

# 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 various weaving factories in Belfast, closed in consequence of the strike of the operatives, who demand an increase in wages, were opened one day to give the strikers an opportunity of resuming work, but they declined to return and the establishments were closed. The strike has extended to several Ulster towns and 20,000 workers are idle.

At a specially convened meeting of the executive, U. L. L. May 31, Thomas Maguire, vice president, presiding, the following resolution was moved by John Hooney, seconded by Daniel McCann and passed in silence. "With profound sorrow the Nationalists of Belfast learned of the death of Michael Davitt, a staunch friend and gallant opponent, the bravest and gentlest of men. With him departs the most valiant and unselfish spirit of the age. Not alone Ireland, but humanity, suffers through his death, and in view of such a stupendous loss the Belfast executive feels the inadequacy of words to express its grief." The secretary was instructed to convey to Mrs. Davitt and family an expression of the Belfast Nationalists' sorrow and sympathy.

Sunday, June 3, was a red letter day and one that will be ever memorable in Loughiel parish, because two ceremonies took place—the opening of a renewal mission by the Redeemptorist fathers and the consecration of a bell presented to his native parish of Loughiel by Most Rev. Dr. Henry, bishop of Down and Connor who came down to perform the sacred ceremony. When it became known that his lordship was to travel by the 5.50 train leaving Belfast large numbers assembled at the church and, going in procession a considerable distance, met and welcomed him with cheers. He was met by the priests of the parish, Very Rev. D. H. Burke and Rev. Father O'Kelly, and conducted into the church, when he inspected the new bell, with which he was pleased. The next morning young and old in the parish were all astir at an early hour to hear the masses, especially the 9 o'clock, celebrated by the bishop, who administered holy communion to a very large number of persons, as the first Sunday of the month is a day of special devotion with the Sacred Heart confraternity. The Sunday school and the children's mass attracted the attention of his lordship, who came down from the altar and went among the children, having a kindly word and a smile for the little ones.

**CAVAN.**—On the 19th of May, at St. Mary's Convent of Merry, Elgin, Scotland, the ceremony of profession took place. It was performed by Most Rev. Dr. Chisholm, assisted by Mgr. Canon Wilson and Father Paul. Among the professed was a former brilliant pupil of Kildallon, N. S., Miss Annie O'Reilly (in religion Sister Mary Agnes), daughter of James O'Reilly, The Pot, Ardrougher.

Michael Fitzpatrick of Arva died recently, aged twenty-six years. He was the son of Patrick Fitzpatrick.

**DERRY.**—One of the old skilled artisans of whom Derry could boast a high type, Charles Havelin, died on June 8 at the Nazareth house, Bishop street. Deceased was a mason of an old Derry family of tradesmen, of whom the late Thomas Havelin will best be remembered. He held an important appointment on the Great Northern railway and in other public services.

A rowing accident, involving the loss of three lives, occurred in the river Foyle on June 4. Alfred Hurst, engineer, 1 College terrace, Derry; Charles Craig, 14 Northland avenue, Derry; a clerk at Arthur & Co.'s shirt factory; Miss Acheson, Islandaffric, Coleraine; and Miss Palmer, a native of Killea, teachers in the Derry Model school, started in a rowboat for a pleasure trip. When near the lighthouse in Rosses Bay the craft capsized, throwing its occupants into the water. Only one was saved, Miss Palmer. To the presence of Albert T. Carlisle, aged eighteen, residing at 8 Nassau street, Derry, the rescue of this young lady is due.

**WONEGAL.**—Mrs. Sheridan of Newtown, Rathfriland, died on June 1.

The announcement of the death of Mrs. Charles MacSweeney, at the residence of her father, John Sweeney, The Hotel, Dungloe, on May 31, was received with deep and sincere regret by friends and acquaintances.

