

# 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.**—Tim McCarthy, who is well known in Irish journalistic circles, has been appointed editor of the Irish News and also of the Irish Weekly of Belfast. For the past two years Mr. McCarthy has acted as editor for the Northwest of Ireland Printing and Publishing company, Omagh, proprietors of the Ulster Herald, Derry People, Frontier Sentinel and Fermanagh Herald, published at Omagh, Derry, Newry and Enniskillen respectively.

As a sequel to the sudden death of a woman named Agnes Hearst, who resided in a central district of Belfast, the police who had charge of the case discovered in the house over 11,000 in gold, notes and foreign bills and, in addition to these sums, a draft on the Bank of Ireland for £600, as well as a postoffice bank book showing a credit balance of over £100. A considerable quantity of jewelry and clothing was also found, together with a number of I.O.U.s. The furnishings of the house included an extraordinary number of marble blocks, and it was evident that the deceased woman was in very comfortable circumstances. The money and valuables were removed to Glenravel street barracks, where they remain pending further inquiries and claims.

**ARMAGH.**—An accident which terminated fatally occurred near Banbridge on Oct. 27 to William Callaghan of Lurgan, aged twenty years and employed as a coachman. While driving a young horse home from Banbridge he lost control of the animal and was thrown on to the road, sustaining a fractured skull. He died soon after, to the great regret of his relatives and friends.

**CAVAN.**—Farrell Torrey, aged fifty years, of Banagher, was found hanging from the rung of a ladder which was standing against the wall of a corn mill belonging to his brother. The deceased lived with his brother James, who is well known as a step dancer in the counties of Cavan, Meath and Dublin. An inquest was held by Coroner Burke, and the jury, of which Patrick Doyle was foreman, found that death was due to strangulation while temporarily insane.

**DERRY.**—On Oct. 28 numerous steam trawlers put into Lough Swilly and reported they were compelled to stop fishing and run for shelter owing to the stormy weather and terrific seas off the coast. It is feared the weather will seriously affect the herring fishing at present in full swing at Downings and Burtonport.

Mrs. McDonnell died lately at her home in New Zealand. The deceased was a daughter of the late John McIntire, solicitor of Derry, a gentleman who was much respected and long a prominent member of the legal profession in Derry.

A fire which at one time assumed alarming proportions and threatened the destruction of a large area of property broke out in the establishment of the Foyle Rope Works company, Foyle street, recently. The premises are an extensive block of warehouses.

**DONEGAL.**—Michael Gallagher died on Oct. 17 at the Union hospital, Ballyshannon, from the effects of a blow from a stone. The stone struck him on the jaw and did not seem to trouble him much at the time, but he complained at the police barracks that it was inflicted by a man named Gillespie. He attended to his work as driver of the Great Northern hotel car for four days later, but soon afterwards he was brought to the hospital and succumbed to the swelling. Gillespie has been arrested, though in his depositions Gallagher would not positively say it was he who threw the stone.

On Oct. 17, about 9 o'clock in the night, a man named James Gallagher of Mullinabreena, Bundoran, was found on a street of Bundoran, near Single street bridge, apparently lifeless. He was carried to the police barracks, where it was found on examination that life was extinct. An investigation is being made, as foul play is suspected by the police.

Remarkable statements were made at Burtonport by Mr. Walker, P. P., before the royal commission into the condition of the congested districts of Ireland. The parish priest was under examination by the Earl of Dudley, chairman of the commission, and was asked about the exceptional ill-health of the poor of his parish. Mr. Walker replied that the people could not possibly be educated when they were hired as herds almost as soon as they were able to talk. All the education the children received was that snatched in the winter months when the cows were taken home and lured at a distant part of Donegal when they were only six years of age. He had known them to be sent out even when they were four years old. Lord Dudley said he was greatly astonished. Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, bishop of Raphoe, also a member of the commission, suggested that the object of the parents in sending the children thus early into the world was to earn money for the support of the household. Mr. Walker assented. Mr. Sutherland inquired where the education authorities came in when this sort of work was going on. Mr. Walker replied that there was no compulsion in the district. Mr. Sutherland observed that curious feature of the case of these children was

that the majority of them were able to speak two languages, English as well as Irish.

