

SUMMARY OF IRISH NEWS.

Antrim.

A sad shooting fatality occurred on February 13th, in the townland of Seoon. A man named William Leallo, a shoemaker, took down a gun which had not been in use for some time, for the purpose of cleaning it, and while doing so it suddenly went off, shooting his wife through the neck. The poor woman died immediately.

During a gale on Lough Neagh, on February 14th, two sand lighters, which were in tow of a steam-tug from the Tyrone coast to the lough to the entrance of the Lagan Canal, were sunk about a mile from the shore, and a man named Donnelly, his wife, and his daughter, who were on board one of the lighters, were drowned. The owner of the other barge, a man named Burns, and his son were rescued in an exhausted condition.

Armagh.

In grateful recognition of the Pope having raised their revered Archbishop to the dignity of a Prince of the Church, the clergy of the diocese of Armagh prepared an address to the Holy Father expressive of their appreciation of the great honor thus conferred upon them. The address having been placed in the hands of Mr. James McConnell, he produced a handsome album bound in dark green morocco, ornamented with Irish tracery in the form of a cross, in the centre of which appears, in raised gold, the tiara and keys, in saltire. The pages of the album are most appropriately illuminated: the Pontifical Arms occupy the premier position; the arms of the diocese are also introduced and both are remarkable for the beauty of their heraldic blazonry. A miniature of St. Patrick and a view of the cathedral of Armagh, the town where he established his Metropolitan See, are also introduced. The address is signed by the Right Rev. Dean Byrne and the Very Rev. Archdeacon Murphy. It was presented on the day the Holy Father received the Irish pilgrims.

Carlow.

Mr. Charles John Engledow, J. P., of Burton Hall, Carlow, has been sworn in High Sheriff of the County of Carlow.

On Sunday, February 12th, the solemn and impressive ceremonies of the blessing and erection of the Stations of the Cross took place at the parish church, Darrow, one of the handsomest ecclesiastical structures in the Diocese of Ossory.

Clare.

In the beautifully situated Convent of the Sisters of Mercy, Cappoquin, was performed the interesting and solemn ceremony of Profession, on the 7th February. The young ladies whose happiness it was to make the solemn vows, were Miss Nora Kirwan, in religion Sister Mary Buchmans, youngest daughter of the late Mr. James Kirwan, Ballytighe, Borris, Carlow, and Miss Bride Bonfil, in religion Sister Mary Stanislaus, eldest daughter of Mr. Patrick Bonfil, Killaloe, county Clare.

The obsequies of the late Rev. Martin Sweeney, P. P., New quay, county Clare, who died at his residence, on February 8th, much regretted, took place on Friday, the 10th. High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Francis Sweeney, C. C. (brother of the deceased); Rev. P. Davoren, C. C., deacon; Rev. R. Mewell, C. C., sub-deacon; and Rev. J. Burke, P. P., master of ceremonies. The remains were interred in the parish church to the left of the high altar. His loss is mourned by all classes, for he was most charitable and kind-hearted, and never hesitated to sacrifice his time or himself in any way to serve the interests of his parishioners.

Cork.

Mr. R. D. Mahony, auctioneer, Newmarket, has sold the interest of Mr. Robert Bolster in a farm of 102 statute acres, situate at Meelin, to Mr. Phil Brown, Newmarket, for £350.

On Feb. 17 the Countess of Aberdeen visited the School of Art, the Munster Dairy School, the Good Shepherd's Convent, the Marble Hill Industrial School, the Blackrock and the Kinsale Convents. She was received with enthusiasm everywhere. Numerous addresses were presented, to which her Ladyship replied.

Mrs. P. J. Coll, wife of the Clerk of the Kilmallock Board of Guardians, died on Feb. 10, at Knockree, Brurea, after a few weeks' illness, at the age of 58 years. Her remains were interred at the family burying ground at Dromin, accompanied by an immense cortege of sorrowing relatives and sympathising friends.

John Maloney, of Garraconna, Charleville, departed this life at the very advanced age of 109 years. He was born on the 8th March, 1784. He remembered about the '85 movement, and knew several of its leading members. He retained the use of his limbs up to about twelve months ago, and had the full possession of his faculties up to his last moments.

