

SUMMARY OF IRISH NEWS.

Antrim.

On November 20th, the remains of the late Mr. Charles Gracey were removed from his late residence at Drungooland, near Seaford, for interment in the family burial ground at Loughinisland. The funeral cortege was the largest seen in the neighborhood for years, and testified to the high respect in which the deceased was held.

A curious case of mortality is reported from Portrush. A respectable family, consisting of two brothers and a sister, Alexander Dunlop, aged 47, Allan Dunlop, aged 76 and Catherine Dunlop, aged 81, residing at Ballywilliam, near Portrush, passed away almost simultaneously. "The three were hale and hearty up to a few days ago. Early on the morning of Nov. 30th, the elder brother and his sister died within a few minutes of each other, and a few hours afterwards the remaining one followed. They were attended by their niece, who thought they had influenza."

Armagh.

Mr. Joseph Williams, a clerk employed in the Portadown post-office, was killed on Nov. 24th, by being run over by a train. Mr. Williams, who resided in Edgarmount, was walking on the railway on his way to the passenger station to catch a train at Lurgan at the goods station when he was knocked down and run over by a passing train, being mutilated almost beyond recognition. The deceased was a most popular public official with the townspeople, among whom he had many warm friends. His brother, Mr. Jas. Williams, linen merchant, died suddenly at his residence, Silverwood House, Lurgan, on Nov. 25th.

Cavan.

The death is announced at his residence, Ballymadduff, in his 57 year of Mr. James Smith, merchant. He was the father of the Rev. Patrick Smith, Council Bluffs, Iowa, U.S.

Cork.

Lieutenant G. K. Sweetman, of the Royal Irish Fusiliers, has been appointed Superintendent of the military gymnasia at Cork.

A wholesome sign of the times is the reunion of the two sections of the Nationalists in Cork over the Mayoralty. Both the Nationalists and Redmondites agreed to give Mr. Roche another year of office. It must be said that he had earned the honor, for during his term he acquitted himself on public occasions in a manner befitting the chief citizen of the fair South.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Gordon, General Manager of the Cork and Brandon Railway. He had been suffering from pneumonia for some days. Though it was recognized that the attack was of a very serious nature, hopes of his recovery were entertained up to a short time before the end, which came early on the morning of December 21. Mr. Gordon had been in the employment of the Cork, Brandon, and South Coast Railway for many years.

Derry.

On November 21st, Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty Bishop of Derry, formally opened and blessed the new schools erected in the grounds of St. Columba's, at the Long Tower, Derry. The Bishop was assisted in the ceremony by the Administrator of St. Columba's parish, Rev. H. McMenamin; Rev. Hugh Boyle, C.C., and Rev. William Doherty, C.C. The principal teachers and their assistants were present, and in both the boys' and girls' schools there was a full attendance of pupils. The new building, which is Gothic in style, is one story high, and has a frontage of 77 feet to the chapel ground, the boys' wing extending back 87 feet. In addition to the school building, the church grounds have been completely remodelled. The cost of the building and improvements in the grounds amounts to \$3,000, a moiety of which is contributed by the Board of Works. The Bishop delivered an interesting address on the occasion.

Donegal.

The Marquis of Donegal is not often heard of. His name turned up on November 23rd at the Westminster County Court. His tailor has got judgment against him, but could not enforce it. He applied for a judgment summons, but the Marquis pleaded that he had no means, and that he was a peer and could not be imprisoned. The County Court Judge, however, said that, peer or no peer, he must pay or go to jail. Lord Salisbury should look to this attempt to undermine the privileges of his order.

Down.

On November 28th at Newry a lamp exploded in the house of Mrs. Middleton, Bridge street, setting fire to her dress. She was seriously burned about the head, face and body. She also received a terrible shock. She was conveyed to the Workhouse Hospital, where she lies in a critical state. Several members of the fire brigade soon arrived and were able to cope with the conflagration in the house, which was confined to the interior of one room.

Dublin.

The death is announced of a gallant Irish soldier, Lieut. Colonel Patrick John Murray, of the 7th Imperial and Royal Bohemian Dragoons, in the Austrian army. Lieut. Colonel Murray graduated in the Dublin University in the year 1840, and subsequently joined, as a cadet, the Dragoon

Regiment of Charles Leopold, Duke of Lorraine. He served with distinction in the war between Austria and Prussia in the year 1866, and was severely wounded at Koniggratz. In addition to the Cross of Military Merit he received a war decoration and a gold medal for bravery. He died at Vienna on Friday, November 17th, aged 66 years, and on the following Monday, at midday, his remains were removed to a chapel in the Garrison Infirmary at Sarsfield, where a solemn Requiem service was held for the repose of his soul, and whence his remains were borne to the Central Cemetery for interment with full military honors. Colonel Murray leaves a widow a lady well known and greatly admired some years ago in Dublin circles, and two sons, Leopold, a first lieutenant in the Saltzberg Dragoons, and Wilton, a student in the Imperial and Royal Naval College, Fiume.

