

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 town hall of Gateshead was packed on the night of the 17th of November by an enthusiastic Irish audience. There were many that held pessimistic views as to filling a place like the one mentioned at prices of admission during a period of trade depression such as exists in Gateshead and district, but these, much as they knew of the popularity of Joseph Devlin, M. P., who was the orator, did not realize how deep and thorough the blow to the hearts of the people of the north, the personality of North Kilkenny's representative had gone. The ladies were present in great numbers, and the priests were very numerous on the platform.

James Maguire, formerly of the Castle Tavern, Castle Arcade, died Nov. 19 at his residence, 111 Ormeau road, Belfast, aged eighty years.

CAVAN.—A torchlight procession organized by the Cotehill branch of the United League took place on Nov. 23, it being the anniversary of the Manchester martyrs. The Cotehill Workmen's Brass band and the Middlebridge Flute band took part, headed by a banner bearing the words "The Manchester Martyrs." "God save Ireland" was their cry. The bands paraded the principal streets.

On Nov. 23 a largely attended concert was given in Drum hall, those taking part attending from Cotehill, Clones, Newbliss, etc. Part one opened with piano solo by Miss Johnston, Cotehill followed by a dialogue, "At Cross Purposes." The other items were: Song "Gouldy," Mrs. Ronalson, Cotehill song, "Down the Vale," Mr. Lennane recitation by Mr. Peatt; song by Dr. Moore recitation by Henry Shea, Cotehill song, "The White Squall," R. W. Moore, comic song, Dr. Swann, Drum Part two Irish airs; violin solo by Miss Germain, Cotehill; song, "Don't Judge a Man," Mr. Bunting; song, Mrs. Ronalson, Cotehill; song, Mr. Mackey song and dance, "Down South," J. L. Swann; recitation, "Dr. Shanlow," Sergeant Huston; recitation, Rev. J. R. Meane, Drum, song by Mr. McMalon. It was with feelings of deep regret that the death of Owen McEntee, Cavan, three months, was learned by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. The sad event was not unexpected, as deceased had been complaining for a considerable time past.

DERRY.—The sale of the Atkinson estate, Brackville, Derry, has been arranged for at twenty and three quarters years' purchase of first and twenty four and a half years' of second term rents.

The lord mayor of Dublin, Councilor Hutcheson, called on the bishop of Derry during his visit to that city late. He also visited several institutions and lectured in aid of the funds of Nazareth House.

DONEGAL.—The death was announced at his residence Ballybofey, of Patrick Murphy, a respected resident of that town, who engaged in his business activities with enterprise, integrity and industry.

DOWN.—On Nov. 22 the chapel attached to the Convent of Mercy, Mount St. Patrick, Downpatrick, was the scene of the solemn ceremony of profession. The young lady who pronounced her vows is Miss Mary Horan (in religion Sister Mary Joseph), youngest daughter of Captain Horan, Arklow, County Wicklow.

Most Rev. Dr. O'Neill has left Newry for Rome in order to pay his customary visit to his holiness the pope. The following are some of the transfers which have been made in the diocese of Down: Rev. D. O'Hagan, from Violet Hill college to the cathedral, Hill street, Newry; Rev. F. Ronan, recently ordained, to Violet Hill college; Rev. Peter McAvoy, C. C., Hilltown, to Lurgan; Rev. F. Corry, from Lurgan to Hilltown.

On Nov. 19 Arthur Charleton, twenty-five years of age, a native of Castlewellan, fell dead at Newcastle during a football match between Annsborough and Newcastle teams. The game was only five minutes commenced when the sad occurrence took place.

FERMANAGH.—On Nov. 20 an important meeting of the members of the Fermanagh branch, United Irish League, was held in the league hall. There was a large attendance, and among those present were: Rev. John Tierney, president of the branch; Rev. E. Quigley and Jeremiah Jordan, M. P.; John F. Wray, L. L. B., solicitor; Patrick Crumney, Hugh F. Lindsay, James McGovern and others. Rev. Father Tierney presided. Several patriotic addresses were delivered.

The death of James Drumm, Eden street, Enniskillen, occurred at his residence on Nov. 19.

MONAGHAN.—One of the most successful entertainments held in Monaghan was given in the Convent of St. Louis, the event being a grand concert and Irish play.

The announcement of the death of Peter McKenna, which took place at the residence of his sister at Old Cross square, Monaghan, was received with regret locally.

TYRONE.—The people of Omagh have presented Rev. J. J. McGlade, C. C., with addresses and presentations on his silver jubilee in the priesthood. The people's presentation was a purse of sovereigns, that of the Irish National Foresters a beautiful challenge. The weather lately was severe in all parts of Ulster, and vessels arriving at

Belfast reported very rough weather at the Irish channel.

John Lacey, a cattle drover, was found dead beneath the snow on the Moneymore road, County Tyrone.

The intermediate pupils at the Christian Brothers' schools, Omagh, made a presentation to the Rev. Brother G. D. Franklyn lately prior to his departure for Belfast. It consisted of a dressing case, a cane, purse and pocketbook.

