

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 funeral of the late Mrs. Dempsey, Lisnare, Antrim road, Belfast, took place, Aug. 4, to Milltown cemetery.

A very successful meeting of the National Teachers' Association of Ballycastle was held in Ballycastle lately. Representatives attended from Coleraine and Belfast associations.

Fels Tire Eoghain held on the shores of Lough Neagh lately was successful beyond the most sanguine expectations of its promoters. Irish Irelanders do not work for praise, but for the faith that is in them, and need no personal eulogium as an incentive to continued effort, but the promoters of the Lough Neagh fells, the ladies and gentlemen who worked so unselfishly to make it the success it was, have established a lien on the heart of Ireland.

A meeting was held lately in the National club, Ballymacarrett, for the purpose of forming a ladies' branch of the United Irish League.

ARMAGH—St. Peter's church, Lurgan, was filled with a very large congregation on Aug. 6, when Very Rev. Hugh O'Reilly, B. A., M. R. I. A., president of Violet Hill college, Newry, preached in aid of the new schools and teachers' residence to be erected at Lurgan.

The site of the new building is a short distance outside the town on a gentle eminence amid most picturesque surroundings. The necessity for the new schools is indisputable and that it is recognized by the people of the district was demonstrated by the attendance at Sunday's ceremony and the generous response to appeal for funds.

A meeting of the Crossmaglen branch of the U. I. L. was held lately. James Donaghy, Jr., presided.

CAVAN—The Gowna concert was held on Aug. 15, when a very fine programme was rendered in a most satisfactory manner.

A special meeting of the committee of the agricultural show was held in the courthouse, Ballyjamesduff, J. Morrow presiding. Other members present: T. F. Tighe, J. Roden, James Murphy, W. Dawson, A. Pratt, B. Kelly, P. Leonard, T. J. Goldrick, R. Henry, J. Slowsy, secretary. The secretary read a letter received from Mr. Young, M. P., enclosing a check for \$25 toward the show funds.

Peter Murphy, late of 150 Rathgar road, Dublin, formerly of Ballyjamesduff, who died on May 2 last, left estate valued at \$50,000. The testator left the following sums for charitable purposes: \$1,000 for clothing the poor and destitute children attending school at the Convent of Poor Clares, Castlelahan; \$1,000 for clothing poor and destitute boys attending the Catholic male schools of Ballyjamesduff; \$500 each to St. Mary's asylum, Drumcondra; Magdalen asylum, Donnybrook; the Home for the Dying, Haroldscross. He also set aside money for founding a bursar in All Hallows college and in Maynooth college for deserving Cavan students preparing for the priesthood.

DERRY—Joseph W. Stafford of 3 Stewart's terrace, Derry, died on Aug. 6, deeply regretted.

The funeral of the late Rev. G. McDonagh, pastor of Greenlough, took place Aug. 2. Among those who attended were: Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, Right Rev. Mgr. McGurk, Maghera; Rev. P. O'Kane, Lavey; Rev. J. McKesry, Garvagh; Rev. M. Connery, Coleraine.

DONEGAL—The Belfast Evening Telegraph says: In Carrondagh and district the gold mine which is about to be opened at Glentogher, about five miles from Carrondagh, is the principal topic. Intense is the speculation among all classes as to the result of the find. The interest was considerably heightened by the arrival of Mr. Johnston and his son in Carrondagh. The scene of the discovery was visited each day by the Messrs. Johnston, who were engaged in preparatory operations. They were marking off the area included in the find. Messrs. Johnston afterwards left for Belfast to supervise the removal of the machinery for the mine.

The Donegal Independent of Aug. 4 printed as follows: "On Sunday last the Mountcharles branch Cumann na mBan was visited by two young Connaught priests—Father Forde and Father O'Kelly. The organ team of the branch journeyed in the afternoon to Drumkeella, where upon the Alt (the site of which was kindly granted by Mrs. Cannon) they met the Drumkeella organ team, this being the second in-town land encounter for the Mountcharles and the third for the Mountcharles men. The Mountcharles Red Bands on this day showed themselves in their worst form. Drumkeella secured two goals within the first ten minutes' play, completely demoralizing the Mountcharles boys. The Drumkeella side showed a very marked improvement since they had crossed camps with Borden only quite recently."

DOWN—The funeral of the late Mr. Cunningham, Glen, took place at Carr cemetery, Aug. 9, and was attended by a number of the leading merchants of Newry, Warrenpoint and Rathfriland and the farmers of the district.

