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 Cushendall hurling team and the Sarsfield team from Carnagera met in Glenariff on July 8 and played a fine game. At the conclusion the match stood Cushendall 15 points, Sarsfield, 5 points. An exciting match was fought between Glendun and Owen Roes, Feystown, on the same field. At the final sound of the whistle the match stood Glendun, 12 points; Owen Roes nil.

The North Antrim Mining syndicate lately struck the main coal. This splendid seam is at a depth of 240 feet, five feet six inches in thickness and of excellent quality. The seam was found in No. 1 Ballyvoy pit, three miles from Ballycastle. At the end of August last something bearing the appearance of a series of gimlet holes had been struck into the earth as far as 300 feet. It was from these penetrations and an investigation of the results that the minds directing operations had observations confirmed, and were satisfied that millions of tons of coal awaited the pick of the miner. Now that all the company's expectations have been realized, the period is at hand when enterprise and expenditure will receive reward. The people of Ballycastle may look forward to a revival of that almost forgotten period when the late Hugh Boyd brought his business capacities to bear upon its developments at the old White mine. It is interesting to know that the syndicate intends to utilize the ironstone, which will afford a good deal of employment.

ARMAGH.—The quarterly meeting of the mid Armagh divisional executive was held in Middletown July 8. P. Watters, president, occupied the chair. In attendance: Armagh—P McKenna, M. Donnelly; Grange—John McDermott, P. Brannigan; Middletown—F. Donnelly, secretary, H Hughes, P McDonald, P Gaffney, T McGuigan; Tullysarron—Terence McCartan, P. Mallon; Blackwater—John Garvey, John McGrane; Keady—P Watters, Owen Daly, C Doyle, Patrick Mone, John Huston, Frank McKeever and Frank Curran, secretary; Derrynoose—P. Kelly, Edward Vallely, P. Corrigan and others. T P Hughes, Drumgaron, honorary secretary to the executive, was in attendance. Business of local and national importance was transacted.

CAVAN.—Miss M. Donohue of Aughrim, Ballyconnell, died on the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, aged twenty-four years.

DERRY.—The body of Samuel Biggart, Taylor's row, Coleraine, was found floating in the river Bann at Loughan, three miles above Coleraine, on July 3 by William Campbell of Knockantern. The deceased came home from Derry on Sunday morning, July 1, and was seen in Portstewart the same afternoon.

DONEGAL.—When it became known that the Rev. Peter McNelis, lately ordained for the archdiocese of Armagh, was to arrive at his native village of Malinbeg, Glencolumbkille, the young people turned out to do honor and respect to their former companion. Early in the evening of July 3 preparations were begun in the shape of bonfires and illuminations, and, though the hour of arrival was late, the people waited, and on every eminence tar barrels and bonfires were lighted, and in every window lights were exhibited. Father McNelis was delighted to find his young companions showing such respect for him. He spoke affectionately to them and bestowed his blessing on all. The night concluded with songs and Irish dances.

Eamonn MacNultaigh, the Donegal Gael who suffered imprisonment for the cause of the Irish language, was liberated from Derry jail June 29.

The touching ceremonies attending the religious profession of two young ladies took place on July 10 in the chapel attached to the Convent of Mercy, St. Catherine's, Ballyshannon. The professed sisters are Miss Mary Owens (in religion Sister M. Teresa), daughter of Henry Owens, Beragh, the popular county councilor for the division, and Miss Josephine O'Donnell (in religion Sister M. Angela), daughter of Patrick O'Donnell, hotel proprietor, Glenties. The ceremony was performed by Right Rev. Mgr. McFadden, dean of Raphoe, assisted by Rev. P. Dunlevy, Ballyshannon.

DOWN.—A fine hurling contest for the championship of the County Down was held in Newry lately, and was witnessed by a great number of persons. Result: Newcastle, 2 goals and 4 points (10 points); Newry, 4 points.