**DOWN.**—At the last meeting of the Newry division of the A. O. H., President Grant in feeling terms referred to the death of Rev. J. Carlin, administrator, whose loss they all deplored. He asked them to adjourn out of respect to the memory of the priest who had been beloved by many and accordingly moved a resolution.

On Oct. 17, in Newry, occurred the death of James McEnaney, horseshoer Catherine street. The death of McEnaney caused general regret, as deceased was a very popular favorite in the town. He was brother-in-law of James Hughes, builder, Newry, and was about sixty-five years of age. The funeral was attended by a large and representative number of the public. The Rev. T. McGrath, C. C., officiated in the old chapel and at the graveside of Newry's well known horseshoer.

At the last meeting of the Downpatrick rural council the proposal to institute an agricultural school and farm for the county came up. Henry McGrath said for the promotion of instruction in the science of agriculture no county in Ireland possessed a more favorable position than Down. The late Mr. Henry, a Downpatrick man left for this very object a sum of money which had grown until it now stood at £13,000. Under the administration scheme the educational benefits which might be derived from that money need not be confined to this county alone. If a scheme was to be launched let the Henry trust money be available.

The Down county council's proposal committee recently re-elected Mr. Hobbs chairman and Mr. King vice chairman. The committee resolved against making payment and reaffirmed a previous resolution that the constabulary force of the county was amply sufficient to deal with the requirements of the county without bringing in extra men from other counties, which caused enormous expense. It would be well, says the Newry Sentinel, if other bodies took up a similar attitude in regard to this question of extra police. Throughout all parts of Ulster the unfortunate taxpayers every year have to pay heavily for an army of men brought from far parts of the land, and brought at the beck of some nervous D. I., whom this frivolity costs nothing, of course, and who, when the armed men arrive, has very rarely anything for them to do. In Newry itself most unnecessary expense has been incurred by drafting in extra police in July.

**MONAGHAN.**—Patrick McMillan, surfaceman, who was knocked down by a motor car on the Ballyduggan road on Oct. 16, has succumbed to his injuries in Down County infirmary, whither he had been removed in the car just after the accident. The death took place rather suddenly on Oct. 16 of Joseph Donaldson, residing near Damolly. The deceased, who was a farmer, was ill for only a few hours, and his demise, so unexpected, has caused much sympathy in the district.

The semifinal of the County Monaghan football championship took place at Carrickmacross. The competing teams were Fane Rovers, Iniskeen, and the Fontenoy, Donaghmoyny, Martin Shannon of the Carrickmacross G. A. A. refereed on the occasion. A large and enthusiastic crowd was present.

**TYRONE.**—Bernard McKenna has in his possession a potato, says the Derry Journal, weighing two pounds two ounces. Its length is nine inches, and it is thirteen and a half inches in circumference. The potato was grown in or about Dungiven and is said to be the largest seen in the district for some years.

### Munster

**CLARE.**—The death is announced of Matthew Rohan, which event occurred at his residence, Main street, Killaloe. Mr. Rohan reached the age of sixty-five.

The month's mind of Very Rev. James Canon Vaughan, P. P., Killasnoo, took place on Oct. 16. Nearly fifty priests were in attendance. Dr. Fogarty, bishop of Killaloe, presided. At St. Saviour's church, Dominick street, Dublin, Thomas McGreevy, merchant, was married to Marian M. Corbett, eldest daughter of John Corbett, Glonkerry, Labasheeda, on Oct. 8. Father Murphy, O. P., officiated.

The house in Tulla occupied by Mrs. Margaret Murphy, known as Peg Murphy, took fire on Oct. 5. She was away from home when it occurred, but on arrival there got into a most excited state and wanted to go into the house. The police prevented her and asked her where her money was, as it was thought that she had some in the house. Peg said it was in a "tin canister in a hole over the fireplace." John Moloney and John Glynn rushed through the flames and found a canister which contained 12s. 6d., but Peg cried out that there was another canister. Glynn rushed in again and brought out the other canister, which contained £280. The paper round the notes which it contained were also destroyed by the fire.

