
Gleanings from *The Standard*, 1863*

Thursday 1 January (297)

Advert. Important For Irish. Boot & Shoemaker, Rividavia 129. James Moran begs to inform his friends and countrymen that he has opened a shop in the above premises, where, by strict attention, moderate prices, and giving nothing but sound work he hopes to merit a share of patronage.

Saturday 3 January (298)

Notice. All parties having claims against the late Edward Dillon¹ will please forward the same to his son Edward Dillon,² Estancia Correa, Partido Moron, who will pay same. Buenos Aires December 20, 1892.

Notice. New Hospital opened by the Sisters of Mercy. Subscriptions will be gratefully received.

Thursday 8 January (304)

RIP on 26th ult. At Fray Bentos, Uruguay, Mrs. Julia Lester a native of Ireland. *Standard* Office Letter Department. Mr William Martin c/o Mr Patrick Flynn.

Friday 9 January (302)

List of uncalled for letters at the Hibernia House, Calle Piedad 78, 83 and 85 – 49 names noted.

Saturday 10 January (303)

RIP in the Partido Fortin de Areco on the 4th inst. Suddenly Mr John Whelan, aged 55 years, a native of Wexford. Deceased was a ship's carpenter.

National Credit. A little learning is a dangerous thing, we would advise some of our colleagues to rub up their English, before they take upon themselves to criticise our articles... We will refrain from suggesting the Minister (Velez Sarsfield) the propriety of supporting an English paper which is working heaven and earth to protect industry, including emigration and not last not least introduce cotton; but we must be permitted to remark, that if other men were in

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¹ Edward Dillon (1805-1862) estanciero, native of County Westmeath; married Margaret Dillon b. Ireland 1812. They had four children. See Coghlan, Vol.1, pp.243-244.

² Edward Dillon (1842-1894) estanciero, was born in Ireland; in 1860 married Sarah Spillane (b. Ireland) at Baradero. They had seven children. Said to have been an outstanding horseman and story teller. See Coghlan, Vol.1, pp.243-244.

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office, we should be sending 100 copies of *The Standard* to Europe by each packet to be scattered over England, Ireland Scotland and elsewhere...

Thursday 15 January (307)

Editor's Table. The friends of *The Standard* will be pleased to learn that our new type has arrived in the ship *Zoe*, and will be brought ashore in a day or two. Our steam press, which an English merchant kindly volunteered to get from New York we expect to receive in April.

Marriage on the 7th inst. by V. Rev. A. D. Fahy – Mr Michael Murphy to Miss Lucy Ryan, both natives of Ireland.

Saturday 18 January (310)

Notice. To Be Sold. The interest in a boarding house together with beds, bedding, furniture and all necessary articles for an extensive boarding establishment. For further particulars apply Mrs. Burns, No. 48 Calle Parque.

RIP at Dublin on the 4th December Sir Timothy O'Brien,³ Bart., ex Lord Mayor and father of Mr O'Brien, Argentine Consul in that city.

Tuesday 20 January (311)

O'Connell Statue – undated letter to the Editor. "Sir, I enclose you \$100 as my subscription towards the O'Connell Statue, about to be erected in Dublin. I hope there will be found a few of my fellow countrymen who will follow my example. Yours etc., John Kehoe, Partido San Pedro."

Important Notice. "Buenos Aires, January 10th 1862. I hereby certify that I have this day called on Francis Parish Esq., Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Buenos Aires in presence of John Geoghegan Esq., Proprietor of the Victoria Hotel to request a passage home to England or Ireland as a *distressed British subject, from him* and receiving a refusal from said Francis Parish Esq., H. M. B's Consul I have no other alternative than to throw myself on the charitable protection of the Argentine Republic or on my own countrymen, the Irish population in the above mentioned Republic. Michael Tonniere MRCSI. Member of the Parisian Society ex-elebevole at Hotel Dieu, Paris, late staff surgeon, British army

Local News. We have received some fine samples of wool from the establishment Santa Catalina in the Lomas de Zamora the property of Mr Patrick Bookey.

Local News. We have to acknowledge the receipt of 100 m/c from Mr John Kehoe, Arrecifes for the national monument in Sackville Street, Dublin to the Liberator of Ireland. By last packet we transmitted it and the contribution from M. G. Mulhall to the same testimonial of Irish gratitude.

³ Sir Timothy O'Brien (1787-1862) first Baron O'Brien of Merrion Square and Borris-in-Ossory. MP for Cashel 1846-1859; Lord Mayor of Dublin 1844 and 1849.; wine merchant who lived at Baggot Street, Dublin.

Standard London Agent. Notice is given that we have appointed Mr G. Street, 80 Cornhill, London as our agent to whom persons in England who have accounts will please apply. M. G. & E. T. Mulhall.

Wednesday 21 January (312)

Undated letter – T, Fallon, 83 & 86 Piedad to Editor reference the O’Connell Fund enclosing \$100 “to remember the efforts and perpetuate the memory of that great man should be a source of pleasure to all, and one which, I hope may be practically developed by every Irishman in this country, since the Dublin list displays men of all creeds and opinions....”