Fermanagh.

On November 23d, Mr. John Malone, coroner, held an inquest on the remains of Peter McBride, of Knockaleary, who was burned to death the previous night. Deceased was suffering from bronchial asthma and a weak action of the heart for some time, and was confined to his bed in a partly conscious state. His daughter-in-law, Mary McBride, and a woman called Jane Quinn attended him. They were with him up to two o'clock and left him awake. They put two rows of bricks between him and the fire. There was a heap of turf behind the bed. About four o'clock the house was seen to be in flames. The flames were soon extinguished, but not until the roof had fallen in, and the trunk of the unfortunate man was found in the fire. The jury returned a verdict of accidental burning, no blame being attached to anyone.

Galway.

On Nov. 29th, news reached Ballinasloe of the death of Father John Kirwin, P.P., of Eyrecourt, and over 40 years an ordained priest. Father Kirwin was a staunch Nationalist, though for the last few years he took very little interest in politics, confining his labors solely to his sacred office. He was a most zealous and pious priest and always most generous to the poor, whom he made his special friends. At the commencement of the land agitation, when the Ballinasloe Tenants' Defence Association was established in '76, he was the priest in the diocese to join it, and from that time up to his leaving to take charge of Eyrecourt and Clonsfert, in 1882, there was never a meeting held in which he did not take an active part. He was an especial friend of the Most Rev. Dr. Duggan, who also at the very inception of the Ballinasloe Tenants' Defence Association became a member. Not without cause was Father Kirwin so generally beloved. He lived to a fine old age, enjoying fairly good health up to very recently. His late parishioners in Ballinasloe deeply mourn his loss.

Kerry.

The result of the recent revision of the Parliamentary Voters' Lists for Kerry shows a reduction of 368 on the register of the current year, and no less a reduction than 1,434 on that of last year when the general election took place. The register for 1894 contains 20,329 names, distributed as follows: North Kerry, 5,725; West Kerry, 5,731; East Kerry, 5,562; and South Kerry, 3,311. The register for the year just closing contained 20,695, and the register for 1892 contained 21,763 names.

Kildare.

The Rev. E. P. White, C.C., Ballymore Eustace, died on Nov. 19th, of typhoid fever. The deceased was a native of Tallow, county Waterford. He was educated at Holy Cross College, Clonsilla, where he passed his college course with merit and distinction. He was appointed by his superiors to labor in Dublin. While laboring in Ashford and Sallins parishes his many good qualities of heart and mind endeared him to the parishioners. His brother clerics, among whom he was a favorite, will remember him in the Holy Sacrifice of the Altar, and his many friends and acquaintances will give the deceased a remembrance in their prayers. His brother is the Rev. Michael White, pastor of St. Bridget's Church, Newark, New Jersey. His sister is Sister M. Carthage, of the Ursuline Convent, New York City.

Kilkenny.

With much regret we have to record the premature death of Mr. Michael Curran, jr., which took place at his father's residence, Whittington Cottage, Dublin road, Kilkenny, on Nov. 24th, at the early age of 26 years. He was in his usual health and spirits until the previous Sunday, when he was attacked with his fatal illness. Dangerous symptoms did not show themselves until the following Tuesday, when the members of his family became seriously alarmed at the sudden change for the worse which took place in his condition. All the medical skill of Drs. White and Ternan, who were in constant attendance, was of no avail to avert his untimely death. The funeral took place on Sunday, Nov. 26th, and was one of the largest that passed for some time through the city, to the family burial ground at Cofessgrange, fully testifying to the respect in which the deceased was

held and the deep sympathy for his parents in their great hour of trial.

Limerick.

