

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.—The 15th of August (Lady day) was observed well throughout Belfast, all the masses being attended by large congregations.

ARMAGH.—A meeting of the Crossmaglen branch of the United Irish League was held in the league rooms North street, on Aug. 14.

CAVAN.—An interesting event took place in Belturbet recently, viz, the marriage of Miss Julia McHugh to Thomas Finnegan, coach builder, Lower Bridge street, and Miss Annie McHugh, Lower Bridge street, to James Carson, Belfast.

DERRY.—The following changes in Derry diocese were recently made. Father Duggan, from Cappagh to Cloanmany; Father Fox, from Cloanmany to Cappagh; Father Harkin, from Iskaheen to Killybegs; Father Kelly, from Killybegs to Iskaheen; Father Smith, from Limavady to Donaghadee; Father Dan Devlin, from St. Columba's, Derry, to Limavady; Father McNeill, from Donaghadee to Greenacres; Father Frank McKeown, from Greenacres to St. Columba's, Derry; Father Keenan, from Greenacres to Desertmartin; Father Gormley, from Desertmartin to Greenacres.

DONEGAL.—On Aug. 14 a meeting in furtherance of the Irish language movement was held at Burtonport after mass. Burtonport is the center of the large and important parish of Cinnisla. The parish priest, Right Rev. Mgr. Walker, has been doing all in his power to forward the movement.

DOWN.—The Newry Gaelic feis which was held Aug. 15 attracted a fair gathering of town and country people. Rev. Hugh O'Reilly moved that the chair be taken by Cardinal Logue. The motion was seconded by Rev. James Carlin and carried.

Among the Nationalist meetings held in Ulster on Lady day the great demonstration at Saul must be classed first by the hand and banner of Wolfe Tone branch of the United Irish League, Belfast. Other bands joined in and as the great mass of Nationalists passed along the crowds cheered lustily.

MONAGHAN.—Mrs. Margaret McDermott of Emyvale died Aug. 12, deeply regretted. A meeting of the National Teachers' association was held lately in the Railway hotel, Monaghan. The chair was occupied by Mr. T. Rooney, Magheranery, who congratulated the members on the large number in attendance.

J. Carr, J. Farmer, Mrs. T. Rooney, Miss Rooney, Mrs. Maginias, Miss McManus, Mrs. O'Callaghan, Mr. P. J. McClew, chairman of the Carna, was present and was cordially welcomed.

TYRONE.—The festival of the 15th of August was celebrated at Stewartstown in the usual manner. The day was a general holiday. Mass was celebrated in St. Mary's Catholic church at 10 o'clock by Rev. P. Quinn, who delivered a panegyric on the assumption of the Blessed Virgin. There was a large congregation present.

A Nationalist demonstration was held Aug. 14 in "the famous town of Moy." The national directory of the United Irish League was represented by Jeremiah MacVeagh, M. P.; W. Landon, M. P., and P. C. Doogan, M. P., who were received with great enthusiasm. Among those on the brake from which the meeting was addressed were Mr. David Mallon, county secretary; Mr. John Trainor, county delegate, Armagh; Mr. Richard Cookstown; Mr. James Gollery, county delegate, Ayrshire; Mr. Bernard O'Neill, Blackwater; Mr. John Teggart, divisional delegate, East Tyrone; Mr. John McGloaglin, delegate, Mid Armagh; Mr. Patrick McKenny, president executive U. I. L., Mid Armagh; Mr. Cahal O'Toole, Donaghmore, secretary South Tyrone executive U. I. L.; Mr. Thomas McGilgan, recording secretary No. 1, division secretary U. I. L., Yellowford branch; Mr. John Kelly, president U. I. L., Yellowford branch; Mr. John Oliver, U. I. L.; Mr. Patrick Quinn, president No. 2, A. O. H.; on the motion of Mr. David Mallon, county delegate, Tyrone, seconded by Mr. John Trainor, county delegate, Armagh, the chair was taken by Mr. John Dillon, county delegate, Tyrone. Resolutions were adopted unanimously endorsing the national platform adopted by the Irish parliamentary party and the national directory of the United Irish League.

Munster

CLARE.—Mr. McNamara of Glandree on Aug. 18 was knocked down and killed by a horse.

