EAST CORK FENIAN STORY RE-TOLD

WHEN the people of Killeagh gathered at a commemoration ceremony to pay tribute to the first Fenian to die in East Cork, Tim Daly of Midleton, they were urged by the speaker Mr. Peadar O Maidin, County Librarian, to document the history of the area's connection with the Fenian movement. The man commemorated, Tim Daly, fell fighting for his country's freedom in Castlemartyr on the night of March 6, 1867, at the age of 34.

Mr. O Maidin stated in the course of his tribute to Daly:

"For some reason or other, the Fenians and Fenianism were taken to their hearts by the Irish people and they kept them there for over 100 years. From 1858 down even to this present moment, Fenianism has been a decisive influence in the Irish way of thinking. Some other place, perhaps, and some other time, we shall learn what it was in Fenianism and what it was in the Irish character that brought them so close together. It may well be that the mere idea of an Irish Republic was sufficient to stir the imagination and the hearts of our predecessors. It may well be that they realised that they had a cultural distinctiveness, completely distinct and independent from those who would be their masters. It may well be that the Fenians realised that they were people of a subject race and that they faced up to their circumstances as best they could, both here at home in Ireland and aoroad. It may well be that Fenianism took the Irish people as they were, didn't want to change them, but merely offer them the opportunity of freedom. It may well be that without freedom they could be nothing. It is to be regretted that our professional historians have not thought fit so far, to investigate the causes of Fenianism, but whatever the historians of the future may find, of one thing we can be certain and that is of the simple faith that these men had in their cause.

"They believed their cause to be a holy and just one and they fought that cause with extraordinary courage. Now, as tonight we remember Tim Daly and his comrades, let us try to bring to our minds the qualities of these men. Fortunately, our own great writer, Canon Sheehan, has left us an imperishable picture of the true nature of men like Tim Daly and Peter O'Neill-Crowley and John McClure and all the other names that come down to us, like the words of the old, never-to-be-forgotten song.

"Canon Sheehan had closely observed the Fenians as a young boy. Standing there on the terrace of St. Colman's College on that very cold March evening, he had seen the dark masses of men swaying over the bridge at Fermoy, carrying the body of Peter O'Neill-Crowley from Mitchelstown, all the way until they laid their sacred burden down there by the sea, under the shadow of Ballymacoda Church. And in the summer evenings at home in Mallow, the young Sheehan and his pals had, as he said, 'watched and envied the little batches of men, going up to drill in the dark recesses of Buckley's wood.

"Fenianism appears to have been very strong in East Cork. It was hardly surprising to find that on the night appointed for the Rising, Shrove Tuesday night, the 5th of March, that all of Peter O'Neill-Crowley's men from Ballymacoda, to the number of about one hundred, mustered. Peter O'Neill-Crowley, a well-to-do farmer, about the same age as Timmy Daly, I think about a year older, 35, against Timmy's 34, was the Centre or leader of the Ballymacoda Fenians.

"Now it is quite difficult to untangle the story of the Rising, at any point. As far as we can make it out, Colonel Patrick Joseph Condon was to take charge of the entire East Cork area. Condon had fought in the American Civil War with great gallantry and he had come home from the States with his brother-in-law, Captain John McClure, to take part in the intended Rising. McClure was a man of extraordinary courage and at the time of the Rising he was a mere 22 years of age. Apparently the plan here was that all the contingents from East Cork would rendezvous outside Killeagh here, on the morning of Ash Wednesday, the 6th of March, each group wiping out, overwhelming, capturing, any coastguard stations or police barracks on the way. It was, of course, essential that they should do this, first of all in order that they would get rifles and ammunition, and secondly to leave no outposts of Empire in their wake behind them. A few days before the Rising, Colonel Condon was arrested at Coveney's public-house in Cork City, at the corner of North Main Street and Castle Street.

"It is extraordinary, the part played by taverns in the story of Fenianism. We had in Cork City, Brian Dillon's mother being refused a renewal of her licence for what they called "the Fenian tavern at Dillon's Cross," because, of course, her son, Brian Dillon, was at the time in prison. Then we had the closing of Geary's public-house, in North Main Street, and the closing of John Lynch's public-house in Grand Parade. John Lynch was the first Fenian to die in prison.