On December 1st, a special meeting of the Limerick Corporation was held for the election of Mayor. There was no contest, and the proceedings were of an ordinary character. The Mayor, Mr. Bryan O'Donnell, presided, and there were also present: Aldermen John Dundon, Stephen O'Mara, Patrick Riordan, Ambrose Hall, Daniel Ryan; Councillors Patrick Herbert, Jeremiah Anglin, John Hayes, Michael M'Donnell, John M'Mahon, David Begley, Patrick Keena, Stephen Hastings, Michael Scallan, Michael Gilligan, Michael Spain, Michael Cusick, Stephen Dowling, Thomas Hartigan, Michael Donnelly, William Nolan, Daniel Keenally, Jas. H. Moran, solr.; O. D. Coll, V. S.; Michael Quane, Edward Keating, Robert O'Brien, Joseph Carmody, Patrick Corbett, Richard Smith, William E. Counihan, Thomas Connolly, Patrick Franklin, Patrick E. Bourke, Denis M'Namara, John Boreal. The Town Clerk having read the minutes of the last meeting, Alderman Riordan said he had great pleasure in proposing that the Mayor be re-elected for '94. Alderman Gaffney seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Louth.

On Nov. 24 a deputation of gentlemen, representing the people of the parishes of Ardee and Ballypounta, waited on the Rev. Hugh McSherry, Adm., Dundalk, at the Parochial House, and presented him with an address expressive of their feelings of mingled regret and congratulation on his promotion from the curacy of Ardee, which he had worthily filled for several years, and with a beautiful silver purse, well lined with gold, as a token of their deep respect and esteem. Father McSherry made a very feeling reply to the address presented to him and afterwards entertained to dinner the following gentlemen, who composed the deputation:—Messrs. Peter Gannon, Chairman Ardee Town Commissioners; Patrick McGee, J.P.; T. B. Dromgoole, P. Abraham, P. L. G., Ballygowan; N. Halpeany, T. G. Coleman, solicitor; J. J. McIvor, solicitor; J. Halpeany, O. Halpeany, P. Durnin, J. Bradley, and J. Dolan. The following clergymen accompanied the deputation:—Very Rev. A. Rodgers, P.P., Ardee; Rev. John Byrne, C.C., Ardee; Rev. James Maguire, C.C., Ardee; Rev. Francis Murtagh, C.C., Ardee.

Mayo.

On Nov. 25th, the interesting ceremony of the reception of a nun took place in the chapel of the Convent of Mercy, Westport. The young lady who had the happiness of consecrating her life to God is Miss Elizabeth Anna Mary Egan (in religion Sister Mary Gabriel), daughter of Mr. John Egan, Westport, grandniece of the late Venerable Archdeacon Brown, P.P., Castlebar, and cousin of the Venerable Archdeacon Cavanagh, P.P., Knock, and the Very Rev. Canon Barrett, P.P., Headford. By special delegation of his Grace the Most Rev. Dr. MacEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, the Very Rev. Canon Grealy, P.P., V.F., Newport, officiated at the reception, assisted by the Rev. Father O'Malley, P.P., Islandeady. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by the Rev. Bernard McDermott, C.A., Westport, assisted by the Rev. T. F. Macken, C.C., Westport, and the Rev. P. Colgan, C.C., Westport. After the reception, the friends were hospitably entertained to a sumptuous *dejeuner* by the Rev. Mother, Mrs. Mary Paula Cullen, who founded the convent over 50 years ago.

Meath.

Mrs. Thunders, of Senechalstown House, Beaupar, wife of Captain H. D. Thunders, late of the 55th Regiment, and eldest daughter of Sir Stuart Knill, Lord Mayor of London, died on Nov. 28th. She had been in delicate health for some time past. The interment took place in the family burying ground, Ratoath Cemetery.

Queen's County.

On Nov. 29th Mr. H. M. Redmond, J.P., Papefield, Ballylinan, died after a short illness. The deceased gentleman, who was one of the oldest magistrates in the Queen's County, was also a relation of Mr. J. E. Redmond, M.P., but differed with him in politics, being a Liberal-Conservative. He belonged to a Wexford family, and was the only son of Capt. Henry Redmond.

Roscommon.

Dr. Murphy, coroner, recently held an inquest at Gorey on the body of a man named John Flattery, a native of Tulsk, County Roscommon, who died suddenly at his lodgings in Esmonde st. on the previous day. The deceased had been six weeks in Gorey, and was ailing somewhat during the last week, but did not see a doctor, though recommended to do so by his landlady. Previous to going to Gorey he had been in Rathfriland for some time. Head Constable O'Halloran deposed that in making a search for papers or anything that might disclose the identity of the deceased, he found the sum of £114 6s. on his person.

Tipperary.

Mr. William Russell, of Golden, writes to the Dublin *Nationalist* stating that he has been restored to his farm (from which he had been evicted three years ago), by the landlord, Sir William Butler. He says the facts were first published in the *Nationalist*,

and were thus brought to Sir William's notice, and that this was the cause of the settlement.