A great gathering of lovers of Gaelic sport was present in the Marshes, Newry, Aug. 5, to witness the series of competitions under G. A. A. rules organized by the Egan and Bealach Gaelic club in aid of the fund to renovate the abbey, which the 'Christian Brothers purchased lately. Large crowds attended from Belfast, Armagh, Coleraine and surrounding districts, large portion of successful work came from Belfast.

McSweeney, formerly of Inchinger, Drimoleague. — PHILPOTT—On Aug. 10, Miss Ellen M. Philpott. Funeral from South Parish church. — COLLINS—At Ballinacorney, Kilmallock. John Collins, at an advanced age. — HARNETT—At Gurburthlen, Enniskillen, David Harnett, aged seventy-two years. — LEE—On Aug. 5, at 111 Old George's street, Thomas Lee. — DRINAN—On Aug. 5, at 4 Gillaboy terrace, Mary Drinan, late of Covent Garden, Prince's street. — O'BRIEN—On Aug. 6, at 77 Kevin's square, Ellen O'Brien, late of Summer Cove, Kinsale. — HERON—On Aug. 5, at 9 St. Luke's, Caroline Heron. — O'CALLAGHAN—On Aug. 5, Margaret O'Callaghan, Fergus, Co. Fergus. — TAYLOR—On Aug. 5, at the Military Hotel, Butevant, Hannah Taylor, aged fifty-four years. — BARRY—On Aug. 7, P. F. Barry, late of Great George's street. — McDONNELL—On Aug. 8, at Coventry, Enniskillen, Richard John McDonnell (John), coach builder, son of the late Moses McDonnell, coach builder, Cork, and grandson of the late John Keating, Dublin hill, Cork. "To Ireland true" — FORDE—On Aug. 8, Nora Forde, Waterfall. — CARTIN—On Aug. 7, at St. Finbar's street (old dean), Bartholomew Cartin, plasterer. — O'CALLAGHAN—On Aug. 7, at 103 North Main street, Patrick J. O'Callaghan, aged twenty-one years. — DALY—On Aug. 7, at the Cork District hospital, Katherine Daly, at (Glammire), aged forty-eight years. — DRINCOLL—On July 19, at Brooklyn, Charlotte Driscoll, late of Blackrock, daughter of the late J. Cremen, Ballintemple. — O'BURKE—At 7 Nelson's place, Joseph O'Rourke. — SHEAHAN—On Aug. 9, at Charleville, John Francis Sheahan, aged nine years. — MOYNIHAN—On Aug. 7, at Clonakilly, Hannah Moylan, Summerhill South. — O'CONNOR—On Aug. 4, at 4 Court-house street, May O'Connor. — HEALY—On Aug. 6, Jeremiah Healy, Gurteenore.

KERRY—On Aug. 5 an accident occurred at Annala within a few miles of Kilarney. It appears that a girl in the employment of Daniel Cooper, Annala, went out on Sunday evening, taking with her her master's donkey and car. After returning she left the donkey attached to the car and commenced driving around, with the result that the car was overturned with the four children beneath it. When the car was removed it was found that one of the children, a boy of seven years, was dead. It was miraculous how the others escaped, one of them being only two years old.

On Aug. 4, while one of the cars of the Irish Motor Service company, which runs cars between Kingstown and Bray daily, was being driven by Miss Bessie Farrell and Miss Barbara Murphy to Bray a train car collided with the back part of the motor car. The tram struck one of the back wheels of the motor with such violence that Miss Murphy's head was forced through the glass front of the train. The motor continued its movement, with the result that Miss Murphy's throat was dragged over the bronze grass and the gullet and windpipe severed.

Daniel B. Griffin, Charles street, Ligtowell, died Aug. 3.

On July 30 a brave but unostentatious patriot, James Cotter of Church town, Newcastle West, passed away at an advanced age.

TIPPERARY—Michael Ryan of Castlemyone, Cashel, died Aug. 6, aged seventy years.

WATERFORD—The sympathy of all classes in Waterford went out to Mrs. Roynane, matron of the Waterford City and County Infirmary, on the death of her eldest daughter, which took place in Cork city.

The death of Thomas Stone, Mount Bolton, Portlaoine, occurred on Aug. 5. Throughout the county Wexford he was well known and respected. His funeral was one of the largest and most representative seen in the county Wexford in recent years.

