

ODDS AND ENDS

On Tara's Hill

(BY "AN MANGAIRE SUAGH")

Last Sunday the nation honoured the men of Tara on the Hill of Tara. It was a fitting place for such a commemoration. One must feel the breath of nationhood in the very air of Tara—Tara of the Kings.

What strange impulse drove the Croppies here in '98, to make their last stand against the invading forces of an alien king? Where their own High Kings had ruled for centuries over the united states of ancient Ireland, they fought and fell; and their blood dyed red the rich green grass of Royal Meath.

LIFE FROM DEATH. We are told that the mangled bodies of the Croppies—as the soldiers of freedom were called—were thrown into shallow pits, and that the wheat they carried on their persons for food sprouted and grew from their graves in the following spring; and everywhere little tufts of green corn made a season's monument to the dead.

POOR RESPONSE. The response to my competitions has, so far, been very poor. Only four have considered it worth while telling what they know of the death of Irish as a spoken language on the lips of the last native speakers in their districts.

SILENT MAIGUE COUNTRY. No one has written a line to describe any part of the Maigue Country. On shades of Sean O Tuama, and Aindrias, and Gerard Griffin! However, there are some weeks still left—November 15th is the closing date. It is worth waiting to be won. If you want particulars of the competitions write to me. But don't delay!

SONG OF THE WEEK. The wonderful store of songs that readers submitted for my last competition is still far from being exhausted. To-day's song might be any age, except for the reference to a motor car, which proves that it is not over half a hundred years old.

THE BALLAD OF THE TRAVELLING MAN. As I walked out from Rathluiric town, One brown October day; I met a travellin' piper, An' he makin' for the fair.

And health and brimming load, And kindly smile for such as me Who pass along the road.

"But surely you'll have home and friends," Said I, "when winter's here, And days grow drifk and nights are cold."

"Ah, no, indeed, my dear," said he; "From East to West I roam; And then from West to East again."

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GARDENING

Spring Lettuce

Contrary to appearance, lettuce is not tender, and certain varieties will come safely through the coldest winters.

Outdoor-grown spring lettuce will take eight or nine months to heart. It is sown outdoors in August, planted out during October, and is not generally fit to cut before the beginning of May.

SUITABLE SOIL. A clean piece of ground in good heart, and where winter rains will drain away quickly, should be chosen for the crop.

Usually, land after a well manured crop of potatoes will suit admirably without any further addition of farm yard manure.

INDOOR LETTUCE. Winter lettuce may be had by planting now in cold frames or cold houses after tomatoes, such varieties as 'May Queen' and 'Cheshunt Early Ball.'

The other two varieties, if planted now in houses after tomatoes (soil dug over without any further manuring), should heart up for Christmas. May Queen, sometimes called 'May King,' should be planted at 10 inches apart each way, and Early Ball at 8 inches.

FRUIT PLANTING. It is time now to begin the planting of fruit trees and bushes.

Even in this type of soil it would be best to have it tilled for a year or two with well manured vegetables or roots, and then it would be fit for planting with no further addition of farmyard manure for the 'top' fruits at any rate at the time of planting.

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT. The leaves sent by Mrs. O'Meara, of Brookville, Tipperary, look very like the leaves of a young peach tree. It is possible to grow a peach from a 'stone,' and although it will crop if planted in a warm position, viz: against a wall facing south, it is only one chance in a thousand that the variety will be better than either of its parents.

NEWCASTLE CARNIVAL. Newcastle West Carnival, which will be held at the end of the month, promises to be in every respect one of the most successful and attractive ever held in the town.

The chief mourners were—Mrs. Martin, Thomas (son); Mrs. John Lee (daughter); John Lee, auctioneer, Newport (son-in-law); Willie, John, Patrick and Eileen Lee (grand-children); Thomas Wilmot (nephew); Eileen, Peg, Mary, Kathleen, Wilmot and Mrs. O'Sullivan (nieces).

MRS. ELIZABETH RYAN, GARRYTIGUE. We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Ryan, Garrytigue, Newport, which sad event took place at her residence on Sunday, 28th September last. Decidedly and being in failing health for some time, and fortified by the rites of holy Church she passed to her eternal reward surrounded by the members of her family.

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OBITUARY

MR. T. CRONIN, NEWCASTLE WEST.

Newcastle West (writes our correspondent here) has lost one of its most esteemed and respected citizens by the death of Mr. Timothy J. Cronin, Agricultural House, The Square, who passed away on Thursday last, after a somewhat prolonged illness.

The officiating clergy were—Rev. Monsignor Hannan, P.P., V.G., Newcastle West; Rev. M. Quinn, P.P., Templeplattin; Rev. M. Kelly, P.P., Fedamore; Rev. M. Kelly, P.P., Newport; Rev. D. Costelloe, C.C., do.; Rev. C. O'Sullivan, P.P., Killeedy (relative); Rev. Risteard Woulfe, C.S.S., Abbeylea (relative); Rev. P. Gilbourne, Australian Mission (Killeedy); Rev. W. Cremin, S.D.B., Newcastle West.