The Rev. Michael Horgan, one of the oldest priests in the diocese of Cork, of which he was a native, and a relative of the late Very Rev. Joseph Horgan, P. P., Ballymore Eustace, died at a very advanced age on February 20, after the obsequies, which took place at St. Finbarr's. The deceased was educated at Maynooth, and ordained in 1829. He was successively curate of St. Peter and

Paul's, workhouse chaplain, ministered for a time at Dudley, in Staffordshire, afterwards curate at Monkstown and Dunmanway, county Cork, and ultimately, for about twenty-five years, chaplain to the South Presentation Convent, which office his age and health obliged him to relinquish about a year ago.

Derry.

On the 7th of February, at the Convent chapel of the Faithful Companions of Jesus, Newtownbarry, the interesting ceremony of reception took place. The young lady who received the habit of religion from the hands of the Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Ferns, was Teresa (in religion Sister Mary Teresa), fifth daughter of Mr. J. McNicholl, Maghera, county Derry.

Dublin.

The remains of Mr. Maurice John O'Brien were removed from his late residence, 23 Cabra road, Dublin, and interred in Glasnevin on February 15th. Mr. O'Brien had been for nearly 40 years connected with the clerical staff of Messrs. Arnott & Co., Henry street, and was universally respected. In his youth he was well known in the athletic world, and up to the time of his death evinced the keenest interest in all athletic competitions.

One of the Irish pioneers of Australia passed away recently. Mr. P. Walsh, one of the oldest residents in Burrungong, died at the ripe age of seventy-five years, in Sydney. The last rites at the grave were performed at Glenfoll by the Rev. Fathers Gray and Hennessy. The deceased had been a resident in the district for more than 40 years, and owned an estate of 12,000 acres of freehold land at Kiklamoh. He with two brothers and three sisters, landed in Sydney on the 1st August, 1844; of that party one sister and two brothers survive, there being also another sister living in the old home in Ireland.

An interesting ceremony took place on Sunday, the 20th January, the Feast of St. Agnes, at the convent attached to the hospital at Via Ferruccio, Florence, Italy, under the care of the community of the Little Company of Mary, when Miss Christina Woods, daughter of Mr. John Woods, engineer of the Corporation pumping station, Lower Sheriff street, Dublin, made her final vows and was received into the Order. After the ceremony a most happy reunion took place in the convent, when Sister Mary John, the name she takes in religion, received the congratulations of her friends, the good Sisters, among whom are to be found many Dublin ladies.

Galway.

On February 7, at the parish Chapel, Belclare, Patrick, eldest son of Malachy Hession, of Cammer, was married to Mary, eldest daughter of John McGrath, of Rusheesh, Inam, by the Rev. Mark Eagleton, C. C.

The Lord Chancellor has conferred the Commission of the Peace for the County of Galway on John E. Dowling, Esq., M. D., Inam; John Nolan, Esq., Garra House, Ballyglunin; and Doctor Charles J. Blake, Headford.

Kerry.

Dr. Gerard Pierce, of 2 Seapoint terrace, Clontarf, Dublin, was, on Feb. 8th, elected Medical Officer of the Ballyduff Dispensary District.

The death is announced of Mr. Maurice Collins, of Meelin. He suffered several terms of imprisonment, which completely undermined his health.

An old beggar woman named Cahill—known as "Kit Cahill"—died suddenly in Bridge street, Tralee, on Feb. 14th. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause.

On Feb. 15th Mr. Thomas O'Rourke, T. C., left Tralee for Chicago, where he is to make his future home. For nearly a quarter of a century Mr. O'Rourke has been prominently associated with the public and political life of Tralee, and was widely known and deservedly esteemed as a staunch and consistent Nationalist. Like most Irish Nationalists Mr. O'Rourke suffered persecution and imprisonment at the hands of the English Government, and his plucky action in the Coercion Court in Tralee, prior to his last term of imprisonment for selling newspapers containing reports of the National League, will be remembered.

Kilkenny.

The Lord Lieutenant has appointed Mr. Nicholas Lambert, of Dysartmon House, Tullogher, and Mr. Wm. De Courcy, of Borrismore House, Urlingford, to the Commission of the Peace for the County of Kilkenny. Messrs. P. J. Morrissey, High Sheriff, and J. W. O'Hanrahan, Irishtown, Kilkenny, have been sworn in as Justices of the Peace for the Borough of Kilkenny.

