



ULSTER.

ANTRIM.—The Earl of Glasgow, president of the Institution of Naval Architects, meeting in Belfast City, on June 23, unveiled a statue of the late Sir Edward Harland, founder of the Queen's Island Shipbuilding yard. The Earl of Glasgow said the deceased was a very original naval architect and was the first to give such great carrying capacity to seagoing vessels.

Mr. Joseph Devlin, M. P., was on June 19 the recipient of a great popular demonstration from Belfast. On arriving at Balmoral Station he was greeted by prominent Nationalists. A procession comprising nine bands and many thousands of Nationalists was marshaled near the station, and during his progress through the Falls district was joined by immense numbers of people, who displayed by remarkable enthusiasm. Addressing a vast audience in Smithfield, Mr. Devlin, who was received with great cheers, expressed his delight at seeing such a great crowd gathered in historic Smithfield. He thanked them with all his heart for the splendid greeting which they had given him in his native city that night.

The members of the Peter O'Neill Crowley Branch of the Gaelic League met on June 22 in their clubroom, Kiltclooney Hall, Belfast, to form an Irish dancing and language class. Mr. Edward J. Trodden occupied the chair. Master Willie O'Laverty kindly consented to put the members through the dancing, and the branch could not have had a more expert master. The teacher at the close of the dancing was pleased with his pupils. A musical programme was gone through. Capt. Hugh O'Toole, "Irish-American," Mr. J. Ralph, "The Croppy Boy," Mr. J. Hughes, "A Nation Once Again," Master A. Cunningham, "Molly Asthore," Mr. B. Donnelly, "Our Old Land," Master Willie O'Laverty, "The Boys of the West," Mr. J. Cunningham, "The Irishman," Mr. J. Clements, "West's Asleep," Mr. T. Donnelly, "Skibbereen," Mr. I. Clarke, "Minstrel Boy," Mr. J. McCann, "Hantry Bay," Mr. P. McCabe, recitation, "Irish Soldier's Doom," Mr. J. Duffy, "Hurrah for Freedom," Mr. J. McMahon, "Clare's Dragoons," Mr. C. Dorry, "Emmet's Farewell," Mr. B. Neeson, "Sentenced to Death." The proceedings came to a close by the singing of Ireland's national anthem by Mr. J. Durkin.

Mr. W. J. MacCormack, Belfast, died June 11 from the effects of burns received lately. Deceased was born in Ardglass, County Down, 60 years ago. For some time he was principal of Boncastle National School. Dr. Marner, then president of St. Malachy's College, secured his services for the college. He was professor of English and mathematics in St. Malachy's for twenty years. When Mr. Thomas Sexton, M. P., stood for West Belfast in 1886, Mr. MacCormack gave the National cause his energetic support. On Saturday the remains were removed from the Royal Hospital, where he died, to Milltown Cemetery. The attendance was numerous and comprised the most prominent Catholics in the north of Ireland. The cortege proceeded via York street, Royal avenue, Castle street and Falls road. The Bishop of Down and Connor, Most Rev. Dr. Henry, accompanied the funeral and the other clergy present included: Very Rev. John O'Brien, Ballybride; Very Rev. D. McCashin, administrator, St. Malachy's; Very Rev. R. Crickard, Ballynafagh; Very Rev. John Conway, Larne; Very Rev. James O'Laverty, Holywood; Very Rev. George Conway, Ballynafagh; Rev. P. Boyle, dean St. Malachy's College; Rev. F. J. O'Neill, professor St. Malachy's College; Rev. G. Nolan, professor St. Malachy's College; Rev. J. O'Riordan, professor St. Malachy's College; Rev. J. Walsh, Rev. J. K. O'Neill, St. Patrick's; Rev. George Croll, St. Patrick's; Rev. H. Skelington, St. Patrick's; Rev. John Hill, St. Patrick's; Rev. John McKinley, St. Patrick's; Rev. J. Tobhill, administrator St. Peter's; Rev. B. J. Laverty, St. Peter's; Rev. H. Liddy, administrator Sacred Heart; Rev. F. C. Henry, administrator Holy Family; Rev. J. Boylan, St. Brigid's; Rev. James Small, St. Mary's; Rev. T. M. Cotter, M. A., professor St. Malachy's College.