"Of course you had even the more interesting case of the Old Thatch here, the police objected to a renewal of the licence, because, they said, it was a centre of Fenianism. John Conway, the proprietor, went into the witness stand and he said that he should not be held responsible for the opinions of his customers, and he also revealed that the licence went back for over 170 years at that time. His plea was in vain because the licence was refused, but it must have been renewed some time afterwards, because we still see it thriving to-day.

"With the arrest of Condon, of course, all the plans were upset. And another thing, Condon's arrest was not made public by the police, so that the commanders in the various areas in East Cork were simply puzzled and didn't know what was happening. The infamous spy, John J. Corridan, was in Cork two days before the Rising and he was feeding information to the police. In his own evidence, he claimed that Condon had appointed him to command Midleton. Of course he didn't take up his post, because as soon as he had given whatever he could gather to the police, he took himself off to Dublin, to the protection of the police there.

"It is interesting that in Condon's pocket when he was arrested was discovered a notebook, in which it had written: "From Cork and Youghal Terminus to Killeagh" and "The 5 p.m. train" and under that were the words: "Monday, Ballymacoda" and "Peter Crowley."

"Ned Kelly, the well known, what they call Protestant Fenian, from Kinsale, had also rturned from the States and he made contact, he was in Killeagh on Sunday, the third of March and he went on to Ballydangan, to Ballymacoda, to make contact with O'Neill-Crowley. McClure had been staying at Peter O'Neill-Crowley's house for a fortnight before the Rising and apparently it was Ned Kelly that brought word of the date of the Rising to O'Neill-Crowley. There was a meeting on the following day, Monday the fourth of March and Ned Kelly noted: 'March the fourth could affect nothing on account of the absence of the principal parties.' Presumably they had been awaiting them. Condon, McClure and O'Neill-Crowley decided to go ahead with their own plans and they sent Ned Kelly to take charge of Youghal. On the night of the fifth of March, they mustered their men, went down to Knockadoon, overwhelmed the coastguards there, took whatever rifles they could and, marching four deep, with their five prisoners of six coastguard prisoners, they came back to Ballymacoda. The sixth coastguard man, Paul Nichols, they left behind because his wife was sick.

"They arrived at Ballymacoda and found there two horses and carts ready for them, one loaded with camping equipment and provisions and other things that they needed and they allowed their prisoners to travel on the other car beside themselves. They set out, their coats buttoned up against the intense cold, because, as we all know, during the night in came on to snow very heavily, one of the greatest snowfalls in our history.

"Thomas Cullinane, who was one of the party that captured Knockadoon Station had, shall we say, borrowed a horse from a neighbour Philip O'Neill of Ballydaheen. The horse's name has come down to us, it was called 'Sambo.' This horse figures very prominently in the court cases afterwards.

"He was used during the night by McClure, who also allowed one of the prisoners to ride on him. They came to within a quarter of a mile of Killeagh and there they stopped. I do not know the exact point, but it is some boreen, leading off to the direction of Castlemartyr It was apparently there was the appointed spot to rendezvous because during the night the men from Killeagh arrived there. As they marched, McClure had sent Cullinane forward on the horse to reconnoitre and having arrived at this spot outside of Killeagh, he sent Cullinane forward again. Presumably Cullinane went into Castlemartyr and when he came back, after about half an hour, he reported that all was quiet.

"Let us take a look at what was happening in Youghal at the time. Ned Kelly had called out his men at eight o'clock. He said: "At eight o'clock I informed the men, no man to drink or inform his friends, armed them with sticks, hayforks, knives, hatchets, etc., provided the mwith coffee, mixed with sugar, bread or biscuits."

"He mustered them in small sections at various points, but in all, only thirteen men turned up. They cut the telephone lines and marched from Hankard's boreen on here to Killeagh. We are told that a man called James O'Sullivan was the Centre or leader of the Fenians in Midleton. He had been arrested in 1865 and had spent some months in Mountjoy Prison, where John Devoy met him. In fact, it is John Devoy who tells us all we know about him.