**DOWN.**—A meeting of the fairs committee of An Duin was held in Castlewellan lately. As the fairs in the six years has developed into a county festival, representatives of the North and East Down coltside ceanntra are joined with the original committee, and they will leave nothing undone to increase the fame of this, the oldest and perhaps the best organized fairs in Uladh. All the competitions are open to Down, while Antrim's friendly rivalry is invited in the music, instrumental and vocal and dancing competitions. The prizes valued at \$200 will be competed for. The event will take place on July 28.

**FERMANAGH.**—At a special meeting of the Enniskillen branch, United Irish League held on June 3, Rev. John Tierney, president, in the chair, P. Tierney proposed the following resolution:

members of the Enniskillen branch, U. I. L., join our fellow countrymen in deploring the great national loss caused by the death of Michael Davitt. His services to the Irish farmers, laborers and artisans cannot be fully appreciated. We convey to his sorrowing widow and family our heartfelt sympathy. James McGovern, secretary of the motion, which was supported by the chairman and John F. Wray, L. L. B., solicitor; P. A. MacManus and others, and passed in silence.

**MONAGHAN.**—The annual meeting of the members of the Erriall Trungh branch of the United Irish League was held after mass Sunday, June 3. The liveliest interest was taken in the proceedings and resulted in the selection of ten sterling men for each district. The newly elected committee thirty in number, assembled in St. Joseph's Industrial school after the evening devotion in the Holy Family church, Bailiouton, to select officers of the branch for the next twelve months. Rev. Patrick Cullen was unanimously elected president. John McKenna, vice president, Rev. Philip Mulligan, honorary secretary, John McDermott, treasurer and Arthur Treanor, John McKenna, Michael Treanor, John Treanor, James Treanor and Patrick McKenna to represent the branch on the divisional executive. The following resolution was on the motion of Arthur Treanor, seconded by Michael McCarron, unanimously adopted: "That we join with our fellow countrymen at home and abroad in expressing our sense of the great loss that Ireland has sustained in the death of the noble and pure souled patriot, Michael Davitt and we tender our deep sympathy to Mrs. Davitt and her family."

**TYRONE.**—On June 5, when a train from Belfast was passing the points man's cabin at Cookstown railway station on the Midland line, a railway employee named Hugh Wray was struck by the engine and killed instantly.

### Munster

**CLARE.**—It is reported that Very Rev. Dr. McInerney, P. P. V. G. Killaloe, has been appointed to Killrush in place of the late Venerable Archbishop Malone. Rev. Father C. Stuart, administrator, Ennis, has been transferred to the Silver Mines Tipperary. The Rev. Father Flannery has been transferred to Killaloe, and Rev. John Hanon, C. J., has been made administrator, Ennis.

Clare has a great record for centenarians. There is now alive and in good health in Shyan, parish of Kilisbill, James Dwyer, aged 102 years. It is related of Jim Dwyer, as he is popularly called, that when in his prime so great was his strength and staying powers that he carried a twenty-one stone sack of flour (24 pounds) on his back from Killrush to Shyan, a distance of ten miles, with the stipulation of one rest at Cooraclare bridge. The feat is still spoken of by the people of Killisbill and Kilmacduane. The feat was the result of a wager, and Dwyer got the sack of flour free. Now that the old man is beyond earning and has a wife who is bedridden the local body has given him a generous weekly allowance.

The death took place quite recently at his old home, Kilmaley, of Michael Darcy, one of those grand old persons who contributed to the charm and simple happiness of Irish rural life. He was 105 years of age.

**CORK.**—Timothy Shea of Rahalisk, six miles from Macroom, and Timothy Cronin, Mullinagh, both farmers on the estate of M. F. Barry, were evicted from their holdings recently.

The pilot cutter Eileen of the Cork harbor commissioners while lying at Queenstown on June 8 toppled over the tackle from the shore to the mast head having burst. The crew had a marvelous escape, as they were at work under her bottom ten minutes before the accident. She is seriously damaged.

Philip Harrington of Ballydenegan died suddenly on June 5 under pathetic circumstances. His son's wedding feast was in progress, and during the supper the father was in usual health and spirits, when suddenly he was seen to faint, as it was thought, but all attempts to revive him were useless, and he expired in a few minutes.