Sister Mary Ignatius Purtall of the Good Shepherd convent, Waterford, died Aug. 5, aged fifty-nine years and in the thirty-ninth year of her religious life. The deceased nun came of an old and respected Catholic family at Kilkoman, Shanagolden, Limerick, a family which has given many members to the church, priests and nuns. She was niece to Dean Creghan of Limerick and cousin to the administrator of St. Michael's in Limerick city, the Rev. James Creghan, and to the Very Rev. D. Creghan, St. Wilfred's, Northwith, and the Very Rev. D. O'Kelly, St. Nunan's, Wooler. Her aunt still labors in the Good Shepherd convent, and a sister found. The person who assisted the faithful companion in Bruff, County Limerick. Sister Mary Ignatius spent thirty-two years of her religious life among the children of St. Dominic's Industrial school, Waterford, where she labored most unostentatiously in promoting the spiritual and material interests of the children.

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CARLOW—A meeting of the Gaelic League branch in Carlow was held in the academy recently. Rev. J. Kil-... A meeting of the Tallow branch of the U. I. L. was held in the town hall, Tallow, on a recent Sunday. The chair-... "Before we commence our... That we tender our condolences... Father Kearney and relation... in the death of his brother, John... Kearney, of Limerick, and as a token... we adjourn the meeting and... request our secretary to convey our... sympathy to Father Kearney, our representative president."

DUBLIN—A shocking accident occurred lately to James Crosbie while working a hay saving machine on the Kates Kennally—MSWEENY—On Aug. 10, at 27 Pope's quay.

to be found, reminding a person of Keenagh. This was the real place of rendezvous, and all joined forces to the Shannon, a delightful drive along lovely land and wooded scenery. On our approach to the shore the strains of an Irish bagpipe could be heard discouraging sweet music.

LOUTH.—Bridget Roched died July 11 at her residence, Manimore, Drogheda. Thomas Grogan, Magkett's Cross, aged sixty-five years, was proceeding home lately on his car along with his daughter when his horse gave a sudden bound near the railway viaduct and threw the old man to the ground. The car, which was laden, passed over him.

MEATH.—The death of Thomas Daly took place on Aug. 4 at Rath-row, Athboy. The deceased was in his seventy-fifth year.

QUEEN'S.—The death of James Byrne took place at "Bleeding Horse," Queen's county, recently, after a short illness.

Mountmellick held its second annual fells lately in the athletic grounds of the Catholic Young Men's society. The stinging, fiddling and dancing competitions afforded the most amusement. A good number of youngsters faced the judges in the language competition for children, but their knowledge of the old tongue was not satisfactory in stating this the judge admitted that the study of Irish was in its infancy in the districts and hoped that next year's fells would show a marked improvement.

WESTMEATH.—Hailstones fell in Mullingar on Aug. 8. Previous to that great heat had been experienced. The oldest inhabitant has now a new story to add to his catalogue of events.

The tenants of the Cloonagh estate, Ballinagore, nine miles from Mullingar, have signed agreements to purchase from the landlord, Major Francis Hume-Kelly, the terms being twenty years' purchase of first term rents, an amount of arrears wiped out, tenants to enjoy existing turbary rights, sporting rights reserved to landlord and his sons during their lives.

Aeridheacht was held lately in a field outside Killebeggan. The entertainment was organized by local enthusiasts in the Irish revival, of whom Father Leonard and D. Stack, I. H., were prominent. There was a very large attendance, who thoroughly enjoyed the programme. The proceedings were opened by the Rev. Father Cole, who delivered a short address, in which he urged on the people to take an active part in the Gaelic league. The Mullingar brass band attended.

In connection with the making of a new line of road at Gortumloe the workmen in cutting through a hill dug up bones, the remains of animals that existed hundreds of years ago. Among them was the jawbone of an animal with tusks of extraordinary size and length.

WEXFORD.—The directors of the Great Western railway company, at the half yearly report say that the works of the Fishguard and Rossaree Railways and Harbours company (the land) are in an advanced state, both on the Irish and English sides.

Three money prizes, locally contributed, were offered in competition lately for the best cultivated cottage-gardens in the parish of Taggart. The following are the prize awards: Highest marks obtainable, 80; first prize, Thomas Muckraustown, Taggart, 98 marks; second prize, Daniel Ennis, Taggart, 80 marks; third prize, Patrick Walsh, Ballybrennan, 55 marks; highly commended, Patrick Morris, Ballydunagan, 54 marks; commended, John Witty, Taggart, 50 marks. There also competed Nicholas Sullivan, Kilrane, who obtained 42 marks; John Sinnott, Ballyreilly, 39 marks; James Ennis, Ford of Lync, 36 marks; M. Doyle, Kiltrove, 29 marks, and James Rea, Ballyconnor, 29 marks. The judges in their report stated that the way in which all the competitors had cultivated their gardens left nothing to be desired, that it would make many gardeners take a back seat.