"We are told that after his release on bail, his movements were closely watched by the police. We cannot account for his movements on the night of the Rising. It is said that he was arrested at the same time as Condon. I haven't been able to confirm that, but we find in Midleton, Tim Daly, stepping into the gap of danger. He was a man, as we have seen from his cross to-night, a man of 34 years of age. He was a carpenter, working in Coppinger's and, we are told, was the father of eight children. About ten o'clock that night, he called his men together, and I think the best thing I can do is to read the evidence given by one of the police constables.

"He was Police Constable Patrick Ray and he gave his evidence at a special commission in Cork in May '67. He said: " On the night of the fifth of March, I was on patrol duty in the town of Midleton, in company with Constables Sheehy, Sheedy, O'Donnell and O'Brien. I heard the footsteps of many people coming on the bridge. I could see about forty people crossed it. When they came up to where we were standing they halted and drew up in a half-circle. Timothy Daly, whom I had known for about five or six months, stepped out of the ranks and appeared to be one of the leaders. I saw him present some thing to O'Donnell and heard him call on him to surrender, in the name of the Irish Republic. O'Donnell did not reply and Daly caught his rifle. I heard a shot. O'Donnell called out he was shot. Immediately after O'Donnell called out, about forty shots were fired. I cou'd not say whether from guns or pistors, I H ard Constable Sheedy say: 'Oh, Oh.' He stopped and ran about 15 to 20 yards and I saw him fall to the ground. I was very much alarm ed and ran away as far as I could. I have identified Edmond O'Loughlin as being in the party. I saw a young man there called Sullivan. I saw Constable Sheedy lying dead.' The place where the shooting took place is recorded as being named Green's Gate. It is just at the eastern end of Midleton town.

"The insurgents marched onto Castlemartyr and before they came to the town, they met there the men from Castlemartyr. Then they marched, short-circuited the town and came in at Killeagh, or eastern end of Castlemartyr. There were about 400 of them at this time and they moved in a body towards the police barracks. The barracks at the time was in a premises now used as Abernethy's Garage and if you look at that building, you will see that the two gables, the easttern and western gables, project a few feet from the roofs of the other houses and away up in both gables there are windows, small windows cut, veritable loop holes, which could command a full view of the street.

"Part of the plan of the campaign was to start huge fires, so that the police would be decoyed out of their barracks. We have a record of two of these in the locality, one of them on the Ladysbridge road at a farm of a man called Wallace Walker. We are told that the police shut themselves into the barracks at Castlemartyr and didn't come out, but the police statement says that they marched to Walker's farm and then came back again to the barracks.

"However it was sometime during the night, about two o'clock in the morning, Timmy Daly called on the police in the barracks to surrender. There were five or six policemen altogether inside the barracks.

"Now again, I suppose the best thing I can do is to read for you the police evidence, Police Constable J. A. McConnell, who was in charge of the police in the barracks. He says that from descriptions received, he believes that Philip O'Neill, Charles Egan, Michael O'Mahony, Maurice Murphy, Edmond Butler, Richard Butler, James Kelleher, John O'Keeffe, Peter O'Keeffe, ames Lee, Daniel Ahern, Edmond O'Brien, Richard Murphy, Denis O'Mahony, Thomas O'Neill, John O'Neill and men called Daly and others were there. He said there were five men in the barracks at the time.' There was a fire about two hundred yards away. Marched our men to Walker's, told him my suspicious and returned immediately. Closed doors, put men in their places inside, watched approach of party ,up to 400, halted about 30 yards away, several advanced. The first I knew were John Murphy of Midleton and Michael O'Mahony of Killeagh. The door was violently rapped. After the third time, I fired and ordered my men to fire. There was fire from the outside also. We kept firing. Insurgents retreated. We pursued, but they had cover at the bridge and I thought it safer not to follow. About thirty yards from the barrack we found the body of an insurgent, which I removed to the day room. Inquest on the eighth of March, identified as Timothy Daly of Midleton.