A public meeting convened by the chairman of the Ennis urban council, P. J. Linnane, was held at the Town Hall, Ennis, to take into consideration the steps for the purpose of presenting an address and testimonial to the new bishop of Killarney, the Most Rev. Dr. Michael Dwyer on his consecration. A committee to carry out the details of the presentation consists of Dr. O'Mara, J. C. Casey, Frank O'Connor, P. E. McInerney, M. O'Dea, J. P. Keenan, D. Roughan, J. Enright and J. Neylan.

The death of Michael Meeall, corn merchant, The Square, Killybegs, occurred Aug. 12.

CORK.—Sister Mary Michael (Julia O'Shea) of the Convent of Mercy, Kinsale, died Aug. 15. Right Rev. Dr. O'Callaghan, bishop of Cork, presided at the requiem services which were attended by the members of the convent, relatives and priests and people.

The Kanturk branch of the Gaelic League is in a vigorous condition. The classes are well attended, and progress has been made with the arrangements for the production of "Robert Emmet." The death of Mother Mary Xavier (Josephine) of the Presentation convent, Doneraile, took place on Aug. 14. Mother Xavier was the daughter of the late Thomas Roche of Athlone, Limerick, and was a relative of the venerable Archbishop Roche of Glim and of Robert Roche, secretary of the Limerick county council.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—OSHEA.—On Feast of the Assumption, at Convent of Mercy, Kinsale, Julia, in religion Sister M. Michael, eldest daughter of the late John O'Shea, Yonahall, Co. Wick, died Aug. 21, at 41 Bandon road, Maggie O'Connell, daughter of John and Kate O'Connell.—QUILL.—On Aug. 20 at the Cork District Hospital, Thomas Quill, late of Markyate, Co. Wick, died Aug. 20 at Derry, Co. Wick, aged 70 years.—SMYTH.—On Aug. 20 at Billyfranigan, William Smyth, 13 North Aug. 8 at Bellinacorney, Kilmacomb, County Kerry, Catherine Joseph Lynch, aged nine years.—TWOHLIG.—At Cornmarket street, at an advanced age, Margret Twohlig, 110 Key Aug. 10, at Georgetown, Kilmacomb, Mrs. Mary Huskey, WALEOT, at Clonmel House, Ventnor, Isle of Wight, Margret Anne Waleot, daughter of John and Agnes O'Neill, national teachers, Brook Lodge, Glenmeade, DONOVAN.—Aug. 18, at 12 Phoeny street, Timothy Donovan, late employee Cork harbor commissioners.—KEANE.—On Aug. 10, at Passage West, Nora Keane.—FLYNN.—On Aug. 18, at the Cork District Hospital, Michael Flynn, formerly of Friar's walk.—GRIFFIN.—On Aug. 19, at New Cottage, Queen's college, Elly Griffin, aged thirteen years.—BARRY.—On Aug. 15, at Riverview, Blackrock, Eliza Barry.—O'GORMAN.—On Aug. 15, at 58 Blarney street, James O'Gorman, Sr.—O'LEARY.—Aug. 12, at 8 Strawberry Hill, North O'Leary.—CAHILL.—Aug. 12, at Harbord row, Queenstown, Mary Cahill.—O'CONNELL.—On Aug. 12, at Bahrerscrub, Buttvant, Margaret O'Connell.—O'BRIEN.—On Aug. 6, at Mount Belle, Anastasia O'Brien.—CAHILL.—On Aug. 9, at Coolbegera, Conchford, William Cahill, aged seventy-six years.—O'KEARNEY.—On Aug. 18, at Lochlar, Cork, Hutton Ronayne O'Keary, solicitor.—MILLS.—At 8 Ferncliff Villas, on Aug. 12, Agnes McMillan Mills.—O'LEARY.—On Aug. 18, at South Main street, Bandon, John O'Leary.—QUINLAN.—Aug. 10, at 46 Leitrim street, Ralph Quinlan, former shipwright Cork Steam Packet

company.—OREGAN.—On Aug. 15, Margaret, daughter of the late William Byrne of Leighlinbridge.

KERRY.—Richard Mahony, fisherman, of Kenmare, was missed from his boat Aug. 10. The trawler was anchored in Kilmaclogue harbor the night he was missed. Pears are entered that he is lost, as his clothes were found in his sleeping berth.

