at a standstill. The sorters went back to the cottage and found the child and an old woman overcome by fear. The sorters helped to get the debris of the gates clear of the engine, and the train proceeded to Dublin. The driver succeeded in slowing his train somewhat before the occurrence, and in those few seconds the life of the child was saved.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—M'CARTHY.—At Tallow, June 21, Nora McCarthy.—MULQUINNEY.—On June 21, Miss Mulquinn, late assistant matron, Cork Union.—INGERTON.—On June 21, at Blarney, Mrs. William Ingerton, daughter of David Foley, late of Riverstown.

TWOMEY.—On June 23, Eleanor Twomey, Derrilabane, Dunmahony.

LEARY.—On June 23, Carrigrohane, Aghingh, Michael Leary, aged eighty-one years.

O'SULLIVAN.—On June 22, Ignatius O'Sullivan, grandson of the late Patrick Duggan.—TREACY.—On June 20, at Daly's lane, Mary Treacy.—O'CONNOR.—On June 20, at 8 Hegarty's square, Ellen O'Connor.

MOORE.—At Shanmogh cottage, Chantville, John Moore, late G. S. W. R., at an advanced age.—MCARTHY.—On June 19, at Callas, Miss Mary, Margaret McCarthy.—HART.—On June 18, Mary Hart, FITZGERIBON.—On June 19, at Evergreen road, Minnie Fitzgibbon, daughter of the late Daniel Desmond, Bellmount, Crookstown.—O'FLAHERTY.—On June 20, at Ballyroe, Charleville, Edmond O'Flaherty.—DORNEY.—On June 20, at Longhane, Blarney, John Dorney.—CALLAGHAN.—On June 30, at Cork city, Margaret Callaghan, Limerick city, and mother of Acting Sergeant P. Callaghan, St. Luke's.

HAYES.—On June 29, John Hayes, late of the Lower Glanville road.—KELLEHER.—On June 28, at Shanakill, Ellen Kelleher, daughter of the late William Ambrose, Caherbarroul.—HIGGINS.—On June 27, at Ballymiskig, Upper Glanville, Margaret Higgins.—HERLIHY.—On June 27, at Bridgestown, Inniscarra, Ellen Herlihy.—BUTTIMER.—At Shanacashel, Kilmichael, Maurice Buttimer, national teacher, aged forty years.—O'LEARY.—At Tullig, Buttevant, on June 27, Hanna O'Leary, at an advanced age.—ALLIN.—On June 28, at The Bush, Youghal, Rebecca Allin of Middleton.

KERRY.—Rev. Edmond John Fitzmaurice of Ballydonoghue cottage, Jarbert, was ordained priest recently in Rome. Two weeks after the ordination he took the degree of doctor of divinity. He is only twenty-three years of age. His labors will be in the diocese of Philadelphia.

At a meeting of the Fossa branch of the U. I. L. June 26, D. D. Sheehan presided. The following were elected branch officers: President, D. D. Sheehan; vice president, P. T. Lyne; treasurer, D. J. Cronin; secretary, J. Meara; assistant secretary, J. D. Sheehan, Jr.; committee, John Sullivan, L. Buckley, Jr., D. Myers, P. Murphy, J. Corridan, J. Price, Jr.; M. D. Sheehan, D. Ford, P. Cronin, J. Lynch, D. L. Cronin. The meeting then voted for members to represent the branch on the divisional executive, when D. D. Sheehan, D. Myers, R. D. C. J. Sullivan, P. T. Lyne, D. J. Cronin and J. Meara were elected.

LIMERICK.—The pupils of St. John's convent schools, Limerick city, were awarded many prizes for their Irish literary and Irish music and dancing attainments exhibited during rent Thomas Gaelic feis. The good nuns of this convent are doing their share of the work to make the coming generation of girls in Ireland genuinely Irish in heart, brain and mind.