"And so it was when McClure sent Tnomas Cullinane forward on the horse a few hours afterwards, that Cullinane came back and reported 'all quite.' The Ballymacoda men remained for over two hours just outside here, obviously things had gone wrong and then they skirted around the village and went in towards Castlemartyr. Approaching Castlemartyr, the coastguards were beseeching them all the time to be allowed go free and eventually after a consultation, McClure allowed the coastguards to go free. They went then on the road to Mogeely and again McClure sent Cullinane back into Castlemartyr, to see if anything was happening. Now by this time the coastguards had got into the police barracks at Castlemartyr and one of the men, Robert Hoyle, an Englishman, who was in charge of the coastguards at Knockadoon, recognised Cullinane passing through the village and drew the attention of the police to him. Cullinane was overpowered and was arrested.

'Now we do kno wthat of the other party, five went forward. They bivouaced that night in Bilberry Wood and the story of their going to Kilclooney and the fight there belongs to another time.

"Thinking of Tim Daly and his comrades to-night, I should like that we would return to Canon Sheehan, something he wrote a short while before his death in 1913: 'For,' he said, 'it is a remarkable fact and one that I should like to impress on the minds of our youthful generation, that the muse of Irish History has a curious knack of blotting out with her thumb, every name, no matter how illustrious for a moment, that has not served the cause of the motherland, while she embalms for ever in her pages the very humblest, who have given their lives to the sacred cause'

"I suppose' he says, 'that not one man in a million could now tell me the name of the judge that sentenced the Manchester Martyrs to death, but every schoolboy remembers the names of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien.'

SKIBBEREEN TOWN PLAN — J.C.C. OBSERVATIONS

THE necessity for flexibility in industrial zoning, for an up-to-date sewerage scheme, as well for new housing development are among the points stressed in a memorandum submitted to the Town Clerk in relation to the Skibbereen Town Plan by a special Study Group set up by the Skibbereen Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber objects to the Town Plan statement that the new water scheme is "satisfactory," to a suggestion that the River Ilen should be diverted, to the idea of a swimming pool and calls for further investigation of the "diversionary link road" plan. While a by-pass road would certainly ease the parking situation ,its full consequences should be examined.

The Memorandum is as follows:

PART I

Water—It is not accepted that the position in respect of the new water supply is satisfactory. Various complaints have been made from time to time and in general it is felt that the position is far from satisfactory from the following points which arise: (a) It is questioned whether rocks and large stones were put directly on the plastic pipes; (b) A figure of £700 per annum has been giving as the cost of pumping. This figure seems to be unreasonable and the question arises as to why it was ever necessary; (c) There seems to be an element of wastage in the system; (d) There were a number of taps in the town served independently by springs. It is suggested that these should be retained as they provide a service to people who are not connected to the main scheme; (e) Complaints arise in the Glencurrafgh area. Because of the fact that the water mains have not been provided to the front of the houses it has been necessary to lay private mains; in some cases across private property; (f) The question still remains as to whether the reservoir is satisfactory; (g) The figure quoted of £88,000 as being the cost of the scheme seems to be completely exorbitant and this does not include an additional £500 for the Glencurragh extension.

Sewerage—It is agreed that an up-to-date modern sewerage scheme is necessary.

Road Improvement—It is suggested that it is essential that the parking proposals be implemented forthwith.

Housing—It is not agreed that the housing situation is satisfactory. The Council might consider a small scale housing development of about six houses. There seems to be a big demand for reasonably priced houses in the area. Furthermore the Council might consider acquiring existing derelict sites in the town and constructing houses thereon.

Industry—Strong support is given for the proposal to acquire and develop an industrial site and it is suggested that the Bridgetown site (at present an eye-sore) might be a suitable one for acquisition. However, it is further suggested that development should be confined to levelling and making services available.

Facilities—These proposals are supported but it is hoped that some concrete practical plans for their implementation will be formulated during the term of the plan.

Finance—It is difficult to see how the foregoing developments, and in particular ,the sewerage scheme can be financed "within the ordinary course" during the five-year period of the Plan.

