

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.—On March 4 a largely attended and representative meeting was held in the McAllister Memorial hall Ballycastle, for the purpose of founding a branch of the United Irish League...

The sixth annual meeting of the national directory was recently held in the United Irish league offices, 39 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin. John E. Redmond, M. P., president, took the chair...

Branch Northern Star, the oldest branch of the Irish National Foresters in Ulster, on March 4 admitted Joseph Devlin, M. P., to honorary membership...

ARMAGH.—The annual meeting of the Armagh Harps, Hurling and Football club was held in the Catholic reading rooms, Ogle street, Armagh, lately...

A largely attended meeting of the Keady branch, U. I. L., was held in the town hall, Keady, recently, Patrick Smyth, Robert O'Neill, James Arthura, F. Curran, James Doyle, W. McKnight, F. Moran, M. Tosh, F. McKeever, John Trean, B. Brean, John Huston and others...

Cardinal Michael Logue, archbishop of Armagh and primate of all Ireland, was on March 4 received in private audience by the pope...

On Feb. 14 a wedding took place at St. Mary's Catholic church, Beiturbet, the contracting parties being Miss Lizzie A. Farley, daughter of the late Peter Farley, Diamond, and Hugh Thomas Small, eldest son of John Small, Upper Bridge street, Rev. J. Connolly officiated...

The drawing for the valuable gold watches and chains presented by Rev. John F. Baxter, Brooklyn, to assist in liquidating the debt on the new church in Gortna, which was fixed for May 1, may not take place until later in that month, so that all returns may be completed...

A well-packed house, marked enthusiasm, a capital programme and fine entertainers were the features of the annual concert and theatrical performance held lately in Castlebaran Temperance hall at New Prospect under the auspices of above society...

daughter of the late William Allingham. On Feb. 21, at Cross Roads Catholic church, Connell Cannon of Lowry House, Castledwell, eldest son of Connell Cannon, Main street, Donegal, was married to Elizabeth Mary, eldest daughter of Patrick Bonnar of Killygordon, Rev. Dr. D. McLaughlin officiated...

The death of a Donegal farmer, Patrick Harkin, (Gweebarra Bay), was the subject of a recent magisterial investigation at Adara. Patrick Kennedy, an other young farmer, had been arrested in connection with the tragedy...

The following extraordinary incident took place recently in the mountains south of Glenties. A farmer received by letter an order for \$25 from his son in the United States. He sent his young daughter to Glenties to get the order cashed and to purchase goods...

DOWN.—A relative of Henry Joy McCracken passed away on March 1 in the person of Mrs. Peter Sloan of Rostrevor.

FERMANAGH.—Henry Foster, who lived near Lisnaska, was found dead in his home lately. Heart disease was the cause of death.

MONAGHAN.—The tenants residing on the property of the Murray-Kerr estate, Newbliss, have completed the terms of purchase. First term tenants, twenty-one and one-quarter years' purchase; second term tenants, twenty-four and one-quarter years' purchase; nonjudicial tenants to be dealt with individually, evicted tenants to be reinstated and 8 1/2 per cent to be paid on purchase money until money is advanced by the government...

On March 4 the Monaghan mystery was solved by the finding of the body of Charles Trainor, who was missing from his home at Tonsillagh, near Monaghan, since Feb. 22. A reward had been offered by Trainor's relatives for the recovery of the body...

TYRONE.—On March 4 Rev. Michael McGuck, pastor, died after a few days' illness.

Munster

CLARE.—The residence of Thomas McInerney, a farmer and land bailiff of Cappalishen, near Killisheen, was attacked lately by a party of moonlighters. They fired several shots, the bullets penetrating the doors and windows, leaving the house in a wrecked condition.

A meeting of the Feakle Hurling club was held in the market house recently, at which the election of officers took place and resulted as follows: President, Rev. J. Austin; vice president, W. Purcell; treasurer and captain, W. Loughnane; secretary, James Moloney; county board delegate, James Loughnane; committee, T. Kelly, P. Gallagher and Thomas Moloney.

Mrs. P. Murphy of Shean, Kilmaley, died on Feb. 26 at a fine old age.

CORK.—The tenants of the Nason estate, situate on the town lands of Ballylathney, Ballyknockane, Knockane-riga, Lyré and Rencour, between Youghal and Tallow, have purchased their holdings, the terms being twenty-one and a half years' purchase. The nonjudicial rents had been reduced by George Saul Nason. Sporting rights are reserved to the landlord.