Tyrone.

On November 18th a farmer named Patrick Mullan, of Aughnagor, was found dead near Sixmillecross, having perished in a storm. It appears the deceased was out in the storm and, on crossing the River Coughlin, he fell into it, and was found lying partly in the river. The jury found that deceased died from exposure. An inquest has also been held on the body of John Holland, of Listymore, near Castle Derg, who also died from exposure during the storm. It appears that deceased was on his way home, and having fallen on the ground, being somewhat under the influence of drink, he perished. There was an incised wound on the head caused, in the opinion of Dr. Leary, by the fall. The jury found that deceased died from exposure after receiving the injuries to his head.

Waterford.

On November 28th, the funeral obsequies of the Rev. R. Foran, P.P., of Ballylooby, took place in the presence of a very large gathering of priests and people. Father Foran had been ailing for some time, but on Sunday morning, November 18th, he was up and celebrated Mass. He got bad again during the week, and had to take to his room, and on the 24th, at two o'clock, he expired, the cause of death being bronchitis. The news of the venerable pastor's demise caused great regret throughout the diocese, where he was respected and beloved by all. Father Foran was born about 72 years ago in the parish of Dunhill, near Tramore, and was a member of one of the oldest and most respected Catholic families in the county Waterford. He was a relative of the late Doctor Foran, Bishop of Waterford, a brother of Canon Foran, of one of the English dioceses, and a relative of the pastor of Ring, county Waterford, Rev. Edward Foran. He completed his course at St. John's, Waterford, and subsequently officiated as curate in the parishes of St. John and Ballygunner. Eighteen years ago he was appointed by the late Bishop John Power pastor of the united parishes of Ballylooby and Dunhill, over which he presided ever since. He was a scholar of deep learning, and was a master of seven languages—English, Celtic, Greek, German, Latin, French and Italian. He took a particular interest in the Irish language, and was Professor of Celtic for years in the University School, Waterford. Father Foran was fondly devoted to his people, and was ever solicitous for their welfare. The churches of the parish were kept in splendid order by him, and he also took a warm interest in the schools. Temperance found in him a good advocate, and through his exertions; a branch of the League of the Cross was established in the parish. He lived a good, useful, and holy life, and died a most edifying death. The Requiem Office and High Mass were celebrated at the parish church, Ballylooby. Most Rev. Dr. Sheehan, Bishop of the diocese, presided, and was assisted by Very Rev. Dr. O'Brien, P.P., V. G., Clonmel, and Very Rev. Father Flynn, P.P., Ballybricken. The celebrant of the Mass was Rev. D. O'Connor, Ballylooby, deacon, Rev. F. Kirwan, Waterford; sub-deacon, Rev. Father Byrne, Clondalkin, Dublin; master of ceremonies, Rev. R. Power, P.P., Cahir. A large number of the clergy and an immense congregation of the laity attended.

Wexford.

On November 24th at the Parish Church, New Ross, Miss Johanna Mary Roche, of Woodville, daughter of P. J. Roche, J.P., of that place, was married to Mr. Eugene McLaughlin, of Sydenham, London, brother of Mr. G. B. McLaughlin, manager of the National Bank in New Ross.

On Nov. 25th Bishop of Ferns performed the ceremony of the reception of two young ladies into the Order of St. John of God, at Wexford. The postulants were Miss Gunning, County Galway, in religion Sister Mary of the Visitation; and Miss Keating, Kilmore, in religion Sister Mary Borgia.

Rev. P. Doyle, C.C., Kilanerin, has been transferred from Kilanerin to Camlin, and Rev. A. Forrestal, C.C., from Camlin to Kilanerin; Rev. James Praudy, C.C., Ballynaggin, goes to Ballymitty, vice Rev. T. Meehan, C.C., appointed to the pastoral charge of Ballynaggin in consequence of the continued illness of the pastor, the Very Rev. William Sinnott, P.P., Proctor of Ferns.

Wicklow.

On Nov. 25th, before the Lord Chancellor, Mr. W. C. M. Borland, B.A., T.C.D., Beachfield Lodge, Clontarf, third son of the late John W. Borland, of Carnow, County Wicklow, was sworn in as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of Judicature. Mr. Borland served his apprenticeship to Mr. W. S. Hayes, Queen's Proctor, of the firm of Hayes & Sons, 24 Nassau street, and intends practicing at 50 Dame street, Dublin, in partnership with Mr. William Hunter.

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