

SUMMARY OF IRISH NEWS.

Clare

The Rev. Thomas Moloney, ex-Army Chaplain, died on June 20th at his residence, O'Connell Square, Ennis, at the venerable age of 81 years. Few careers have been marked by more exciting incidents than Father Moloney participated in during the long period that he had spent in foreign climes. Born in Ennis in 1812, he left his native town at a very early age in company with three others to join the Mount St. Bernard Monastery in the Alps. One of his companions, a youth named M'Mahon, subsequently attained high rank in the same monastery, but young Moloney left after some time to enter the Irish College at Rome. He was subsequently recalled to Ireland, and after having been a curate in Newmarket-on-Fergus and parish priest in the Dublin archdiocese, at the breaking out of the Crimean war he was sent out with the English troops on the recommendation of Archbishop Cullen. He served all through the war, and was present at most of the principal engagements. On peace being proclaimed he returned to Saggart, Dublin, to the spiritual care of which he was appointed by Archbishop Cullen, who was a great personal friend of his. When the mutiny broke out in India, Father Moloney was again sent to the front with the troops, and served through its stirring scenes. For his untiring labors with the men there and in the Crimea he was presented with four medals. He was also presented by King Victor Emmanuel with a medal. In 1868 Father Moloney retired from the service, having attained the highest rank a Catholic chaplain could reach, equivalent to the rank and pay of a lieutenant colonel.

Cork

Mr. T. McCarthy, Editor of the *Cork Herald*, has left the editorial chair of that paper to join the London staff of the *Evening Sun*, T. P. O'Connor's paper.

Early on the morning of June 20th, Mrs. Donovan, wife of Mr. Edward Donovan, chairman of the Mallow Town Commissioners, died from the effects of injuries she received through falling off a gig in which she was driving, on the previous Wednesday. This is the second sad bereavement of Mr. Donovan during the last few weeks, his son Leonard having also died.

Mr. Wm. V. Gregg, for many years Crown Solicitor of Cork, died on June 22d, at the age of 76, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Gregg held the post of Crown Solicitor up to a few years ago, when he resigned and was succeeded by Mr. H. T. Wright. He was for many years a member of the Cork Corporation, and was Mayor of Cork in the year 1874, being the only Conservative Mayor for the past forty years.

In the first week in June, in the Basilica of St. John Lateran at Rome, Rev. Daniel Murray, Middleton, was ordained by Cardinal Parocchi. Father Murray had received his early education from the Christian Brothers of his native town, whence he passed to Mangret College, Limerick, where he achieved some brilliant successes, and after he had taken out his degree of Bachelor of Arts was transferred to the American College, Rome, to complete his course of studies preparatory to receiving Holy Orders. As he was considerably below the canonical age for ordination, a special dispensation in his favor was granted in recognition of his eminent fitness and attainments.

Derry

At Coleraine, on June 20th, Dr. W. H. Caldwell, Coroner, held an inquest on the body of Hugh Rankin Stewart, aged 17 years, son of Mr. Hugh Stewart, proprietor of the Star Hotel, who was drowned while bathing in the river Bann, about three-quarters of a mile above the boat-house of the Bann Rowing Club, on the previous evening. It appeared from the evidence of several boys who had bathing with deceased that the latter went out over the edge of the channel shortly after entering the water, and immediately sank. A lad named Murphy endeavored to save him, but failed to catch him. A verdict of accidental drowning was returned.

Down

On June 20th the ceremony of profession took place in the convent of Poor Clares, High street, Newry. The little chapel was appropriately adorned for the occasion, and looked very beautiful. Immediately after Mass, which was said by the Rev. Father Maginnis, a very eloquent and touching sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Fahey, O. P. Then the Most Rev. Dr. McGivern, Bishop of Down, received the vows of Miss Clune of Limerick, in religion Sister Mary Anthony Berchmans.

Dublin

On June 11th, Constable John Nicholson, (91 F. D. M.), dropped dead during parade prior to going on duty at Kingstown. Deceased had been complaining of his heart for some time past. He was a robust looking man, and had thirteen years' service.

The remains of the late Mr. James O'Reilly, of the Cottage, Dalryle, Co. Dublin, were interred on June 15th. Full testimony was borne to the respect in which the deceased was held by the large and representative cortege who attended the funeral. The chief mourners were Messrs. James Dennelly, brother-in-law; Wm. Donnelly,

John Donnelly, Thomas Donnelly, M.D., Nicholas Weldon and James Weldon, nephews.