Patrick Lucey, farmer, of Liscairane, near Macroom, went to the Mill street fair recently and was accommodated with a seat in a car by a neighbor on returning home. Lucey parted with his friend at a crossroad and wended his way through the fields in the direction of his home, but until his lifeless body was found on Sunday morning, June 3, nothing further was seen or heard of him. The deceased was in usual health and good spirits, and it is believed that he succumbed to an attack of apoplexy.

**Recent Deaths in Cork.**—**JOLLEY.**—June 4, Kate Jolley. —**CLIFFORD.**—On June 3, at Kilmay, John Clifford, late Ballinacorney, Carrigrohane.

**M'SWINEY.**—On June 4, at 2 Court-yards avenue, Eliza McSweeney. —**MULLINS.**—On June 4, at Gilabhey street, Hannah Mullins of Blarney street.

**MURPHY.**—On June 4, at 80 Grand parade, Catherine Murphy, 51 Great Britain street. —**BURKE.**—On June 5, at Bridge street, Skibbereen, Daniel Burke. —**KNOX.**—On June 5, at Flemingstown, Kilmallock, Bridget Knox. —**O'NEILL.**—June 5, at Queens-town, John O'Neill, late river pilot.

**O'LEARY.**—June 5, at Tuillig, Arthur O'Leary, aged thirty-four years. —**QUINLAN.**—On June 6, at Meelin, Jeremiah J. Quinlan, shopkeeper.

**KEANE.**—On June 5, at Blarney road, Kate Keane, aged fourteen years. —**MURPHY.**—At Blarney village, John Murphy, late of Rathpeacon, at an advanced age. —**O'LEARY.**—June 6, at Lisnaskey, Upton, Timothy O'Leary.

**POLEY.**—On May 21, at Rathfriland, Jeremiah Poley, aged fifty-one years.

**BARRY.** On May 22, at Castlecor Kanturk, Mrs. Barry, widow of the late Major Barry. —**O'BEGAN.**—June 3, at the convent of Mercy, Queens-town, Sister Mary Rachel O'Began, in the twenty-second year of her religious life. —**QUAIN.**—On June 7, at 1 Kyrry quay, Cork, William Quain, Parah market, Cork, and late of 12 South Main street, Youghal. —**THOMPSON.**—June 7, at 5 Spa terrace, Mullow Margaret Thompson. —**TWOMEY.**—June 7, at Droimgarra, Matthew Twomey. —**DIUGAN.**—On May 29, a Brook Lodge, Riverstown, Hannah Maria Diugan, aged seventeen years.

**BREEN.**—On May 30, at Prince's street, Mary Ann Breen. —**HARLE.**—On May 29, at Boughgroe, Elizabeth Harle. —**ORLEFFE.**—On June 5, at The Square, Kanturk, Thomas S. O'Keefe. —**OSULLIVAN.**—June 4, at Toghur road, William O'Sullivan, Lower Travers walk. —**LYNCH.**—On June 4, Nora Lynch, for forty-four years the faithful friend in the family of the late James Henry Sidney place.

**KERRY.**—A shocking fatality took place on June 7 at Lisnagrave, near Headford, eight miles from Killarney. John Doherty, aged twenty-two years in the employment of James Doherty Lisnagrave farmer left at 5 o'clock a m. to attend a kila on the farm where he was burning lime and was found two hours later burned to death in the kila.

The tenants on the estate of Lord Hendley at Castleland have concluded terms of purchase with their landlord at twenty years on non-judicial rents. The game rights are reserved by the landlord, and tenants are to get turkeys. The Knockingobol tenants of the same property, which is mountainous, offered nineteen years but the offer was refused and the tenants were processed for rents. A number of the tenants have decided to enter the courts and get their rents fixed.

**Mrs. Mary Quirk, Upper Castle street, Tralee, died on June 4.**

**LIMERICK.**—A good game of hand ball was played between J. J. Bowles, Limerick and W. O'Herlihy, Cork, on June 3 in the court at Kanturk which was won by the representative of Limerick. Great numbers of persons were present.