The death occurred at her residence, Cloughleigh road, of Mrs. P. Moloney on Oct. 20. Deceased was about seventy years of age. She belonged to a very old and respected family in the locality and will be missed by her family, some of whom are beyond the waves. The funeral was large and representative and testified to the esteem in which herself and family have been held. Father Hannon, administrator, officiated at the graveside of the deceased.

**GORK.**—A Middletonian dispatch says: "An Irish centenarian has just passed away in the person of Nora Muleahy, a woman of the farming class, of

Sandyhill, six miles from Middleton whose demise occurred after a very brief illness at the age of 102 years. Deceased, whose remains were interred in Ballynoe cemetery, was never married and enjoyed good health and full possession of her faculties almost to the last. Born in 1804 and always residing in the Gaelic speaking rural district, deceased spoke Irish, only having but very imperfect English. Deceased was the daughter of a centenarian, her mother having attained the age of 110 years."

There has passed away in the Schull district Mary Hurley, Skibbereen, widow of a laborer, at the age of 114 years. Another centenarian, named John O'Driscoll, a native of Drimoleague, died recently at the age of 102 years.

On Sept. 28 died Hannah, beloved wife of Michael Collins, Kilmartin, Donoughmore. County Cork, daughter of Patrick Mullane and Mary O'Keefe, sister of Jeremiah and Lizzie, New York, and Michael, Butte, Mont. The many friends of Jeremiah Mullane of the Cork Men's association of New York will be sorry to hear of the death of his sister after an illness of a few days, who has left a young and helpless family of eight children to mourn her loss. Her husband's brother, the late Joseph Collins, was a police sergeant in Brooklyn and was of that galant band of Irishmen who worked for Ireland in '87. Mrs. Collins was very well known and popular, and her funeral was one of the largest seen in the district in some years.

**KERRY.**—The death of T. O'Connor, Kilmannare, P. P., an esteemed and popular gentleman, occurred at his residence in Kilmannare on Sept. 30. Deceased was sixty-two years old. He had been in unusual good health for some time, and his death was unexpected.

Miss Margaret M. O'Sullivan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. O'Sullivan, Agathubrid, N. S., Cahirciveen, has been awarded a first senior grade exhibition of £40, together with a special prize in German of £5 and one of £4 in Irish, and won the highest distinctions in the modern literary course. She is also entitled to a fifty pound scholarship for each of three consecutive years at the Royal university after matriculation. This young lady was first in Ireland at the intermediate examination ere this and won the Bourke memorial prize and medals, etc. She was educated at St. Louis convent, Monaghan.

**KILKENNY.**—On Oct. 7, at the Gaelic park, Urlingford, Crosspatrick and Clonanto met to replay their match in the first round of the county championship. Crosspatrick played in great style and won as they liked by the enormous score of 7 goals 10 points to 1 goal and 7 points for Clonanto. J. J. Deegan made a capable referee. A large crowd witnessed the games.

Margaret Quinlan, wife of J. Quinlan, died recently at her residence, Lower John street. Father Damascene of the Capuchin friary and the nursing nuns of St. John of God were in attendance in her last moments. The requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. P. Treacy, administrator, and immediately after the coffin was conveyed to the railway station and brought to Tipperary. An enormous attendance awaited the arrival of the remains at Tipperary.

**LIMERICK.**—Master Patrick Vaughan, an son of V. Vaughan, Sallybank, at a recent examination competed for an exhibition at the Jesuit college, the Crescent, Limerick, and was successful. His answering was most creditable and far in advance of all his competitors.

John Enright of the well known Castleconnell firm of fishing rod and tackle manufacturers has not alone retained his title of champion fly caster of the world, but has beaten his best record in New York a short time ago by seven feet.