The Limerick city industrial exhibition, the first of its kind in the city, was opened July 2 by the Right Worshipful Michael Donnelly, mayor, at the Limerick markets. The display of local industries was great.

Miss Mary Butler, Ballingarry, died June 24 at the great age of eighty years, deeply regretted. She was sister to late Rev. Richard Butler of Wales.

The Feis Tuadh Mumanh opened in the Athenaeum, Limerick, on June 24 by an Irish play and concert. The mayor of Limerick, Michael Donnelly, formally opened the proceedings and delivered a fine practical address. He was attended by the sergeants at mace. The large hall was filled with competitors and their friends. All the examinations were good and proved that the Irish language is spreading rapidly over the country.

A meeting was held lately in the

City Hall, Limerick, to make arrangements for the year's feis, which is proposed to be held on Sunday, Aug. 28. The Rev. Father O'Donnell, who presided, dwelt in his address on the necessity of all working vigorously for the success of the feis. The following are the officers: President, Rev. Father O'Donnell; vice president, J. P. Dwyer; treasurer, D. Cussen; honorary secretary, E. R. Walsh and R. J. Joyce; committee, R. Birmingham, D. Murphy, V. C. D. C.; M. Flynn, James Casey, J. Keane, J. Buckley, J. Godfrey, J. Shanahan, J. Higgins, E. Jackson, T. Sheehy, J. Fitzgerald, P. Dwyer.

TIPPERARY.—At the cathedral, Thurles, June 19, Most Rev. Dr. Finlay, archbishop of Cashel, raised to the presbytery the following students of St. Patrick's college, Thurles: Rev. M. O'Callaghan, Rev. M. Salmon, Rev. W. O'Grady, Rev. W. Noonan, Rev. Philip Healey, Rev. M. Stanton, Rev. Morgan O'Brien, Rev. Edmund Markey. Most of them will go on foreign mission to St. Paul, Mann, U. S. A. under Archbishop Ireland.

On June 21, fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the nuns of the order of Sisters of Mercy in Nenagh. It was made the occasion of religious ceremonies. At 10 a. m. there was high mass at St. Mary's of the Rosary, at which the nuns, the school children and a great congregation attended. The ceremonies were then transferred to the convent where a procession was formed. First came the altar boys, next the infant boys attending the convent schools, then the girls attending same; these were followed by the girl members of the Order of Mary, and several clergymen bringing up the rear. The procession passed through both the convent and church grounds, returning to the convent, where the ceremonies were brought to a close. The convent grounds were decorated with altars and flowers, a larger altar being erected at the hall door, which benediction was given by the Very Rev. Dean White, assisted by the Rev. P. Gunning.

WATERFORD.—Mrs. Goss of Cappoquin died in the county infirmary, Waterford city, June 21.

The first industrial exhibition organized by the Dungarvan Industrial association opened on June 29 in the town hall. Executive Ladies' committee, Mrs. Longan, president, Mrs. Ruddle, vice president; Mrs. Cunningham and Miss Cumiffe, honorary treasurers, Miss K. W. Parks, secretary. Two mills showed a splendid assortment of tweeds, rugs, homespuns, ladies' costume, boots, etc., all of fashionable design and of superior finish. With one firm's exhibit was a display of handloom weaving by an employee of one of the firms.

The death of Andrew Magan of Kilmacore occurred May 29 at the early age of twenty-five years. He was a dashing cyclist, being a splendid performer on the track. He was also one of the leading members on the committee of the Moyalty sports.

WESTMEATH.—The impressive ceremony of reception of two young ladies into the order of the Sisters of Mercy took place in the convent of Mercy, Moate, June 22. The names of the young ladies are Miss Margaret Walsh in religion Sister M. Wilfred Ignatius, daughter of Edward Walsh, Esq., Kilmogue, County Kilkenny, and Miss Josephine Martin, in religion Sister M. Ursula Teresa, daughter of the late James Martin, Esq., Nobber, County Meath. Right Rev. Mgr. Reddy, Olohan, officiated.