**Denis Hogan, Henry street, Limerick died on June 2, aged twenty-nine years.**

At a meeting of the parishioners of Adare held lately Rev. Father Griffin, pastor presiding it was decided to erect a memorial to the late Very Rev. Dean Flanagan, and a representative committee was appointed to forward this object and obtain subscriptions. It was arranged that circulars asking subscriptions be sent to the friends of the late reverend dean. Subscriptions may be forwarded to the chairman, Father Griffin, the treasurer, Dr. Clifford or to the honorary secretaries, Father Fitzgerald and Captain Curley. Admirers of the musical talent so often exercised by John Donovan, landmaster, Abbeyfeale, for the pleasure of the people will learn with regret of his demise. Deceased possessed talent of an elevated order. His death occurred in Cove, Cork, and was caused by pneumonia.

**TIPPERARY.**—Thomas Chester of Irishtown, Clonmel, died on June 5. He was supposed to have been the oldest inhabitant of Clonmel. Though a Protestant, the Saint Vincent de Paul society assisted him many years past.

**George Smyth, sculptor, 196 Great Brunswick street, Dublin, will present a piece of marble work the winner to select the subject—to the value of \$75 toward the Knocknaglog bazaar. The Rev. Brother Weston acknowledges the following subscriptions: A friend, \$15; T. Cleary, builder and contractor, \$15; anonymous, \$25. Rev. Mr. Prenderville, \$15.**

At St. Joseph's hospital, Clonmel, on June 6, died John Purcell, aged eighty years, formerly evicted from his farm at Broughmore.

**WATERFORD.**—Miss Arnold has been appointed postmistress in Cappoquin in succession to the late Miss Downes.

The civil council of Waterford at its first meeting after the death of Michael Davitt passed the following resolution: "That we, the corporation of Waterford, testify our profound sense of the irreparable loss the Irish people have sustained and also the cause of humanity the world over by the death of the great, the fearless and the illustrious Michael Davitt. We beg to tender to Mrs. Davitt and family our deepest sympathy in their overwhelming bereavement and move that copies of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Davitt and family and to J. E. Redmond."

On June 6 a 500-acre estate was evicted on the Fairholme estate, near Kilmacthomas. There were four families put out—via, Ellen Power, Thomas Whelan, John Quinn and Maurice Hurley—and the amount of land taken over is 300 acres. Some negotiations for purchase have been progressing on the estate, and the tenants are willing that the amount of the arrears be added to the purchase money, but the landlord will not sell. There are some more of the tenants on the estate under notice of eviction. The people of the district know their power, and if they exercise it the landlord will emerge from the small end of the horn, which means that he will be defeated and that the evicted tenants will be restored to their homes as owners under the land law of 1903.

### Leinster

**DUBLIN.**—The metropolitan police called on Councillor Patrick O'Carroll, Black Lion, Inchicore, Dublin, a few days ago and informed him that they would have to collect the fine of \$2.50 inflicted on him five weeks ago by Mr. Drury, stipendiary magistrate, for having his name printed in Irish on coal carts. The magistrate held that an Irish signature was not legible within

the meaning of the British acts. Mr. O'Carroll heard nothing of the penalty till the visit by the policemen. He informed his visitors that if the authorities intended to collect the fine by way of seizure he would give them all the trouble he could. The police went away and Mr. O'Carroll locked his doors and prepared for resistance.

There is on foot a movement to present John O'Carroll, who suffered five years' penal servitude for his share in the Manchester martyrs' event, with a testimonial in recognition of his services in many movements for the cause of Irish freedom. He is now in straitened circumstances owing to his love for Ireland. It is the desire of the promoters to make the testimonial as successful as possible, and for this purpose it is expected that Irish help will be forthcoming. The honorable secretary of the testimonial committee is J. P. Dunne, 6 Newthorpe street, Harpurley, Manchester, and subscriptions may be sent to him or to J. McDonnell, honorable treasurer, 11 Dundy street, Searley, J. Barrett, president, 9 Liver-pool road, Deansgate. Meetings will be held each Sunday at Gaelic rooms, 2 South King street, Deansgate.

