

Mr. Davitt. It was further stated an appeal had been issued by the Irishtown Branch of the United League, supported by Mr. Redmond, M.P., Mr. Dillon, M.P., and others in furtherance of such a project. The publication of these statements has drawn a letter from Mrs. Davitt, which is also signed by Mr. Dillon, Mr. J. Rourke, Mr. Davitt's closest friends—thanking the priests and people of Irishtown for their tribute to Mr. Davitt's memory, and going on to say that two days before his death he made this request—'Above all things there is to be no testimonial raised on behalf of my family, nor any public monument erected to me.' Mrs. Davitt and the other signatories conclude that compliance with this wish will deprive many of Mr. Davitt's friends and admirers of the pleasure of perpetuating his memory. His representatives, however, believe that commands made—as this command of Mr. Davitt's was made—ought to be respected.

ROSCOMMON—A Centenarian

The death has occurred, at the age of 103 years, of Mrs. Honoria Morris, at Emia, near Castlereagh, who up to a short time ago was able to discharge household work.

TIPPERARY—Youthful Travellers

Anne and Patrick Doherty, nine and ten years old respectively, have left Nenagh, County Tipperary, to visit their uncle at Detroit, Michigan. They are travelling in charge of a steamship company.

A Hurling Fatality

In the hurling tournament which was held at Drom, near Templemore, Michael Maher, Laha, aged 22, who played with Templemoohy against Borrisoleigh, was accidentally struck on the forehead with a hurley by a man named Murray. Dr. Kelly, who was present, attended to the injured man, and having bandaged the wound ordered his removal home, where he died. Deceased was educated at Rockwell College, Cashel, and showed promise of a brilliant future.

WEXFORD—White Gloves

At the opening of the Wexford Assizes Mr. Justice Andrews was presented with white gloves, there being no criminal business.

WICKLOW—Sad Fatality

During a dense fog in the Bristol Channel a Swansea steamer ran into the schooner 'William Keith,' of Carnarvon, off the Smalls, the schooner being cut completely in two. Her master, Finch, of Arklow, and James Murphy, of Wexford, were drowned. The mate, William Finch, brother of the master, and the other hand, Michael O'Neill, of Wicklow, were saved.

GENERAL

Absence of Crime

At the opening of the Derry, Wicklow, and Cork Assizes the Judges congratulated the grand juries on the peaceable state of their respective counties.

A Tour of Ireland

In view of the probability that Irish legislation will engage attention next session (says the London 'Daily Telegraph' of July 26), Mr. Percy Alden, the representative of Tottenham, is organising a tour to Ireland for the autumn. While the trip will be under the auspices of the Friends' Social Union, the party will consist of English members of Parliament and others interested in the progress of the 'distressful country.' Starting from London on August 20, the travellers will be received by Lord and Lady Aberdeen in Dublin on the following day. The fullest opportunity will be given by the Chief Secretary for inspecting the work of the Congested Districts Board, and attention will be devoted to matters connected with fisheries, industries, and the land. The qualification of Mr. Alden for the task may be gathered from the fact that last year he was responsible for an educational tour through Denmark, and the year before one through Holland, Belgium, and Germany.

The death of Sister Mary Keogh occurred on August 27 at the Convent of Mercy, Bathurst. Deceased was a native of Ireland, and was 71 years of age. After coming to Australia she joined the Order, about 33 years ago.

Make never mock of cold nor cough—
They danger spell, however slightly;
Nor e'er esteem it quite enough
To treat the primal symptoms lightly.
Consider, ere you money spend;
To buy but mixtures safe and sure—
Remember one—and recommend
The worth of Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.

People We Hear About

The Archbishop of Adelaide was born on November 10, 1846, and will celebrate his 60th birthday this year.

Miss Florence Nightingale recently celebrated the eighty-sixth anniversary of her birth. She is an invalid, confined to her bed in her house in London, where thousands of congratulatory messages were received.

Mr. P. McM. Glynn celebrated his 51st birthday on August 25. He was born at Gort, County Galway, Ireland, and graduated at Trinity College. He was first elected to the S.A. Assembly in 1887.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. J. Meagher, widow of General Thomas F. Meagher, who led the Irish Brigade in the Civil War, died on July 5, at her home in Rye, Westchester County, of heart disease.

The Bishop of Wilcannia (Right Rev. John Dunne) celebrated the 19th anniversary of his consecration on August 14. He will complete his 60th year on September 21, having spent over 35 years in Australia. He is a native of Rhode, King's County.

Mr. Santley's excellent health enabled him to appear with success at his thirteenth Triennial Handel Festival. Nor does thirteen times three years exhaust the span of his professional life. Next year he will celebrate the golden jubilee of his publicity, for he made his first appearance—it was in Haydn's 'Creation'—in 1857.

Martin Sheridan, the Irish-American athlete, who beat the Greeks at their own game—throwing the discus—has been banqueted in New York, in common with the other members of the Irish-American Olympian team. Mr. Clarke, author of 'Kelly and Burke and Shea,' wrote a poem which was recited on the occasion.

A cable message received last week stated that Senor Pedro Montt has been installed President of Chile to which position he was elected a few months ago. He is a man of considerable ability, is very popular, and a decided advocate of peace. It is hoped that by his prudence and tact complications with the neighboring republics will be avoided during his term of office.

Lord Braye, who has just kept his fifty-seventh birthday, is head of an ancient house, and claims to be twenty-first in descent from King Edward III. A retiring man, with strong views of his own on various subjects, Lord Braye is an excellent scholar, and has published a volume of verse. He is also fond of hunting, as testifies a peer whose home is in the heart of the shires.

Cardinal Raphael Merry del Val, Pontifical Secretary of State, will enter on his forty-second year on the 10th of next month. He was born in Portman Square, London, his father being at the time Secretary to the Spanish Embassy. He was mostly educated in England, and he speaks the English language fluently, and also Spanish, Italian, French, and German. For a year or two after his ordination he was on the roll of priests belonging to the Archdiocese of Westminster.

A number of friends and admirers of the late Mr. John Augustus O'Shea assembled at Kensal Green Cemetery, London, the other day to view the Celtic memorial cross which has been erected over the grave of the distinguished war correspondent. On the pedestal is the inscription: 'In loving memory of John Augustus O'Shea ('The Irish Bohemian'). Born Nenagh, June 24, 1840. Died London, March 13, 1906.' Underneath is a verse especially written by Mr. A. P. Graves, who took a leading part in the erection of the cross.

The meeting of representatives of the Society of Jesus in Rome last week for the purpose of electing a new General reminds us that the late Father Martin was the twenty-fourth Father General, and out of that number only two visited Ireland. Father Martin was one, and the other was Father Roothan, a Dutch Jesuit. The former stayed in that country only for a short period. Father Roothan went to Ireland in 1848, and visited Maynooth College. The famous Dr. Murray, in one of his works, gives an account of the visit, and writes very enthusiastically about Father Roothan, and mentions that he was the 21st General of the Order after St. Ignatius, and was the first to visit Ireland. It may be interesting to add that there have been five Spanish Generals, eleven Italians, and Austria, Poland, Roumania, Belgium, and Switzerland furnish the rest.