Friday 13 February (330)

Advert. For Sale – one square league of excellent land well adapted to sheep in Partido Villa Mercedes. Apply to Bartholomew Foley at the Bolsa during hours of business.

Saturday 14 February (331)

Inauguration of church at Ranchos. President Mitre present and welcomed by the parish priest and then laid the foundation stone. We noticed the following gentlemen on the platform – Mr John Hannah, Dr Gibbings, Mr Brown, Mr Sheehan, Mr Kilmurry, Mr Reardon and about 200 of our countrymen besides almost every native in the district.

Notice. A Chacra. An Irish sheep farmer offers one or two steady industrious Irishmen 1,000 ewes, 50 capones for house consumption, house, corral, rams and the entire increase of wool for three or four years on prime camp in the Partido Junin. Apply 83 & 85 Piedad or in the Capilla del Señor to Doctor Priestly.

Sunday 1 March (344)

Our Late Visitor. The Irish baronet who has just left our shores made his visit almost incognito and although we rarely see such distinguished passengers, our republican associations would not permit us to make and demonstration in respect of his noble lineage. Sir Henry Wrixon Becher⁴ of Castle Hyde,⁵ County Cork proposes sending out some of his tenants to the estancia of his friend Dr Gibbings⁶ as he sees how advantageous this country is to the humbler class of European immigrants.

⁴ Sir Henry Wrixon Becher (1826-1893) of Ballygiblin, County Cork, owned extensive lands at Ballygiblin, 10 miles from Mallow, County Cork. Son of Sir William Wrixon Becher Bart. and Elizabeth O’Neil. Succeeded his father in 1850. The family was held in good esteem because they were regarded as fair and honorable towards their tenants unlike some landlords in north County Cork. See <https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Becher-186> ‘Sir Henry Wrixon Becher 2nd Bart 1826-1893, accessed 26 April 2022.

⁵ Castle Hyde near Fermoy, County Cork, was the residence of the Hyde family. Sir Henry Wrixon Becher lived at Creagh House and not at Castle Hyde.

⁶ Dr Richard Gibbings of Ranchos was a member of the Gibbings family of Mayne and Gibbings Grove, County Cork. Dr Gibbings was a medical doctor from Ireland who had a large estancia at Chascomus and

Tuesday 3 March (342)

St Patrick's Day – undated letter from Hibernicus. “To the Editor – In a country possessing such a large Irish element it is certainly strange that ‘Patrick’s Day’ is allowed to pass with a passive coolness quite in contrast with that enthusiasm so characteristic of the Hibernian. Surely in Buenos Ayres we possess sufficient material to get up as dinner, and thus shew, that even at a distance we do not forget ‘Fatherland.’ In the ‘States’ and Australia the 17th of March is indeed a gala day there ‘memory brings back the feeling’ and each one as he puts a shamrock in his hat feels himself more an Irishman – for here, where Irishmen are so prosperous they certainly evince a neutrality which is a stain on the Emerald Isle, which I trust they will wipe out, and turn over a new leaf in a country which has derived so much then fit. Yours, Hibernicus.”

Wednesday 4 March (343)

Advert. Hibernian House General Wholesale & Retail Grocery Store, 78, 83, 85 Calle Piedad. Thomas Fallon.

RIP on 27 February aged 16, Mary,⁷ only daughter of Mr John Duffy, estanciero, Carmen de Areco.

Thursday 5 March (344)

Notice. All persons having claims against the estate of the late Luke Cassidy, Carmen de Areco, will present same within ten days, with vouchers to the undersigned who as curator is authorised to arrange same, likewise to receive all amounts due to the deceased. Thomas Fallon, 83 Piedad, Hibernian House.

“St Patrick’s Banquet. A few days ago we published a correspondence touching the propriety of celebrating the festival of the National saint of Ireland in a becoming manner. There certainly is no reason why Irishmen in Buenos Ayres should be less patriotic than in Canada, U. States, England, India or Australia. We declined however, actively espousing the idea from a fear that insuperable difficulties presented themselves, seeing that Irishmen form but a small part of our city population, and our influential camp friends live at such a distance. Nevertheless, _____? learned that in former years a grand banquet annually celebrated the 17th March, and that some gentlemen have taken measures to form a committee and issue 100 invitations (including several English and American residents, besides some foreign representatives), we cheerfully lend our columns to an enterprise which is meant to remind us of the

whose wife was a grand-aunt of Cecilia Grierson, the first woman doctor to qualify in Argentina. See Susan Wilkinson “Recollections of an Irish Born Doctor in Nineteenth Century Argentina” Washington, Tyne & Wear, UK, 2015, p.31

⁷ Mary Duffy (1845-1863) second child and only daughter of John Duffy (1803-1889) a native of County Longford who arrived in Argentina from the USA in 1833. He married Elizabeth Taaffe (1810-1863) a native of County Westmeath about 1842 and they had four children. John Duffy was a very successful sheep farmer. See Coghlan, Vol.1, pp. 282-283.

land that bore us, and strengthen friendly associations with our brother nationalists.