**Recent Deaths in Dublin.**—**FRENCH.**—On June 3, at Elm Park, Merfion, County Dublin, Mary Anne, Lady French, relict of Thomas, fourth Baron French and only daughter of the late Richard Thompson, Stansy Hall, Wrexham, North Wales. —**HUGHES.**—On June 5, at 89 Bath avenue, Mrs. Frances Hughes, aged seventy-one years, widow of the late Michael Hughes, formerly of 119 Great Brunswick street. —**LYNCH.**—On June 4, at 56 Elizabeth street, Drumcondra, Kate Lynch, late of Malahide. —**MORAN.**—On June 4, at Blackhorse lane, Margaret Moran. —**MURRAY.**—On June 4, at 3 Upper Prince Edward terrace, Blackrock, Frances Murray. —**SMITH.**—On June 4, at 41 Granby place, L. W. Ambrose Smith thirty years old.

**O'BRIEN.**—At Kingstown, Mary O'Brien of Frenchpark, County Roscommon. —**BURKE.**—At 44 Longwood avenue, S. C. road, Ellen Mary Burke. —**CUNNINGHAM.**—On June 1, at Royal Oak, 15 Parkgate street, Mrs. Mary Cunningham. —**DILLON.**—On May 30, at Westbourne Park road, London, Mrs. Elizabeth Dillon, late of 8 Bessington street, Dublin.

**M'DONNELL.**—On June 1, at 40 Lower Gardner street, William McDonnell, late of Palmer's and College chapels. —**M'GRATH.**—On May 29, at 74 Kingsdown avenue, Bridget M'Grath. —**MORAN.**—At 8 Keegan's Cottages, Ballsbridge, Thomas Moran of Rathangan, County Kildare. —**O'BRIEN.**—On June 1, at the Private hospital, Mount Joy square, Daniel O'Brien, 2 Augier street, Dublin, aged thirty-six years.

**BRADY.**—On June 6, at 141 North King street, Dublin, John Brady. —**REILLY.**—On June 7, at St. Patrick's House, S. C. road, Kilmalsham, Michael Reilly, formerly of 89 and 90 Francis street. —**MACCARTHY.**—On June 7, at Tymon Lodge, Tallaght, Clara MacCarthy. —**M'LOUGHLIN.**—On May 6, in New York, Mary O'Toole, beloved wife of John McLaughlin, native of Dublin. —**M'MAHON.**—At the Mater hospital, Johannah McMahon of 57 Bayview avenue, North Strand, aged twenty years.

**KILDARE.**—Patrick Coffey of Clonkeen, Carbury, died on June 6 at an advanced age.

The death took place at Clonagh on June 4 of Mrs. Eugene Gilligan, at the age of fifty-three years.

**KILKENNY.**—The death of Richard Keating, Sheverus, occurred on May 22.

Negotiations for the purchase by the tenants of the Alcock estate, Bally-larkin and Tinniscarty and vicinity, have been completed, and the tenants attended May 25 at Freshford to meet the agent and sign the agreements. The terms agreed on secured a reduction of 6 shillings in the pound to non-judicial tenants and 6 shillings to second term tenants, with interest at 3% per cent until the holdings become vested, the sporting rights vested in the tenants. The negotiations were carried on by Rev. Canon Tobias H. Walsh, Freshford, with Francis Kennedy acting as secretary. Rev. Canon Walsh was present at the signing of the agreements, as was Nicholas Healy, solicitor, Parliament street, Kilkenny, who appeared for the tenants.

**KING'S.**—On June 5, in the law courts, Dublin, Messrs. Williams of Tullamore, with branch house in Birm., were ordered to pay \$625 to Mrs. E. McLoughlin of Kibbeggan, County Westmeath, as compensation for the loss of her son, Michael McLoughlin, whose death was caused by the negligence of the firm.