ARMAGH.—At the meeting of the Armagh Board of Guardians June 23 Mr. T. Brown presiding, the committee in charge of the Catholic catechist question reported that the following resolution was adopted by the committee, on the motion of Mr. W. Simpson, seconded by Mr. J. Maxwell: "That being advised that Miss McKee, late assistant teacher and catechist, has no legal claim for compensation on the County Council, we instruct Mr. Fee, our solicitor, to appear before the County Council and oppose the claim on behalf of the Board of Guardians." The report was adopted. Tolerant, indeed! When had the Orangemen shown any sense of decency.

A meeting of the members of the Crossmaglen Branch of the United Irish League was held June 21 in League Room, North street. Mr. James Donaghy, Jr., president, in the chair. There was a large attendance of members. The first business was the election of officers for 1904. Proposed by James Donaghy, Sr., and seconded by Michael Hearty, that J. Donaghy, Jr., be re-elected president; vice-president, Peter Conlon, proposed by James Morgan and seconded by Thomas McNulty. Peter Murphy, proposed by John McCoy, re-elected secretary; Michael McConville, proposed by John McCoy and seconded by James Morgan, re-elected treasurer; committee, J. Morgan, John Kirk, Patrick McCabe, James Mallon, Owen McEneaney, Owen Hearty, Thomas McNulty, Patrick Hearty, Francis McArdle, Michael Hearty, John McGeaney, Bernard Murphy, Patrick Lamb, Luke Murtha, Hugh Morris.

CAVAN.—The death from pneumonia of Mrs. Patrick Brady, Kiltaleck, took place June 1 at the age of 49 years. Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Hugh Owens. Very Rev. P. Lynch presided. The following were in the choir: Rev. M. Brady, Rev. C. Mazer, Rev. B. Gaffney, administrator; Rev. P. McGivney, Rev. B. Brady, Rev. J. A. McGivney, Ballymachugh. Rev. P. Brady, administrator, Cavan; Rev. J. Galligan, Ebercock; Rev. J. Judge, the college, Cavan; Rev. F. Brady, Laragh. The funeral to the family burial ground, Crosserlough, was large and representative. The chief mourners were Patrick Brady, husband, Mollie, Patrick, Kathleen, Maggie and Rosanna Brady, children. Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Leddy, Annie, Roseanne and Jennie Galligan, sisters, Daniel, Patrick, Andrew and Phillip Galligan, brothers; Mrs. B. Pinnegan, Ballyjamesduff; Mrs. Brady, Aughacashel, sisters-in-law; D. Leddy, Ardeeny, "Terence Smith, Aughacashel; Thomas Brady, Coresh, and James Brady, Cornaslieve, brothers-in-law; Mrs. Brady, Lismeen; Maggie, Mary, Anne and John Colwell, cousins; Mrs. Fay, aunt.

The Aerideacht organized under the auspices of the local branch of the Gaelic League was held in Virginia, June 14. Glorious summer weather, an enthusiastic gathering and an energetic and indefatigable committee contributed to make the open air concert one of the most successful held in Cavan. The grounds, which are situated about a half mile outside the town, and overlooking a beautiful sheet of water, which is the joy of tourists, were packed with an audience numbering 1,000, many of whom traveled considerable distances by rail, car, or by that more popular mode of locomotion, the bicycle. The Dublin contingent numbered 500 people and included representatives from the Keating, Confederates, McGarvey and McHale branches. To accommodate these a special train was chartered and large numbers of enthusiastic Gaels joined at the stations en route. The Navan contingent in particular being fairly strong, while large numbers traveled from Kells, Oldcastle and Cavan. The Virginia Brass Band paraded the town before and after the concert and played a selection of appropriate airs during the Aerideacht. Among those present were: Rev. Father O'Reilly, D. D. Virginia, Rev. Father McKernan, Virginia; Rev. Father Conlan, Oldcastle; Rev. Father O'Kieran, Virginia; Mr. O'Beirne, Dublin, and his affable daughter, Miss O'Beirne, Mr. and Mrs. Grace, Oldcastle, Mr. Kenna, Oldcastle, Mr. and Mrs. Tierney, Cavan, etc.