“It is rumoured the dinner will be given at Colon, and that some of our leading men have expressed their intention to be present. In a country where Irishmen have been so remarkable successful in every walk of life where some can look back on a residence of half a century, it is peculiarly apropos to hold a national banquet which will prove that neither wealth nor years can make them forget the dear old fatherland, and that they still cherish the name and history of Ireland. Patriotism is the first of civic virtues, and we are happy to anticipate that Patrick’s Day will not pass over the Buenos Ayers without a fitting commemoration.”

Saturday 8 March (347)

St Patrick’s Day Dinner – undated letter. “To the Editor - In reference to a dinner on 17th March, I must say it is strange that such a celebrated day is allowed to pass coolly, and without the slightest effort on the part of Irishmen to identify themselves with that golden anniversary, which is celebrated in all parts of the world where a few Irishmen gather together. The dusky miner drops his spade and cradle, to drown his shamrock on the dusty plains of Australia. Astor House in New York rings with the cheers of thousands. St Patrick’s dinner in London is one of the events of the year. Therefore, I do not see why Buenos Ayres cannot join, and thus shew it, the world first in southern sun does not entirely soak the Irish blood from the veins of those men who proudly claim fatherland with Grattan and Curran, O’Connell, Moore and Emmett. In those assemblies above mentioned, Englishmen and Scotchmen freely mingle at the festive board and give ‘one cheer more’ for the country which sent her sons to dye with their blood the plains of Waterloo, the rugged parts of the Peninsula, the flowing and liquid streams of the Alamo and the heights of Fredericksburg. In Buenos Ayres I maintain we will be happy to plant the shamrock, rose and thistle in the same soil. Let the motto be *tria juncta in uno* and while the creaming champagne cools the brow of each, let it be looked upon as a stream into which we throw our opinions, to mingle in that happy unison which should characterise all civilised nations.

“I trust the matter will be warmly taken up, and in order that it be properly handles, I suggest that a committee be at once appointed to carry out the affair in a manner worthy of Ireland and Irishmen, and thus testify our devotion to that dear spot so justly called ‘First flower of the earth and first gem of the sea.’⁸ Yours etc. Eblany.”

⁸ From the poem ‘Remember Thee’ by Thomas Moore, verse two, line two.

Thursday 12 March (350)

River Plate Handbook. The last sheet is in press, and this edition work will appear before the public, with all its merits and imperfections on the eve of St Patrick's Day. It is to be regretted that we are three months behind time, although we worked night and day, and even employed a second printing press...As the first English book of arch dimensions published in the continent, it possesses a singular merit; and being a review of our foreign population and industry it will prove interesting to all who take part in the new enterprises fomented by English capital in the River Plate...

Friday 13 March (351)

Consul Hutchinson returned to Rosario after his exploration of the Salado Valley with Estevan Rams.

Tuesday 17 March (354)

Notice. St Patrick's Dinner. This evening at 6 p. m. in the Provance Hotel. Chair taken by Dr Sheridan.⁹

Editorial. St Patrick's Day Eirin Go Bragh. "...Today the Irish of this city, assemble in friendly festivity to revive the public celebration of the day, which has been neglected for a quarter of a century. No political scheme, no supercilious compliment, no factious demonstration enters into our programme, but the frank, honest, and laudable intent to unite our countrymen throughout the globe in toasting our native land..."

Wednesday 15 March (355)

Local Events. Fresh Capital. Six Irish gentlemen have just arrived in our city bringing with them a considerable amount of capital to invest in sheep.

Thursday 19 March (356)

St Patrick' Banquet – Editorial and long report. After an interval of a quarter of a century the Irish of this city celebrated the festival of their Apostle on Tuesday evening 17th inst. 60 invitations were issued. The British Minister and Consul politely declined the invitation. Banquet held at the Provance Hotel. Dr Sheridan took the chair and E. T. Mulhall the Vice Chair. Various toasts were proposed and drunk. There was mention of Fr Fahy.

⁹ Dr Hugh Thomas Sheridan signed a loyal address to Rosas dated 27 October 1849; doctor at the British Hospital, aged 45, Irish. A widower announced his intention to marry Catherine Anne Scurr (28) of Liverpool in 1856; children baptized 1857 – 1860. Died 1866 probably at Estancia Los Sajones. See Jeremy Howat "Doctors in the British Community 19th and 20th Centuries" in www.argbrit.com accessed 26 April 2022.

Saturday 21 March (358)

Editor's Table. The Handbook is at last out; but owing to our book binder being short of hands we are utterly unable to meet demand. We have to return thanks to the merchants for the kind and liberal manner in which they support us. Some mercantile firms have taken twenty copies for transmission abroad.

Tuesday 24 March (360)

Editorial – English Distress & Irish Prosperity back home.

Local Events. The weekly *Standard* will be issued this week on Wednesday as it is in a holiday, and there is no paper on Thursday, the packet edition will be published in Friday morning.

Editor's Table. The River Plate Handbook is selling well in Montevideo. Our agent sent us another order. Our friends in Montevideo are supporting us well.

Local Events. Irish Immigrants – about 35 respectable Irish passengers came into port last week on board the *Hebe*, after a pleasant, though long voyage of 77 days. They were all well treated by the captain.