The Royal Humane society has awarded a testimonial to Matthew Hannan, merchant, Listowel, for heroic action at Ballygunion July 11, when he saved a man named Barrett from being drowned while bathing.

The Trales feis was opened on Aug. 10. A procession started from Pembroke street, headed by B. O'Donovan, the young Carberry piper, followed by the hurlers, footballers and Gaels of the county. The procession marched to the Sportsfield, and on its arrival there hurling and football contests took place between teams representing Kerry and Limerick.

The Right Rev. Dr. Mangan, bishop elect of Kerry, arrived at Cove, Cork, Aug. 18, from New York. In order to tender him a fitting welcome and to offer congratulations on his selection as bishop a number of priests and laymen from Kerry arrived at Queens town and, through the courtesy of E. Deane, the Cunard company's agent, were allowed on board the tender and went to sea to meet their new bishop on the harbor. That the bishop is popular with his priests and people was proved in more ways than one. The heartiness of the greeting between the bishop and those who came to meet him was seen plainly. Among those who met him were the Very Rev. P. Hayes, administrator, Killarney, Rev. Father White, Annesmore, Rev. Father Fuller, Killarney, Rev. Father Killarney, Rev. Father Kenne, Beaufort, Killarney; Rev. Father O'Connor, St. Peter and Paul's, Cork; Rev. Father Marshall, New Hampshire, St. Stokes O'Callaghan, London; P. D. Foley, Killarney; John Coffey, Killarney; J. Egan, solicitor, Killarney, and others.

The death of Mrs. Stack of Spa occurred Aug. 14. She was relict of the late Eugene Stack and mother of Rev. J. Stack, O. P., and J. P. Stack, Tralee.

LIMERICK.—The coach factory run by Jeremiah Clifford, Knockate, Limerick, was consumed by fire Aug. 16. How the fire originated is not known. John Shanny, aged sixteen, of Limerick city, was drowned accidentally in the canal Aug. 15.

The appointment of the Rev. R. J. Ambrose, C. C. Abbey, to the pastoral charge of Glenties has given the greatest pleasure to the people of Abbeyfeale.

Right Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, bishop of Limerick, has appointed the Rev. Robert Ambrose, C. C. Member, to be parish priest of Glenties. In succession to the Rev. Father Quinlan, P. P. who has been transferred to Pallasherry on the death of the former pastor, the Rev. James Molony.

His friends will learn with regret of the death, at the age of twenty-six, of John Mangan.

The death of David O'Mara of Killybegs occurred on Aug. 9, and the sad event was deeply and widely regretted. For years he took a leading part in the Fenian movement and later became treasurer of the local branch of the Land League.

TIPPERARY.—Brother James Long of the Patrician convent, Redfern, Australia, died recently, deeply regretted.

The announcement of the death of Sister Mary John of the Order of St. Louis will be read with genuine regret in the towns of Monaghan and Carrickmacross, where she labored for thirty years, many will mourn the death of their earliest and kindest instructor. The deceased was the youngest daughter of the late James Dunne, C. S. C., and had only reached her fifth year.

Married.—On Aug. 9, at St. Patrick's Catholic church, Waterford, by the Rev. William B. O'Donnell, cousin of the bride, assisted by the Rev. E. Meagher, Gammonsheld, and the Rev. P. Cusack, Gammonsheld, Dr. O'Gorman, Gowran, County Kilkenny, to Mary O'Connell, S. S. L. M., on Aug. 10, by special permission, at Rockwell college, by the Very Rev. N. Brennan, president, assisted by Rev. Father Baldwin, Well in Skehan, of Clonmel, and Father John O'Sullivan, of Clonmel.

The death of David Francis Crooney, son of John and Conney of Ballycosh, occurred at Cork Street hospital, Dublin, Aug. 8.

WATERFORD.—Michael O'Connor, Main street, Tralee, on Aug. 14 fell down the stairs in his home and was killed instantly.

On Aug. 17, in the Convent of the Sisters of St. John of God, Kilkenny, Miss Bridie O'Sullivan, in religion Sister Mary Gerald, was professed in the presence of Most Rev. Dr. Bowring. Sister M. Gerald is the youngest daughter of John O'Sullivan, Kilmacomb, Waterford. This is his second daughter professed in the same community.