FERMANAGH.—Dr. P. J. Timmins of Boston was the principal speaker at a meeting of the South Fermanagh divisional executive, United Irish league, lately held in Enniskillen. He said if history had taught one thing more clearly than others it was that unity was most essential for Irishmen. He would be glad to report on his return that very good value had been given for aid extended by America to Ireland. The Irish people were represented in parliament by men who truly represented them. It was no longer the case of Ireland being misrepresented by the landlords. That change might be set down as an asset which would repay the Irish race for efforts put forth for thirty-five years. The fell weed of religious discord had been planted and fostered by the landlords, who cunningly set their victims fighting about the kingdom come, while they were robbing them of the riches of the Irish kingdom. One of the most pleasant treats he had since his arrival in Ireland was meeting with the representatives of his native division of Fermanagh. He did not think he could give them any instruction in the conduct of political matters after the brilliant exhibition of talent in that line which he had seen and heard that day. On motion of Thomas Gavin, Rev Philip McGinity, Newtownbutler, was appointed to represent the executive on the national directory U I L. Among those present were Rev Thomas Duffy, Lisnaskea; Rev John Tierney, Enniskillen; Rev Father Ward, Belcoo; J Jordan M P; E M Flanagan, Lisnaskea; J Mulligan, coroner; P McMahon, and others.

MONAGHAN.—Mrs. Bridget Smith, Rakeevan, Newbliss, died on June 22.

On July 2 Most Rev. Dr Owens, bishop of Clogher, administered the sacrament of confirmation to 275 children in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Clones.

TYRONE.—The death of Joseph Bernard Murnaghan, fourth son of G Murnaghan M P, took place at Lisanelly house, Omagh, on July 10.

On July 4 Miss Maggie Greene, daughter of Joseph Greene, Dungannon, in religion Sister Mary Patrick, was solemnly professed in St Patrick's Convent of Mercy, Dungannon. The Right Rev Mgr Byrne, dean of Armagh, officiated at the solemn ceremony, assisted by Rev Francis O'Neill, professor St Patrick's academy, as master of ceremonies.

Munster

CLARE.—At a recent meeting of the members of the Doonbeg branch of the United Irish league, M McNamara presided. The other members present were T Chambers, T O'Grady, M Frawley, J Downes, J Doherty, Peter Haugh, T McGrath, M Dillon, S McGrath, evicted tenant; T Downes, honorable secretary. The following resolution was unanimously adopted: "That we, the members of Doonbeg branch United Irish league, in meeting assembled, do hereby tender our sympathy to Thomas Killeen, a prominent member of this branch, on the demise of his father, Tim Killeen, a respected inhabitant of this parish, and do adjourn this meeting as a mark of respect to his memory."

The demise of James Moloney took place at Summerhill, Bodyke, on July 7.

CORK.—The Cork Examiner of July 14 printed the following: "Our Skibbereen correspondent writes: The death of Mrs Barry occurred at Cononagh, Leap, a few days ago. She was the wife of James Barry, N. T., one of the prominent men in the district and who has taken a foremost part in the Gaelic revival movement. The deepest sympathy is expressed with Mr. Barry in his great affliction."

A sad incident happened near Kanturk on July 8. A young married man named Linehan was walking by the river side with his infant child in his arms when his attention was attracted by seeing his mistress' cows crossing the river and commencing to fight with other cows. He placed the child down on the bank and ran to turn back the cows. This occupied him a little while, and when he returned he was shocked to observe the little one lying dead some distance from where he placed it. There were a few marks on the child's face, as if it had been horned or trampled. It appears that while the father was absent some cows recrossed the river and trampled the child in their passage through the field.

The staffs of the Cork Examiner had an enjoyable day's outing on July 8, when their annual excursion to Ballycotton was enjoyed.

The appointment of Rev. Father O'Regan, curate of Boherbee, to the pastorship of Spa gave great pleasure to the people in Duhallow, particularly to those living west of Kanturk. He had spent ten years in Boherbee. He took the liveliest interest in the Gaelic revival movement in the parish, and was an ardent supporter of the Gaelic league and the principle of an Irish Ireland.