Education. The undersigned begs leave to announce to the parents and patrons of children, in the locality of Barracas and its vicinity, that he will give lessons in the English language from 10 to 12 o'clock a.m. in the Colegio de las Naciones from 1 April prox. Patrick O'Neill.

Advert. Dublin Coachman. Parties requiring a first-rate Dublin whip who has for many years held the ribbons will apply Jarvey, Standard office. M24 3p.

Wednesday 8 April (370)

Advert. John Burke, General Commission Agent, 73 Peru Street.

Notice. La Prensa price \$5. A complete catalogue of the British Library published for the use of subscribers to that national institution by the editors of the *Standard* to be ready Saturday 11 inst.

Friday 10 April (372)

RIP on the 5 inst. at Belgrano near this city Mr Peter Murray bricklayer, aged 47, a native of County Westmeath, for many years a resident of this country.

Thursday 16 April (379)

Southward Ho. Some years ago no Irishman would have ventured to our frontier elements, but of late the wool business like cotton in the US as grown to rapidly that shepherds are obliged to go forth in all directions looking for pasture lands. Two estancieros of Capilla del Señor have lately purchased a fine tract in the vicinity of Junin. Several others have pushed out to Pergamino and Rojas... There is a just prejudice in favour of Buenos Aires; here Irishmen have thrived marvellously and here El Dorado exists...

Handbook of the River Plate. We have received the following flattering note from H. E. the President of the Republic, whose testimony in our favour bears

not merely the weight of official recognition but also the valuable judgement of an illustrious literary character.

Wednesday 15 April 1864

General Bartolomé Mitre salutes Messrs M. G. and E. T. Mulhall returning them his compliments and thanks for the present they have had the courtesy to make him, a copy of their interesting guide to the River Plate, a work which is well deserving of public protection.

Saturday 18 April (379)

Editor's Table. The *Standard* has always taken a peculiar interest in this great Argentine enterprise and our associate editor left yesterday in the *Pavon* for Rosario to represent our foreign press and society at this memorable celebration. Dr Hutchinson, the English Consul is one of the committee and some of our oldest English and Irish residents are the principal shareholders.

Sunday 19 April (380)

Local Events. William Brown, grandson of the illustrious admiral, his namesake has received a pension of 400 Francs from the Government for the continuance of his studies in the American navy.

A Good Example. Cruz de Reyes, Valparaiso, 21 December 1862 – letter from M. E. Tiernan to Dr Gray J. P.¹⁰ forwarding a draft for £13. 14. 6 – the amount subscribed by Irishmen at the city for the O'Connell Statue Fund.

Editor's Table. An Irishman stabbed by the soldiers is recovering in the Spanish hospital, although at first despaired of. His comrade is also much better.

Thursday 23 April (383)

Marriage on 21 April by Very Rev. A. D. Fahy, Mr James Browe native of Norway to Miss Anne Doyle, native of Waterford, Ireland.

Friday 24 April (384)

RIP 23 inst. In the 82nd years of his age Mr John Frahil native of County Cork, Ireland.

Friday 1 May (390)

Editorial – Our Second Anniversary. The *Standard* is two years old today and we flatter ourselves “big for its age;” its infancy has been eventful, and it has outlived the expectations of those who frowned upon its cradle... Whereas all native papers are used as stepping-stones to parliament preferment or official promotion, such ambition if at once beyond our reach and repugnant to our European notions...

¹⁰ Sir John Gray (1815-1875) – Irish physician, surgeon, newspaper proprietor, journalist and politician.

Local Events – Mr William McLaughlin or his brother Peter have a letter of interest lying at this office to their address

English Church. Hymn books for use in the English Church may be obtained at the Library of Messrs McKern, Calle San Martín.

Sat 2 May (391)

Irish Invasion. We understand that a large force of Irishmen under the command of Captain Saunders, landed yesterday on an exposed part of the coast – Government having received no notification, has as yet taken no steps to repel them. We hear their operations will be directed by Villa Luján and Areco. Messrs Mesquite and Merlino will issue bulletins.

Tuesday 5 May (393)

Important Document. Passengers who travelled on the *La Zingara* express their thanks to Captain Saunders; 64 names and surnames noted.

Editor's Table. We understand the Rev. Mr Carolan is increasing the Irish Library of Villa Luján, having lately sent a large order to our enterprising fellow countryman Mr James Duffy, Dublin. It is pleasing to observe the spread of literature in the camp, and which we flatter ourselves to have been partly responsible. We have presented each of these rural libraries with the Handbook of the Plate.

Advert. The Irish Prize Has Arrived! Hibernian House, 77, 83 & 85 Piedad.

Thursday 7 May (395)

Remarkable Horse Suit. An Irish resident of Capilla del Señor charged a liver stable keeper of Villa Luján with starving his horses. Plaintiff came to spend a few days in the village and gave his steed to the care of the defendant. After ten days recreation the owner was presented with a bill for \$100 which he paid and was then informed that his horses was dead. Witnesses were called to prove the value of the dead horse in court. The judge put up his hand declaring "This animal is beyond my jurisdiction" and did not order the \$100 to be returned to the Irishman.

Friday 8 May (396)

Local Events. Immigrants arrived in this city from 27 April – *Zingara* 95 Irishmen.