PART II

Boundaries—The urban area is small enough. The suggestion that development not be permitted in the outskirts o fthe town (outside the area of primary or first stage development) does not make sense.

Use Zoning—The area made available for industrial development seems to be totally inadequate. For instance the Bridgetown site is not included in the Industrial Zone. In principle this idea of separating industrial and residential development is desirable but in view of the town's urgent need for further industry flexibility in industrial zoning is essential.

Density Zoning — Reference is made to "existing density control standards." Further clarification of this point would be an advantage.

Miscellaneous Requirements—The drafter of the plan might provide some practical suggestion as to how new business premises could provide: (a) loading space within own surtilage: (b) car parking for own vehicles; (c) space for visitors' cars.

Outdoor Advertising—This proposals is approved and supported. Advertising hoardings on approaches to the town should not be permitted at all.

PART III

DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

Roads and Traffic—The suggestion of a river diversion seems to have few attractions. The cost would probably be enormous and the advantages of such an undertaking are difficult to see. The Council might consider the desirability of cleaning the river, particularly in the Kennedy Bridge area, and also the provision of river walks.

The economic and social consequences of a diversionary link road (e.g. at the Chapel Quay) should be fully investigated and considered before any action is taken. Probably it would be advisable to study the improvement in the parking situation (after implemenation of the regulations) before any decision in this connection is made.

Amenity—The desirability of having a swimming pool in the town is open to question. Pending a decision on the point the Council might consider attempting to arrange through C.I.E. a summer bus service to Tragumna.

Litter—The Council should consider how the litter situation in the town could be improved. The number of litter bins is inadequate. It would probably be a good idea to co-operate with community organisations in mounting an effective anti-litter campaign.

Town Dump.—The siting of the dump near the centre of the town is unsuitable and it is suggested that a more suitable site schould be obtained. If this is not possible the present dump should be improved by screening, etc.

Seen at Skibbereen Gymkhana last Sunday were—from left—Miss Sue Flatley, Bantry, who took part in the open jumping competition, her mother, Mrs. A. J. Flatley and Miss Mary Pat Goggin, Dunmanus.

SEEN AND HEARD

Round and About Skibbereen

TO mark her retirement, a presentation was recently made to Mrs. T. McCarthy, N.T., who taught at Lisheen National School. The function was held in the Parish Hall, and Very Rev. J. Casey, P.P., who handed over the gift, said it was an expression of the local people's gratitude to her for her long and faithful service as a teacher. A national school was a necessity in a parish for in it was laid the foundation of a person's vocation in life. "We, in this parish, are blessed in our teachers," Fr. Casey said. "By their example and teaching they have provided a model headline in the parish." Others present were Rev. Fr. Eugene McCarthy, Florida, a son of the retired teacher; Messrs. J. O'Dwyer, N.T., C Minihane, N.T.; E. Daly, N.T.; Mrs. M. O'Brien, N.T., and Miss B. Walsh, N.T. Mrs. McCarthy, who taught for 32 years at Lisheen School, was also a teacher at Clogagh (Timoleague) and Hare Island for a number of years.

Appointment—Mr. Michael Daly, of Tooreenscillane, who recently qualified as a metalwork teacher, has been appointed to a position under the County Wexford Vocational Education Committee.

Accidents — On Saturday night two accidents occurred in the Skibbereen area but luckily nobody was very seriously injured The first accident occurred on the road outside Skibbereen Hospital when an autocycle driven by Michael Cadogan, Bauravilla, was in collision with a mini car. Mr. Cadogan was removed to the local hospital suffering from a broken leg and various minor injuries and he was later taken to Bantry Hospital where his condition was stated to be comfortable. The second accident occurred at North Street where an auto-cycle driven by Michael O'Callaghan, Fairfield Tce., Clonakilty, was in collision with a van driven by Christy Dunne of Dublin, who was in Skibbereen for the Gymkhana. The autocyclist suffered some slight injuries to his face.