DERRY.—An occurrence occasioning great alarm took place opposite the Middle Quay, Derry, June 19. There are several ferry services on the river, one maintained by Francis McKeever and another with steam launches, owned by the Bridge Commissioners. While McKeever's boat was putting off from the landing stage the steam ferry ran into her, throwing eight persons into the water. A scene of intense excitement followed. Fortunately the rescue of all was speedily effected.

The Gaelic League branches in Derry held an excursion, June 21, to Fintona and Glenties, County Donegal. It was the idea to visit the romantic spots in the North of Ireland, and to be in the vicinity of a Gaelic-speaking population. While mountain scenery abounds in Glenties, Fintona is "one of the wildest and most romantic parts of Donegal." Besides it are several lakes, including the picturesque Lough Finn. From the water's edge rise up the mountains of Scraigs (1,410 feet) and Aghia (1,861 feet). At the foot of Aghia local tradition points out the grave of Fion MacCumhal, chief of the Pianna of Etrinn. Gaelic speakers galore were in both places. A contingent of excursionists stopped at Fintona, and here was spent a most enjoyable day. Flags bearing Irish mottoes were arranged around the field, where luncheon was served. After the departure an open-air concert was held, at which songs and choruses in Irish were given by the Derry and Strabane Leaguers, and by those living in the district. Selections of Irish airs on the violin were also given. Dancing was a prominent item of the amusement, reels, jigs, hornpipes, etc., being danced. Several Fintona excursionists made the ascent of Scraig Mor—1,410 feet high—inscribed names on cairn on summit, and on that lofty elevation held a concert. Songs were sung and four-hand reels danced. In commemoration of the Wolfe Tone anniversary the chorus "Tone Is Coming Back Again" was sung by the company. Before beginning the descent "A Nation Once Again" was sung. The party reassembled in Fintona

at 5 o'clock, where tea was served, after which another round of Irish dancing was indulged in until train time. Lough Muc, in the valley between Scraigs and Aghia, was visited by a number of the party, who visited Fion MacCumhal's grave. During the day the inhabitants took part in the day's diversion. At Glenties the day's proceedings were of a thoroughly Irish character. The mountain scenery around Glenties was the great attraction. Narin and Portnoo, which are a distance from Glenties of about five miles, and where there is a pretty seacoast, attracted a large number of excursionists. As at Fintona, a large number of people from Dungloe, Ardara, Mountcharles and Donegal journeyed to Glenties to welcome the excursionists. In the afternoon a public meeting took place at Drimsnillah, in a field lent by Mr. P. Craig. The following were on the platform: Rev. Canon McFadden, Glenties; Rev. H. McShane, Rev. Father McDyer, Ardara, Messrs. T. O'Connell, J. J. Doyle, J. J. O'Hegarty, J. Boyce, T. O'Flynn, J. McTyre, N. T. Boyle, N. T.; J. McLoone, N. T., and T. McFadden, N. T.

DONEGAL.—Mr. Denis Gallagher, of Kilear, died June 21 at the residence of his brother, Rev. Hugh Gallagher, president St. Eunan's Seminary, Letterkenny, deeply regretted after Solemn Requiem services the funeral left for Kilear Cemetery, and was very numerously attended.

On June 21 was interred in the ancient Abbey of Assaroo the remains of a most respected resident of Ballyshannon—late Dr. Hugh Ivers, who died June 19, at the fine old age of 71 years.