Munster

CLARE.—On Nov. 23, at St. Flannan's college, Ennis, a most interesting function took place in the presentation to Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty, bishop of Killaloe, of an address of welcome from the pupils, to which he replied and subsequently presented the pupils with prizes won at last year's intermediate examination. Among those present were: Very Rev. Canon Burke, Rev. J. Kennedy, Very Rev. Canon McMahon, Clonacree; Rev. D. McNamara, Rev. R. O'Connell, St. Flannan's college, Rev. J. Hart, Rev. A. J. Malony, the college; Rev. J. Enright, the college; Rev. M. J. Corcoran, Rev. P. Devanny, Rev. Father Dooley and Rev. J. Garry. The address of welcome was read by Master Sullivan.

The death of Mrs. Bridget Curtin, Henry street, Kilmish, occurred at the early age of thirty-two years. The late Mrs. Curtin was the third daughter of Thomas Madigan of Leadmore. The deceased passed peacefully away on Nov. 24.

CORK.—On Nov. 20 the veteran patriot, O'Donovan Rossa, honored the Young Ireland society, in company with his friend, M. D. O'Brien, with a visit. On his arrival the members gave vent to their feelings in loud and prolonged cheers. M. D. O'Brien was moved to the chair and congratulated the Young Ireland society on the honor conferred on them by the veteran patriot, and on behalf of the society he desired to thank O'Donovan Rossa for honoring the society with a visit.

The annual meeting of the Fermoy branch of the Gaelic League was held lately in the Christian Brothers' schools, Thomas McDonnell, vice president, occupied the chair. Present: Rev. M. B. Kennedy, Rev. Thomas Wilson, professor, St. Columba's college; P. McGrath, D. Madden, N. O'Connell, Patrick Kelleher, John O'Brien, John Taylor, Thomas Kelleher, Maurice Spillane, William Myers, Robert Maguire, Michael Ryan, J. Mulvihill, Peter Irwin, Maurice O'Mahony, James N. Barry, M. Kelleher, Julia Blacken, N. T. Bridget Kelly, H. McGrath, O'Mahony, K. Sheedy, Tully Irwin, H. Coffey, H. Hegarty, Kate Kelleher, M. Coleman, T. Kilty, A. Corrigan and J. Moloney.

It appears that between the hours of 8 and 9 p. m. on Nov. 15 the inmates of E. D. Curtin's house at Meenaburgh, on the borders of the counties of Cork and Limerick, were alarmed by the entry into the kitchen of a dozen armed men with blackened faces. The leader told Mr. Curtin and his family that they were not to deal with a certain trader in the locality. Shots were fired over his head and at each side of him. One of Mr. Curtin's sons, a young man recently returned from America, made an attempt to draw his chair from the line of fire, whereupon one of the rascals, thinking he was going to give battle, struck him with an iron bar across the head, knocking him senseless. Having wrecked the premises, they departed and paid a visit to the house of E. J. Curtin, where a similar scene was enacted.

The lord mayor of Cork in passing through Skibbereen lately availed of the opportunity to call on O'Donovan Rossa, and a pleasing interchange of civilities took place. The lord mayor mentioned that he would have the pleasure of conveying to O'Donovan Rossa the freedom of the city, which he had no doubt would be passed by his services to the national cause, and he also mentioned that he would have pleasure in presiding at a lecture given by O'Donovan Rossa in Cork.

The anniversary of the Manchester martyrs' day was celebrated Nov. 20 in Macroom. A torchlight procession was formed in the square and accompanied by the brass band, playing national airs, proceeded through the streets of the town. Having traversed the town, the procession formed up in the square in front of the town hall, where a public meeting was held. The principal speaker was Charles Gulliflowe Doran, Cove. Contingents from Aghlin, Conover, Coachford, Kilmichael, Kilmurry, Clonrobbid, Benlurgan and other places were present.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—LEE—On Nov. 17, at 55 Madden's buildings, Eliza, relict of the late John Lee, ex-N. S. teacher.—DORGAN—On Nov. 18, at York street, Blackpool, William Dorgan.—SHEEHAN—Nov. 17, Timothy Sheehan, at Vicarstown, aged seventy-six.—LEAHY—Nov. 17, Miss Annie Leahy of Blackrock.—RIORDAN—Nov. 18, Jeremiah Riordan.—AHERN—Sept. 30, at Shandon, Edmundstown street, South Brisbane, Australia, Terence Ahern, late of Cork city.—WALSH—Nov. 18, at Rathduff, Ellen Walsh.—ALLEN—At 20 Lavitt's quay, Mary Allen.—M'DONNELL—On Nov. 21, at Ardmore, Crosshaven, Denis McDonnell, at an advanced age.—M'CARTHY—On Nov. 22, at Mount St. Joseph's monastery, Roscrea, Jeremiah M'Carthy (in religion Brother Coleman), eldest son of the late Daniel M'Carthy, Gurteen, Ballinamarriv.—ALLAN—On Nov. 22, at Adare, Ballinacorney, Evelyn Allan, aged seventeen years.—AHERN—On Nov. 22, at Ballinphellic, Ballygarvan, Jeremiah Ahern.—KELLEHER—On Nov. 22, at Bridgemount, Clondrohid, John Kelleher.—HEGARTY—On Nov. 22, at 24 Friar's walk, Marmaduke Hegarty, in his twenty-first year.—ODONOVAN—On Nov. 20, at Gurthamucklee,