Saturday 9 May (397)

RIP of croup at Lobos, Mary Jane and Emily¹¹ the dearly loved children of Dr Fitzsimons, Principal of the College Lobos.

¹¹ Mary Jane and Emily were the 6th and 7th children of Patrick Fitzsimons and his wife Bidelia Kelly. According to Coghlan (Vol.1, p.341) Emily died in May 1862.

Advert. Beaufort House, Ham near Richmond, Surrey. Miss Hadstock (late Miss Clarke's) Catholic Establishment for young ladies under the patronage of H. E. Cardinal Wiseman, Archbishop of Westminster.

Sunday 10 May (398)

Editor's Table. We hear that a wealthy Irishman of the name Kelly who recently arrived from Australia has purchased large tracts of Land in the Banda Oriental and that he is acting for a company of Australian sheep farmers, who propose starting one of the largest sheep farms in South America.

Sunday 17 May (403)

Undated letter from Messrs Guinness & Mahon, College Street, Dublin to M. G. Mulhall – "we have paid your subscription to the O'Connell Fund... You seem to have many Irish settlers and I think will have more from this country as the last harvests have been very bad; how are the new banks likely to do with you?"

Tuesday 19 May (404)

RIP on the 10 inst. Mr Moses Leary, native of Wexford, Ireland, in the 40th year of his age. Deceased resided for many years in Buenos Aires.

Thursday 21 May (406)

The O'Connell Monument. Acknowledges receipt of \$100 m/c for the above national testimonial from Thomas Ledwith of Villa Mercedes and \$20 from J. T. Fitzgerald, Fortin de Areco; it is a humiliating reflection that 20,000 Irishmen in Buenos Aires all possessing considerable riches have not contributed one penny each, to the most praise-worthy object yet recommended to their generosity. In Valparaiso a dozen patriotic Irish exiles have contributed double to amount received in Buenos Aires.

Friday 22 May (407)

A Coachman. Wanted employment a first-rate coachman who has driven a gentleman's carriage for many years in Ireland. Apply *Standard* office.

Saturday 23 May (408)

RIP on the morning of the 22 inst. at the residence of her son-in-law Mr E. T. Mulhall, 74 Calle Belgrano, Mrs. Eliza Eborall, aged 46 years, widow of the later Mr James Eborall, formerly of Richmond, England and late of Ranchos, Buenos Aires. Staffordshire newspapers please copy.

Editor's Table. In Lobos, Navarro, Monte, Ranchos, Chascamous and San Vicente the country looks miserable and many Irish are moving off with their flocks...

Letters at this office – per May packet, Miss Bridget Ford (from Mullingar).

Sunday 24 May (409)

O'Connell Monument. Eduard Casey, Salto \$100; Lawrence Tormey, Giles £100; Owen Lynch,¹² saddler, \$100.

Thursday 4 June (417)

Emigration to the River Plate. ...Many Irish farmers have gone to the Pampas in search of land, and an extension of the frontier has been proposed in consequence. Immigrants find immediate employment. Extensive building operations at Buenos Ayres called for by an increase of trade and population have given full employment to the building trades of that city and the greatest activity prevails at all the brick kilns. The foreign colonies in Santa Fé are thriving, the crops having been most abundant... Sir Henry Beecher, who lately visited the River Plate, and satisfied himself, by personal observation, of the advantages which the region offers to the humbler class of European immigrants, proposes sending out some of his tenants to his friend Dr Gibbings of Ranchos...

Advert. All descriptions of printing executed in the first style at the Standard printing office. The only English printing office in Buenos Ayres, Calle Belgrano 74.

Advert. The Standard Foreign Agents. Dublin – Mr Peter Curran, 30 Eden Quay; Carlow – Christopher F. Mulhall, Attorney at Law; Mullingar – Edward Coffey Esq.; Wexford – Mr John Smith, 29 Main Street; Waterford – Mr Roger Hayes. Standard agent in London – George Street, 30 Cornhill E. C.

Saturday 6 June (418)

Local Events. Buenos Ayres Mission. We see in a Dublin paper that the Archbishop in a late ordination at All Hallows College, conferred tonsure and minor orders on two young ecclesiastics for the Irish Mission in Buenos Ayres.

Sunday 7 June (419)

Local Events. Sisters of Mercy. Four of our philanthropic Irish nuns are expected by the next packet; one of them is the Rev. Mother, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, who went home last year for the benefit of her health, and two are novices. The Irish Convent, is in a flourish condition; some 70 boarders, from the camp, are educated as young ladies, and 250 poor native children are instructed gratis.

Sunday 17 June (403?)

Argentine Items Abroad. Major Rickard after inspecting smelting establishments of the continent paid a visit to his native Dublin. He described conditions in Dublin as heart-rending and is making arrangements to bring out a colony for an agricultural scheme in San Juan. He is getting the requisite

¹²This may be Owen Lynch (1827-1887) born in Ireland, estanceiro at Moreno. In 1855 Fr Fahy officiated at his wedding to Anne Byrne b. Ireland 1827, d. Buenos Aires 1912. See Coghlan, VBo1.2, pp.632,633.

machinery made under his supervision and will leave England for Buenos Ayres about the end of July.