Recent Deaths in Cork.—DELEA—On July 11, at the South infirmary, James (Yank) Delea, brother of D. Delea.—HERLIHY—On July 12, at the North infirmary, Patrick Herlihy, baker, son of the late Patrick Herlihy, late of Nile street.—SLOANE—On July 13, at the North infirmary, Philip Sloane, aged eighteen years.—O'SULLIVAN—At 8 Anglesea terrace, John O'Sullivan, pig buyer.—O'CONNELL—On July 11, at Patrick street, Fermoy, Kate O'Connell.—WALSH—July 11, John Walsh, draper, late of Blackpool.—LINEHAN—July 12, at Barndarrig, Wicklow, William Linehan, Mourne abbey, Cork.—McCARTHY—July 11, at Blossomfort, Ballyclough, Timothy McCarthy.—HAYES—On July 11, Norah Hayes, Passage West.—HAWKES—On July 11, at 80 North Main street, John Hawkes.—AHERN—On July 11, at Crosshaven, Elizabeth Ahern.—CLANCY—On July 11, at Whitegate, Annie Clancy.—DINEEN—At 21 Quarry road, Daniel Dineen, at an advanced age.—MURRAY—July 8, at Ballydavid, Mullinahone, Tipperary, Maria Murray, barrister at law, of Quartertown Park, Mallow, daughter of the late Edward Fitzgerald, Listowel castle, County Kerry.—FITZGERALD—July 10, Nora Fitzgerald, Caherdugan.—GEANEY—July 9, at Dillon's Cross, Michael Geaney of Lady's Well brewery.—O'MAHONEY—On July 8, Ellen O'Mahoney, 11 Adelaide street.—O'SULLIVAN—On July 8, at Ballyheda, Ballinhassig, John O'Sullivan, harness maker, aged fifty-five years.—ENGLISH—July 9, at Upper Glasheen, Patrick English.—MINIHAN—On July 10, Johanna Margaret, child of D. Minihan, N. T., Loughine.—McELLIOTT—At Castleisland, Patrick McElliott, merchant, aged sixty-one years.—HALLORAN—July 9, at Middleton street, Queenstown, David Halloran, aged eighty-eight years.—FLANAGAN—On July 10, at Bruree, Ellen Flanagan, second daughter of Patrick and Margaret Flanagan, aged twenty-six years.

KERRY.—Very Rev. Canon Hyes, administrator, Killarney, has been appointed parish priest of Ballylongford, and Rev M Fuller, C. C., Killarney, has been appointed administrator in his stead.

The Rev. Timothy Griffin, C. C. Ballyferriter, has been appointed parish priest of that important district in room of the Rev John O'Leary, P. P., resigned. The Irish language is mostly spoken in Ballyferriter, and all the sermons have to be delivered in the vernacular. Father Griffin is a most enthusiastic Irish scholar.

LIMERICK.—At a recent meeting of the Limerick free library committee, Alderman O'Brien, locum tenens for the mayor, presiding, the election of a museum curator and librarian for the new library was proceeded with. The salary was fixed at $500 per annum, with apartments. The candidates were J P McNamara, Limerick, and Thomas Stevens, undergraduate, Royal university. Twenty-eight votes were recorded for each, and by the casting vote of the mayor Mr McNamara was elected.

The death of F. O'Dea, Milltown, Kilfeely, occurred on July 9 at the age of eighty-three years.

A splendid exhibition of crafts and manufactures genuinely Irish in its scope and object and one from which instructive lessons can be learned by all interested in the resuscitation of Irish industries was opened in the city markets, Limerick, on July 9 by his excellency the Earl of Aberdeen, the lord lieutenant of Ireland. The promoters chose the name of the Munster-Connaught exhibition to connote the area with which their operations were immediately concerned and in so limiting the committee was actuated by motives which appeal to anybody acquainted with the condition which unhappily prevailed in industrial circles in the two provinces. When the opening had been officially accomplished the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen and the other guests were entertained at luncheon. An excellent concert was given, at which all the sweet old Irish airs were rendered vocally and instrumentally.

TIPPERARY.—The office and premises of Mr Grubb, situated in New street, Carrick-on-Suir, were destroyed by fire on July 9.

Two beautiful stained glass windows have been erected in the Church of Boherlahan, archdiocese of Cashel, and two others in the sister Church of Dualla. The latter are memorial windows to the late Fathers Hayden and Hogan, who are buried there.

On Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, in the abbey church of Mount St. Joseph, Roscrea, Most Rev. Dr Fogarty, bishop of Killaloe, conferred the orders of subdeaconship on the Rev. Brother Maurus O'Herlihy, Alberic Murphy and Anselm Fitzgerald, and deaconship on the Rev. Brothers Bruno Murphy and Basil Dunne, members of that community.

The death of Mrs. Fitzgerald, Tybroughney castle, Carrick-on-Suir, lately took place at her late residence after a short illness.