The excursion of the Gweedore and Rosses National teachers to Letterkenny took place on Saturday, June 20. When they arrived at the Cathedral of St. Eunan they were met by the Rev. Daniel Sweeney, who accorded them a hearty welcome and showed them through the building, pointing out the architectural beauties and explaining the beautifully painted Scripture scenes on wall and window of the world-renowned building. The sculptured arch, its wonderful ornamentation, and the life scenes of St. Columba and Eunan, presented in relief were explained by Father Sweeney. The marble pulpit surrounded by the statues of the Four Masters, appropriately, as the magnificent structure with its exquisite canopy, was erected out of funds provided by the teachers of the diocese. The altar of St. Columba and the life-like paintings of the saints of the diocese on the ceiling in a background of blue and gold brought home to the party the greatness of Donegal in the past. After an interval of an hour for dinner, the excursionists proceeded to the Nuns' School on Ard Columba, aired and suitably arranged for a Celdh, by the Reverend Mother. Father Sweeney and the following teachers, who were accompanied by friends, were present at the Celdh: Rosses—Mrs. H. Doherty, Mrs. C. Boyle, Miss Reettle, Miss McDermott, Miss McCrossan, Miss Rodgers, Messrs. A. J. Doherty, W. Sweeney, H. Doherty, J. Loughran and M. McGlinley; Gweedore—Mrs. Campbell, Miss Fox, Messrs. H. Gallagher, M. Coppins, B. Campbell, A. Woods, J. Dugran and O. Coyle; Cloughaneely—Miss McGuinness, Miss McAdams and Mr. Breslin; Dunfanaghy—Mr. Boyle; Kilmacrenan—Mr. M. Houston; Letterkenny—Miss M. Gildea, Miss Kelly and Mr. F. Kelly. Mr. M. Coppins, chairman of the Gweedore and Rosses National Teachers' Association, presided. A most Irish and most enjoyable entertainment was given.

DOWN.—There has been erected in the cemetery of the new chapel, Ballymartin, a monument to the late Rev. J. Keating, who was P. P. for forty years, and died on May 4, 1896. It consists of a massive polished granite cross on a pedestal, also of polished granite, surrounded by inclosed cutstone and railing. The monument is of Newry granite, and reflects credit on McAteer & Sons, monumental sculptors, Newry.

The funeral of the late Mr. Arthur McEvoy, brother of Rev. P. J. McEvoy, of Hilltown, took place June 14 to Lettrim Cemetery. Rev. P. J. McEvoy officiated at the interment. The chief mourners were: Rev. P. J. McEvoy, Hilltown; John McEvoy, Ballydrummond (brothers); Mrs. R. Rice (sister), Mr. Robert Rice (brother-in-law), Mr. Patrick McEvoy (cousin). The clergy present were: Right Rev. Joseph Kearns, D. D., Hilltown; Very Rev. John Lowry, Lettrim; Rev. John Doyle, Ballynablinch; Rev. Felix Magennis, Glen; Rev. Father Malachy, rector, C. P. Ardoyne, Belfast; Rev. J. McKenny, Gargory; Rev. James Crangle, Hilltown; Rev. W. McGinn, Barnmen; Rev. P. Greenan, Annacloy, Rev. John Carr, Ballela; Rev. Father McAllister, Lurgan; Rev. Joseph Doyle, Newry; Rev. H. McEvoy, Warrenpoint; Rev. J. Rooney, Newry; Rev. Father Fitzpatrick, Newry; Rev. D. McEvoy, Downpatrick; Rev. Father McClory, Lettrim.