Wednesday 24 June (434)

Immigration. Mr Rickard, in view of the large donation of land in San Juan by Minister Rawson has made arrangements with Messrs James Baines & Co.¹³ for the transport of 200 Irishmen who will form the nucleus of a new agricultural colony under the auspices of their distinguished countryman. The pastoral advantages of this province have been further induced by Sir Henry Wrixon Beecher to send hither a large portion of his tenantry. He visited Buenos Aires a few months ago and was struck with its natural resources and he is actually fitting out and expedition of his poorer tenantry, fishermen of Skibbereen and Cape Clear who will earn their own fortunes and serve as a valuable industrial acquisition by coming to populate our camps.

O'Connell Statue. 19 June 1863 letter from Tomas Fox of Guardia del Monte to the Editor forwarding \$100 "as my humble mite towards the promotion of the O'Connell Testimonial..."

Notice. Housemaid or child nurse, two young women (Irish) want situation as above. English house preferred. Apply by letter to the Standard office.

Friday 26 June (436)

Notice. Are They Living. The anxious parents of Henry Mills and Joseph Mills residing at Buenos Ayres wishes to know if his above mentions sons are living. Joseph Mills left Buenos Ayres for the States about five years ago. Henry Mills left Ireland for the States 20 years ago. New York papers please copy.

Sunday 28 June (436)

Camp Outrage. Villa Mercedes has just been the scene of a diabolic tragedy. Mr Kirby and his peon were butchered in cold blood by a native, said to bear the name of Diaz, who quietly passed the night in his victim's house after committing the horrible event. He has not been taken... Fortin de Areco is becoming infamous for several foreign rowdies, and we regret to chronicle the murder of an Irishman by a wicked countryman of his. Unhappily the criminal was suffered to escape, although five or six other Irishmen were present. He has not been taken, and the native papers refuse to copy our 'hue and cry' for his apprehension.

Local Events. 20 June 1863 letter from Gerald Robbins¹⁴, Moyano, Villa Mercedes to the Editor sending 100 dollars for the O'Connell Testimonial. "I was Mr Editor, but about four years old when I left dear old Ireland, but young as I

¹³ James Baines & Co. of Liverpool was a British shipping company founded in 1858 by James Baines and Thomas Miller McKay; most famous for the Liverpool Black Ball Line.

¹⁴ This may be Gerald Robbins (1831-1885) a native of King's County (Offaly) who was married to Mary Devitt b. Ireland 1842. They had seven children. See Coghlan, Vol.2, p.786.

was, I remember sufficient to feel that the noble deeds of O'Connell should never be forgotten by the Irishman who has one drop of blood of the old persecuted race in his veins in whatever clime he may reside."

Wednesday 1 July (439)

Passengers From Ireland. John Maguire, John Walsh – Wexford; Peter Barrett, Patrick Byrne – Meath; John Walsh – Limerick; Patrick Connor and sister – County Meath. Joseph Geoghegan, Eileen Cavanagh – Wexford and 26 others mainly from Westmeath. These persons arrived yesterday per *Iqurey* from Montevideo where they arrived on Saturday night in the *Argo* from Liverpool (April 30th).

Friday 3 July (441)

The Fortin Murder. Salto /28 June 1863. Having seen in your journal last Thursday a description of the murderer of poor Farrell, I beg to make a remark or two... As a relative of the unfortunate deceased, I beg that you will insert the following advertisement \$2,5000 REWARD. A relative of the late poor Farrell, offers the above sum for the apprehension of, or any parties related to the man Charles or Charley Kenna, who stabbed his unfortunate victim in the Fortin de Areco on the 7th June.

Obsequies of Mr Kiernan – one of the oldest and most esteemed Irish residents of this country. During a long life, which reached the advanced number of 67 winters, he had a wide circle of friends. His funeral obsequies took place at Moron Church on Wednesday in the presence of an immense concourse of natives and foreigners. A special train left town that morning returning at 3 p.m. for the convenience of all parties wishing to pay a last tribute to the deceased... The High Mass was sung with great solemnity... Among those who attended the rites were V. Rev. A. D. Fahy, Messrs J. Kiernan, Coffin, Maxwell and several others whose names we did not ascertain.

RIP On Sunday night at Mrs. Kelly's, Calle Mayo, Mr Michael Kenny of the Villa Luján, sheep farmer aged 33 years. Deceased was a native of the County Westmeath, Ireland.

RIP In this city on 28th ult. Mrs. Elanor Ryan, aged 75 years. Deceased was a native of Limerick (City) and resident many years in this country.

RIP At Moron on May 4th Mr Thomas Dillon aged 58, and on the 8th at Chascomus Mr Peter Dillon aged 53. They were brothers, natives of Mullingar, Ireland and greatly regretted.

Friday 5 July (443)

Lucky Escape. Among the passengers of the *Amatonia* (burned by the *Alabann*) was Mr Benniss recently arrived in Buenos Ayres. He states all the crew and passengers were put in irons, but he produced a letter of recommendation from

the Bishop of Rhode Island to one of our Irish resident clergy, and this saved him liberty. Captain Bemmes is a Roman Catholic.