The following clerical changes have taken place in the Diocese of Ossory:—The Rev. John Bowe, late C. C., Gowran, to be P. P., Urlingford; Rev. Patrick Walsh, late C. C., Ballycallan, to be C. C., Gowran; Rev. Thos. Freyne, late C. C., Rosbercon, to be C. C., Ballycallan; Rev. John Cahill, late C. C., Aughaviller, to be C. C., Rosbercon; Rev. Edward O'Keefe, late C. C., Ballyhale, to be C. C., Aughaviller; Rev. Wm. Connolly, late C. C., Urlingford, to be C. C., Ballyhale.

Limerick.

On the morning of February 15th Mr. Arthur Jones, manager of the Annaduff Loan Fund, was found dead in a garden

convenient to his residence, about ten o'clock. Death had been caused by a revolver bullet, which had entered immediately under the heart. He had left his residence about 10.30 a.m., having with him a six-chambered revolver, avowedly for the purpose of shooting a dog, and immediately afterwards his daughter, on entering the garden, was horrified to find him lying on the ground, dead. Deceased, who was widely known and highly popular, leaves a wife and eight children.

Limerick.

The obsequies of the late Sister Mary, of St. Colman, took place at the Convent of the Good Shepherd, Limerick on Jan. 31st.

On February 14th Lady Aberdeen visited the Limerick Clothing Factory, the Lace Training School, and the Christian Brothers' Industrial School. A number of addresses were presented to her, to which she replied.

Louth.

By order of the Privy Council, a pack of hounds brought to Dundalk from Tipperary, by the officers of the 15th Hussars, has been destroyed, rabies having appeared in the pack on two separate occasions. The dogs ordered to be destroyed were twenty-five in number, and cost the officers over £200. The latter will now have to be content with a "scatch pack" and "drag" hunting for the remainder of the season.

Meath.

Mr. Joseph T. L. Lowry, third son of Mr. Joseph Lowry, Bachelor's Lodge, Navan, has been sworn in a solicitor of her Majesty's High Court of Justice in Ireland. Mr. Lowry served his apprenticeship to Mr. J. Clarke, 37 Westmoreland street, Dublin, and intends practising in his native county.

While hunting with the Meath Hounds, on February 10th, Mr. R. Hamilton-Stunther, D. L., of Moyn*, Queen's County, met with a serious accident. In taking a fence his horse slipped, and, falling heavily on his rider, broke his leg. He was removed to Black Castle, Navan, where he is progressing favorably.

Monaghan.

Mr. William M. Veale, for many years an efficient and capable Relieving Officer in the Waterford Union, died on February 4th. Mr. Veale was a staunch and unswerving Nationalist whose services in the Land League movement were highly appreciated by the Irish Party. During "Buckshot" Forster's regime he was arrested as a suspect and confined for many months in Naas Jail. After a tedious illness he passed away to reap the rewards of a blameless and honorable life. The remains of the deceased were interred in Fenor Churchyard, and were followed to their last resting-place by a highly representative cortege.

Queen's County.

On Thursday, February 9th, at the Presentation Convent, Maryborough, Miss Ellie Byrne (in religion Sister Mary Patrick), daughter of Mr. William Byrne, Tullmelan, Clonmel, was professed as a religious by the Most Rev. Dr. Lynch, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, assisted by the Very Rev. A. Phelan.

Roscommon.

In the Landed Estates Court, Dublin, on February 15th, Judge Monroe sanctioned an offer by the Land Commission to purchase, as trustees for the Congested Districts Board, for the sum of £7,600, a portion of the French estate in the county Roscommon, the object of the Board being, it is understood, to enlarge the holdings of some small tenants by the addition of pasture land which they would acquire by this purchase, together with the original holdings of tenants.

Sligo.

Rev. Father Canning, P. P., Ballyhaunis (for some time C. A. for Westport) was paid a high and affectionate compliment in the Temperance Hall, recently. A large meeting (presided over by the Father McDermott, C. A.) there assembled and testified, in most becoming and affectionate language, to the holiness, zeal, gentleness, and priestly solicitude which had marked his mission amongst them.

Most Rev. Dr. Conway has recently made the following changes in Killala:—Rev. Patrick Devany, from Ballycastle to Bangor; Rev. Peter O'Hara, from Shreen to Bangor; Rev. J. Mullen, from Crossmolina to Lahardane; Rev. J. Collier, from Lahardane to Crossmolina; Rev. John Boyle, from Bangor to Shreen; Rev. Michael Clarke, from Easkey to Ballycastle; Rev. John Geraghty, from Bangor Erris to Kilcommon; Rev. Peter Davis, from Belmullet to Easkey; Rev. John Hegarty, from Kilcommon to Belmullet.