A horse, the property of James Kelly, Main street, Templemore, was frightened near Megent bridge and ran away in the direction of George's street. While turning at the mall the driver, John Quinlan, was thrown out and fell on the curbstone. The animal continued its mad flight and collided with an ass and car. A boy named Tobin caught the reins and brought the animal to a stand. Quinlan was removed into a house and was attended by Surgeon Major Kelly and by Dr. Mitchell. The latter put eighteen stitches in his head, which was badly cut and bruised. Father Godfrey soon came upon the scene and administered the last sacraments to Quinlan, who expired the following morning. An inquest was held by Dr. Fennelly. James Delaney was foreman of the jury. Dr. Mitchell, Thomas Maher, John Kennedy, P. Fogarty and Charles Gill were examined as witnesses. The jury found in accordance with the medical testimony that Quinlan met his death from having his neck fractured, the result of an accident.

Mrs. Margaret Ryan of Fenor died on on July 4, aged seventy-nine years.

WATERFORD.—Patrick Kenny, Kingsmeadow, Kilbarry, Waterford, died recently at a great age.

John Quilty, Waterford city, Johnstown, attempted to commit suicide lately. He was taken to the City and County infirmary, where he lay in a very serious condition. The unfortunate man had been for some time in an asylum.

The Sinoor tenants of P. W. Kenny have signed the agreements for the purchase of their holdings, the landlord allowing a reduction of 9 shillings to the pound.

The feis in Dungarvan on July 8 was successful. The weather was beautiful, and the splendid grounds of the Christian Brothers, where the competitions were held, were thronged with spectators. There were three platforms erected where the competitions took place. The dancing competition proved very interesting, and the fife and drum band competition was the cause of enthusiasm. Five bands competed, and Waterford won the first prize. They scored the fine total of 85 points, Ballyduff Upper coming second with 50 points. The feis was confined to two baronies and limited the number of competitors. The adjudicators expressed themselves pleased with the answering in Irish and the proficiency shown in Irish history. The adjudicators were: Rev. Mr. Sheehan, Ph. D., for literary, and singing the Rev. P. Henebury, Ph. D.; dancing, Messrs. P. Mordaunt and J. Commins of Wexford, in story telling, etc., the Rev M Sheehan, Ph D., P Brett, P O'Kelly, P Ashe, J. O'Flynn; the bands, M O'Neill and R P Redmond.

Leinster

CARLOW.—On July 4 at his parents' residence, Woodbine cottage, Hanover road, Carlow, died John Frederick, son of Ralph and Grace Hopkins, aged twenty-five years.

The Tullow annual feis was opened July 8. All Carlow should feel pride at the fact that the Gaelic movement in Tullow is carried on with a determination which must be admired by all. Rev M Lalor, administrator, performed the opening ceremony. President, Rev M Lalor, administrator; vice president, Rev Brother Benedict Whelan; treasurer, M Coady; honorable secretary, P. J. Doyle.

DUBLIN.—A terrified mother, her slumbering baby and a three-foot snake gave rise to a sensational incident at Ranelagh, in the suburbs of Dublin, the other day. The persistent barking of a dog attracted the mother's attention to the viper, which was wriggling its way toward the perambulator in which the baby slept. She immediately called for assistance, and after an exciting chase the intruder was captured. It is at present a prisoner at the zoo, where its scope for wandering is prematurely closed.

There was an audience at the Round room, Rotunda, on June 25 that crowded to excess every part of the building for the concert in connection with the Moy Ella bazaar to raise funds for the improvement of the Church of St Laurence O'Toole. Apart from the laudable object for which the concert was held there was every reason why the house should have been filled to overflowing. The artists who took part in it were all vocalists and instrumentalists of the highest distinction, while the recitations contributed by Miss Leona Conolly were among the most interesting features of the entertainment, as Miss Conolly proved herself a elocutionist of very considerable talent and power.

The archbishop of Dublin visited Balbriggan July 8 for the purpose of presiding at a meeting held at the parish church of SS. Peter and Paul to raise funds to clear off the debt on the parish caused by the building of a presbytery. His grace traveled from Dublin by the 2 o'clock train accompanied by the Rev Father Ryan, one of his secretaries. At Balbriggan he was met by the parish priest, the Rev Father Brannan, and by a great concourse of people and a procession, headed by the band of the town, escorted him to the new parochial house, a very elegant building. The people assembled in the beautiful parish church, and on the motion of Francis Leonard, seconded by Mr Ennis, the chair was taken by the archbishop. P McCabe proposed that a bazaar be held next year to make good the deficiency, if any, and for other parochial purposes. J P Mangan seconded the motion, which was passed.