The death of John Clune occurred at his residence at the Crescent, Limerick, recently. Deceased was brother-in-law to Martin Daly, Lifford, Ennis. His funeral was one of the largest seen in the city for a long time. Not alone was Limerick city represented, but also the counties of Limerick and Clare. The corporation, of which body the late Mr. Clune was at one time a member, was largely represented, while the attendance of the general public gave ample testimony to the high esteem and respect in which the deceased was held by all classes of the community. Immediately after the chief mourners came the mayor, high sheriff and town clerk, accompanied by Mr. Frost, sword bearer, and sergeants at mace and members of the fire brigade. Resolutions of condolence were passed with the relatives of the deceased at the Limerick Race company, at the petty sessions and at a public meeting of the citizens of Limerick.

**TIPPERARY.**—The death of William J. Menton, solicitor, occurred at Roscrea on Oct. 25. The deceased, who occupied a high place in his profession, was admitted a solicitor in 1879, and in the intervening years he steadily increased his practice. He was chairman of the Roscrea board of guardians for several years, and up to a year ago was a member of the Tipperary council, who were often aided by Mr. Menton's legal knowledge.

A public meeting of the Lorrha and Dorrha branch of the United Irish League was held in the chapel yard at Rathcabbin to protest against the letting of the grass land in the parish. Rev. J. J. O'Connor, C. C., presided. Mr. Hogan, M. P., urged the people to fall in line with their neighbors in Templemore, Borrisholeigh and elsewhere and condemn the letting of grass land under the eleven months' system. Mr. Kinahan, he said, got a fair offer from his tenants for their holdings, and they are also willing to bid the same price for the untenanted land, which is now about to be sold by pub-

lic auction under the eleven months' system. Mr. Kinahan promised long ago to sell to the tenants, and when he was not keeping to his word a memorial was sent him, and he refused. Again he was offered twenty years purchase, and this time he wanted the maximum allowed by the act. Continuing, Mr. Hogan said by selling to the tenants and also dividing the grass land between the tenants he can get in ready cash about £18,000, whereas he only paid £13,000 in 1898. But this did not satisfy him. He wants £3,850 more. The following resolution was proposed by D. Egan, D. C., Derrinassila, seconded by John Hector, Rathcabbin, and adopted: "That we, the members of the Lorrha and Dorrha branch of the United Irish League, hereby protest against letting of land in our parish under the eleven months' system particularly when the tenants have offered generous terms for their holdings and are willing to bid the same prices for the untenanted land."

**WATERFORD.**—David Hearne, a well known Waterford pedestrian, defeated the British champion, Stanford of Bournemouth, over a seven mile course from Tramore to Waterford. Great enthusiasm prevailed at the finish, nearly 3,000 persons being present.

### Leinster

**CARLOW.**—The death of Robert Williams, Rathdowney, occurred on Oct. 13 at the Commercial hotel. He was forty-eight years old. The funeral took place from his late residence to Calvary and was one of the largest and most representative seen in the district for years. All the business houses of the town were closely shuttered, and every indication of mourning was manifest as the procession wended its way to the burial place. Very Rev. Canon Greene and Rev. T. E. Young officiated.

**DUBLIN.**—Denis Hoffmann, a laborer, aged sixty, died suddenly at his residence, 30 East Essex street. The funeral was attended by a large number of friends and relatives of the deceased.

John Garrigan, aged thirty-two years, was found unconscious on the Bally moon road on Oct. 25 and died the following morning in the Mater Misericordiae hospital. Mr. Garrigan was well known and popular, and his funeral was numerously attended.

Dr. Byrns, Dublin city coroner, held an inquest on Oct. 27 on the remains of William Treacy, aged twenty-three, who had been employed as a dairy hand at Westpark, Glasnevin, and who died in Mercer's hospital as the result of injuries sustained from being thrown from a wagon.

The visit of Mayor Bohmiz of San Francisco to Dublin, says the Freeman's Journal, is an interesting incident in the history of the Irish capital. He visited Dublin in order to study our architecture. Unfortunately we have done little in the way of architecture since the days of Grattan's parliament. Perhaps, however, that will be one of the things that will most impress the mind of the mayor.