On June 17, the remains of Mrs. O'Brien, relict of the Hon. James O'Brien, late one of the Justices of the Court of the Queen's Bench, were interred in the vaults of St. Nicholas Church, Francis Street, Dublin. Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated at the University Church at nine o'clock, after which the funeral took place.

Galway

The many friends of the Rev. J. C. Madden, Elphin, will deeply regret to hear of his death, which occurred at Elphin, on Sunday June 18th, after a brief illness. The obsequies took place on June 20th, and were attended by many of the deceased's lay and clerical friends from the district. Most Rev. Dr. Galloway, presided. Father Madden was a native of Caltragh, County Galway. On his first entrance on the mission he was placed as curate with the late Rev. Owen Feeney, P. P., at Riverstown, where he remained six or seven years. He appointed successively to Castleroa, Roskey, and Castletown, (Drumcliffe), where he remained six years, and was a great favorite with the people. From Drumcliffe he was transferred to Drumlin, afterwards to Athlone and finally Elphin, where he died, lamented by all who had the pleasure of intercourse with him. His last visit to Sligo was on Good Friday, on which occasion he preached the sermon on the Passion, and during his short visit had the pleasure of renewing his acquaintance with his many friends in and around Sligo. May he rest in peace.

Kerry

On June 16th, in the Parish Church of Fries, the remains of the late Rev. P. O'Connor were laid to rest. At eleven o'clock, in the presence of a large congregation, the Office of the Dead was impressively sung by the assembled clergy, under the presidency of the Most Reverend Dr. Collier, Bishop of Kerry. The Requiem High Mass then followed. Rev. David O'Leary, President St. Brendan's, Killarney, was celebrant; Rev. M. Wilson (relative of the deceased), was deacon; and Rev. J. Burke, C. C. Killarney, was sub-deacon. The duties of master of ceremonies were discharged by Rev. J. Murphy, C. C. (uncle of the deceased); Rev. P. Hayes, C. C. Killarney, assisted the Bishop at the throne.

We deeply regret to have to announce the death of the Rev. Thomas Brosnan, C. C., which took place at The Presbytery, Causeway, on June 19th, at the age of 35 years. The Rev. gentleman had been only five weeks in the parish, and was in a fair state of health up to a week before his death, when, in the discharge of his sacred duties, he went to administer the last rites of the Church to a patient suffering from typhoid fever, at a place called Kilmore, some five miles from Causeway, where the epidemic is at present raging, when he became stricken by the fell disease himself, and gradually sank until the fatal moment came, no hopes of his recovery being entertained from the outset. Father Brosnan was born at Reighneen, near Castleisland, where his mother and brother still reside, his father having died some years ago. He was educated in St. Brendan's Seminary, Killarney, whence he went to Maynooth, where he completed his studies. His remains were brought from the Causeway, via Tralee, to Castleisland, on the 20th, and placed in the Parish Church, where Office of the Dead and High Mass for his eternal repose were celebrated at 11 o'clock next morning, after which the interment took place in the family vault at Kilmurry.

Kilkenny

On June 3d, Messrs. Walsh & Son, auctioneers, Wexford, offered for sale in the Chamber of Commerce the interest in Nos. 2r. 20p. statute measure, of the lands of Crossstown, Wexford, held under lease for three lives, all living, from Lady Adelaide Fitzgerald, at the yearly rent of £720s. 4d. The tenant is Patrick Ferlong and the sale was carried out under a Judgment of the Court of Chancery. The only bid was that of Mr. M. J. O'Connor, solicitor, Wexford, who purchased in trust for Mr. William Kinsella, Commercial Quay, at £505. Mr. Hingard, solicitor, had carriage of sale.

Louth

The greatest regret is felt at the announcement of the decease of the Very Rev. Wm. MacDonald, D.D., P. P., which took place on June 20th at the Parochial House, Kilcurry, near Dundalk. Dr. MacDonald had been ailing only since the previous Friday, and his death was not expected. The deceased was a native of Ravensdale, county Louth, and was about 65 years of age. He was ordained in Salamanca, in Spain, many years ago, and was afterwards appointed professor in the famous college there. On his return to Ireland, he was appointed curate in Upper Killeavy, county Armagh, where he ministered for some years with great acceptance and was much beloved by his parishioners. From Killeavy he was transferred to Camlough (county Armagh), and remained there for some years. On a visit to Rome he received the title of D.D. from his Holiness Pope Pius IX., and on his return to Ireland he was appointed parish priest of Kilcurry, where he remained until his death. The deceased was beloved

by his parishioners as well as by the people of all denominations in the district. He was kind-hearted, affectionate, and always a great friend of the poor. His funeral took place on the 22d, at Kilcurry.