Thomas Beston, Aglish, was married to Miss Mary Teresa McCarthy, daughter of Patrick McCarthy, J. P., Ballydoole, Dunganary, in St. Mary's Catholic church, Dunganary, Aug. 18. The nuptial knot was tied by the Very Rev. Canon M. Flynn, Dunmore, Waterford, cousin to the bride, assisted by the Very Rev. Canon John Power, Dunganary; Rev. Michael Crotty, chaplain, Mount Odell, Dunganary, and Rev. John Casey, Cappaghin.

Leinster

CARLOW.—Denis Kavanagh, farmer, of Newtown, when riding his bicycle on the road at Haristown, ran into Patrick Ryan, laborer, and inflicted injuries which proved fatal. No blame is attached to Denis Kavanagh. On Aug. 10, at St. Lazarus's church, Leighlinbridge, by the Rev. Father Foley, was married Richard, son of the

late Patrick Doyle of Clonmull to Margaret, daughter of the late William Byrne of Leighlinbridge.

DUBLIN.—James Fitzhenry, Kingstown, died recently, deeply regretted. He had been in the employment of the Kingstown commissioners for twenty years.

The following parochial appointments were recently made by the archbishop of Dublin: The Rev. Denis Pettit, chaplain to his grace, to be parish priest of Fairview; the Rev. James Carroll, C. C. Skerries, to be parish priest of Boystown; the Rev. John Gintley, C. C. Ballybrack, to be parish priest of St. Michael's, Dublin.

The lord mayor of Dublin, John H. Hutchison, in a recent issue of the Freeman's Journal advocated the forming of a pilgrimage from Ireland to the historic battlefield of Fontenoy, and it is likely the sacred spot made dear to Irish hearts by the effusion thereon of Irish blood will soon be pressed reverently by the feet of thousands of Irish patriots.

On Aug. 11 a splendid meeting of Nationalists of Rathmines was held in the hall of the Boys' brigade, Richmond Hill. Mr. Mooney, the member of parliament for the constituency, got a very cordial reception. Mr. James Gilroy presided. Present: T. Fanning, M. Sullivan, Professor Campbell, J. B. Morris, James Dwyer, Thomas Yarr, Thomas J. Gartland, Thomas Tierney, P. Doyle, J. Galloway, T. Byrne, T. Joyce, B. Keena, P. Murray, J. Holmes, S. Doyle, J. Brogan, T. Young, S. Young, T. Holland, Patrick Hogan, T. C. Condon, P. Lambert, J. McArthur, J. Farrell, Michael Keegan, P. Coole, D. Keogh, T. Kelly, James Hill Longman, Mr. Farrell proposed the following resolution: "That this meeting of the Nationalists of Rathmines welcomes Mr. John J. Mooney, M. P., and pledges itself by every means to secure his reelection at the next general election."

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—HIRD.—Aug. 14, at Loreto abbey, Rathfarnham, Mother M. de Ried Hird, in the thirty-ninth year of her religious life.—M'KEON.—Aug. 14, at Mater hospital, Edward M'Keon, late member D. M. P.—MURPHY.—Aug. 15, at 221 Clonliffe road, Drumcondra, Michael Murphy, late governor of his majesty's prisons, Downpatrick, Galway and Belfast.—HART.—Aug. 18, at 50 Cabra road, John Hart, in the ninety-fifth year, for many years prefect of the Sodality of Our Lady of Help of Christians.—SMULLEN.—Aug. 19, at 49 Lower Street, Michael Smullen, aged seventy-three.—WATERMAN.—Aug. 19, at 705 Northumberland road, suddenly infus Waterman of Providence, R. I., American consul at Dublin, aged fifty-nine years.—M'KEON.—Aug. 16, at the Hospital for the Deaf, Harold Ross, Patrick M'Keon, late of Exchange street.—MAHON.—Aug. 17, at Coleridge, George Thomas Mahon, aged twenty-two years.—MORAN.—Aug. 17, at 9 Hudson's terrace, Bray, John Moran.—O'TOOLE.—Aug. 17, at 4 Victoria terrace, Clontarf, Mrs. Eliza O'Toole, at an advanced age.—HALL.—Aug. 18, at 60 Meath street, William Hall, brother of the late Patrick Hall, 14 Westford street.—HAYDEN.—Aug. 18, at 37 Cornmarket, Ellen Mary Hayden, aged twenty years.—BEHAN.—Aug. 13, at 14 Anghrim street, Denis Behan, Sunday's Well, Luccan, aged seventy years.—PITRELL.—At the South City infirmary, Mary Pitrell.—THOMAS.—Aug. 16, at 2 Brennan's terrace, Bray, Richard Cunningham Thomas, aged sixty-one years.—CAMPBELL.—Aug. 14, at 1 Glanville terrace, Ranelagh, Sarah Campbell.—DALLY.—Aug. 13, John C. Daly, farmer, Sandwith street.—DAWSON.—Aug. 17, at Vernon parade, Clontarf, Maria Dawson.—FEGAN.—Aug. 13, at 13 Wood Quay, Catherine Fegan.