A parliamentary return shows that there are 24 coal mines in Ireland, employing 749 last year, 5 persons less than the previous year. There were 14 iron mines, employing 348, which was 90 more than the previous year. There were 25 other mines, employing 338, an increase of 120. There were 537 quarries, giving employment to 4,464, an increase of 237. No deaths from accidents in Irish coal fields are recorded. There were five fatalities in Irish quarries.

**KILDARE.**—The following quotations from the Athy market show an increase of prices: Butter, 1 lb. to 1s. 1d. per pound; eggs, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 2d. per dozen; hay, 2s. 6d. per hundred weight; straw, 2s. 2d. per hundred weight; oats, 9s. 6d. per barrel; potatoes, 4s. 6d. and 5d. per stone.

On Oct. 25 two canoes manned by Cornelius O'Brien and Michael Kennedy were returning from the fishing grounds outside Mutton Island, when on nearing the quay at Seafield, when the canoe ran for a first landing on shore. In the race O'Brien's canoe struck on a rock, which at the time was covered by a rough sea, and capsized. O'Brien was drowned. He was well known and popular in Kildare and his death was a great shock to his friends.

**KING'S.**—Nicholas Cully of Monasterrols died at his residence at Monasterrols, Elmderry, on the 8th of October at the ripe old age of seventy-nine years. Mr. Cully was during his lifetime a true and staunch Nationalist and inherited the old traditions of his parents, who have been in possession of the farm where he was born, lived and died for over 200 years. Much sympathy is felt for his family in their sad bereavement. The funeral took place on Oct. 10 and was attended by a large circle of friends and sympathizers. The funeral arrangements were very well carried out by a firm that had been established for a number of years in Elmderry.

**LONGFORD.**—A meeting was held in Ballyow to form a co-operative society. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, there was a large attendance, the room being crowded. In the absence of the Rev. Father Martin Richard Fox, D. C., took the chair. Among those present were Rev. R. J. Merrin, Thomas Gaffney, M. Shilley, Montgomery-Kilmer, Thomas Lowndes, Michael McGarry, C. C., M. Shaen Magan, P. Conroy and a large number of farmers and laborers from the surrounding districts. A very interesting lecture, explaining the purposes and advantages of the proposed co-operative establishment, was given by Mr. Magan of Athlone and Killyon Manor. The chairman dwelt on the benefits to the farmers and laborers by the establishment of a co-operative store in Ballyow. They would, he said, by taking shares in it enjoy the advantages to be derived from such a store. In the first

place they would be able to purchase goods at a very low rate, certainly cheaper than they could be procured elsewhere, and in the second place they would participate in the profits. A long discussion ensued, and the meeting was considered advisable to allow some time for the proposal to mature to similar establishments, and the meeting was adjourned to the 18th. Mr. Magan said he would attend the adjourned meeting and have some necessary details for them. A warm vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Magan for his kindly interest.

Most farmers have noticed that a crop of potatoes that have been attacked by the blight, while the crop in general has been cut away, here and there a few of the potato plants have resisted, more or less successfully, the attack of the fungus and have remained green and growing long after the majority of the stalks have been reduced to blackened and shriveled skeletons and the farmer were to dig such plants and preserve the tubers got under them for next year's seed crop, the resultant crop would have greater resisting power than if they were grown from seed selected at random.

**LOUTH.**—The death of Christy Burke, a well known figure in Drogheda, occurred on Oct. 6. Deceased who succeeded his father as collector of the Drogheda rate, was very popular and was held in esteem by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and a family to mourn his loss. The funeral of the deceased was attended by a large number of friends and relatives.

A special meeting of the members of the Drogheda commercial reading rooms was held on Oct. 7, when the following resolution was passed: "That we, the members of the Drogheda commercial reading rooms, in special meeting assembled, beg to express our sincere sorrow at the death of our ex-president, Christopher Burke, and that we convey to his wife and family our deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement."

