

The Late Mr Harry Mathews

Grand Old Figure Passed to His Reward

The death of Mr Harry Mathews on the 26th December last, at his residence, West Watergate, marks the passing away of one of the remaining few of the Old Guard of Fenian advocates. His history is a notable one. He belonged to a highly respected family, who was carried on the building trade in the city up to a few years ago, and up to some eight years ago was a member of the clerical staff of Messrs James Mac Donagh and Sons. He was ever foremost in the cause of Nationalism, and was one of those who helped to originate the U. A. in America. He was a devoted friend of John Crane and Paddy O'Brien in the American movement, when the freedom of John Dwyer, James J. Egan and others was agitated for, and which succeeded in its object to the end.

He was one of the Fenians of the time a follower of Parnell, and fought actively for the return of Mr P. O'Brien to be M.P. for America when defeated by Mr Francis O'Keefe. He was good hearted in every particular. He was educated in McGill College.