Mrs. Mary O'Donovan.—O'NEILL—On Nov. 18, at 26 Lavitt's quay, Kath O'Neill.—O'Riordan—On Nov. 20, at 17 Military road, Mrs. Margaret O'Riordan.—GRIFFIN—At 115 Bar rack street, on Nov. 19, Anastasia Griffin.—SMIDDY—On Nov. 19, Mary Smiddy, Ballybraher.—RYAN—At North Main street (late of Glen Ryan House)—ROONEY—On Nov. 18, at Convent street, Tallow, Michael Rooney, aged twenty-three. HAWK—At Dublin hill, David Hawk, aged thirty-seven years.—O'SULLIVAN—At Slough City, United States of America, on Nov. 20, Eugene O'Sullivan, aged fifty-six years, brother to the Rev. James O'Sullivan, C. C., Droumarriffe, and to Daniel and Denis J. Sullivan of Kenmare.—HOIGAN—On Nov. 21, at Kilmardrick, Daniel Hogan, aged sixty-two.—DOLAN—On Nov. 21, at Flenningstown, Kilmallock, James Dolan, aged sixty-two years.—REYNOLDS—On Nov. 20, at Market avenue, Margaret Reynolds.—GALVIN—On Nov. 20, at Prolane, Kinsale, Margaret Galvin.—SHEEHAN—On Nov. 14, at Dawstown, Harnsey, Bridget Sheehan.—O'CONNELL—On Nov. 15, Michael O'Connell, Ballyburien.—HINCH—On Nov. 15, at Rockgrove square, Elizabeth Hinch.—MOORE—On Nov. 23, of pneumonia, Nora Moore, 7 Ophelia place.—MURPHY—On Nov. 22, at Ballycotton, Kate Murphy.—RYAN—On Nov. 22, in his eighty-sixth year, at Sullybank, Jeremiah Ryan, national teacher.—O'HEA—On Oct. 25, at the British hospital, Buenos Ayres, John W. O'Hea.—SHEAHAN—At Ballygraddy, on Nov. 18, Timothy Sheehan, formerly of Paterson, N. J., U. S. A., aged sixty-five years.—DUFFY—On Nov. 22, at Kilmish, Michael Drummey.—SHEEHAN—At Kilmish Station, County Mayo, Nov. 22, Mary Sheehan, aged twenty-six years.—KELLEHER—On Nov. 22, Maryanne Kelleher, Gurnee, Donoughmore.—O'KEEFE—On Nov. 11, at London, Patrick John O'Keefe, grandson of Ellen Keohane, 52 Sovereign street, Clonakilty.—CLOWEY—On Nov. 13, at Gurteen, North, Kathleen Dymally Clowey.—O'CONNELL—On Nov. 13, at Coney beg, Hannah O'Connell.

KERRY.—Captain Thomas Chute of Camp has been received into the Catholic church by the Rev. P. White, pastor, Annascahan. The exodus of emigrants from the Castleshand of Brosna, Knockmashall, Scartaghin and other East Kerry districts during past two months has been unprecedentedly high in fact, the greatest experienced in those districts for forty years. The contingents comprise young men and women varying between the ages of eighteen and twenty-three years. Michael McCarthy, working at the Great Southern railway station, Tralee, was taken to the infirmary lately suffering from a fractured hip. He was crossing from the goods store toward the platform when the engine arriving with the Castleshand train struck him and knocked him down. Luckily he fell between the rails, where he remained until the engine passed over him. E. T. Keane of the Kilkenny People delivered the funeral oration at the Manchester martyrdom demonstration held in Listowel. Mr. Keane is a Listowel man. LIMERICK.—The death took place on Nov. 9 of Sister Mary Genevieve (Miss Eva Fitzgerald) at the Convent of Mercy, St. Mary's parish, Cork. At the meeting of the Rathkeale board of guardians lately Dr. Hayes wrote stating Major General Lloyd and Mrs. Lloyd of Beechmount had sent through him a cheque of the Madonna in majolica from Florence for the union maternity ward. The donors are Protestants. TIPPERARY.—The death of another Irish centenarian is announced in the person of Michael Kennedy of Silvermines. Deceased attained the age of 101 and was hale and hearty up to a few months ago. Married, Nov. 19, at the Church of the Seven Dolours, Glasnevin, Dublin, by the Rev. P. McGrath, James O'Keefe, Drumcondra, to Kathleen Frances, daughter of the late Frank Mulvey, Glenfield House, Cahir, County Tipperary.

