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 death of Dr. George Crocker of Mountpottinger, Ballymacarrett, occurred recently at the extraordinary age of ninety years. He was born in County Wicklow Oct. 31, 1815.

On Sunday, Sept. 25, the festival of the Holy Cross was celebrated at Holy Cross church, Ardoyne. Most Rev. Dr. Henry, bishop of Down and Connor, presided at the solemn high mass, celebrated in the presence of a congregation which taxed the spacious building to the utmost.

ARMAGH.—The grounds of the Tirna Oig Gaelic club at Dukes grove, Cathedral road, Armagh, was, Sept. 25 the scene of a successful athletic fixture under G. A. A. rules and under the auspices of the Tirna Oig Gaelic club. In addition to the athletic section, the club provided a feis. The competitors in the various events were accommodated with a platform near the entrance to the grounds. It was ornamented with national flags and was the center of a vast admiring assemblage who applauded the competitors in interpreting Irish music in the native tongue and in giving exhibitions of the jig, the reel and the hornpipe. An additional attraction was the attendance of the piper band of the Catholic Boys' association and the brass band of the Irish National Foresters. Rev. Joseph Dunne, patron of the club, backed by an energetic committee, was unremitting in his labors to provide a most enjoyable entertainment and in carrying out the arrangements.

CAVAN. — Thomas Martin of the Lawn hotel, Belturbet, died Sept. 24 in South Africa, where he had gone for the benefit of his health.

Miss Kate Masterson of Bruce, daughter of P. Masterson was received lately into the Convent of St. Louis, Monaghan, taking the religious title of Sister M. Leda. Right Rev. Dr. Owens, bishop of Clogher, officiated.

On Sept. 20, at the cathedral, Mullingar, by Rt. Rev. R. V. O'Kelly, S. J., Clongowes Wood, and Rev. John Condon, assisted by the Rev. W. Egan, Mount Nugent, and Rev. Michael McSweeney, Lavalle, Dr. Richard B. Dalton, son of Garrett Dalton, Grand parade, Cork, to Miss Rosamond Bewley Sheridan, daughter of Robert Brinsley Sheridan, Lake View House, Mount Nugent, County Cavan.

Hugh Devine, the Diamond, Belturbet, died Sept. 21 of three days' illness of typhoid fever.

DERRY.—Mrs. Hugh Sharkey, wife of Mr. Sharkey, well-known chief warder of the Derry jail, died Sept. 25.

DONEGAL.—Miss Kate Duffy, Ballyshannon, has been appointed teacher of the Drumgoon national school, Cavan.

Right Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, bishop of Raphoe, has appointed the following changes in the clergy of the diocese: Rev. Daniel McNulty, C. C., Burtonport, to be C. C., Dunfanaghy; Rev. Daniel Gallagher, C. C., Dunfanaghy, to be C. C., Burtonport; Rev. Daniel Boyle, C. C., Ballybofey, to be C. C., Lower Rosses; Rev. James Burns, C. C., Glencolumbkille, to be C. C., Ballybofey; Rev. Arthur Friel, lately ordained, to be C. C., Glencolumbkille; Rev. Michael McHugh, St. Peter's, Patrick, Glasgow, to be C. C., Churchhill; Rev. Hugh O'Boyle, lately ordained, to be C. C., Gortahork.

DOWN.—Fire destroyed the Victoria restaurant, Newry street, Banbridge, on Sept. 30. Three other premises adjoining were destroyed also. Messrs. Malwod were the proprietors of the restaurant.

Renovated and decorated with taste, the little church of Ballyphilip, near Portaferry, looked its best Sept. 4, when Very Rev. Dr. A. Keane, O. P., preached to a crowded congregation in the cause of charity. Since Very Rev. Hugh Magorrian took charge of the parish he has carried out many improvements in the schools, church and parochial house. In addition he has erected a fine public hall. Mass on the occasion was celebrated by Father McAleese.

FERMANAGH.—Married—Sept. 20, at Gardiner Street church, Dublin, by Very Rev. Canon O'Neill, Clones, assisted by Rev. T. Duffy, Rev. Father Conmee, S.J.; Rev. D. Gormley and Rev. T. Maguire, John F. Maguire, solicitor, second son of the late James Maguire, Carrick House, Lisnaskea, to Isabel May Carol, niece and adopted daughter of Mrs. McDermott, Sunnymeade House, Clones. On Dec. 22 Bernard Monaghan, Drumane, and Miss Maggie Green, Macken, were married in the Catholic church, Derrylester. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. P. Soden.