**LONGFORD.**—In the person of Peter Noid one of the oldest inhabitants of Longford passed to his reward on June 5. The deceased had been in failing health for some time, and the announcement of his death was not unexpected.

The tenants on the Heppanastall estate are faithful to the tenants of the National League and loyal to the evicted tenants. The Rev. Father Corcoran, pastor, Gowra, met the tenants on the above estate at Mullinalgha recently and told them that their landlord, Major Dopping, had gone back on the terms he offered and that the evicted tenants would have to be left to himself to be dealt with as he thought fit. A resolution was passed that the tenants would buy only on the terms offered at first—namely, twenty-three years' purchase, second term rents; all rights invested in the tenants; the evicted tenants to be restored, and Gillespie to leave the locality.

On June 7 a meeting of the Coisde Ceannair was held at Bonilagh, near Granard. Rev. Father Corcoran presided, and all the surrounding Gaelic league branches were represented. Those present included: John Ledwith, Granard; John Cawley, honorable secretary Granard branch; Rev. Father McGivney, Greedy; W. Ganly, Greedy;

Mr. Kenny, Aboeylara; Mr. Gilligan, Aboeylara; P. O'Reilly, Aboeylara; Patrick Gaffey, Aboeylara; Rev. Father O'Farrell, Mullinalgha; Mr. Smyth, Mullinalgha; Mr. Smyth, Scrabby; and others. It was decided to hold a feast in June next year. A subcommittee consisting of Father McGivney (president), Messrs. Coen (N. T.), Cassidy (N. T.), P. Higgins (N. T.), J. Cawley and the branch teachers, was appointed to draft a syllabus. The place for holding the feast will be considered later on. A vote of condolence was passed on the death of Mrs. Coen mother of Mr. Coen, N. T. A resolution was also passed expressing regret at the great loss the national cause has sustained by the death of Michael Davitt and tendering Mrs. Davitt and family their great sympathy in their great affliction.

**MEATH.**—Rev. Mother Mary Teresa O'Grady died on June 7 in the Presentation convent, Clare.

A meeting of the parishioners of Kells was held a few days ago at the Christian Brothers' schools to take steps to present an address and testimonial to the Most Rev. Dr. Gaughran on his appointment as bishop of Meath. On motion of A. Gurgerty, seconded by Philip Kiernan, the chair was taken by P. F. Maguire. P. Connelly was appointed honorable secretary. Patrick Smith proposed, "That we, the people of Kells, in public meeting tender congratulations to our late pastor on his elevation to the ancient bishopric of Meath, and we pray that God may grant him length of years to rule over this historic diocese." Mr. Loughran said, "I have much pleasure in seconding the resolution." The resolution was carried by acclamation. Mr. Gurgerty proposed that an illuminated address be presented and that a committee be appointed to make arrangements for the same. Patrick Collins seconded the proposition, which was passed. The following were appointed a committee: Rev. Brother Keany, Dr. Braugan, J. E. Lacy, J. O'Reilly, A. Gurgerty, P. Collins and the chairman. On motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Lacy, A. Gurgerty was appointed honorable treasurer.

**QUEEN'S.**—Bessie Delaney, aged eighteen years, of 14 Main street, Maryborough, died on May 27.

**James Nolan, Oldcourt, Ballylinan died on May 28, at the age of seventy-two years.**

**WESTMEATH.**—John Carty, merchant, Athlone, died lately at the home of his parents, Ballinacilly.

**WEXFORD.**—Rev. Father O'Dowd, C. C., has been appointed assistant to Rev. Father Kenny, P. O. (chair).

On May 31 Miss Sinnott (in religion Sister Mary Gertrude, daughter of Matthew Sinnott, Newtown, K. Muckridge, had the happiness of making her final vows in the Presentation convent, Wexford, in the presence of her friends. Most Rev. Dr. Browne officiated, assisted by Rev. P. Doyle, administrator, Wexford.