Recent Deaths in Dublin.—BOYNE—At his residence, Ballyonan, Moyvalley, John Boyne, aged seventy-five years.—DICKSON—On July 5, at his residence, 21 Lower Sheriff street, John Dickson.—FLYNN—On July 5, Rev James Flynn, C. C., Ballinasloe.—KING—On July 5, at her residence, Octagon, Westport, Sarah, the beloved wife of Edward King, victualer, aged sixty-two years.—LYNCH—On July 5, at 40 Arran quay, Mary Elizabeth, eldest and dearly beloved daughter of John Lynch.—MARRIOTT—On July 5, Ellen, wife of John J Marriott, of 32 Lower Kevin street.—MARTIN—On July 6, at his residence, the Broughal, County Dublin, Michael Martin.—NORMAN—On July 5, at his residence, 8 Mary's abbey, Owen Norman, late of Vegetable market.—FANNING—On July 8, Margaret Fanning, Rutland Hall.—FARRELL—On July 8, at Cabra, Bridget Farrell.—KELLY—On July 6, at 36 Stoneybatter, Frances Mary Kelly.—KIERNAN—On July 8, at 20 Seafort avenue, Sandymount, Annie Kiernan.—WOODLOCK—On July 8, at 78 Waterloo road, Dublin, Emily Woodlock, only surviving daughter of the late Dr. James Duggan, D. L., of 10 Merrion square, Dublin, and Clonkea, Eyrecourt, County Galway.

KILDARE.—Messrs. M. Doyle & Son, auctioneers, Athy, recently put up for sale by auction, at Duneany, 119 statute acres, held under the Irish land commission, subject to an annuity of £44. After spirited bidding the farm was awarded to James Byrne, Kilbeirn, at £880. P. J. Byrne, solicitor, had carriage of the sale.

James Haugh, who was so successful in working the recent Kildare feis, has been appointed organizer of the Gaelic league in the Dungarvan district. Mr. Haugh has been in the Kildare district for over two years, and during his residence in the county made every exertion to forward the movement.

KILKENNY.—By the death of Miss Matilda Banim, daughter of Michael Banim, the famous Kilkenny novelist, another link with the past history of Kilkenny is snapped. The death occurred July 12, at Greenfield, Dalkey.

Mrs. O'Sullivan, wife of Denis O'Sullivan, William street, who for many years occupied the position of market inspector in Kilkenny, died at the Whitworth hospital, Drumcondra.

The first tie in the first round of the Leinster hurling championships was played at the agricultural show grounds, Athy, on July 8. Specials from Wexford and Maryborough brought large contingents, and when the puck off took place at 2:30 o'clock there were 3,000 people on the ground. The Kilkenny team was drawn from Erin's Own, Mooncoin, Threecastles and Piltown clubs, the former contributing eight, Mooncoin four, Threecastles four players and Piltown one player. The final whistle sounded, leaving the score: Kilkenny, 4 goals, 10 points; Wexford, 1 goal, 5 points. J Tynan, Abbeyleix, was referee.

KING'S.—The Nationalists of the country are working earnestly in the various organizations. The Gaelic league and the United Irish league continue to increase in membership.

LONGFORD.—Henry Martin, Cherrybrook, Killoe, died on July 12 at the age of seventy years.

On July 11 two members of the oldest and most respected families in Legan were united in marriage, Joseph Kenny, Colehill, contractor, and Miss Ellie Keenan, daughter of the late Nicholas Keenan, merchant, Carrickboy. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev Philip Duff, C. C., Legan.

On July 3 Mr. Brady of Ballyboy, was married to Miss Mary Gallagher, only daughter of the late Owen Gallagher, Dalystown. The ceremony was celebrated by the Very Rev Joseph McGivney, Abbeylara. The best man was P Caffrey, Ballyboy, and Dolan, Carrickduff, cousin of the bride. The bride was given away by her brother, Peter Gallagher. After the ceremony a garden party of about fifty guests assembled at Dalystown, where the guests enjoyed themselves by Irish step dancing, songs in Gaelic and other forms of amusement, making the time pass all too quickly. In the evening the bridegroom brought home his bride to Ballyboy and with her all the guests from Dalystown, where a second reception was held, about 150 guests being invited.