Tuesday 7 July (444)

Local Events. Directory. Next week we will send round forms to filled up for our Directory for 1864. We shall not publish the Hand Book until 1865 as the present edition has not been all sold.

Thursday 9 July (446)

To the Editor of the *Standard*, 7 July 1863 letter from Astor at Villa de Luján. ...I feel induced to occupy a space in your worthy journal although it will no doubt appear rather impudent to refer to this subject so often, yet as it is one in which I feel confident every Irishman in this country feels interested, it is not yet too late. Some good may be done for our starving fellow countrymen...

The O'Connell Statue – list of 20 subscribers names contributing \$2,400.

Sunday 12 July (448)

Camp Murders. 7 July 1863 letter from Astor at Villa Luján to the Editor. The recent assassinations of our countrymen in Mercedes, has created no small amount of sensation throughout this and adjoining partidos. Two unoffending and industrious men, brutally butchered, for other cause than that they were foreigners, is a crime to atrocious as to have made a deep impression on the minds of Irishmen that there is no protection for them in the camp, except the revolver.

Tuesday 14 July (449)

Local Events. Irish Boot-Makers. As an instance of the time we mention two new shoe shops belonging to Irishmen in Villa Luján and Capilla del Señor.

The Hot Press – the unrivalled machinery has at length arrived per *Quincey* for this office. The same vessel has brought a complete printing office for the Typographical Society.

African Travels – three works by Dr Hutchinson, English Consul at Rosario are on sale at MacKerns.

Notice. Passengers who came per *Raymond* from Dublin, and who signed Bills for part of their passage money to which Bills bear interest from the date on which they fell due, are required within as little delay as possible to send in the amounts otherwise I shall be obliged to take steps to recover the, Terence Curran,¹⁵ 76 Calle San Martin.

¹⁵ Possibly Terence Curran (1828-1882) b. Ireland and died Buenos Aires who married Ana Cranwell – they had four children. See Coghlan, Vol.1, p.210.

Wednesday 15 July (450)

Advert. Wanted. An English or Irish man servant to care for a child three years old. References as to character will be required.

Editor's Table. ...The Irish of Villa Mercedes have set a noble example in subscribing expenses of a chasque which the criminal judge offered to send to arrest the murderer... We the undersigned neighbours of Villa de Mercedes, have resolved to make up a subscription to defray the expenses of apprehending the murdered of our countryman Martin Kirby and his peon Edward Devere of Bristol, lately killed in this Partido and bring informed that the murderer is in the Province of Santa Fé, a chasque undertakes to apprehend him – and bring him to town... 31 names are listed starting with Rev, Thomas Carolan P.P., \$100.

Friday 17 July (456)

River Plate Handbook – this first essay of Anglo-Argentine publishing has been favourably received in Europe.

Tuesday 21 July (459)

Local Events. Argentine-Irish. We perceive an official despatch from the Government of Jujuy to the Minister of the Interior – a letter by Don Daniel Araoz and Don Pedro Pablo Molouny – are in plain English Mr Daniel A. Ross and Mr Peter Paul Moloney.

Wednesday 22 July (460)

Outrages at Quilmes. An Irishman returning the other evening from Barracas to Quilmes was set upon by five or six men, one of who lassoed him. He however contrived to cut the lasso and would have escaped but that another ruffain rode up and caught the horses reins. They then stripped him of his two coats, several bundles and 600 dollars.

Thursday 23 July (461)

Celtic Gratitude. Long undated letter from Kilcoursey to the Editor.

Sunday 2 August (471)

Reception at the Irish Convent. On Friday we witness the interesting ceremony of giving the black veil to a novice and the white veil to two postulants at our Convent of Mercy. The lady professed Miss Anne Casey,¹⁶ daughter of Mr Laurence Casey,¹⁷ estanciero of Navarro... The postulants were Miss Isabel

¹⁶ Ana Casey (1841-1894) second of the nine children of Laurence Casey; joined the Sisters of Mercy in 1863. See Coghlan, Vol.1, p.128

¹⁷ Laurence Casey (1893-1876) native of County Westmeath who arrived in Argentina c. 1830, established himself initially at Chascomus, then in Las Heras and finally at Navarro where it was said of him that “he was one of those mad Englishmen” on being the first person to pay a million pesos at auction for a square league of camp. In 1837 he married Mary O’Neill (1806-1910) a native of County Wicklow – they had nine children. See Coghlan, Vol.1, p.128-129.

Norris¹⁸ of Navarro aged 18 who took the name Sr Mary Ignatius, and Miss Anne Kenny¹⁹ of Luxán in religion Sr Mary Kevin. These three young ladies were educated in the convent which they have selected for their lives and belong to some of the most respected families of our sheep farmers. A large number of friends and relations assisted at the holy rite... The Irish resident clergy counted V. Rev. A. D. Fahy OSD, Rev. Mr Smith, Lobos; Rev. Thomas Carolan, Villa Luxán; Rev. Mr Curran, Capilla del Señor and Rev. Mr Leahy, Chaplain. High Mass was sung by V. Rev. Fr Fahy celebrant assisted by Revs. Messrs M. Curran and Leahy as deacon and subdeacon.