**GALWAY.**—On June 5, in St. Joseph's church, Clifden, P. F. Joyce, Inspector of police, Singapore, India, and Miss Margaret T. Connolly of Clifden were married by the Very Rev. Canon McAlpine.

At a recent meeting of the Oughterard board of guardians the following resolution was proposed by M. J. Stanton seconded by P. Courty and passed: "Resolved, That we join with every true Irishman and every member of the Irish race throughout the world in placing upon record our deepest and most profound feelings of regret at the great and irreparable loss we have sustained through the death of Michael Davitt."

A meeting was held at Oughterard to establish the Camogulbeacht club and provide a healthy outdoor exercise for the young ladies of the town and district. These officers were elected: Mrs. P. H. Joyce, president; Miss Isabel McEnagh, vice president; Miss Nettie Ferris, treasurer; Miss Margaret J. Dillon and Miss Mary J. Donnellan, honorable secretaries; Miss Mary K. Devoren and Miss Mary M. Gill, committee.

At a meeting held at Atherry hotel recently, the following being present: Rev. Father Reidy, C. J. Gardner, R. M.; James McDonnell and Frank Shaw-Taylor—the dispute of long standing between Frank Shaw-Taylor and the tenants on the Castle Lambert estate was settled, Mr. Taylor giving a right of way through the demesne and contributing \$375 toward the construction of a similar road, the road to be constructed under the supervision of James Perry, county surveyor for Galway.

**LEITRIM.**—The Deneshambo branch of the United Irish League held a meeting June 5, James McRann, chairman, presiding. The following committee was present: P. Moran, James Campbell, T. Campbell, assistant secretary; P. McLoughlin, P. McTernan, N. Quinn, J. McGovern, J. McPartlan, J. Convey, J. Carthy, P. Murray, M. McGlynn, T. Barry, J. Barry, M. Mahon, J. McGlynn and J. Moran, secretary. A deputation was appointed to meet Father Manning, pastor, to ask him would he act as chairman of the branch. The deputation was kindly received, and he consented, but regretted he could not attend this day on account of duties in the chapel. The following officers and committee were elected unanimously: Rev. James Manning, president; James McRann, vice president; Francis Green, D. C. D. V. P.; John Convey, treasurer; Thomas Campbell, assistant secretary; P. Moran, secretary; committee, C. McManus, P. J. Coghlan, J. Carthy, P. McTernan, J. McPartlan, P. McLoughlin, P. Murray, T. McManus, N. Quinn, J. Gildea, J. Hyland, P. Moran, James Campbell, T. Barry, D. Reynolds, P.

Murray, M. McGlynn, J. McGovern, P. Mulvey, D. C.; J. McGlynn and Tim Mulvey.

**MAYO.**—On June 3 a large number of the national teachers of the parish of Ballaghaderreen waited on the Very Rev. Father O'Connor, pastor, at the parochial house, Gurteen, and there presented him with a handsome illuminated address as a token of the respect and esteem which he merited during his connection with the schools in the cathedral parish and expressing their sorrow at his departure.

Martin Gannon died on June 4 at Ballinrobe.

Castlebar has just held its first feis and right well did the Irish Irregulars perform their work. Feis Mhuilgeo, 1906, was one of the most successful held west of the Shannon, and it will leave practical results, which should be the aim of such gatherings and without which they count for nothing in the Irish nation's fight for her language, industries and customs. Feis Mhuilgeo was practical, though this feature in nowise robbed it of the pleasure it afforded the visitors who came to be amused, but who went away with nobler resolves after catching a fleeting glimpse of the Ireland of the past and "leoughbraun De," the Ireland of the future.

On Whit Sunday in Westport parish (church the Rev. Peter J. Kelly, eldest son of the late P. J. Kelly, Octagon, Westport, was ordained priest by Most Rev. Dr. Healy, archbishop of Tuam. The ceremony is seldom performed in Westport, and this, coupled with the popularity of the young priest's family, attracted a large congregation. In the evening the town went en fete. Huge bonfires blazed in the centers, fire balls and squibs filled the air, and all Westport was on the streets to do honor to their young fellow townsman.