On Nov. 10 the death took place at Lisfuncheon of Miss Julia Hickey at an early age. The premature demise of Mrs. Purcell of Fortwilliam, Lisnorman, occurred at her husband's residence Nov. 22. She was only a few years married. WATERFORD.—The death of Rev. Jeremiah Moran took place suddenly at Penwith, Cumberland, lately. Deceased was born at Carrickbeg in 1843, educated at Mount Mellery and at St. John's college, Waterford city, and was ordained by the late Archbishop Leahy at Thurles in 1871. He spent most of his priestly life on the English mission and celebrated his silver jubilee in 1896.

which included eleven bands, proceeded from St. Stephen's green, where the winter took place, to Glasnevin cemetery, where the canopy is erected. Several wreaths were placed in the closed space, and the procession, having marched around the cemetery, dispersed. A branch of the United Irish League has been established in the Usher's Quay ward, Dublin city. Recent Deaths in Dublin.—CAHILL—At 40 Euryan parade, N. C. road, William Cahill, ex-D. M. P., aged seventy-four years.—COLLINS—Nov. 24, at Bush, County Dublin, Margaret Collins.—DUNNE—Nov. 23, at Mercer's hospital, result of an accident, Peter Dunne, an old and trusted servant of Messrs. McEgan, Verdon & Co., limited, 13 City quay.—FITZGERALD—Nov. 23 (feast of the Presentation, at Templemeath, County Westford, Nicholas Fitzgibbon, aged thirty years.—HANNAY—Nov. 23, at Ballyvarney, Nancy, Kilmaree, John Hannay.—O'BRIEN—Nov. 24, at Lower Leitrim, Kells, County Meath, James, eldest son of the late John O'Reilly and brother of Bishop O'Reilly, Peoria, Ill.—PALLER—Nov. 22, at the Mater Misericordia hospital, Nicholas Paller.—CLARKE—Nov. 25, at his residence, 22 Dargan terrace, S. C. road, Henry Clarke, after a short illness of pneumonia.—DOYLE—Nov. 24, at Duke street, Abby Josephine, beloved wife of James J. Doyle, aged twenty-two years.—GALLAGHER—Nov. 23, at Meath hospital, Thomas Gallagher.—JOHNSTON—Nov. 25, at 25 Chelsea ford road, Maria Johnston, at an advanced age.—RUSSELL—At the residence of her parents, 10 Fildrater place, Elizabeth Russell (late Mrs. Russell), aged twenty-two years.

KILDARE.—A deputation waited on the venerable Archbishop Gorman, pastor, to inform him that the beautiful parish which his friends had decided to erect in St. Michael's, Athy, commemorates his golden jubilee was completed and praying his acceptance of the tribute to him which the erection of the parish conveyed. The deputation consisted of M. J. Minch, Thomas Burke, manager National bank; P. J. Murphy and John Concoman. The local clergy were present. Mr. Murphy read a complimentary address to Archbishop Gorman, who suitably replied. KILKENNY.—Mrs. Quirk, Mallards town, when returning from the foul market in Galien Nov. 22, was killed by the electric lighting trolley. At the meeting of the Kilkenny Management Committee a resolution was passed to have a branch of the United Irish League in St. John's parish. It was attended by Mr. Devlin and Mr. O'Brien. It was entirely of a business character, the principal purpose being the forwarding of the collection for the parliamentary fund to the parish. KINGS.—At the Convent of Mercy, Leixboro, Navan, on Nov. 9, the ceremony of profession took place when Miss Langan, Tullamore, assuming the name of Sister Mary Ella, made her solemn vows. On the same day two postulants were received, Miss Alice Eudeon, Navan, and Miss Carthy, Dunshaughlin. Miss Dudgeon, who is a convert, served some time as an instructor in domestic economy to the nuns, and a committee, the Most Rev. Dr. Gaffney officiated at the ceremony, assisted by Very Rev. D. Flynn, president St. Finian's. LONGFORD.—The Nationalist demonstration held in Granard Nov. 20 was largely attended. Among those present were: Very Rev. Dr. Langan, Abbeylara; Rev. Robert Egan, Granard, and the Rev. Eugene Conolly, Granard. Contingents attended from Mullinahatta, Abbeylara, Finea, Coole, Clonbroony, Clonmellike, Killoe, Drumshill, Ballinacorney, Bunilish and other places. J. P. Farrell, M. P.; Denis Kilbride, M. P.; and David Sheehy, M. P., made addresses. Rev. Robert Egan presided.

LOUTH.—The Balfour Townley Hall estate, Drogheda, has been sold at twenty-four and one quarter years' purchase of first term, twenty-three years of second term and twenty-four and a half years of three rents fixed last year. The hanging gale is wiped out, half the arrears are forgiven, and game and mill-rat rights are reserved to the tenants. On Nov. 8 the community of the Sisters of Mercy, St. Mary's convent, Drogheda, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of their order. The sisters who came to Drogheda on the foundation in 1854 were Sister M. Philomena Ledwith, Sister M. Paul Kealy, Sister M. Gabriel Flood, all of whom now repose in the convent cemetery, and Sister M. Ignatius O'Rafferty, who after some sojourn in Drogheda, returned to Tulla more.