WEXFORD.—The marriage of Oliver Murray, son of the late James Murray, Ballinacorney, to Miss Bessie Kavanagh, daughter of Edward Kavanagh, Killegran, was celebrated in the Star of the Sea, Riverchapel, on June 21.

On a Sunday evening recently, when the 5.30 up train from Rosslare was proceeding along the quay of Wexford an old woman was observed sitting on the tracks. The engine driver, John Doyle, blew the whistle several times, but she refused to move, and the train was stopped. The guard alighted and forcibly removed her off the line. The old lady gave no reason for her conduct, and repeated it when the last train was coming from Rosslare.

Previous to the departure for the United States of M. F. Somers of Comonom Quay, Wexford, his friends gave him a farewell dinner in Morris' hotel, Monek street, Wexford. Maurice Leary presided. The presentation took the shape of a special companion case of pipes and a fine address, also a photograph of the party.

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A meeting was held in Caerlisle town lately to form an association to assist in the movement to revive the Irish language and the Irish amusements, which will make the Irish people a distinct nation; not as in the past, neither Irish nor English, yet imitating the latter. The meeting was held in St. Patrick's hall, Rev. Father O'Brien presiding. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Rev. C. O'Brien; vice president and honorary secretary, E. O'Reilly; honorary secretary, E. O'Callaghan, with E. Purcell, M. White, E. Needham, L. Condren, M. Kavanagh, J. Byrne, Inch; Joseph Murray, L. Condren, Killabeg; P. Hanlon, J. J. Kavanagh, John Grogan and Peter Redmond, Gorey, as general committee.

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aged seventy-six years.—WALKER.—June 24, at 14 Bloomfield avenue, S. C. road, Elizabeth Walker, formerly New-castle, County Wicklow.—M'BRIDE.—June 28, at the Hospice for the Dying, Haroldscross, Peter Medlicott M'Brade.—REID.—On June 26, at the Garden, Lucean House, Dublin, Peter Reid, aged forty-seven years.—FLANAGAN.—June 27, at Newlands, Condamackin, William Flanagan.—O'HANLON.—June 21, at Kingstown, Margaret Maxwell, daughter of the late Thomas Chambers of Tandragee House, Rathborough.—DOYLE.—June 28, at 49 Bolton street, Mrs. Celia Doyle.

KILDARE.—The funeral of the late Rose Anne Dunne of Salins took place June 27 to the last cemetery of Boleynstown and was largely attended.

KILKENNY.—The tenants on the Chapman estate in County Wick have purchased their farms under the new Land Act.

Mayor P. O'Leary of William street, Kilkenny died June 26, after a short illness. He had been mayor of the city a few years ago.

The ceremony of unveiling a grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes took place on June 29 at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Ferry Bank, Waterford, to commemorate the jubilee year of the apparition to Bernadette.

KING'S.—On June 14, in St. Bridget's church, Clonahadon, by Father Bolger, Patrick Tymon of Mountrath was married to Kathleen Daly of Castlebrack, Co. Wick.

LONGFORD.—On June 29 a wedding took place at Whitehall, Farnborough, when John Bree of Farnborough was married to Miss Mary J. Shanley, daughter of the late John Shanley, Droimel, Droimel, Leitrim, by the Rev. W. Fallon.

LOUTH.—The Ardee branch of the United Irish League has contributed \$64 to the Irish party parliamentary fund, per Joseph T. Dolan.

Drogheda was represented at the Portadown regatta lately, but with no greater success than has attended their efforts this season. The Maiden Four, which consisted of J. McKittrick, R. Torran, P. Canning and H. Nesbitt, after leading the home team in the first heat, went under before Belfast Commercial in the second heat after a desperate race, and on the second day Drogheda's senior four were beaten by Portadown by two feet after a desperate tussle.