Mayo

The Month's Mind for the late Most Rev. Dr. Conway was celebrated in the Cathedral, Ballina, on June 8th. His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. MacEvilly was the celebrant. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Galway.

Mr. J. J. Vahey, son of Mr. Bartley Vahey, of Lakelands, Castlebar, recently finished his course of studies at the chief Veterinary College, Edinburgh, and obtained diplomas of special excellence. During his collegiate career he has been most successful, and in all examinations he obtained first-class certificates. He commenced his studies in October, 1890, and is one of seven pupils who obtained their first degree within three years. He got a Fellowship in Edinburgh Veterinary Medical Association, for an essay on "Swine Fever," and also for a communication on "Study." Mr. Vahey has a prosperous career before him.

Meath

On the evening of June 19th, at Slane, a sad case of drowning while bathing occurred, two lives being lost. One of the victims was Police Constable Walsh, of Slane, and the other a man named John Davis. Constable Walsh and Woods were bathing in the River Boyne with another man, when Davis got weak and shouted that he was drowning. Walsh swam to his rescue, when the drowning man grasped him round the waist, and after a brief struggle both sank and were drowned. Both bodies were found an hour afterwards. Walsh leaves a widow and young family.

Most Rev. Dr. Nulty, Bishop of Meath, recently made his triennial visitation of the parish of Dunderry for the purpose of confirming the children of the locality, when the Catholics of the parish seized the opportunity to testify to their reverend Prelate the depth and sincerity of their affection. About a quarter of a mile from the village several hundred had assembled, and when the Bishop appeared their enthusiasm knew no bounds. A procession was immediately formed, and headed by a beautiful green banner bearing the inscription, "Welcome to our Grand Old Bishop," they proceeded to the church, the fife and drum band of the parish discoursing patriotic tunes till they arrived at the chapel of Dunderry. In the evening, when all the children were confirmed, the band and a large number of the people accompanied the Bishop to the parochial residence, when he thanked them warmly for the cordial reception they had given him. He congratulated the members of the band on the excellent music they had rendered, and exhorted those present to continue faithful and loyal to the cause of Church and country. These and similar demonstrations of welcome which Dr. Nulty has received in the parishes of Summerhill, Eskfield, and elsewhere, are evidences of the popular feelings of respect and affection for the patriotic Prelate.

Monaghan

A meeting of Great Northern Railway servants was held at Clones, on June 19th, at which a resolution was adopted protesting against the alleged introduction of Scotchmen by the manager to fill the choice positions on the line.

The Lord Lieutenant has notified Dr. J. J. Cullen, medical officer of the Carrickmacross Dispensary and Union Workhouse, that he has been appointed a J. P. for the County Monaghan. Dr. Cullen's appointment has given universal satisfaction in the neighborhood, where the Doctor, who is a staunch Nationalist, is highly esteemed.

Roscommon

We regret to announce the death of the Rev. James Cavanagh Mannion, C. C., which took place on June 19th, at the Presbytery, Elphin. Widespread sorrow is felt at the demise of the rev. gentleman, who was held in great affection and esteem on account of his estimable qualities. The Office and Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated on the following Wednesday morning, and were followed immediately by the interment.

On Sunday, June 11th, Strokstown was the scene of a very imposing and remarkable demonstration, occasioned by the celebration of the golden jubilee of the Very Rev. P. Kelly, P. P., V. F. The Rev. gentleman has spent nearly all his missionary life in this town and neighborhood, and the people of all shades of political opinion eagerly seized the opportunity of testifying their regard for their venerable and esteemed pastor. The town and surrounding parishes were brilliantly illuminated. The celebration commenced by devotions in the church at half past six. The choir sang the *Te Deum*, in English, after which Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament was given by the Very Rev. J. J. Kelly, P. P., V. F., Athlone (nephew to Father Kelly). The presentation committee then adjourned to the adjoining presbytery, where an illuminated address and purse of sovereigns, together with a silver-mounted riding whip, and other mementoes were presented on behalf of the parishioners. Father Kelly responded to the address in a touching and pathetic speech.