In the clubrooms, Mitcheltown, recently. Those present were: Dr. T. O'Brien, A. F. Coughlan, solicitor, D. J. Casey, solicitor, M. J. Cusack, C. P. O'Brien, Fermoy; J. S. Russell, P. O'Brien, Fermoy; J. F. Meagher, M. A. Murphy, J. Russell, J. O'Mahoney, T. O'Sullivan, Pollardstown, T. Whelan, T. Cahill, T. O'Brien, E. Condon, T. E. Fitzgerald, J. McGrath, W. Noonan, M. F. Condon, T. D. Ahearne, P. Walsh, J. Roche, Matthew O'Brien, R. Barry, P. Russell, M. Clifford, J. Skeheen and others. The chair was taken by J. S. Russell, who explained that it was to promote a testimonial to the Rev. Brother Sheedy on his golden jubilee, which would occur this year...

Patrick O'Grady of Ballinacraiga Ballinacraiga, died on Feb. 10, aged fifty seven years.

TIPPERARY.—At a meeting of the parishioners of Templemore in the town hall, Dr. M. Fennelly presiding, it was resolved that a memorial be erected to Father Cleary's memory. He had for seventeen years ministered in the parish.

The death of Mrs. Margaret Stokes, relict of the late Patrick Stokes, Priors town, Kilsheelan, took place at the residence of her son, W. Stokes, Priors town, on Feb. 25.

WATERFORD.—Daniel Barnidge of Waterpark, near Ballyduff, was taking down trees lately, when one fell on him and inflicted injuries from which he died.

Miss Johanna Power, sister of Very Rev. Canon John Power, pastor, Dun garvan, died on March 5 at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Mooney, Lacken. Her remains were conveyed for interment to the Franciscan friary, Carrickbeg, in the family burial vault.

The death of P. Murphy occurred on March 7 at Carballi, Tramore. The deceased had attained the age of ninety-two years.

Leinster

CARLOW.—The Most Rev. Dr. Foley bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, presiding at a meeting of the county (Carlow) technical instruction committee, suggested that agricultural societies be started in each parish. Until that were done they could never make much progress. Every Irish man and woman should give a decided preference to Irish manufactured goods...

DUBLIN.—A meeting of the Dublin fairs committee was held at the central offices lately. The following dates were fixed: Saturday, May 26, public competitions, Rotunda; Monday, May 28, Culm (teel, prize winners, concert).

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On Feb. 27 after a tedious illness. Margaret C. Delany, Castledermot, daughter of the late J. Delany, to Patrick Kavanagh, Knocknacree, took place in the Church of the Assumption, Castledermot. The Very Rev. M. Walsh, assisted by the Rev. J. Coffey, performed the ceremony, after which a nuptial mass was celebrated.

KILKENNY.—The death of Thomas Mulcahy, Plitown, occurred March 4.

KINGS.—The death of Sister M. Ita Langan, daughter of Mrs. Langan, Durrow, Tullamore, took place at the Convent of Mercy, Navan, lately. The deceased was only twenty-six years old.

LONGFORD.—J. P. Farrell, M. P., is doing most important work for the Irish cause in England. He is delivering a series of addresses in great Irish districts.

The people of Longford town have decided to present Most Rev. Dr. Hoarse, bishop of Ardagh, with an illuminated address expressing their gratitude for the magnificent gift of the new hall which he has presented to the town.

The members of the Kilroe branch of the United Irish league at a recent meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing year: The Rev. E. Dalton, president; vice president, Patrick Corrigan; treasurer, Edward McGarr, secretary, Charles Scanlan, assistant secretary, Patrick McCarthy. The following were elected to attend the North Longford executive for the coming year: Denis Maguire, John Doherty, Terence Kenny, Matt O'Hara, Michael Prunty, Michael McCarthy.

LOUTH.—John Carroll, Hill street, Dundalk, was found killed recently on the railway line between Barrack street and Dundalk Junction.

MEATH.—The death took place March 9, at Wilnes, of the Very Rev. Dean Finegan, at the age of sixty-five.

On Feb. 21 the death of Mrs. Susan Matthews occurred at Lobinstown at the age of 108.

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latter won. C. Valentine received a nasty injury to one of his hands in this match. Garrett Redmond, Kilmuckridge, was referee.

WICKLOW.—The tenants on the estate of Donliffe college have offered to purchase their farms at twenty years' purchase of the annual rents.

