

## IRISH NEWS SUMMARY.

## LATEST LOCAL COUNTY ITEMS

## LEINSTER.

## Dublin.

Since 1861, through Ireland generally, and especially in the West, early marriages have become less frequent. The decrease in early marriages, especially among women, accounts (say the Registrar General), to a great extent for the diminution in the average size of families in Ireland, and also explains in part the diminished birth-rate, which, in the ten years from 1881 to 1890, had fallen from 24.5 to 22.3 per 1000 of the population. There ought to have been an increase in the Irish population, in the ten years, of over 25,000, that being the increase of births over deaths, but this natural increase has been more than counter-balanced by emigration - so that, in the same period, the population sank by nearly 500,000.

With much regret we record the death, on April 29th, of the Rev. Patrick Doyle, C.C., Rathgar. Father Doyle was one of the first students who entered the Dublin Diocesan Seminary, at Clonsilla, when opened, in September, 1839. In 1862 he went to Maynooth College, where as in Clonsilla, he gained the respect and love of his superiors and fellow-students. He was ordained priest on the 13th of May, 1869, and his first appointment was to the curacy of St. Laurence O'Toole's, from which he was soon promoted, to Milltown, where he began his connection with the parish of Rathgar, in which the greater part of his priestly life was spent. During the twenty-six years of his missionary life, Father Doyle endeared himself to all who knew him, priests and laymen, by his charm of manner, his good nature and kindness. His death is mourned as a domestic affliction, by rich and poor, in Rathgar.

## Wicklow.

On April 27th, Mr. Jos. Abbott, C.E. Government Arbitrator sat in the Arbitration Room in the Four Courts, to hear claims for compensation for land proposed to be taken by the War Department for a new military camp and rifle range at Kilbride, near Blessington. In addition to claims for land actually taken there are claims for compensation for other land that is alleged will be injuriously affected by the shooting on the ranges. In reference to the case of Thomas Fustace who had been paid £55, and had withdrawn his claim, Mr. Moore said that compensation had ruined the happiness of the country round; it had excited the avarice and rapidity of everybody, they gave Fustace too much, and witness (Murphy) to little. The further hearing of evidence was adjourned for a week.

## Kildare.

We regret to learn that Rev. Father McWey, parish priest at Balcock, is suffering from mental prostration, and has been ordered complete rest. The Rev. gentleman is staying at present at Killorgan.

An old man named Laurence Keegan, residing at Blackrath, aged 76 years, was found dead on Sunday morning, April 15th. It appeared he had been complaining for a long time of chest disease, and was under care of the late Dr. Murphy, who told deceased he was suffering from a weak heart. The case was reported to Dr. Smyth, coroner for North Kildare, who, under the circumstances, thought there was no necessity for holding an inquest.

## Wexford.

One of the most sensational occurrences which took place in the town of New Ross for a long time was enacted there, shortly after noon, on May 23, when Mr. Godfrey L. Taylor, agent of the Ely property, was fired at and dangerously wounded. The Quarter Sessions had opened, and Mr. Taylor had been at court getting out a large number of decrees for ejectment against persons on the Ely estate. He left the court about one o'clock in company with Mr. J. T. E. Boyd, solicitor, and just as they were nearing the office of the latter, a half-breed named Nathaniel Hammond, of Irish town, New Ross, who was threatened with eviction by Mr. Taylor, came up behind the land agent and asked what was he going to do with him. The party addressed replied that if Hammond did not get security for the payment of his arrears he would have to turn him out of the premises. At this Hammond pulled a revolver out of his breast pocket and fired at Mr. Taylor. Fortunately for the latter the charge went low but he received a serious wound in the leg. Hammond was about to fire a second time, when John Donavan, an Fenian worthy bailiff, and Mr. Boyd sprang upon him and wrenched the revolver out of the hands of the desperate man and held him until the police arrived. Hammond who, in firing, had blown off the fore finger of his left hand, was committed to jail on a charge of attempted murder. Mr. Taylor bled profusely from the wound, but it is not expected that it will prove fatal. Hammond had been charged with a similar offence some years ago.

## Queen's County.

At the last Mountmellick Petty Sessions a well known character named Penrose Morris, was sentenced to two months imprisonment for various offences in the neighborhood. The prisoner, it appeared, had absconded, and was arrested at Athlone, and brought up in custody of the police at Mountmellick, with the result as stated above.

## King's County.

On the morning of April 30th, it was found that the water supply to Tullamore had been completely cut off. On investigation it was found that some mischievous person had turned a number of stopcocks at different points along the main which brings the water to the town from the reservoir at Clonsilla. Great inconvenience was caused to people living in town, many families having to send for supplies to places a mile distant.