MEATH.—The priests and people of Athboy have contributed \$40 to the Irish parliamentary fund per John Gilissenau.

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of his nephew, Daniel Condren, auctioneer, Arklow. He was born in Ballyconran, County Wexford, eighty-five years ago.

Connaught

GALWAY.—John McNulty of Tuam died June 12, aged seventy years.

Most Rev. Dr. Healy, archbishop of Tuam, attended recently a special ecclesiastical court in Dublin, held to examine into the claims to canonization of Irish martyrs. He was summoned as a witness. The proceedings of the court are most elaborate, the strictest adherence to custom and law being required. One of those whose claims are being examined into is Dr. O'Keely, or Keely, archbishop of Tuam, killed at Sligo in Charles I's time.

The death occurred at her residence, Donnybrook, in Dublin, on June 18, of Mrs. Anna Maria O'Loughlin, widow of the late Patrick J. O'Loughlin, ex-sessional crown solicitor for Galway county and a resident at Meriton House, Dunmore.

The Weekly Freeman of July 9 had the following: "One of the last of the old Irish school of traditional pipers was buried a week ago, namely, Martin Reilly of Galway. This old man of seventy-four years was a marvelous performer on the Uilleann (Union) pipes, and his fingering was phenomenal. From his master and namesake he picked up Gansday's method of playing, for Gansday was a very nice among pipers, whose playing elicited the warmest admiration from all visitors to Killybeg in the first half of the last century. Not many who heard Reilly give the 'Fox Chase' were aware that he reproduced Gansday's effects with marvelous fidelity, but Gansday himself learned this glorious piece of 'programme music' from Edward Keating Hyland in 1820. Hyland died in 1846, but Gansday survived till 1867, in his ninetieth year. The greatest of the Galway school of pipers was Paddy Conneely, who was presented with Crump's magnificent pipes by James Hardiman, the historian of Galway."

LEITRIM.—Lord Leitrim, appointed lieutenant for the city of Derry, is one of the largest landowners in the north of Ireland, possessing 60,000 acres in the county of Donegal alone. He is a great nephew to the third earl, whose death by being shot on his estate caused a sensation six and twenty years ago. He succeeded to the title when thirteen years of age.

MAYO.—Rev. Constantine Cunningham, Ballinrobe, out of eighty students secured first place at the recent examinations in Maynooth for his essay on Gerald Griffin.

M. P. Kerins of Ballyvary died at his home June 29, deeply and widely regretted. He was one of the largest and most successful merchants in the west of Ireland.

Right Rev. Dr. Ludden, bishop of Syracuse, N. Y., on June 10 visited the Mayo county infirmary and was highly pleased with the way in which the institution was conducted. He wrote the following in the visitors' book: "We have visited the infirmary at Castlebar and admire its management."

On the Feast of St. Peter and Paul the Crossmolina feis was opened under auspicious circumstances by the Very Rev. Mgr. O'Hara. There was a very large attendance and the greatest interest was taken in the petitions. Very Rev. Mgr. O'Hara explained the object of a feis and said it was a curious thing that in the very district in which Archbishop McHale, a great Irish scholar and ecclesiastic, was born and reared Irish disappeared suddenly, and it was a sad sight to see that in the mountain districts around Neplim, where above any place in Ireland Irish should most cling to it, it had almost disappeared up to a short time ago.

ROSCOMMON.—Miss Jane Sharkey of Calow, died June 21, at the early age of twenty-six years, deeply and widely regretted. Coming from one of the oldest and most respectable stock in her native parish of Bredogone, the funeral was very large.

The ancient custom of lighting fires on the eve of St. John's day was observed in Castleplunkett district. Fires were set blazing at Rathmoyle, Heathfield and Brownhill. The youths sang and danced until the small hours of the morning. Each year as bonfire night comes round places are vacant in the circle, and it is surprising to recall all the youths who have left the three localities since bonfire night in 1903. Large bonfires were set alight in the vicinity of Ballinagare the same evening.