A concert and variety entertainment was held in Mullymesker national school, Arney, on Sept. 30. The concert was held for a most worthy object. The following excellent programme was arranged: Part I.—Chorus, "Address to Music," school children; song, "I Saw From the Beach," Miss B. McManus; song, "The Irishman," Patrick Murphy; dance, Irish jig, Professor Nealon; song, "The Dear Little Shamrock," Miss M. A. Heggarty; chorus, "Old Dog Tray," school children; song, "Paddies Evermore," Mr. Whiteside; song, "Erin, the Tear and the Smile," Miss B. Owens; song, "Molly Bawn," E. Reid; musical drill, school children. Part II. Chorus "Maryland," Arney choir; song "Rich and Rare," Miss E. Cleary; song, "Clare's Dragoons," J. Owens; dance, Irish reel, Masters J. Cleary and T. Murphy; song, "A Nation Once Again," J. Maguire; song, "Adieu to Innisfail," Miss C. Smith; song, "When Other Lips," C. Reid; dance, Irish four hand reel, Messrs. Whiteside, Nealon, Cleary and Murphy; song, "Irish Emigrant," J. Whiteside; chorus, "Let Erin Remember," school children; chorus "God Save Ireland."

MONAGHAN. — The death occurred from meningitis of Miss Mary Rafferty, B. A., in religion Sister Mary John, daughter of Patrick Rafferty, Church square, Monaghan. The deceased nun was for thirteen years a member of the Ursuline community, Thurles, County Tipperary.

The death of Miss Ellen Connolly of Leckleyra, daughter of John Connolly, Leckleyra, Newbliss, took place on Sept. 26 while on a visit with her brother, Bernard Connolly, Belfast.

Munster

CLARE.—A man named Enright of Tarmon, near Kilkee, was found dead in a drain near Kilkee on Sept. 26.

On Sept. 26 a farmer named Corry from Dunmore met with an accident. Some of the members of the family left a gun on the rocks which was loaded. Mr. Corry seeing the gun on the field was under the impression that it was unloaded and was taking it by the barrel when the contents were lodged in his thigh.

There is at present in Ennistymon a man named Driscoll who has reached the age of 106 years. His health is good, and his intellect is clear.

James Hogan, Tulla, died Sept. 23. He was the son of the late Michael Hogan, Annagh, an extensive farmer who was held in high esteem.

CORK.—The tenants on Bandon estate in the parishes of Kilmurry and Kilmichael have arranged to purchase their holdings.

The Right Hon. Augustine Roche, lord mayor of Cork, has received a further installment of Skeoghe-Lecky-Andrew Carnegie fund account of the free library fund.

Rev. Louis M. Ryan of the Irish Dominicans, who had been during the past seven years attached to St. Mary's church, Pope's quay, Cork, left recently for Rome, where he will be master of novices in St. Clement's college.

Daniel O'Donovan, solicitor, Skibbereen, died Sept. 22 at his residence, Lightford, after a protracted illness.

On Sept. 26, before a large audience, at the Convent of Mercy, Lurgan, Armagh, the Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, conferred holy orders on students of St. Patrick's college. To the priesthood, Rev. J. Cremin, diocese of Perth, West Australia, to deaconships, Rev. Denis Healy and Rev. Michael Brady; subdeaconship, Rev. J. Walshe.

Mrs. Eliza Doyle of Bagnalstown died Sept. 6, deeply regretted by her friends in Ireland and in the United States.

Married, on Sept. 13, at the church, Tinryland, by Most Rev. Dr. Foley, assisted by the Rev. John Cullen, the Very Rev. Mgr. Burke, the Rev. John Kearney, the Rev. Joseph Kearney, administrator, and the Rev. Thomas Scallan, Joseph V. Kearney of Lennonville, Western Australia, to Margaret Blanchfield, daughter of the late Thomas Keogh of Park House, County Carlow.

DUBLIN — The death occurred on Sept. 18, at St. Mels terrace, Drumcondra, of Henry Kelly, thirty-five years on the clerical staff of the Irish railway clearing house.

William Ryan, laborer, aged twenty-three years, of 36 Donore avenue, South Circular road, Dublin, employed in Guinness's brewery, was killed accidentally in the brewery Sept. 28. Deceased was a native of Ballinclough, Nenagh, County Tipperary.

St. Peter's church, Phibsboro, was on Sept. 20 the scene of a wedding when Miss Lucy McGrath, daughter of James McGrath, 68 Patrick street, Cork, and P. J. Keyes, A. C. A., son of Edward Keyes, Dorset street, and Cabra road, Dublin, were united. The ceremony was followed by nuptial mass by Very Rev. Father Thomas, O. S. F.

On Sept. 28, in St. Michael's church, Kingstown, the consecration of the parlor of a convent presented to the Order by Mrs. P. Fox, Dublin, in memory of Mrs. Margaret Fox, wife of Mr. Peter Fox, of Rathmines, took place. The ceremony was witnessed by a large congregation. Right Rev. Bishop Gargan, bishop of Kingstown, officiated.

Patrick Brannock, Carlingford road, Drumcondra, was accidentally [illegible] Sept. 23. He was [illegible] Parnell's house, Avondale, Rathdrum,