The estates commissioners have brought about a satisfactory termination to the Crosseslagh eviction case, which was a historic incident in the land war in County Wicklow. Over twenty years ago the Freney family were evicted from their home on the Ellis property at Crosseslagh, between Aughrim and Rathfriland. It was early in the land agitation and the eviction was a widely exciting proceeding, prominent among the spectators being Miss Fanny Farnell, who, as well as her great brother, Charles Stewart Farnell, took a keen interest in the welfare of the family until the time of their death. The farm, after lying derelict for years, was taken up, but the Freneys never lost hope and kept in touch with the national organization. They have now had their reward, for lately P. Freney, the oldest of the family, was put into possession of over 150 acres of a farm portion of Whaley abbey. He had a tough fight to obtain redress, but the strong local feeling behind his claims insured triumph in the end, and the victory is a great tribute to organized opinion, which found expression throughout the Rathfriland branch of the United Irish league. In addition to getting a large farm from the estates commissioners he had also been the recipient of a substantial free grant for stocking and building purposes. It was for the Freney family the first Land league hut was erected in Ireland, so that the case is historic in many senses.

Connaught

GALWAY.—A meeting of the committee of the Connaught Irish college was held in Tuam lately. Canon Macken in the chair. The secretary read a letter from Father Corbett, Partry, stating that J. F. McGrath of Woburn, Mass., had presented a handsome bookcase, value \$50, to the college. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. McGrath. The scheme for the coming session was considered, and Michael Breathnach was reappointed a principal teacher. The secretary announced that the house in Tourmakeady had again been placed at the disposal of the committee, rent free, by his grace the archbishop of Tuam.

The death of Mrs. J. Gallagher, William street, Galway, occurred on Feb. 25.

LEITRIM.—Patrick Concannon died March 7 at his residence in Manorhamilton.

The death of Mrs. F. M. Crofton, mother of the high sheriff of County Leitrim, occurred at Larkfield House, Mohill, on Feb. 28, at the age of eighty-six years.

MAYO.—On Feb. 20, at the Convent of Mercy, Ballinamore, Leitrim, the impressive ceremony of profession took place. The young lady professed is Miss Josephine Lavan (in religion Sister Mary Vincent), whose eldest sister is also a nun in the Convent of Mercy, Carlow. Sister Mary Vincent is daughter of the late Michael Lavan, Bridge street, Ballyhaunis. The ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Dominick McBrean.

ROSCOMMON.—The death of Patrick White, merchant, Strokestown, occurred on March 6.

At the residence of her grandson Patrick Fagan, solicitor, Strokestown, Mrs. James Gagnon, a member of one of the oldest Catholic families in County Westmeath, died at the age of eighty-nine years.

SLIGO.—At a recent meeting of the Ballinacraug branch of the United Irish league these officers were elected for the present year: President, Rev. Father Conington; vice president, Rev. Father Casey; deputy vice president, J. O'Grady; treasurer, M. Quinn; honorable secretaries, J. O'Hara and J. Cawley. Committees for the different townlands: Ballinacraug, J. O'Grady, W. Supple; Rathbawn, J. Cawley, J. Supple; Carrantary, J. O'Hara, O. Ford, W. Healy; Ropedale, J. McBrien, P. McGunn; Finlogh, P. Gihawley, P. Fritzel, M. Faney, P. Colliery, W. Phillips, P. Redican; Fethermeath, E. Healy, D. Faney; Rathgran, J. Clarke, P. Brennan; Rathnarrow, J. Brennan, J. O'Donnell; Rathnarrow, T. Colliery, P. McGarrick; Cloonacurra, M. Quinn, J. Anderson.

Mrs. Coghlan, Ballymote, died March 2, aged eighty years.

The reorganization of the Cullinagh branch of the United Irish league was effected recently. On motion of W. Gilmarin, seconded by T. O'Dowd, the chair was taken by Rev. James McKeed. In a spirited address the chairman showed the necessity of keeping up the organization, especially with such a hopeful prospect in the near future. The following officers and committee were appointed: Father James McKeon, president; Bartley Langton, vice president; John Shannon, treasurer; P. Nerney, secretary; M. Conlon, assistant secretary; committee, J. Sheridan, M. Connolly, T. O'Dowd, Mick Shannon, J. Keely, P. Healy, D. Keely, J. Cryan, M. J. Shannon, B. Conlon, J. Rafferty, J. McCormick, M. Kilmnett, J. Hannon, P. Doyle, P. Kildea, J. Higgins, P. Boylan, P. Keely, T. Keely, T. Keely, P. Higgins, J. O'Garra, J. Flynn, William Gilmarin. The following were voted by ballot to attend the divisional executive: P. Nerney, T. Keely, M. Shannon, T. O'Dowd, W. Gilmarin and M. Conlon.

During the present year the Curry branch of the United Irish league will have the following officers: Rev. P. Mulligan, president; Rev. P. J. O'Grady, vice president; P. Brennan, treasurer; E. Durcan and P. T. Brennan, secretaries.