SLIGO.—A meeting of Sligo branch of the Irish National Foresters society was held on June 27, the chief ranger, Brother Thomas Scanlan, presiding. P. Scanlan was initiated a benefactor member. Brother Thomas Begley handed in J. C. Quinn's (manager Ulster bank) annual contribution as an honorary member. John Conway, mason, was unanimously admitted to the order. The propositions for candidates were next taken, when William McNiff and Michael O'Boyle, Calry, were proposed for membership.

A meeting of the Geovagh Temperance association was held in Geovagh school on June 28, E. McLoughlin, V. P., in the chair. Some matters in connection with the sports held on the previous Sunday were under discussion. Resolutions were unanimously adopted thanking Farrell Conlon for giving the field in which the sports were held and thanking the band for attendance. On the initiative of the chairman a lively discussion took place on the prospects of the society, what kind of amusement would be most suitable, etc. It was decided that steps be taken preparatory to holding a concert and dramatic entertainment in the near future. Before the meeting terminated songs were sung and some nice steps on the jig and reel were executed.

Leinster

CARLOW.—On June 20 the death occurred at Rathrush House, Tullow, of Teresa Kusella, widow of the late Patrick Kusella, Rathrush, June 18, at Mountpleasant, Fenagh, Bagenalstown, that of Bridget Lennon, aged forty-three years.

A meeting of the committee of the Father John Murphy memorial was held in the town hall, Tullow, on June 20. T. Bolger, chairman, presided. On motion of Patrick Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Garrett Moore, the following resolution was adopted: "That the following committee be appointed to make arrangements for the erection of the platform, procuring foundation stone, banners and banners for the coming demonstration. T. Halligan, J. Foley, T. C. Patrick Moran, John O'Brien, Patrick Byrne and Joseph Nicholson."

DUBLIN.—On June 15, in the Convent of the Little Sisters of the Assumption, Rue Violet, Grinelle, Paris, the religious profession took place of Miss Elizabeth Lynch, daughter of Patrick and Rosanna Lynch, of 64 Upper Dorset street, Dublin, in religion Sister Mary St. Rose.

The "Moy Mall" fete and grand American croquet tournament, in aid of the Children's Convalescent home, Raheny, was opened in the grounds of the Children's hospital, Temple street, June 29. The opening was performed by the right honorable the lord mayor, accompanied by the lady mayoress and children. The grounds were nicely laid out for the fete, and during the afternoon entertainments of various kinds were held.

The executive committee of the Gaelic League has issued an appeal for funds to carry out the coming oracacht in a manner worthy of the national proportions to which the language movement has attained. The competitions exceed ninety and the money value of the prizes amounts to \$2,500. Judging by the experience of former festivals, the outlay should reach about \$5,000, and as only a small proportion of this can be made out of the working of the oracacht the committee rely on the friends of the movement to come to their assistance and prevent them from having to encroach on the funds of the league, as they had to do last year, when the oracacht cost the general funds \$1,800.

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—HUGO.—On the 29th of June, at Str Patrick Dun's hospital, Joseph Hugo, late member of the U. K. S. of Coach Builders.—STRINGER.—June 28, at 10 Wind-sor avenue, Fairview, John Stringer, aged sixty-nine years.—TYRRELL.—June 29, at 60 Great Britain street, Miss Margaret Tyrrell, at an advanced age.—BROWN.—June 29, at 2 Sorren-road, Dalkey, Michael Brown.—LAWLOR.—June 24, Thomas Lawlor, funeral from 40 St. Alphonsus road, Drumcondra.—LYNAN.—June 20, at 16 Leinster road, west, James Lynan, B. A., late of Churchtown House, Drumcondra, aged seventy-eight years.—O'SHAUGHNESSY.—June 24, at 10 Amlens street, James O'Shaughnessy.