P. J. O'Hagan, of the firm of O'Hare & O'Hagan, solicitors, Newry, has returned from America, where he has been on professional business in connection with an Omeath legacy case. Peter, Laurence and James Kane, Lislea, Omeath, brothers and next of kin of the late Michael Kane of Chelsea, Mass., apply for his property. He died in July intestate, leaving real and personal estate valued at \$25,000. Mr. O'Hagan's mission, it is stated, was successful.

**MEATH.**—Successful branch meetings of the United Irish League were held on Oct. 14 at Slane and Rathkenilly. The meetings were addressed by P. White, M. P., and D. Sheehy, M. P. Doleak branch, United Irish League, on Oct. 7. Rev. T. Gillic, P. P., in the chair, decided to take in hand the collection of the parliamentary fund. Resolutions of condolence were passed by the Athboy petty sessions on the death of the late Owen Murtagh, J. P., a much respected citizen.

A memorial was forwarded by the lord lieutenant for the signature of the magistrates relative to the release from prison of P. Whelan, who had been imprisoned some time ago for poaching, but the magistrates declined to sign it owing to the fact that they had signed a similar memorial before Rev. W. Conway, P. P., the adjudicator to poach again and was sent to jail.

**QUEEN'S.**—Mr. Mitchell gave notice of motion to have a well sunk and pump erected in the town land of Morteau on a site convenient to the junction of the Hand road and the main road to Monasterivan, the cost to be borne by the rate payers of the Emo dispensary district.

A sealed order was sent by the local government board, investing the county council with urban powers for the purpose of the lighting of Mountrath and fixing the area of charge for the lighting shop of Mountrath, upper and lower, and Dysartbeg. Thomas Bergin, who contracted to do the glazing, lighting and supplying oil, wicks and chimneys for the lamps in the town of Mountrath at £22, was declared the contractor. He named Messrs. Costigan and Telford as his sureties. On the motion of Mr. Travers, seconded by C. Phelan, the following were appointed on the lighting committee: Rev. E. of Southpark, while people in the neighborhood require additional to increase Connolly, Baulke, H. Franks, Sheehan, their holdings, as well as a number of J. Dowling, O'Gorman, Hipwell, Callaghan men in the locality who were ten and Odham. A plan for the erection of cottages for which a hope that these lands would be divided compensation has been allowed was among them.

**SLIGO.**—The new church at Loughglavin, to which many of our readers are so familiar, was dedicated on Oct. 20 by Most Rev. Bishop Clancy of the Diocese of Elphin. When the ceremony of dedication was public have not suffered at their hands, over pontifical high mass was celebrated. The Most Rev. Dr. Clancy was chosen the happy occasion of the celebration of their golden jubilee to show their appreciation. At a meeting called in connection with the project the Most Rev. Dr. Gaughran, bishop of Meath, paid a magnificent tribute to the work done for Catholicity and nationality by the brothers, and with his lordship leading the way we feel sure that the forthcoming celebration will be quite worthy of the well known order of the Christian Brothers and of Mullingar.

**WICKLOW.**—On Oct. 26 the old town hall, Barrow, was filled with an enthusiastic audience on the occasion of the first annual demonstration, concert and ball in connection with the A. O. H. The society was established in Barrow October, 1905, and has a membership of well nigh 400. The different functions proved highly successful, and

doubtless the officials will be encouraged to make this an annual event. The concert was greatly enjoyed. Father Miller presided and was supported by Fathers Kehoe and Smith and finally Brother Owen Kienan. The last named, along with others, addressed the meeting and emphasized the advantages accruing from the order, and all expressed the hope, which seems likely to be fulfilled, that the Barrow society would flourish. The M. C.'s were Messrs. Redman and Cuffield. The hall was tastefully decorated. Altogether the evening was a most enjoyable one and prophetic of the success of the order in Barrow.