FERRANAGH.—On June 15 a great Nationalist demonstration was held in Derrylin under the auspices of the local branch of the United Irish League. A platform was erected in a field outside the village, given by Mr. Blake, facing the historic hill of Mullaneeny to which allusion was made by the speakers. The following fife and drum bands were present: Newtownbutler, Ballyconnell, Knocknanny, Derrylin, Cornaleck, Aughaderymmond, Derrynagare, Derrymacaney. Each band carried a banner and headed a large contingent. The Newtownbutler branch brought a beautiful banner showing a likeness of Pope Leo XIII. with the inscription, "The Light of Heaven: For as we are children of Christ we are also the children of Rome." The reverse side had a representation of "Mass in the Penal Days." The proceedings throughout were most enthusiastic. Among those present were Jeremiah Jordan, M. P.; John O'Donnell, M. P.; Owen Kiernan, organizer of the United Irish League of Great Britain, James Crozier, Blacklion; J. O'Donnell, chairman Lisnaskea Rural District Council; A. J. Maguire, vice-chairman, Lisnaskea Rural District Council; E. M. Flanagan, chairman Lisnaskea Board of Guardians; Patrick Blake, John Burns, J. Owens, Thomas Curry, James Cassidy, Owen Murphy, Peter Donohoe, John Cassidy, James McBrien, James McCorry, P. McVeigh, A. O. H., Downpatrick; P. McCarren, A. O. H., Dundrum, County Down; Hugh, McCarren, Dundrum, County Down, and W. McGlinn, Dundrum, County Down Parish of Knocknanny, A. O. H., No. 1 Division—J. Gillee, James E. McManus, P. McAlpion, P. Gillee; No. 2 Division—T. Boyle, J. Maguire, J. McBrien, J. Maguire; No. 3 Division—Messrs. B. Kieran, C. Curry, J. McAvinue, F. Curry; No. 4 Division—J. Reilly, F. Drum, B. Reilly; No. 5 Division—E. Donohoe, J. Reilly, J. Donohoe, E. Donohoe; No. 6 Division—P. Reilly, W. Coalston, T. Donohoe, H. Reilly, No. 7 Division—P. Gunn, T. Green, J. Gunn, M. Mansker, No. 8 Division—Messrs. O. McCaffrey, C. Shannon, T. McAviney, Newtownbutler—James McKiernan, John Johnson, Philip Goodwin, J. Maguire, M. Frunty, T. Allen, T. McDonnell, P. O'Keefe, H. Brown, Clones—James McCarney and P. Slowney, Drimlow, A. O. H.—Messrs. J. Lavelle, H. Browne, A. McDonnell. On the motion of Mr. Burns, seconded by Mr. J. Owens, the chair was taken by Mr. P. Clarke. Speeches were made by Mr. John O'Donnell, in the C. P., and other prominent Nationalists in the county.

MONAGHAN.—Rev. P. MacGowen pastor of Monaghan, forwarded a substantial sum of money to the trustees of the Irish Parliamentary Fund, subscribed by the people of that parish. This is not the first instance of the practical support given the Irish cause by the people of Monaghan.

TYRONE.—In celebration of his silver jubilee Rev. Father Sam Connolly, P. P., Leckpatrick, was made the recipient of an illuminated address and purse of sovereigns at his residence, Woodend Strabane, June 24. Mr. John Christy presided. Mr. Toner, solicitor, read the address. Rev. Father Kerlin, Leckpatrick, handed the purse of sovereigns which he said was the spontaneous gift of the people of Leckpatrick, Strabane and surrounding districts. On the invitation of Father Connolly, the company, numbering seventy, sat down to a sumptuous repast. After dinner the company adjourned to the front of Father Connolly's residence. Among the priests present were Rev. Father O'Kane, Cappagh, Rev. Father McGlinchey, Donaghadee, Rev. Father McElhatton, Urney, Rev. Father McConalogue, Termon, Rev. Father McGlynn, Strabane, Rev. Father Convey, Dungiven, Rev. Father Bradley, Strabane; Rev. Father Dee, Termon, Rev. Father Devine, Plumbridge; Rev. Father Mullin, Donaghmore; Rev. Father McLaughlin, Urney, and Rev. Father Kerlin, Leckpatrick.

The funeral of the late Mr. Hugh Maguire, Strabane, took place on June 17, to Melmount Cemetery. After the celebration of Mass in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Father Bradley made touching reference to his many virtues. He said he was an example which many others would do well to follow. The chief mourners were Mr. J. E. Maguire, M. A., Blackrock, Co. Wick, Dublin, Mr. H. J. Maguire, Strabane, sons; Rev. D. B. McFeely, Adm., Derry; Mr. E. McFeely, Daisy Hill; Mr. T. MacFeely, Clady; Mr. George Diver, Killygordon, Mr. R. Gormley, Strabane, relatives. The following clergy were present: Revs. P. Magee, Plumbridge; J. McConalogue, Termon, J. O'Kane, Cappagh; S. Connolly, Leck; H. McLaughlin, P. P., Donaghmore; J. McElhatton, Urney; J. McKenna, Termon; J. Harlin, Eskane; F. Kearney, Gortin; J. L. McGettigan, St. Eugene's, Derry; Thomas O'Doherty, Donaghmore; F. Kerlin, Leck; J. Bradley, Strabane, H. McGlynn, Strabane.