MEATH.—Michael Denning, Jr., of Flower Hill, Navan, died on Nov. 17. On Nov. 13 the village of Kinnegad was the scene of a solemn religious ceremony viz. the ordination of Rev. M. Mummy, who belongs to one of the most respected families in Rathore, Enfield. The young clergyman was educated in Navan seminary and completed his course at St. Patrick's college, Maynooth. Nov. 17 the marriage of John E. Lacy, clerk of the Kells union, to Miss Elizabeth Booth was solemnized. The officiating clergyman was the Right Rev. Mgr. Gauchman, assisted by Rev. Thomas Mulvaney. After the ceremony a reception was held at the house of Nathaniel Lacy, Sr., father of the bridegroom. QUEEN'S.—There was a sheriff's sale for rent from a tenant on the property

of Dr. Jacob, a middleman, at Raheen near Maryborough. The sale was followed by a public meeting, at which the proceedings against the tenant were condemned. The death of Miss M. A. Moloney (in religion Mother Mary Angelo) took place on Nov. 6 at the Presentation convent, Portlarrington. A meeting of the Maryborough branch of the United Irish League was held in the town hall, Maryborough, on Nov. 20 for the purpose of electing a committee and officers. P. A. Meehan presided, and the following were also present: P. Kelly, P. J. Meehan, solicitor; E. Tynan, Andrew Brady, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Thomas Duffe, John Higgins, John Kelly, John Fox, Martin Powders, John Fitzpatrick, John Wash, W. Fingleton, Thomas Lalor, John P. Dolaney, Thomas Malone, Martin Territt, W. Meehan, J. Flynn, J. Conroy, J. O'Brien, E. Kelly, W. Williams, F. P. Harekham, Peter Lalor, Joseph Dowling, R. Harkroves, John Reilly, John Hennessy, James Higgins, James Hennessy, Edward Bergin, John Nolan, Thomas Cavanagh, John Dowling, J. Ahern, W. Dalton, J. Kavanagh, J. Higgins, E. Kavanagh and J. Gorman. Officers were appointed as follows: President, P. A. Meehan; vice president, James Ramsbottom, chairman Mountmellick board of guardians; honorary treasurer, Patrick Kelly; honorary secretary, F. P. Harekham; assistant honorary secretary, W. Williams.

WESTMEATH.—Most Rev. Dr. Gaffney, bishop of Meath, has made the following changes among the clergy of his diocese: Rev. M. O'Connell, C. C., Kilsheen, to be C. C. Enfield, Rev. B. Cooney, C. C. Enfield, to be C. C. Kingscourt; Rev. D. Dunne, C. C. Kingscourt, to be C. C. Kilsheen; Rev. M. Moore, C. C. Kingscourt, to be C. C. Tubber, Rev. P. Smith (lately ordained) to be C. C. Kingscourt, Rev. T. Murray (lately ordained) to be C. C. Moynalvey.

The death of Michael Farrelly, eldest son of Thomas Farrelly, Clonmellon, occurred on Nov. 10 at the Mater hospital, Dublin. WEXFORD.—On Nov. 23, at the Church of Kilmartin, was solemnized the marriage of Hugh Cullen to Miss Alice Donnelly, daughter of Mr. Donnelly, Blackwater. The Very Rev. Canon O'Neill officiated. The marriage of Miss Barnes, principal teacher of the Ferns national schools, and Henry Kehoe, D. W. and W. railway, was solemnized on Nov. 23 in Ferns church. Rev. Father Kavanaugh officiating. Miss Byrne was bridesmaid and Joseph Murphy best man.

The Nationalists of Bree and district celebrated the anniversary of the Manchester martyrs' day Nov. 23 by an impressive torchlight procession. The procession headed by the Bree Five and Drum band and the Ballyhogue football club, numbering 200 paraded, the band discoursing national airs. After parading "The Memory of the Dead" and "God Save Ireland" were played and sung, and the procession dispersed. There passed away on Nov. 22 Felix Nolan, Slievenagrawe, at the age of 105. Mr. Nolan was in the best of health up to September last, and in the possession of all his faculties up to death.

WICKLOW.—Miss Mary Horgan, daughter of Captain Horgan, Arklow, was professed a member of the Order of Mercy in the Mount St. Patrick convent, Downpatrick, on Nov. 22. Most Rev. Dr. Henry, bishop of Down and Connor, officiated. A feeling of intense anxiety exists in Arklow in consequence of the disappearance in the North sea of the steamship Fitzwilliam, bound for Gothenburg, Sweden, with a cargo of naphtha. The captain, Thomas Troy, and two of the crew are natives of Arklow.