An event of a painful and tragic nature is reported as having occurred at Tourant, near Dunlavin. It appears a farmer named Martin Roche, aged about fifty, who held large farms at Whitestown, near Stratford-on-Slaney and Tourant, took ill recently at the latter place and was confined to bed for some days in an outhouse, there being no dwelling house on the farm, and was attended by the priest and doctor. He got up and went to Dunlavin, but on his return grew suddenly worse, becoming delirious during the night and escaped into the fields. A man who was acting in the capacity of nurse informed the neighbors of his escape. A search was commenced, and Roche was found by J. Nolan, Frysstown, and a companion in a drying cesspool, in a field on the lands of James Norton, Coonanstown. He was removed to Mr. Norton's place, but only survived for some minutes and died without having regained consciousness. The affair has caused a painful sensation in the district.

### Connaught

**GALWAY.**—The fishing prosecution brought by Mr. Potts of Coren Castle against William Griffin of Ballinacree should convey some useful lessons to the people of Galway and Roscommon, especially those of them who may be intending purchasers under the land act.

On Oct. 1, at St. Brigid's church, Portunna, by Rev. J. Tuohy, Patrick J., fourth son of the late Edward O'Donohue, D. C., Santa Cruse House, Carrigahorrig, was married to Mary Agnes (Clasie), eldest daughter of the late Francis Hynes, draper and wine merchant, Main street, Portunna. The couple are very well known and popular in Galway, and their wedding was largely attended.

The first meeting of the newly elected committee of the Tuam branch of the Gaelic League was held in the town hall on Monday, Oct. 7. Dr. T. B. Costello, V. P., in the chair. Present: Rev. J. W. Meehan, John Glynn, M. C. Shine, M. O'Connell, James Daly, W. Cannon, P. Burke, T. Forde, M. Hayden and J. Hogan and J. A. Glynn, honorable secretaries. P. O'Malley, Gaelic League organizer, was also present. The report of the examiners who adjudicated at the fets competition in the Christian Brothers' school on Oct. 2 was before the meeting. It was decided to give the MacFale cup to Sylvan school and the standard prizes to the Mercy convent, Gardfield and Sylvan schools. In the catechism it was decided to give \$10 each to Gardfield and Ballinrobe convent school and \$5 to Beldare female school, in accordance with the suggestion of Rev. W. Conway, P. P., the adjudicator.

The latest information regarding the division of Lord Gough's estate is that he met some of the land commissioners and laid terms of sale before them. We have now only to wait until matters come to a head. In the meantime let us hope that the arrangements that have been brought about will be of a just nature as regards the unfortunate tenants.

**ROSCOMMON.**—On opening Boyle local government board, investing the county council with urban powers for the purpose of the lighting of Mountrath and fixing the area of charge for the lighting shop of Mountrath, upper and lower, and Dysartbeg. Thomas Bergin, who contracted to do the glazing, lighting and supplying oil, wicks and chimneys for the lamps in the town of Mountrath at £22, was declared the contractor. He named Messrs. Costigan and Telford as his sureties. On the motion of Mr. Travers, seconded by C. Phelan, the following were appointed on the lighting committee: Rev. E. of Southpark, while people in the neighborhood require additional to increase Connolly, Baulke, H. Franks, Sheehan, their holdings, as well as a number of J. Dowling, O'Gorman, Hipwell, Callaghan men in the locality who were ten and Odham. A plan for the erection of cottages for which a hope that these lands would be divided compensation has been allowed was among them.

**WESTMEATH.**—It is fifty years ago since the famous teaching order of the Christian Brothers made a settlement in Mullingar. During all that time their services have been at the disposal of the community, and, needless to say, the educational interests of the public have not suffered at their hands, over pontifical high mass was celebrated. The Most Rev. Dr. Clancy was chosen the happy occasion of the celebration of their golden jubilee to show their appreciation. At a meeting called in connection with the project the Most Rev. Dr. Gaughran, bishop of Meath, paid a magnificent tribute to the work done for Catholicity and nationality by the brothers, and with his lordship leading the way we feel sure that the forthcoming celebration will be quite worthy of the well known order of the Christian Brothers and of Mullingar.

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