Re-fixed — The County Senior Senior Football semi-final between Beara and St. Finbarr's, which has been postponed twice already, has been re-fixed for Rossa Park, Skibbereen, for Sunday, September 10

Small Horse Fair — The annual horse fair which was held at Skibbereen on Saturday last was one of the smallest which was held in the town for some time and only about 80 horses were offered for sale. Prices however were high and cobs averaged £110 with hunters around £200. There was a keen demand for factory horses which fetched £6 to £7 per cwt., and one pony fetched a price of £175. Most of the buying was done by local farmers but outside buyers also attended and paid high prices for good quality horses.

Flew From Boston — Miss Joan O'Sullivan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. O'Sullivan, Lassanroe, Skibbereen, flew home from Boston last week to act as bridesmaid in the wedding of her sister Nellie. She will spend another week holidaying with her parents at her home before she flies back to the States.

Garda Weds — A very pretty wedding took place at Ballinspittal Parish Church on Friday last when Garda James Lawton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawton, of Ballymacoda, and at present stationed in Skibbereen, married Miss Eileen Ryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Ryan, Kilkerin, Ballinspittal. A guard of honour was formed outside the church by his colleagues in the force and later the wedding reception was held in O'Neill's Hotel, Garrettstown. Afterwards the happy pair left on their honeymoon tour around Ireland.

Captain's Prize—On Sunday next the Captain's Prize will be competed for at the Skibbereen Golf Club at Baltimore Road and there is expected to be a big entry for this competition which is one of the most toughly-contested of the season.

On Vacation — Army Quartermaster General, Colonel Curran, and his wife have recently completed a two-week holiday in the Skibbereen area. His wife is a native of Skibbereen and daughter of the late Dr. Gerald Macaura, who presented Skibbereen with its Silver Band. Although Colonel Curran was due to retire from his post of Quartermaster General next month, he has recently been notified that his term of office has been extended for a further five months.

Michael Walsh (16), of Ballyhaloe, Leap, a day pupil of Skibbereen Vocational School, who has been notified of his success, in open examination and interview, for the position of Technician Trainee in the Engineering Section of the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

On Holidays — At present holidaying in Skibbereen, and staying at the West Cork Hotel, are Mr. and Mrs. Paddy Minihan from Belfast, with their daughter, Sheana, and son, Peter. They are visiting their many friends and relatives in Skibbereen and district.

Sea Angling — Skibbereen and Baltimore S.A.C. are holding another of their deep sea angling competitions on Sunday next to which, as usual, all interested are welcome to take part. Boats will leave the pier about 11.45 and will return at 6 o'clock. On Sunday, September 17, will be held the final outing of the season, a laying-up competition, after which a presentation function, with supper, is planned.

Family Success — At the recent examinations held at the University College, Dublin, Daniel P. O'Gorman, "Sunny Glen," who is a second-year Agricultural Science student, was successful. His sister Geraldine, a second-year student at Sion Hill Domestic Science Training College, Co. Dublin, was also successful.

Another Complaint — A recent complaint voiced in these columns about the "light" trouble in St. Fachtna's Terrace has, we are told, been satisfactorily dealt with, but another tale of neglect of the area has been brought to our notice. We are informed that the road through the terrace is in a "shocking" state, making motorists reluctant and being a hazard to cyclists. What about it, you Town Fathers?

Bantry News

THE winner of the Wagner Cup was Mr. Michael O'Donoghue Scart Road, with a total weight of 347 lbs. of fish. The result of the other competition was: 1, Billy Andrews, Scart Road, 52 lbs; 2, D. McCarthy, Scart Road, 50 lbs; 3, Joe Cremin, T.C., Keyes Tce., 48 lbs. The winner of the heaviest fish was Billy Andrews with a 16 lb. tope.

Parish Draw.—The result of the weekly Parish Draw in aid of the Kilcrohane Parish Fund was: 1, Mrs Mary O'Donovan, Keelovenogue, Bantry; 2, Tom Donovan, Gortnakilla; 3, Mrs. P. J. Daly, Kilcrohane; 4, Mrs. Street, Keenmore.