KILKENNY.—On Aug. 14 a football match for the championship came off in a field on the farm of Richard Grant, Shoverne, in which the Glenmore team came off victorious, beating Kilmacood by three points to nil. The Glenmore team were J. Grace (captain), P. Murphy, J. Dempsey (goal), P. McManus, R. Brady, P. Walsh, W. Grace, T. Morrissey, W. Walsh, M. Walsh, N. Curran, J. Power, M. Murphy, J. O'Brien, J. Hefferin, J. Halterlin.

LONGFORD.—In Tang Catholic church, Aug. 8, a month's memory (celebrated) mass was celebrated for the soul of the late Mrs. Cullen, Rev. J. Fagan, celebrant. There was a large number of clergy in the choir. The congregation was large.

LOUTH.—John Levins, formerly of New House, Sandyside, Drogheda, died lately in the Hospital for the Deaf, Dublin. His demise is deeply regretted by his family and friends.

MEATH.—Mrs. Martha Anderson of Shamrock cottage, Rathath, died Aug. 14, deeply and widely regretted.

On July 27, at the Catholic church, Haddington road, Dublin, with nuptial mass, by the Rev. Father Wall, Joseph F. Robbette of Creekhstown House, Ashbourne, to Leonard Madden, Oughterard, County Galway.

QUEEN'S.—The great windstorm in February, 1903, tore down 62,533 trees in Queen's county.

Miss Elizabeth Whelan of Portarlington, was professed a member of the Order of Presentation Nuns in the convent in Doneraile, County Cork, July 28. Her religious name is Sister Mary Dyanpa. At the same time and in the same convent Miss Mary Fitzpatrick of Edin was received, taking the title of Sister Mary Berchmans.

WESTMEATH.—Lucy Coffey of Parsonstown, Monille, died Aug. 15, aged seventy-three years.

WEXFORD.—Most Rev. Dr. Browne, bishop of Ferns, has promoted the Rev. A. Crowe, C. C. Mayglass, to the pastorate of Ballymore, vacant by the death of the Rev. J. Corish.

William Deacon of Gurrwan was fatally injured on Aug. 12. He was

going home for the sports held in Enniscorthy when his car overturned. The animal he was driving was very restive.

William Redmond, M. P., brother of Mr. John E. Redmond, M. P., and Mrs. Redmond are staying at Aughavanagh, Wicklow. Mr. Redmond has been sick for some time and is recuperating among the health restoring hills of Wicklow.

The annual procession in honor of Our Blessed Lady took place at Lady's Island on Aug. 15. The demonstration this year was of a very imposing character by reason of the special indulgences granted by the pope to those taking part in the procession, the numbers that visited the island being computed between 3,000 and 4,000 people. The procession proceeded in the following order: Lady's Island band; the children of the Lady's Island and Carnes schools, marshaled by teachers; Men's confraternity, Lady's Island; St. Catherine's band, Tacumshane; the members of the Taggart Men's confraternity, marshaled by Father Forrestal and by W. J. Lambert, N. T.; the children of Mary, etc. The general public followed. The sodalities carried banners. The priests in the procession were: The Very Rev. Canon Doyle, Very Rev. Canon Whitty, Rev. W. Fortune, Rev. Father Dowling, Rev. P. O'Connor, Rector Church of the Assumption, Wexford; Rev. J. W. O'Byrne, Wexford; Rev. Father Forrestal, Kilmaree; Rev. William Hanton, Murrington; Rev. P. Murphy, M. S. S. Ennisorthy; Rev. William Codd, president St. Peter's college, Wexford; Rev. Mark Byrne, Wexford; Rev. Father Cloney, Wexford; Rev. Thomas Byrne, Tacumshane, and Rev. Father Murphy, Maynooth college. The Rev. A. Crowe, Ballymore, carried the blessed sacrament. On reaching the altar Father Crowe gave solemn benediction of the blessed sacrament, the music being rendered by the local choir under the control of Miss Haughton, N. T. After benediction the procession reformed, assisted by the Rev. T. Byrne. The "O Salutaris" and "Tantum Ergo" were well rendered by the choir.