Sligo

A very sad accident occurred near Collooney, on June 17th, resulting in the death of a young man named Pat Mullarkey, aged 18. The deceased was coming from Sligo, about 2 o'clock p. m., in charge of a horse and cart. He was making for Cloonacool, where he lived, and opposite Camphill Cottages he stopped to water the horse. He borrowed a bucket, which he filled in the stream running by, and gave the horse a drink; there was a little water left in the vessel and the boy threw this on the animal's feet. The horse immediately commenced plunging, and started off to a run; the boy rushed to his head, caught the reins, and was checking the horse when the draught-chain gave way, and the boy was knocked down by the shaft. The wheel of the cart passed lengthways over his body and head, dreadfully crushing him. Some people who were on the road at the time ran to his assistance; but though living, he never spoke or moved afterwards. Rev. Dr. O'Rourke and Rev. Father O'Grady were quickly brought to the wounded man and performed the rights of the Church for him. He lived about half an hour, and was then removed to Camphill National School where the police took charge of the body. The cart which killed him was loaded with about 15cwt. weight of timber and salt. The shaft was partly decomposed, and was altogether unfit to hold the staple of the draught-chain. The father of the deceased was with him in Sligo, and after assisting to load the cart, took shipping for England; and this makes the fatal occurrence, if possible, more painful.

Tipperary

On Sunday, June 18th, two boys named Maher and White, aged about 16 and 17 years respectively, were drowned while bathing in the river Suir, near Hollycross, about two miles from Thurles. A third lad named Stapleton, who was bathing with them, and who when he saw his companions drowning, made every effort to save them, was so exhausted that when he came on land he fainted.

With much regret we have to announce the death of Mr. John Davis White, founder and editor of the *Cashel Gazette*. Mr. White had been for some time in failing health, but in the week preceding his death he was better than he had been for many months, and was able to attend Divine Service in the Cathedral on Sunday June 11th. On the following Wednesday he was busily engaged all day in business connected with his paper, and was much interested in the Choral Festival that was fixed for the following day, at which he proposed to be present. Shortly after going to bed on that evening he was seized with a sudden illness, paralysis of the heart, and died about ten minutes after the seizure. Mr. White was born on May 22, 1820, and was therefore in his 74th year.

Tyrone

On June 16th, Mr. Atkinson, coroner, Portadown, held an inquest in the house of the deceased touching the death of a rural postman named Henry Campbell, who resided in Maghera, about four miles from Stewartstown. It appeared from the evidence that deceased went down to the river Blackwater to bathe, and when in the water became weak and sank. Dr. Doogan, Portadown, was of the opinion that deceased came to his death by accidental drowning. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony.

Waterford

We sincerely regret to announce the death of Mrs. A. Moloney, eldest daughter of Mr. John Griffin, John street, Waterford, which took place at her residence, John street, on June 20th. The greatest sympathy is felt with the family of the deceased in their great bereavement.

Death is rapidly snapping the links which bind the generation of to-day with the gallant Young Irelanders who fought and suffered for Ireland in the middle of the present century. It is our melancholy task, this week, to record the death of Mr. Mathew King, a respected Waterford man, who took his place as a follower and friend of Thomas Francis Meagher in the memorable days of '48. Mr. King died on June 23, at a fine old age, respected by all who were fortunate enough to enjoy his acquaintance.

Died, on Monday, June 19th, at his residence, the Quay, Waterford, after a tedious illness, which he bore with the most Christian fortitude, Mr. Michael Kirwan, City Collector Rates, deeply regretted by a young and helpless family, and a large circle of friends. Mr. Kirwan fought in the American Civil War, and after returning, commenced business as a Hotel Proprietor, which he satisfactorily conducted up to his death. He was always regarded as a kind father, a good citizen, and an honest man. After High Mass and office in the Cathedral, on the 21st, his remains were interred in St. Mary's Knockboy, followed by a large and respectable number of citizens of all classes. May he rest in peace.

Westmeath

In an address recently presented to Lord Broughton, on behalf of the people of Mullingar, it was stated that, out of 118 magistrates in the county, only 17 are Catholics, while 95 per cent of the population belong to the Catholic faith.