Mrs. Mary Wynne, relict of the late J Wynne, Keadue, died at her residence, Keadue, on July 6 at eighty years of age.

Feelings of very genuine regret and sorrow were expressed when the news of the death of John Conlon, Rathmore, Ballymahon, became known.

LOUTH.—Patrick Byrne of Milltown, Dromiskin, has been appointed a magistrate for County Louth, and will act in that capacity at Dundalk and Castlebellingham. Mr Byrne, who is chairman of the Dundalk board of guardians, is very popular.

MEATH.—Truly painful were the circumstances under which a young Navan woman, Mrs Kelly, died on July 2. Deceased, who was married only six weeks ago, arrived in Trim, as was her wont, in connection with her business as a dealer in fowls. About midday she was taken suddenly ill when walking along Haggard street, and, the ambulance being quickly requisitioned, she was removed to Trim hospital, but despite every attention on the part of the medical and nursing staff she never rallied and passed away, to the intense grief of her husband and relatives. The remains were removed to Navan for interment. It is a curious coincidence that the mother of the deceased died under somewhat similar circumstances.

Mrs. McInerney, Fordstown, Kells, died recently at her residence at the age of seventy-five years.

The death of Rev. Thomas Whelehan, which occurred on June 29 at Brighton, after an arduous missionary career, is deeply regretted by his former parishioners of Plumstead and the people of his native parish of Delvin.

QUEEN'S.—Lord Castletown of Upper Ossory, C. M. G., has been appointed to be chancellor of the Royal University of Ireland in place of the Earl of Meath, resigned. The new chancellor was born in London in 1840 and succeeded his father in 1883.

The men of Queen's county will in a special manner mourn the death of Dr. McDonnell, who represented the Leix division of Queen's county in parliament, and whose death occurred in London at the age of fifty-two years. Many tributes have been paid to Dr. McDonnell's memory, and all expressed the general sentiment that he was a true patriot, a stanch worker in the national cause and in private life a charming personality. The deceased was a son of the late Mark Garvey McDonnell of Shraugh and Palmfield, County Mayo. At a largely attended meeting of the Irish party held at the house of commons, J. Redmond, chairman of the party, presiding, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "That we deeply deplore the death of our late highly esteemed colleague, Dr. Mark Antony McDonnell, who was for so many years a much valued member of the party, and we request the secretary to convey to Mrs. McDonnell and her family our heartfelt sympathy."

On July 1 the ceremony of blessing and laying the foundation stone of the extension to the Maryborough Christian schools was solemnly performed immediately after second mass in the parish church.

WESTMEATH.—Much regret is expressed by the people in Finnea district at the news of the death after a rather brief illness of Dr. Loverock, Wicklow. Deceased had acted as medical officer of Finnea district some thirty years.

The Athlone feis was successfully held. The entries in the several competitions were large. The following are a number of Mullingar and Tyrrellspass successes at the feis: Thomas Malone, Tyrrellspass, one of the three first prize winners for Irish prayers, with meaning of words and phrases in those prayers, book prize. He also secured second prize in competition, "O'Growney," part one, with blessings and salutations, book prizes. He obtained 95 per cent in marks. In the competition recitation in Irish for non-native speakers under sixteen Master M. J. Donnelly, Gaelic league, Athlone, and Joseph Malone, Tyrrellspass, tied for first place. Master Malone was declared the winner of the first prize. This talented youth also gained first prize in Irish history, "Story of Ireland From the Coming of St Patrick to 1172." In the competition Irish singing for juniors Master Malone obtained second place, being beaten by Master M. J. Donnelly of Athlone, who obtained first prize, getting 73 per cent marks. In the dancing competition T. Russell of Mullingar obtained first prize, for a hornpipe.

Peter Hunt died at Mullingar at the age of twenty-seven.

WEXFORD.—The marriage took place recently of Charles Kavanagh, fifth son of the late Charles Kavanagh, builder, Clonattin road, Gorey, and Miss Kate M Redmond, eldest daughter of P J Redmond, Ballinastraw. The ceremony, which took place in Kilaveney chapel, was performed by Rev T. Cleary. Miss Lillie Redmond, sister to the bride, acted as bridesmaid, and Martin Kavanagh, Gorey, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man.