County Final.—The Cork County Intermediate Football Championship Final between Urhan and Millstreet takes place at Bantry on Sunday next at 3.30 p.m. This game should attract one of the largest crowds of G.A.A. followers seen in Bantry for many a year. The local club are very busy making arrangements for the big day.

Recent Wedding.—The marriage took place recently between Lieut. Ray Cawley and Miss Kathleen Herlihy. Lieut. Cawley was a former Cork County senior football goalie, and his bride is a niece of Mrs. J. Keohane, Raheen, Bantry.

Lannin—Whooley.—The marriage took place at St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry, of Mr. Frank Lannin, son of Mrs. Lannin and the late Mr. Lannin, Schull, and Miss Mary Whooley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Whooley, Glengarriff Road, Bantry. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Fr. Cashman, assisted by Rev. Fr. Leader and Rev. Fr. Deasy. The best man was Mr. Liam Redmond, nephew of the groom. The bridesmaid was Miss Imelda Whooley, sister of the bride. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a full-length gown of satin, trimmed with lace and cut on Grecian lines. Her full-length veil was held in place by a satin bow matching her gown. She carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The bridesmaid wore a full-length frock of cerise tie silk cut on empire lines and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Going away the bride wore a coat/frock ensemble of turquoise and light grey check with matching chiffon hat and brown accessories. Following the reception at the Bantry Bay Hotel, Mr. and Mrs. Lannin left on their Honeymoon which is being spent touring Europe.

Scholarship Winner.—Miss Mary Teresa McCarthy, youngest daughter of Nicholas and Mrs. McCarthy, Burryroe, Bantry, has secured a Co. Council Scholarship tenable to a Domestic Science School. She is at present a pupil of St. Mary's School, Dunmanway.

Sailing Results. — The sailing events organised by the local Sailing Club and run in conjunction with the annual regatta resulted as follows: Saturday Enterprise races, 1st event—1, Drumbeat, T. Muckley; 2, Seaspray, A. Barron; 2nd event—1, Drumbeat, T. Muckley; 2, Michele, F. O'Mahony. Handicap class—1, Suzie Wong, B. Stevens; 2, Shamrock, P. Gallagher. Sunday Enterprise, 1st race—1, Drumbeat, T. Muckley; 2, Tequilla, K. Muckley; 2nd race—1, Michele, N. Muckley; 2, Drumbeat, T. Buckley. Hondicap class regatta race—1, Ursa Minor, N. Muckley; 2, Windinard, B. Kaulback.

Newell—McGrath.—The marriage took place on Monday last at St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry, of Margaret McGrath, N.T., daughter of John and Mrs. McGrath, Church Road, Bantry, and Thomas Patrick Newell, B.Eng., Wellington, New Zealand, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. T. Newell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Fr. Cashman, C.C. Best man was Mr. Gerald Coakley (cousin of the groom) and bridesmaid was Miss Helen McGrath, sister of the bride. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a full-length empire line gown of guipure lace and duchesse satin She wore a long veil and carried a bouquet of roses and lily of the valley. The bridesmaid a full length empire line gown of milano satin in kingsfisher blue and carried a bouquet of pink roses and carnations. The groom's mother was present at the marriage. Following a reception at Creedon's Hotel, Inchigeela, the happy pair left on their honeymoon which will be spent touring Ireland.

Junior Win.— Bantry defeated Dohenys in the S.W. football semi-final played at Aughaville on Sunday last and now meet Newcestown in the final. Prominent among the onlookers were members of the Newcestown team. The winning margin was 4 points and at the three-quarter stage there was only a point between the teams but a fine gaol from Donal Hunt gave Bantry a safe lead.

Nurses Posts.—During a discussion on the public health nursing system at a recent meeting of the Western Committee of the Cork Health Authority, the Assistant Manager explained that two public nurses would be appointed for the dispensary districts of Bantry, Kealkil, Durrus and Kilcrohane. One has already been appointed. Mr. E. Cotter, T.D., said he proposed before that one of those should take up residence in the Durrus-Kilcrohane area. He urged again that this be done.