WICKLOW.—Mrs. Ellen Byrne of Glentague died Aug. 10, aged eighty-five years.

On Aug. 3 an inquest was held at Bellarene, County Kerry, on the body of Police Constable Bracken, killed while cycling the previous night.

At Avoca lately a fire broke out in a cornfield and before the neighborhood was aroused had done considerable damage. A brilliant spectacle was witnessed at Vinegar hill, Enniscorthy, where the gorse and ferns which adorn this magnificent and historic hill took fire.

On a recent Sunday a most successful football tournament was brought off at Kilmacow. It was very pleasing to note that a good deal of assistance was rendered by old local footballers, whose prowess in the Gaelic field fifteen years ago was established throughout Ireland. At half past 2 proceedings commenced, Harristown lining up against Waterford (Young Men's society). Final score—Harristown, 6 points; Waterford, 2 points.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the convent in Mullingar was celebrated lately when the distribution of prizes took place. Three schools are attached to the convent—viz, one for junior boys and one for junior girls, and a high school.

KING'S.—Sunday, Aug. 6, was St. Kieran's day, and the annual celebration of "patron" was held at the holy well in Carnaross.

LONGFORD.—A serious accident occurred recently to P. Higgins of Foygha near Ballymahon. He, with P. Perry, was cutting meadow with a mowing machine. Perry was in the seat of the mowing machine, and the horses would not go. Higgins started to drive the horses and went on the side of the blades and gave the horse a blow of the stick. After striking the horse he had not time to get away before the fingers came in contact with his ankle, and the blades nearly cut it across.

An excursion was given recently by the Ballymahon Teachers' association and was an unqualified success. The scenery lent many a charm to the enjoyment through Ballymahon, with its church rising as a monument of grace and beauty. Ballymahon received its name from Mahon, king of Munster, who fought a battle against the Danes in the vicinity—on to "Leafy Tang," immortalized by Leo, a poetic country as we go along Casey's and Goldsmith's. Soon we approach "Autumn, loveliest village of the plain;" "the busy mill," with "United Irish League" printed on it—Tang and Toberclar always patriotic; on the right Lissoy, where the "village preacher's modest mansion rose," now a dilapidated concern; on the left "the church that topped the neighboring hill," and then Auburn lake till we make our way to the crossroads of Toberclar; on to Glasheen, one of the most beautiful villages

Connaught

GALWAY.—On Aug. 6 laborers making a drain at Templemore, the property of C. Denis O'Rourke, near Moylough, came upon the remains of a large deer with fine antlers, fifteen points, presumably that of a red deer.

On the coming home of the Tynagh prisoners from the Galway assizes they were the recipients of a grand demonstration. When it became known that the prisoners were returning the parish turned out, headed by the band and 100 torch bearers. They marched four miles beyond Tynagh to meet them. Shouts of delight and tremendous ringing cheers were given.

The Tuam Herald of Aug. 12 printed as follows: "The long expected bazaar in aid of the new archiepiscopal residence in Tuam was opened under encouraging circumstances in the college grounds, Tuam. The weather was favorable, the archbishop and a very strong representation of his clergy were present, an active committee had made complete arrangements and the beauty and good taste in dress of the Connaught ladies was a feature among the zealous stall holders. The disposition of the stalls, held in tents through the college grounds, except the refreshment bar, dining room and cafe chautant, which were on the college premises,

oblated the sturdiness and crowding which often attend bazaars held in halls, and the whole formed a most picturesque, brightly colored, high class country fair."

On a recent Sunday a very large audience witnessed the great handball contest between Mayo and Galway at Galway city. Charles Whyte, Athlone, and W. O'Halloran, Galway city, represented the County Galway, and Messrs. Greally and O'Malley of Westport represented County Mayo. County Galway was victorious, winning three games to two for Mayo. Some splendid play was witnessed, but it was evident from the start that the Mayo men would uphold the prestige of the county. The next challenge will be a provincial one.

The death of Mrs. E. M. Broderick, widow of the late Michael Broderick of Derryfresh, Tynagh, occurred Aug. 1, at the age of eighty-one years.

LEITRIM.—The annual regatta of Carrick-on-Shannon was held Aug. 6. The events were well contested. Great numbers were present. The home rowers beat the Dolphin rowing team from Dublin.