On Nov. 17 a sad accident occurred at Mullinagh, seven miles from Ballynaglass, whereby a farmer, Daniel Nugent, aged fifty-five, lost his life. The deceased left his residence at an early hour that morning to bring home a cart load of potatoes. Having accomplished one journey, he again left for another load and never returned. At about 7 o'clock that morning a son driving some cattle discovered the upturned cart on the roadside and on examination saw the dead body of his father pinned against the ground by the front board of the cart.

erable damage. The same condition exists along the western seaboard of Ireland. LEITRIM.—The Leitrim county council has passed a resolution calling on the government to open relief works in the districts in the county in which the distress is acute. A new parish hall was opened recently at Ballaghameelan, in North Leitrim. It is intended to be used for lectures and technical classes as well as for concerts and evening amusements. The Weir estate, at Killargue, Manorhamilton, has been sold to the tenants on the following terms: A reduction of 6 shillings in the pound (twenty-one and a half years' purchase) to first term tenants, 4 shillings in the pound (twenty-four and a half years' purchase) to second term tenants, 5 shillings in the pound (twenty-three years) to non-judicial tenants, half a year's rent of arrears to be wiped out and remainder to be added to purchase price. All game rights are to be vested in tenants.

MAYO.—The death of Thomas May, national school teacher, occurred at Ballinrobe on Nov. 15. A public meeting was held lately at the schoolhouse, Leenane, to take into consideration the condition of the people consequent on the failure of the potato crop and to concert measures with a view to providing a remedy. The chair was taken by the Rev. Martin Mellett. Present: Richard T. King, Tobias Joyce, Ashleigh; Harry McKeown, Leenane; Daere Tynan, Leenane; Michael B. King, M. P. King, Arthur Joyce, Tobias B. Joyce, Thomas E. Joyce, John Walsh, Rev. John Flatley, Richard O'Flaherty, M. D.; Thomas Gallagher, Joseph M'Donnell, Michael Gaynor and Patrick Gibbons. Rev. J. P. Conolly, Bunnacurry, Achill Sound, reports: "The potato crop in Achill is the worst for many years. Unless the people get employment their condition will be miserable."

A great demonstration organized by the newly affiliated branch at Westport of the United Irish League was held on Nov. 20 last in the Octagon. Special trains were run from Achill, Ballinrobe and Castlebar, carrying large contingents. All the surrounding districts were well represented, and bands were present from Ballinrobe, Aughagower and Westport. Previous to the commencement of the proceedings a deputation from the Claremorris board of guardians, consisting of P. W. Judge, M. F. Dillon, P. Hill, T. Nicholson, M. Moore, J. H. Burke, P. J. Flannery, M. Halligan, T. M. Hugh, F. Burke, M. Browne and M. Delany, presented to Mr. O'Brien a resolution carried at a special meeting on the Thursday previous.

ROSCOMMON.—The tenants in the town of Castlebar will purchase their holdings therein under the land act of 1863. Sir N. R. O'Connor has agreed to divide the grass farm on his Roscommon estate among his tenants, who have agreed to buy their holdings at twenty-four years' purchase of first term rents. Mr. O'Kelly addressed a monster meeting at Binghamstown lately and was entertained at a banquet at Sea View hotel, at which the following attended: Rev. M. McHale, chairman; Rev. J. O'Donohue, vice chairman; Rev. J. Davis, Rev. M. J. O'Loughlin, Rev. O'Kelly, M. P.; Mr. Kelly, Killeen, Claremorris; J. Clarke, secretary county council; Dr. MacHale, E. N. Flynn, M. Burns, A. Begley, J. R. Caulfield, P. Cafferly, J. Mills, D. Mills, J. Lennaghan, John O'Malley, M. MacIntyre, P. Scanlon and others.

SLIGO.—The Sligo Musical society, conducted by H. Loretto, presented its first concert this season in the assembly room, town hall, Sligo, on Nov. 23. The first part of the programme was opened with the romantic Irish cantata "Sambata" or "All Halloween" in a most agreeable style. The leading parts were filled by Mrs. Loretto as Eileen and W. Shannon as the Leprechaun king. Their singing was superb and evoked the warmest applause from the audience. James McGovern of Gortnagoran died on Nov. 17 after a short illness.

On Nov. 20 a great demonstration under the auspices of the local branch of the United Irish League was held at Grange. The presence of the clergy of Grange, Clifony and Drumcliffe on the platform in company with the local leaders invested the proceedings with an importance seldom equaled and never surpassed at similar public meetings. Contingents were present from Maugherow, Ballinrillick, Clifony, Drumcliffe, Bannuff and Tawley. The serried cavalry of Maugherow presented a splendid spectacle as they headed the sturdy farmers of that patriotic district. Then came the Drumcliffe contingent, headed by that patriotic young Nationalist, John G. Quilty. The speakers were listened to by an enormous concourse, and the enthusiasm proved that the spirit of nationality is as strong as it was in the Land league days. A splendid platform was erected in the center of the town, from which each of the speakers could be heard distinctly. The following were present on the platform: The Rev. Father Crofton, Very Rev. Canon Sloane, Rev. Father Kelly, Rev. Father Shanahan, B. Harte, H. Brennan, M. J. Connell, solicitor, Glasgow; P. A. McHugh, M. P.; T. Killeather, Sligo; John Conroy, John Jinks, T. Gardner, James Gillan, John G. Quilty, Cormac Feeny, P. Gilgan, J. P. Jordan, Rev. Father Crofton presided.