## Kilkenny.

We regret to announce the death, at the Convent of Marie Reparatrice, Cork, of Harriette, in religion Mother Mary of St. Francis de Sales, daughter of the late Mr. James Corr of Callan, County Kilkenny, which took place on the 20th ult., to the great grief of the community and friends of this amiable and devoted member of the Order, who had given nearly thirty years of her life in the service of God. She had been up to the day of her death apparently in her usual health, and attending with characteristic energy to her routine duties, when she died, suddenly, through heart disease.

## Meath.

A permanent branch of the Hibernian Bank has been opened in Oldcastle. Mr. White, who, for the last five years, was manager at Ballaghaderria, co. Mayo, has been appointed to the new branch.

## MUNSTER.

## Cork.

On May 31, a man named John Thompson, alias Arthur Blatch, was charged at the Cork Police Office with the murder of Alfred Welch, at Colchester, Essex, England, on the 21st December, 1893, and with arson and robbery on the same occasion. The prisoner was arrested by Detective Constable Brennan from a description in the Hue and Cry, and acting on telegrams received from the Colchester police. When the description of the man wanted was read to the accused, he said, "I was speaking to that man at Lady's Bridge. He also stated that he had been previously arrested for murder by the police, but was discharged. Detective Brennan said the accused's appearance corresponded with the photograph of the man wanted for the Colchester murder. He was accompanied by a woman whose description answered to that of a woman supposed to be in the company of the alleged murderer. She stated she was the prisoner's wife. The accused was remanded.

## Kerry.

On April 30th, in the Grand Jury Rooms of the Courthouse, Tralee, at the adjourned inquest into the circumstances attending the deaths of John Sugrue and Timothy Sullivan, who were killed on the Great Southern and Western Railway, near Cortatla, on the previous Thursday morning, as detailed in our last, was resumed. The guard, driver, and fireman of the six o'clock train from Tralee to Mallow were examined. Their evidence showed that they saw objects on the line near the place of the accident, but did not discern that they were men until within thirty yards of them, and they were then lying asleep on both sides, and the driver was unable to pull up the train until he had passed them nearly 100 yards. The jury found a verdict of accidental death, and recommended the relatives to the favorable consideration of the railway company.

## Limerick.

On the night of May 4th, the Limerick city police arrested a man who gave his name as Mackey, and who was identified as a returned convict, who had failed to report his movements to the constabulary, as required by the conditions of his ticket of leave. At the Limerick Spring Assizes of 1890 Mackey was sentenced to five years penal servitude for manslaughter, and in December, 1893, was discharged from the Maryborough establishment, on a ticket of leave. He left for New York, last year, and returned to Limerick in October. The accused was brought up at the Police Court on May 6th, but as there was no magistrate in attendance, he was remanded.

## Clare.

It was rumored in the Lobby of the House of Commons, recently, that Mr. Sweetman is to have the reversion of Mr. Rochford McGuire's seat in West Clare, to console him for his Wicklow defeat. No doubt Mr. Sweetman ought to be glad to get any chance, however feeble, of returning to the House, for which he professes a great contempt; but in this arrangement he will have to reckon with Mr. Maguire, who is declared to have the plan in view of running as an entirely independent candidate at the next election - independent even of the Independents. At present, no doubt, while under the depressing influence of his defeat in East Wicklow Mr. Sweetman may be ready to consider the proposition that he should fight a hopeless seat, but when he was completely overpowered

his self-esteem he is confidently expected to put in a claim for one of the Dublin seats as the only adequate requital for his services that the Independent Party can offer.

## Tipperary.

His Grace the Archbishop of Cashel, accompanied by the Rev. Father Ryan, V. P., St. Patrick's College, Thurles, visited Fethard a few days ago, and presided at the election of Rev. Mother at the Presentation Convent. Mother Magdalen Fitzgerald was elected in place of Mother Agnes Ryan, who retired, having filled the office for many years. The Archbishop was the guest of the respected pastor, Very Rev. Wm. Jones, on whom he conferred the dignity of Archdeacon of the diocese. Next day his Grace drove to Clonmel and paid several visits.

## ULSTER.

## Antrim.

A married woman named Wilson was burned to death in Belfast, on April 30th, through the upsetting of an oil lamp. Inquests were held on the same day in Belfast, on the body of a woman named Tate, who, with her child, succumbed to similar injuries, and on a man named Alexander Rainey, who also suffered a like fate. The jury added to their verdicts riders requesting the Government to carry out the recommendation of the Select Committee of Petroleum, which was reported during the last session of Parliament.