MAYO.—The death took place Aug. 3 at the Convent of Mercy, Ballina, of Sister Mary Xavier, whose golden jubilee was celebrated a few days ago.

The death of John Smith, boot and shoe maker, Castlebar, occurred on Aug. 8.

A Morley, Knox street, Ballyhaunis, died Aug. 15.

A grand variety entertainment in aid of the archiepiscopal residence was given recently by the pupils of St. Angela's national school at the town hall, Castlebar. "When the curtain rung up the choir contributed 'O'Donnell Abu.' Miss O'Donnell sang 'The Harp.' Miss Annie Murgue recited 'Fontenoy.' Miss (Miss Burke sang in the cherished vernacular of the Gael 'An Drocht Ceold.' The eight hand reel by Misses N. Feeney, M. Feeney, J. Ryan, B. Dinnan, N. Alnsworth, D. Gannon, K. McLynskey and D. McLynskey was admired. Miss M. Sheridan sang 'The Meeting of the Waters.' A selection of Irish airs was played by Miss Larina Sheridan on the violin, the ease with which she rendered the selection gaining for her the admiration of the audience. Miss May Hynes accompanied on the piano. The Misses G. Ryan and M. Feeney sang the 'Rise of the Moon.' Miss Kate Doyle sang 'Sa Muirín Dilis.' Miss Mollie Stanton sang Lady Dufferin's 'Irish Emigrant.' The four hand reel by Misses Daly, Flannery, Moran and McLynskey was applauded. Miss N. Gavin sang 'Barney O'Hea.' Miss Maud Hoban sang 'Paddy O'Donoghue.' Miss Gerlie Kelly sang 'Eileen Alanna.' The choir brought the first part of the programme to a close with 'The Oars Are Splashing Lightly' and opened the second part with 'Paddy's Evermore.' Miss Mary Sheridan sang 'My Mary of the Curly Hair.' Miss Sheridan played another selection on the violin. Miss J. Murphy sang 'The Jacket Green.' Miss Eily Ryan recited 'The Irish Mother's Gift.' The junior choir gave 'Dances of the School.' Miss (Miss Hoban sang 'The Patriot Mother.' Miss N. Alnsworth danced a hornpipe. Miss N. Gavin recited the 'Catholic Psalm.' The choir was again in evidence in 'Whispering Hope.' Miss McDonnell sang 'The Last Rose of Summer.' Mr. Frank Fahey's 'Old Plaid Shawl' was rendered by Miss (Miss Burke. Miss Alice McEvilly recited 'The Irish Child.' Miss M. Sheridan sang 'Kilnarney.' A duet was sung by Misses Mollie Stanton and Josie Dunao entitled 'Come O'er the Moonlit Sea.' Mr. Toohey, who was in charge of the dancing classes at the convent, danced a rattling reel. The choir sang 'Health to the Irish.' The evening's entertainment concluded with 'A Nation Once Again,' the whole audience joining in the chorus. Mr. Ryan, vice president of the Gaelic league, acted as stage manager.

ROSCOMMON.—On Aug. 8 the death of Michael Cryan, aged sixty-two years, of Doekloong, took place suddenly. He was conveying milk to a local creamery when he took ill and died a short time after. In his last moments he was consoled by the rites of the church. He had been previously treated for cardiac disease, and it is believed that affliction was the cause of his death. Much sympathy was expressed at his death.

At the meeting of the Roscommon technical committee John Galvin was re-elected chairman for the third time in succession. A letter was read from the department suggesting that a change be made in the subjects taught at the Roscommon convent, as it seemed to their inspector that there was little likelihood of lacemaking ever becoming a permanent industry in the convent. Several of the members present expressed the opinion that there was a greater demand for lace in this country than the supply. The department's letter was referred to the reverend mother.

SLIGO.—The funeral of Mrs. Pegg took place on July 29 from the Cathedral, Sligo.

Deep and sincere regret was felt in and around Tobercurry and district at the death of P. F. Burke, brother of Rev. M. J. Burke, uncle of Rev. M. J. Devine and brother-in-law of Very Rev. M. Henry and Very Rev. W. Henry, which took place at his residence on Aug. 7 at the age of seventy-two years.

The usual reglemass was celebrated, Rev. M. J. Henry celebrating. The remains were conveyed to the burial place at Ballary. The vast cortege which followed testified to the respect in which he was held. Tobercurry and surrounding districts, Sligo, Kiltimagh, Swinford, Foxford, Coolane and Charlestown, were well represented.