WICKLOW.—James Kearns, one of the crew on an Arklow fishing boat lying at Ardglass, County Down, was drowned on Aug. 14. He fell between the pier and his boat.

Connaught

GALWAY.—On Aug. 15 (on the Feast of the Assumption, at Dublin road, Tuam, died Kate, wife of George O'Lea, Washington street, Brooklyn, N. Y., and second daughter of Michael Long, Tuam, aged sixty years, deeply and widely mourned.

The Most Rev. Dr. McCormack, bishop of Galway, and Most Rev. Dr. O'Lea, bishop of Clonfert, are going to Rome. Very Rev. Jerome Faby, Gort, will accompany them.

On Aug. 13 Michael Crisham of Hazelwood, was accidentally killed within a few hundred yards of his residence by the upsetting of his own horse and cart, in which he was returning from Tuam, accompanied by his wife. The wife was injured, but not seriously.

Rev. Father Patrick Mulken was ordained to the priesthood by Most Rev. Dr. O'Dea, bishop of Clonfert, in the Cathedral church, Longhrea, Sunday, Aug. 14. The ceremony was carried out in the presence of a large congregation, which included friends and relatives of Father Mulken. The bishop was assisted by Rev. Father Heaney, Rev. Father Nolan, O. D. C., and Rev. P. Vincent, O. D. C. Father Mulken, who had a most distinguished course, was educated at Thurles, Paris and Salamanca. He is a native of Kilmacdonagh. On Lady day he celebrated his first mass at half past 5 in the cathedral, assisted by the Rev. Father Vincent, O. D. C.

The great Connaught feis and industrial exhibition was opened at the county hall and Convent of Mercy schools, Galway, on Aug. 17, in the presence of a large and appreciative audience. The programme was an elaborate one and included every variety of competition. Right Rev. Dr. McCormack, bishop of Galway, delivered an address commendatory of the good work being pushed along by the Gaelic League not only in Galway, but all over Ireland. In addition to the usual Gaelic business there was an industrial exhibition, which was very creditable to the people of Galway. The feis was successful beyond anticipation. The attendance on the opening day included, among others, Ed. Martin, Lord Kilmacanogue, Dr. Henry London, J. J. Sheehan, Gaelic League, London, and fifty priests, many from the United States.

LEITRIM.—Baron Harlech has been appointed lieutenant for the County Leitrim.

MAYO.—Christopher J. O'S. Farrell of Altamont street, Westport, died Aug. 18 at the early age of nineteen years, deeply regretted.

Miss Mary Ellen Walsh of Spencer street, Castlebar, died Aug. 15, aged twenty years, deeply regretted. The funeral cortege was long and representative in character.

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary witnessed the assembly at the church of Knock, near Claremorris, of several hundreds of pilgrims as well as a large attendance of Irish-Americans. The attendance at Knock on this feast for years has been of huge dimensions, and the assemblage there on Aug. 15 was up to the usual standard.

The death of Denis Dunne occurred at the residence of his sister, in Duke street, Castlebar, on Aug. 6, after a severe illness. Deceased came of an old and respected family, and his death at the comparatively early age of forty-six years occasioned much sympathy for his friends and relatives. The fu-

neral was of large dimensions and attended by the members of the local branch of the I. N. Foresters, who marched in processional order and acted as pallbearers. Rev. P. O'Flaherty officiated at the graveside.

ROSCOMMON.—The congested districts board has completed the purchase of a fee simple estate within two miles of Castlebar. The estate is situated at Mullaghadooby and was owned by Walter John McDermott. It contains 200 acres. The land is of first class quality, all in grazing. The purchase money amounted to \$55,000.