Weather Unkind.—The weather was once again unkind to liner visitors when the Swedish-American liner Kongsholm anchored off Glengarriff. Very heavy showers greeted the 400 passengers from around 9.30 a.b. to noon but there were sprinkles of sunshine in between. About 250 of the passengers travelled to Killarney in C.I.E. buses and others availed of taxis. The remainder did some shopping in Glengarriff and also took advantage of the popular pony riding.

Schull, Goleen and Ballydehob

First in Ireland— C.I.E. have appointed their first lady bus driver. She is Mrs Melda Shanahan, Beach House, Dunbeacon. She will take over a 45 seater bus for the transport of children to Bantry from the Durrus, Kilcrohane, Bantry area. Mrs Shanahan, who was formerly Melda Roddy, daughter of Richard and Mrs Roddy now residing in Drogheda, was born in Co. Down where her father was attached to the Irish Lights. She married Mr Sean Shanahan of Beach House, a Co. Council lorry driver. They have three children.

Correction — At Schull Show Miss Bridget Sheehan, Coorydorigan, Schull obtained second prize for apple jelly and marmalade and not as given in our last issue.

Wedding— The wedding took place in Ballydehob Parish Church on Thursday last between Mr Patrick O'Neill, son of Mrs and the lat James O'Neill, Mullaghmore, Dromore, Bantry and Miss Kitty McCarthy, daughter of Mr and Mrs N. McCarthy, Ballyroe, Ballydehob. John O'Neill, brother of the groom was best man and Patrick O'Sullivan, Mossgrove, Bandon was groomsman. Misses Ann and Mary McCarthy, daughters of the bride were bridesmaids. The ceremony was performed by Fr McCarthy, uncle of the groom. The bride looked radiant in a completely white ensimble while the bridesmaids were dressed in contrasting blue. The reception was held at the West Cork Hotel, Skibbereen, after which the bride and groom left on their honeymoon for England.

Boxing Club—A group of young men in Schull have got together with the idea of starting a boxing club and a public meeting is called for next Wednesday night, for the purpose of finding out how much support there is for the project.

On Holidays— Dr Jim O'Leary and his brother Anthony, broke their journey to Rome to visit their uncle, Denis O'Leary, Glaun, Schull.

On Holiday— Home from the U.S.A., in her native Crookhaven is Mrs Mary Keane, formerly Mary Pyburn. Also back to Crookhaven from U.S.A. is George and Mrs Nottage. Home from England are Ciss Sheehan, Balteen, Edward Hodnett, Dunmanus; Nora McCarthy, Letter; Mary Griffin, South Schull; M. Collins, Caherlaska, do.; Margaret Hegarty, Ballyrisode, and Sean Reilly, Lakelands.

Exam Successes— In the recent Leaving Certificate Examinations at the Presentation Convent, Crosshaven, one of the successful candidates was Nuala O'Keeffe of Main Street Ballydehob. In the Co. Council scholarship examinations, the following candidates from Ballydehob were successful: Anne Kelly, Geraldine Farrell; John Joe O'Keeffe and Finbar Berry. Denis O'Sullivan, son of Denis and Mrs O'Sulivan, Main St., Durrus received the Leaving Certificate at Ballyvourney and also successful at De La Salle College, Skerries was John Stapleton of Goleen.

Doctor's Post — Dr Laurence Lysaght has recently returned to West Cork and is attached to Bantry Hospital. He was formerly M.O.H. at Goleen from where he left for Canada last year. He had been attached to a Dublin Hospital prior to coming to Bantry.

Fishing— Fishing out of Schull and Cand Castletownbere on Wed, Thursday and Friday of last week the local boats had good landings of Mackerel and Trawl fish. The Linnet and Brittania only fished on one day owing to unfavourable weather. A number of yachts called at Schull during the week. At Crookhaven the Cork owned yacht Isolda, as well as a number of smaller ones anchored there during the week-end.

SKIBBEREEN URBAN DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Under the auspices of the local Guild of Muintir na Tire ,a meeting to discuss the Development Plan for the Skibbereen Urban District will be held in the C.Y.M.S. Rooms, on Tuesday night, August 29th at 9 p.m.

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