The chief mourners were—Mrs. Cronin (widow); Jack, Ted and Richard Cronin (sons); Helen Cronin (daughter); Patrick Cronin, Newcastle West and Tom Cronin, Cobh (brothers); Miss Nan Cronin, Cobh and Mrs. Sheila Cronin, Cork; Mrs. P. Cronin, Newcastle West (sisters-in-law); Michael H. Woulfe (brother-in-law); Richard Cronin, Cobh; Miss Kathleen Cronin; Mrs. Hawa Cronin; Mrs. Lewis, Rushbrook; Sr. St. Thomas More, Driehane; John Cronin, E.S.B., Athlone; Maurice Cronin, R.O., Cork; Annie Cronin, Cork; Miss Patricia Cronin, Newcastle West (nephews and nieces); the Gore family, Tullylease, etc. (relatives).

It would be impossible to give even a summarised list of the other relatives, and the numerous Mass Cards, telegrams and letters of sympathy received.

MRS. SHALLOO, LEITRIM. The death of Mrs. Mary Shalloo, Leitrim, O'Brien's Bridge, which took place at her residence recently, was learned with deep regret by her hosts of relatives and friends over a wide area. In failing health for some time past, her death, though not unexpected, created profound sympathy in the district, where she was popular and highly respected since her advent to Clare from Birdhill, Co. Tipperary, many years ago.

Chief mourners were—Patrick Shalloo (son); Mrs. P. Larkin, Mrs. N. Aherne, and Miss M. Shalloo (daughters); Martin McKeogh (brother); Marie C. Aherne (grand daughter); S. and P. McKeogh and J. Vaughan (nephews); Nora, Peg and Theresa McKeogh, Mrs. J. J. Whelan, Mr. McKeogh (son-in-law); Mrs. M. McKeogh (sister-in-law); Mrs. Vaughan, Miss M. Vaughan, Stephen and Anna McKeogh, Mrs. Nihil, Thomas and Mrs. Tuohy, Mrs. Murnane, Jimmie Condon, Miss M. Ryan, M. McKeogh, Mrs. Condon and Mrs. Sweeney (cousins); Patrick and Mrs. Shalloo, Michael and Maureen Shalloo, Miss B. Larkin, Matthew Gleason, John and Mrs. McInerney, James O'Halloran, John Burke, and Matt McKeogh; Grath, John O'Halloran, Matthew and Charles McKeogh, Mrs. P. Skehan, John and Mrs. Whelan, Miss B. Shalloo, Mrs. O'Rourke, D. McKeogh, Eugene O'Rourke, J. J. McKeogh, J. Whelan, John and Mrs. Ryan, Michael and Mrs. McInerney, Bridie, Patrick and Michael Moloney, Mrs. J. Larkin, Anna and Mary Moroney, J. Corcoran, Sean and Mrs. Mullane, John and Mrs. Vaughan, Kathleen and Betty Vaughan, Michael and Thomas Larkin, and Patrick Moloney (relatives).

Gaelic Football at Rathkeale. Two G.A.A. football championship matches were played at Rathkeale on Sunday last. In minor football, Copswood College defeated Newcastle West by 17 to 15. The half-time scores were—Copswood, 13; Newcastle West, 0-3. Mr. S. Foley was referee.

In junior football, Killeelman beat Copswood College by 2-4 to 1-4. Half-time scores—Copswood, 1-3; Killeelman, 0-3. Sergt. Kennedy was referee.

CAMOGIE NOTES

(BY "CAMAN").

St. Patrick's ... 3-1, Castletown ... 2-2. At Ballysallon on Sunday last, St. Patrick's (Co. Champion) had a narrow win over Castletown in the semi-final of the championship.

In the second half, M. O'Brien came on the Castletown team as a substitute and did terrific work. Moving from the back line to the forwards she scored the equalising goal and it was then that we had some very exciting passages.

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I. O'Loughlin is in charge of the whistle and refereed a very capable referee.

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Letter to my Love...

"I expected a letter from you this morning, but there wasn't one so I re-read the last two. Darling, I love you so utterly that even time the post is late I am convinced that you have been run over and no one dares to tell me! Sometimes I think we are too happy. Now that I know you love me, all the duties of life become pleasures and without your love no pleasure is imaginable."

LETTERS THAT COUNT COUNT FOR MORE ON Basildon Bond TODAY'S MOST DISTINGUISHED NOTEPAPER

Did you MACLEAN your teeth to-day?

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'ASPRO' WITH HOT MILK OR TEA. Dear Sir, Belfast, S.W.I. For the first time I bought a packet of 'ASPRO' last week. I had such a cold—I took 2 at night with hot milk—2 in morning with hot tea—they made a difference to me. I did not have to take any more. Many thanks to 'ASPRO'—Yours faithfully, MISS STEVENS.

'ASPRO' as a Gargle. Two 'ASPRO' tablets in four table-spoonsful of water make an excellent gargle for sore throat, tonsillitis, and act as a deterrent.

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