On Nov. 21 a very successful concert was given in the reading room of the Sligo Catholic institute. The following contributed: Misses L. McEgan, Conboy, McElhinny, Costello; Messrs. Conolly, Cruamy, Fleming, Feeney, O'Kelly, Boyle and Harte. Miss A. Mulrooney presided at the piano. Rev. Father Hynes also tendered the thanks of the Catholic institute members to the artists.

Connaught GALWAY.—The pope Nov. 24 received in private audience Most Rev. Thomas O'Brien, bishop of Cloufert, who presented the annual offering of the diocese under his charge. The pontiff showed the warmest appreciation of the generosity of the Irish people and characterized them as always faithful. On Nov. 18 there passed away at Clonbush, Tynagh, a remarkable man named James Haverty, aged 108 years. A meeting of the Moore branch of the United Irish League was held lately. Rev. Father Begley, president, presiding. Present: Mr. Corr, organizer; J. Miller, P. Murray, J. Kelly, P. J. Flynn, P. Naughton, T. Kilduff, Thomas Ryan, P. J. McManus, M. Condran, W. Kennedy, P. Burns, W. Ryan, J. Turley, P. Mulvey, J. Caulfield. Tuam experienced a great storm of snow on Nov. 20. It is stated that there has been no snowfall so heavy so early in winter since the night of the "great snow," Nov. 20, 1808, which, tradition has it, covered the whole district several feet high, when (Nov. 21) there was but one sheep at the fair of Tuill-nadally, which, with the stock everywhere, remained snowed up for weeks. Rev. Father Farragher, pastor, St. Emdin's, Ann Isles, describes the state of the potato crop in his district as "very poor." In quantity it is not an average crop. Its quality is most inferior. The blight has caused consid-

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erable damage. The same condition exists along the western seaboard of Ireland. LEITRIM.—The Leitrim county council has passed a resolution calling on the government to open relief works in the districts in the county in which the distress is acute. A new parish hall was opened recently at Ballaghameelan, in North Leitrim. It is intended to be used for lectures and technical classes as well as for concerts and evening amusements. The Weir estate, at Killargue, Manorhamilton, has been sold to the tenants on the following terms: A reduction of 6 shillings in the pound (twenty-one and a half years' purchase) to first term tenants, 4 shillings in the pound (twenty-four and a half years' purchase) to second term tenants, 5 shillings in the pound (twenty-three years) to non-judicial tenants, half a year's rent of arrears to be wiped out and remainder to be added to purchase price. All game rights are to be vested in tenants.

MAYO.—The death of Thomas May, national school teacher, occurred at Ballinrobe on Nov. 15. A public meeting was held lately at the schoolhouse, Leenane, to take into consideration the condition of the people consequent on the failure of the potato crop and to concert measures with a view to providing a remedy. The chair was taken by the Rev. Martin Mellett. Present: Richard T. King, Tobias Joyce, Ashleigh; Harry McKeown, Leenane; Daere Tynan, Leenane; Michael B. King, M. P. King, Arthur Joyce, Tobias B. Joyce, Thomas E. Joyce, John Walsh, Rev. John Flatley, Richard O'Flaherty, M. D.; Thomas Gallagher, Joseph M'Donnell, Michael Gaynor and Patrick Gibbons. Rev. J. P. Conolly, Bunnacurry, Achill Sound, reports: "The potato crop in Achill is the worst for many years. Unless the people get employment their condition will be miserable."

A great demonstration organized by the newly affiliated branch at Westport of the United Irish League was held on Nov. 20 last in the Octagon. Special trains were run from Achill, Ballinrobe and Castlebar, carrying large contingents. All the surrounding districts were well represented, and bands were present from Ballinrobe, Aughagower and Westport. Previous to the commencement of the proceedings a deputation from the Claremorris board of guardians, consisting of P. W. Judge, M. F. Dillon, P. Hill, T. Nicholson, M. Moore, J. H. Burke, P. J. Flannery, M. Halligan, T. M. Hugh, F. Burke, M. Browne and M. Delany, presented to Mr. O'Brien a resolution carried at a special meeting on the Thursday previous.

ROSCOMMON.—The tenants in the town of Castlebar will purchase their holdings therein under the land act of 1863. Sir N. R. O'Connor has agreed to divide the grass farm on his Roscommon estate among his tenants, who have agreed to buy their holdings at twenty-four years' purchase of first term rents. Mr. O'Kelly addressed a monster meeting at Binghamstown lately and was entertained at a banquet at Sea View hotel, at which the following attended: Rev. M. McHale, chairman; Rev. J. O'Donohue, vice chairman; Rev. J. Davis, Rev. M. J. O'Loughlin, Rev. O'Kelly, M. P.; Mr. Kelly, Killeen, Claremorris; J. Clarke, secretary county council; Dr. MacHale, E. N. Flynn, M. Burns, A. Begley, J. R. Caulfield, P. Cafferly, J. Mills, D. Mills, J. Lennaghan, John O'Malley, M. MacIntyre, P. Scanlon and others.