## Armagh.

On April 25th, his Eminence Cardinal Logue, Primate of All Ireland, paid his triennial visit to Beesbrook, County Armagh, for the purpose of administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to the children resident in the parish of Lower Killeavey. At eleven o'clock, Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father McDonald, C. C. At three o'clock his Eminence ascended the altar, attended by the following priests: Rev. Charles Quinn, P. P., Camlough; Rev. Father McCarty, P. P., Mullabawn; Rev. Father McDonald, C. C., Beesbrook; Rev. Father Quinn, C. C., Lisle; Rev. Father McFivogue, C. C., Meigh; Rev. Father Michael, C. C., Meigh; Rev. Father Gallagher, C. C., Mullabawn and Rev. Father Moore, C. C. His Eminence then addressed the children on the subject of the Sacrament of Confirmation. The children were then confirmed.

## Derry.

Ten constables in charge of District Inspector Irwin, Magherfelt, arrived, on April 23, in Draperstown, to escort the Sheriff's men while carrying out a number of evictions on the Skinner's estate, near Draperstown. It was understood that three evictions were to be carried out, but it seems two of them were settled on the 23d. In the house where the other eviction was to be carried out the tenant is an old man who is confined to his bed. As the day wore on a settlement was arrived at on the payment, it is said, of £10 and costs out of £15. The three parties who were to be evicted are in very straitened circumstances.

## CONNAUGHT.

## Galway.

The first railway passenger carriage ever seen in Clifden arrived there on May 3d, with Sir Ralph Curzon and the directors of the Mallow Great Western Railway, so that Dublin and Clifden are now virtually connected by rail, and the Galway and Clifden Railway is practically completed. It will not, however, be formally opened until the 1st of July next. Mr. Talbot, who accompanied the party to Clifden on their tour of inspection, stated that the tourist arrangements with public cars this season would remain unchanged until that date, when, of course, the running of public cars on the Clifden road would be suspended. The directors, on arriving at Clifden, were met at the station by Mr. James Ginnell, C. E., the contractor's engineer, who has charge of this section of the work, and immediately afterward they drove to Clifden Castle.

## Roscommon.

Mr. Charles McDermott, B. L., got severely injured in the Phoenix Park, Dublin, on the 29th ult, by a fall from his horse, his leg being badly fractured in two places.

We hear and read so much of centenarians that it may be worth while mentioning that there lives in Manor, near Tolak, an old woman who has passed her 107 summers, and is hale and hearty and able to use all her faculties. Not the least interesting of her numerous stories is that, close on to 90 years ago, she saw a neighbor of hers receive six out of seven sacraments in the one day. On his marriage day he was confirmed, having in the morning been to Confession and Communion, after being baptized and in the evening on being taken suddenly ill, he was anointed.

## Mayo.

The Castlebar Telegraph, on April 27th, says: The sorrowful scenes that were witnessed at most of our railway stations during the early portion of the present week, remind us that the tide of emigration has once more set in. Several young boys and girls left Castlebar on Thursday morning, (April 23d), the parting between whom and their friends was pathetic. Similar scenes of anguish occurred in Manulla, Balla, and



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## Free from Eruptions

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other stations along the route. It is deplorable to think that, concurrently with this pouring of the life-blood of the country, the cry of want and destitution is ringing through the land. The emigrant ship, now as heretofore, bears away to foreign shores the cream of our population, while callous officials, who are sent to inquire into the condition of the people, turn a deaf ear to the appeals of the destitute."

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Friends fall off friends mistake us; they change, they grow unlike us, they go away, they die, but God is everlasting and incapable of change, and to Him we may look with cheerful, unpretentious hope.

It may only a trifling cold, but neglect it and it will fasten its fangs in your lungs, and you will soon be carried to an untimely grave. In this country we have sudden changes and must expect to have coughs and colds. We cannot avoid them, but we can effect a cure by using Bickel's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the medicine that has never been known to fail in curing coughs, colds, bronchitis and all affection of the throat, lungs and chest.

Hope is the last thing that dies in man, and though it be exceedingly deceitful, yet it is of this good use to us, that while we are travelling through life it conducts us in an easier and more pleasant way to our journey's end.—Rochefoucauld.

The proprietors of Parmelee's Pills are constantly receiving letters similar to the following, which explains itself. Mr. John A. Beam, Waterloo, Ont., writes: "I never used any medicine that can equal Parmelee's Pills for Dyspepsia or Liver and Kidney Complaints. The relief experienced after using them was wonderful." As a safe family medicine Parmelee's Vegetable Pills can be given in all cases requiring a Cathartic.

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