Tipperary.

Mr. John F. McCarthy, M. P., for the Mid-Division of Tipperary, died on Feb. 8th, at his residence, Roscrea. For a considerable time past Mr. McCarthy was suffering from an affection of the lungs, and had been confined to bed. At the National Convention for Mid-Tipperary, held in June last, Mr. McCarthy and J. Hogan, journalist, London, well known as the author of "The Irish in Australia," were proposed as candidates, and, after the two candidates had addressed the meeting, Mr. McCarthy secured the majority of votes, and was selected. At the general election in July Mr. McCarthy was returned by an overwhelming majority. Mr. McCarthy's death is the first sad event of the kind that has befallen

the Irish party returned at the general election. The deepest regret is felt both by constituents and colleagues at the loss they have sustained. The remains were consigned to their last resting place in the beautiful new burial ground attached to St. Cronan's church, Roscrea. The sorrow so keenly felt at the death of Mr. McCarthy was fully testified by the large numbers, embracing men of all creeds and shades of politics, who attended the obsequies.

Tyrone.

In the Court house, Strabane, on Feb. 14th, Justice Bawley, Commissioner Wrench and Commissioner Fitzgerald delivered judgment on the following rent appeals:—McCallion, tenant, Mansfield, landlord; dismiss confirmed. Nelson, tenant, Mansfield, landlord; dismiss confirmed. Buchanan, tenant, Lord Leitrim, landlord; old rent, £40 10s.; judicial rent, £30; confirmed. Nelson, tenant, Lecky, landlord; dismiss confirmed—a mill-holding. Montgomery, tenant, Sanderson landlord; three holdings; No. 1, old rent, £8; confirmed. No. 5, old rent, £38 13s.; judicial, £29 10s.; reduced to £27. No. 6, old rent, £27 10s.; judicial, £25; reduced to £23. J. H. Swiney, tenant, same landlord; old rent, £230; judicial rent, £230; confirmed. Henderson, tenant, Lord Erne, landlord; old rent, £33 11s.; judicial, £27; confirmed. McGurk, tenant, McFarlane, landlord; old rent, £8; judicial, £5 2s. 6d.; raised to £6.

Waterford.

On February 11th, at Mount Kennett Quay, a young man named Michael O'Brien and a fellow-worker named Michael Dwyer, were carrying fish-bait to a lighter lying in the river, when O'Brien accidentally slipped and fell into the river and was drowned.

The following changes have recently been made:—Rev. T. Moran, C. C., Carrick, to be C. C., Portlaw; Rev. J. Moran, from Ballyneale, to be C. C. Knockanore; Rev. P. Keating, C. C., Portlaw, to be C. C., Carrick-on-Suir; Rev. Wm. Kelly, Chaplain, Waterford, to be C. C., Ballyneale; Rev. J. J. Egan, C. C., Caher, to be Chaplain, Waterford; Rev. Matthew Walsh, C. C., Aglish, to be C. C., Caher; Rev. Joseph Mulcahy, C. C., Clogheer, to be C. C., Aglish; Rev. Michael McGrath, C. C., Knockanore, to be C. C., Clogheer.

Wexford.

We regret to record the death of Mrs. Thos. Hogan, of New Ross, which took place on February 13, at her residence in Mary st. The deceased, who had attained a fine old age, was well known and widely respected, and for a good number of years had held an important position under the New Ross Board of Guardians.

Wicklow.

On February 11 the mortal remains of Mr. James Butler, of Bray, were laid to rest in the family vault in the old burial ground at Castletown, where lie the ashes of four generations of the family, which is one of the oldest and most respected in the county of Wexford. The deceased was the third son of the late Mr. James Butler, of Arklow, and had been in business in Bray for a considerable time, being a member of the firm of Butler Brothers, of that town. Mr. Butler was a general favorite and extremely popular with all classes, and his death, after a protracted illness, at the early age of thirty years, has caused very genuine and widespread regret. The funeral took place from Arklow and was very largely attended. Rev. Father Dunphy, P. P., Arklow, recited the burial service.

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