**ROSCOMMON.**—Miss Bridget Kelly, Droim, Strokestown, died on June 3.

Two years ago the Dowager Countess of Kingston offered to sell her 'Cotehall' property on the King-Harman terms. The tenants would not hear of the Boyle star chamber price and refused to buy. They offered three years' purchase less. Now the countess has decided to accept their price with some modifications. A deputation of the tenants asked Mr. Tully to attend their meeting in Cotehall. At a meeting where several hundred were present a committee was appointed to act with Mr. Tully in negotiating with the agent.

The thirteenth Irish trades union congress was opened June 4 in the Longworth hall, Athlone. The vice president of the parliamentary committee, J. McArron, Londonderry, occupied the chair, and there was a large muster of delegates. The delegates were received by the Athlone Urban council, headed by the chairman, R. W. Baille, who delivered a welcome to the congress. Rev. C. O'Farrell, administrator, joined in the welcome contained in the speech of Mr. Baille and was followed by the Protestant dean of Clonmacnoise, Rev. R. S. D. Campbell, D. D., Rev. W. M. Watson, Presbyterian clergyman, William Smith, Rev. M. Kennedy and T. Chapman. The business of the congress was then proceeded with, Stephen Diacon, Limerick, being elected president.

**SLIGO.**—Mrs. Thomas Conlon, Langan, Collooney, died on May 29. She was mother of the late Father Patrick Conlon.

At the reorganization of the Newbridge branch of the United Irish League the following committee was appointed for the year: Peter Dolan, W. McPadden, John Travers, P. Cassidy, F. Flanagan, L. McGovern, P. McHugh, Thomas McPadden, P. O'Hara, J. Cullen, M. Flynn, J. Gulhan, P. McWeeney, M. McPartlan, P. Foley, J. Fallon, J. Corry, M. McKeon, M. O'Hara, J. McNiff, John Gulhan, John McLoughlin, John Currie, Owen Ward, P. Flynn, P. Corry, M. McHugh, H. Coyle, P. Waters, T. McPadden. At a meeting of the committee the following officers were appointed: P. Dolan, president; P. Cassidy, vice president; S. Flynn, deputy vice president; William McPadden, treasurer; M. McKeon, secretary; J. Travers, assistant secretary.

On June 1 a special meeting was convened in order that the Nationalists of Ballymote, an old stronghold of Nationality, would register its appreciation of the service to Ireland of the great leader whom it pleased God to call away. Though the notice was short the meeting was large and representative. President: J. Haman, J. Gilmartin, J. Bagley, J. Keane, Peter Brennan, James Bagley, Eugene McDonagh, Hugh Cannon, J. McGuinness, P. Heffry, J. Clarke, J. Cawley, F. Dyer, M. Healy, T. Gallagher, P. Barlow, M. Quigley, P. Dawson, D. Hannon, M. Hannon and J. Gilmartin, D. C. On the motion of James Gilmartin James Haman was unanimously chosen to preside. The chairman said he regretted the reason they had to meet, Irishmen the world over mourn the loss of the brave patriot. It was no wonder that Ballymote would join in lamenting the death of one who had done so much for the Irish people. The meeting was called for the purpose of considering what shape their sympathy would take when the dead patriot would be buried in Straide. He proposed the following resolution, which was seconded by James Gilmartin: "Resolved, That we, the Nationalists of Ballymote, in special meeting, record our heartfelt regret at the death of one of our great leaders, Michael Davitt, and we sympathize with Mrs. Davitt and family in the irreparable loss that has come to them." J. Clarke proposed, M. Hannon seconded and it was passed unanimously, "That the shops be all closed on Saturday (June 2) as a mark of respect to the dead patriot." All credits and classes joined in paying this humble tribute to the martyr of Ireland's freedom, who held aloft the banner of faith and fatherland.

### Connaught

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