An accident of a very serious nature occurred on the evening of July 9 at the Courtown Brick and Tile works. John Kane, Riverchapel, who is employed at the works, had occasion to descend into a pit from which the clay used in the manufacture of bricks is taken. He went down for the purpose of disentangling a wire cable which was attached to a wagon used for bringing up the clay. Having succeeded in freeing the cable the young man sent up a signal to his brother to start the engine to bring up the wagon. The injured man's brother did so rather quickly and ere John Kane was aware of it his foot was caught in a coil of wire. The speed at which the rope was going up jerked his leg backward up to his shoulder. The sudden wrench and the pain caused him to shout. His cries attracted the attention of a lad named Charles Redmond, aged sixteen years, who, noticing the plight of his fellow worker, ran instantly to the belt from the engine and threw it off. The young fellow's presence of mind, coolness and quick grasp of the situation certainly saved the man's life.

Connaught

GALWAY.—Forty new members were enrolled at a recent meeting of the Loughrea branch of the United Irish league.

The death of Miss Annie Brutin, Dunlo hill, Ballinasloe, occurred on July 10.

LEITRIM.—Mrs O'Beirne of Loughcrill died recently at her residence.

MAYO.—On June 30, after only five days' illness, James Berry, Knockeeragh, Newport, passed away peacefully at the early age of twenty-one years.

In connection with Mr. Bryce's suggestion that English members should personally acquaint themselves with the state of things in the west of Ireland, W. O'Malley, M. P., will make arrangements for such visits to Connemara during the autumn recess and hopes that members contemplating such a tour will communicate with him.

Recently a man cutting turf in a bog to the back of Mr. Healy's hotel at Pontoon came upon the skeleton of a man wrapped in a kind of sack or blanket buried in the bog. On closer investigation he discovered a kind of horn rather small and of peculiar device, and also a medal. It is surmised that the remains must have lain there for centuries.

After last mass on a recent Sunday a public meeting was held in Bonniconlon, Ballina, in furtherance of the language movement. Rev Father Callaghan presided over a large and enthusiastic gathering. In calling on the organizer, Mr. Fitzhenry, to address the meeting the reverend gentleman paid an eloquent tribute to the work of the Gaelic league. Mr. Fitzhenry then addressed the meeting in Irish and again in English. He dwelt on the educational, industrial and national aspects of the Gaelic revival, and appealed to the people to speak Irish to the children and support Irish industries.

ROSCOMMON.—Mrs. Bridget Coyne, wife of Patrick Coyne, Derryneigh, died recently.

On July 9 there was celebrated in St. Bride's church, Ballintubber, the marriage of Constable Michael Carden, Bushwood, and Miss M. E. Keenan, eldest daughter of Stephen Keenan, Carrowreagh, Ballintubber. Rev. James Martin, P. P., performed the ceremony.

Mrs. P. Casey, Deerpark, Boyle, died on July 8.

SLIGO.—The many friends of P. J. Henry Doomore, Tobercurry, will be glad to hear that he has been appointed justice of the peace for the county of Sligo.

Mrs. John McLoughlin, Knocknagee, Sooey, wife of John McLoughlin, county councilor, died on June 29.

On the evening of July 12 a distressing drowning fatality occurred at Lisbellaw district, near Enniskillen, two young men, Thomas Lowry Scott, aged twenty, son of Robert Scott, a large farmer, and James S. Bailey, aged fifteen, a relative of the Scotts, losing their lives. Bailey was a student at Portora Royal school, Enniskillen, and was practicing swimming for the forthcoming aquatic fixtures. For the purpose he set out along with Scott to go to Lough Eyes, half a mile distant from their home in Derryhoney. They did not return at their usual time, and Robert Scott proceeded to the lake and found Bailey's clothing on the shore. His worst suspicions were then aroused, and he sought the aid of the constabulary to make a search. At 4:30 the following morning Sergeant Carson and a man named Gilroy found young Scott's body, fully dressed, and half an hour later they succeeded in bringing Bailey's body to the surface. The bodies were close to each other, ten yards from the shore, at a spot where the water is ten feet deep. Scott was a trooper in the North of Ireland Imperial yeomanry, and had only returned from the annual training at Ballykinlas camp. It is believed that Bailey took cramps in the water and Scott dived in to his assistance, with the result that both were drowned.