SLIGO.—The Sligo Musical society, conducted by H. Loretto, presented its first concert this season in the assembly room, town hall, Sligo, on Nov. 23. The first part of the programme was opened with the romantic Irish cantata "Sambata" or "All Halloween" in a most agreeable style. The leading parts were filled by Mrs. Loretto as Eileen and W. Shannon as the Leprechaun king. Their singing was superb and evoked the warmest applause from the audience. James McGovern of Gortnagoran died on Nov. 17 after a short illness. On Nov. 20 a great demonstration under the auspices of the local branch of the United Irish League was held at Grange. The presence of the clergy of Grange, Clifony and Drumcliffe on the platform in company with the local leaders invested the proceedings with an importance seldom equaled and never surpassed at similar public meetings. Contingents were present from Maugherow, Ballinrillick, Clifony, Drumcliffe, Bannuff and Tawley. The serried cavalry of Maugherow presented a splendid spectacle as they headed the sturdy farmers of that patriotic district. Then came the Drumcliffe contingent, headed by that patriotic young Nationalist, John G. Quilty. The speakers were listened to by an enormous concourse, and the enthusiasm proved that the spirit of nationality is as strong as it was in the Land league days. A splendid platform was erected in the center of the town, from which each of the speakers could be heard distinctly. The following were present on the platform: The Rev. Father Crofton, Very Rev. Canon Sloane, Rev. Father Kelly, Rev. Father Shanahan, B. Harte, H. Brennan, M. J. Connell, solicitor, Glasgow; P. A. McHugh, M. P.; T. Killeather, Sligo; John Conroy, John Jinks, T. Gardner, James Gillan, John G. Quilty, Cormac Feeny, P. Gilgan, J. P. Jordan, Rev. Father Crofton presided.

On Nov. 23 a largely attended concert was given in Drum hall, those taking part attending from Cotehill, Clones, Newbliss, etc. Part one opened with piano solo by Miss Johnston, Cotehill followed by a dialogue, "At Cross Purposes." The other items were: Song "Gouldy," Mrs. Ronalson, Cotehill song, "Down the Vale," Mr. Lennane recitation by Mr. Peatt; song by Dr. Moore recitation by Henry Shea, Cotehill song, "The White Squall," R. W. Moore, comic song, Dr. Swann, Drum Part two Irish airs; violin solo by Miss Germain, Cotehill; song, "Don't Judge a Man," Mr. Bunting; song, Mrs. Ronalson, Cotehill; song, Mr. Mackey song and dance, "Down South," J. L. Swann; recitation, "Dr. Shanlow," Sergeant Huston; recitation, Rev. J. R. Meane, Drum, song by Mr. McMalon. It was with feelings of deep regret that the death of Owen McEntee, Cavan, three months, was learned by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. The sad event was not unexpected, as deceased had been complaining for a considerable time past.

At the meeting of the Rathkeale board of guardians lately Dr. Hayes wrote stating Major General Lloyd and Mrs. Lloyd of Beechmount had sent through him a cheque of the Madonna in majolica from Florence for the union maternity ward. The donors are Protestants. TIPPERARY.—The death of another Irish centenarian is announced in the person of Michael Kennedy of Silvermines. Deceased attained the age of 101 and was hale and hearty up to a few months ago. Married, Nov. 19, at the Church of the Seven Dolours, Glasnevin, Dublin, by the Rev. P. McGrath, James O'Keefe, Drumcondra, to Kathleen Frances, daughter of the late Frank Mulvey, Glenfield House, Cahir, County Tipperary.

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CARLOW.—A meeting of the Father, John Murphy memorial committee was held in the town hall, Tullow, on Nov. 20. Thomas Bolger, chairman, presiding. Present: J. Murphy, vice chairman; John Foley, T. C. treasurer; J. Dempsey, Terence Halligan, John Donohoe, M. P. Maher, honorary secretary; P. Aughner, Patrick Kavanagh, John Dawson, P. Byrne, Patrick Moran, John O'Brien, Denis Deering, John Nolan, Thomas Brophy, Denis Corcoran, William Kinsella, Thomas Doyle, Edward Doyle. DUBLIN.—J. J. Clancy, M. P., delivered a lecture Nov. 25 under the auspices of the United Irish League in the town hall, Blackrock. On Nov. 20 the annual demonstration to mark the anniversary of the murders of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien in Manchester—the Manchester martyrs—was held in Dublin. The procession,

which included eleven bands, proceeded from St. Stephen's green, where the winter took place, to Glasnevin cemetery, where the canopy is erected. Several wreaths were placed in the closed space, and the procession, having marched around the cemetery, dispersed. A branch of the United Irish League has been established in the Usher's Quay ward, Dublin city. Recent Deaths in Dublin.—CAHILL—At 40 Euryan parade, N. C. road, William Cahill, ex-D. M. P., aged seventy-four years.—COLLINS—Nov. 24, at Bush, County Dublin, Margaret Collins.—DUNNE—Nov. 23,