Master John C. McDermott, son of Edward McDermott of Keadue, at the recent diocesan examination held for Ardagh and Clonmacnoise succeeded in taking second place. This is a brilliant achievement, seeing that he is not thirteen years of age, and is proof of the efficiency of his teacher, Denis Callaghan of Keadue National Male school. He enters St. Mel's college, Longford, where his college course will be successful.

The sports of Strokestown came off on Aug. 15 before an enormous crowd of spectators. The principal event was the 220 yards championship of Connaught, which P. C. Lennon, Strokestown, captured from a field of ten. It is his third championship this year. The events were well contested, but M. A. Higgins, Ballinlloe, won all the open events.

The parochial feis held in the old church, Roscommon, on Aug. 15, at which the children attending the parish schools were the competitors, was interesting and encouraging. The competitions in language, dancing and singing were so keen that it was with difficulty the judges could make the awards. The Sisters of Mercy, Roscommon, and Patrick Garvey, Irish teacher, Roscommon, are to be congratulated on the manner in which the children were presented. Among the competitors awarded silver medals were: Miss Mollie Byrne, Roscommon, daughter of John Byrne, assistant secretary Roscommon county council, for her distinguished answering the second grade Irish language competition, and Master J. O'Connor, son of James O'Connor, Roscommon, for the manner in which he rendered a recitation. In the evening the competitors took part in a concert. The prizes were distributed by the Rev. Archdeacon McLoughlin. The business concluded with the drama "Erebo Oge."

A great meeting of the Nationalists of the districts around Castleplunkett and Ballinacorney was held on Aug. 14 under the auspices of the United Irish League. Among those present were: John Fitzhugh, chairman county council, Castlebar, Patrick Conry, Castlebar; P. J. Clarke, Clonmore, Ballinacorney; From Brackloon—P. Cahill, M. Flinn, P. Fahey, P. Moran, A. Flinn, From Killybegs—Mr. Madden, D. Giblin, P. Keany, M. Ward, M. Manly, J. Moran, P. Conry, N. Reynolds. From Carrowmagh—P. Boland, M. McGrath, P. Nolan, P. Powell, M. Freeman, M. McCormack, etc. From Ponke—J. Dockery, J. Nash, M. Reynolds, H. Maxwell, D. Kelly, P. Caserly, J. Durr, P. Hanly, president Killybegs branch, proposed, and M. Flinnar, vice president, seconded that J. Clarke take the chair. Mr. Fitzhugh made a vigorous address on all phases of the Irish question.

SLIGO.—Among recent deaths in Sligo was that of Alexander Brennan, Castrol, Collooney, on Aug. 8. He was the only male remaining member of the family. Within the past ten months his father and his brother-in-law died.

The annual retreat which Father Stanton, pastor, provides for the Sodality of the Sacred Heart, was opened recently in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Tobercurry, by Father Alphonsus, O. S. F. The exercises were attended by great numbers.

After living to the great age of eighty years, Mrs. Feeney of Lannaga, Collooney, died on Aug. 11, deeply regretted. The funeral to Ballinacorney cemetery was attended by great numbers of relatives and friends. Father Conington officiated at the interment.

On Aug. 15 the Star of the Sea bazaar was opened at the Greenlands, Roscos Point, amid most encouraging prospects for its success. The bazaar was organized to provide funds for the sanatorium for infirm priests in course of erection at Roscos Point. The total cost of the building will be \$15,000.

Mrs. John Brennan of Muckleta, Tobercurry, died Aug. 1, aged sixty-five years. Funeral numbers attended.

A meeting of members of the Killybegs branch of the United Irish League was held on Aug. 14. Present: Charles McCormack, chairman; M. Clancy, Charles Travers, J. Travers, M. Keegan, J. Harte, T. Harte, P. Feeney, A. Feeney, J. Scannion, J. Nelson, W. Gallagher, T. Rooney, F. Sexton, J. Morrow. James Maguire was co-opted on the committee. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: "Resolved, That this being first meeting since the leaving of our amiable and esteemed priest, Father McCormack, P. P., we place on record our regret at his going from us, but tell him that he carries with him the good wishes of all in this parish; that we congratulate Rev. Father O'Flynn on his promotion to Killybegs and greet him with the old time honored welcome, 'ceud m'le falte, soggarth.'"