Tuesday 4 August (472)

The O'Connell Statue. Patrick O'Neill 1 August 1863 letter to the Editor. Mrs. Anne Cathcart native of Scotland has handed in \$50 as a subscription towards the O'Connell Testimonial in Dublin.

Wednesday 5 August (473)

River Plate Handbook. Copies of this work delivered post free in any part of England or Ireland or sent on payment of 30 dollars at this office. A nicely bound edition with Lighterage Tariff and Appendices, price 60 dollars.

Glorious News. Kirby's murdered taken. Subscriber 2 August letter, Villa Mercedes to the Editor. The chasque²⁰ brought "the prisoner in irons into this town, to the great delight of those who witnessed it. Prisoner wore Kirby's watch and boots but denied having committed any foul deed..."

Thursday 6 August (474)

Maritime Testimonial. 4 August 1863 letter from Buenos Aires to the Editor. Permit us and nearly forth more of our fellow countrymen, just landed here, to convey to the worthy Captain of the *Rosalie*, for his attention to us during the voyage... He rejoiced and was glad in our amusements, he sympathised in our sorrow, as was the case when death visited one of us – poor James Spence Backen, Westmeath... Signed by eight on behalf of fellow passengers.

Friday 7 August (475)

Dr Keen and Dr Gibbings. Keen editor of the *National* and Gibbings an estanciero of Ranchos in disagreement in reference to a petition with 120 names of which 80 were foreigners to make a foreign loan for redemption of the currency.

¹⁸ Eliza Norris – professed 1865, d. 1867. See Ussher, 'Las Hermanas,' p.108.

¹⁹ Anne Kenny – professed '865, d. 1931. See Ussher, 'Las Hermanas,' p.108.

²⁰ Chasque is a Quechua word that means, mail, person of relay. The chasque was a young runner considered to be the personal messenger of the Inca. Usually spelled as chasqui. See Edward Walsh "Conversations With A Chasqui," *Latin American Chasqui*, February 1992.

RIP on 30 July Mr John Murray of Milltown, County Westmeath in his 81st year; much regretted by a large number of friends.

RIP on 6th inst. Mr Patrick Moore aged 66 years and a native of County Kildare and through out a long and honorable residency in the country exhibited those sterling qualities for which he was so much respected.

Noted. Tutor. An Irishman recently arrived and who has a thorough knowledge of English and the Greek and Latin classics, seeks employment as a tutor in a foreigner's family. Apply J. P. Standard office.

Saturday 8 August (426)

Local Events. Great Funeral. Yesterday one of the largest funerals that has occurred in this city for many years, took place at the late residence of Mr P. Moore deceased in Calle Parque.

Four Murderers Arrested. Villa de Mercedes 3 August report to the Editor. My presence here today was taken advantage of to act as interpreter for the widow of our murdered countryman Kirby in Leones recently. She and another woman named Cottee identified the murderers among some six or eight prisoners, also the watch, boots etc. of her late husbands that were found on the prisoners' person when arrested...

Tuesday 11 August (478)

Irish Immigration. The Federal Government is importing large numbers of Irishmen, having passed a vote of three million silver dollars to pay the passage of 120,000 persons of whom they calculate to make 40,000 soldiers.

Camp Murder. Mercedes, 4 August 1863 letter from T. K. to the Editor. "I am creditably informed by eye witnesses that the murderer of Kirby and his peon is arrived in Mercedes prison, brought there by the man who left Mercedes to arrest him in Rosario; if so, please put down my name for \$300 in your subscription list for the detective of the murdered of Kirby and I hope that every English and Irishman will subscribe liberally to the same..."

Thursday 13 August (480)

Editor's Table. ...We refer to a letter from San Antonio de Areco. The writer seems to be a close observer, and remarks upon the piety of the Irish population who attend church with their families regularly every Sunday. The very good feeling the *Tribuna* correspondent states exists between the natives and foreigners...

Kirby's Murdered Identified. Kirby and Devere's assassin was ledged in the prison of this city. It seems he was travelling to Chivilcoy, where he offered our countryman a watch, a gift of the late Rev. Mr Kirby,²¹ for sale. The detective

²¹ Fr Santiago Kirby (1826-1862) native of County Kerry studied at All Hallows College, Dublin, and was ordained on 7 October 1860 and arrived in Buenos Aires at the beginning of 1861. See Ussher 'Los Capellanes' p.161.

employed by the Irish farmers of Mercedes succeeded in conveying him to that town. On being examined he declared that he won the watch gambling, and denied all knowledge of the horrible crime assigned to him.

Saturday 15 August (482)

The *Nation* and Dr Gibbings. Richard Gibbings 10 August 1863 letter from Estancia de los Ombues to the Editor. A reference to his contra temp with Dr Keen.

Thursday 20 August (485)

The Mercedes Murders. 19 August 1863 letter from Veritas to the Editor. "...Some six weeks ago a gaucho rode up in the evening to the house of an industrious and inoffensive Irish shepherd, dismounted, and with a blood thirsty and unheard of coolness murders the peon in the patio. He then attacked the mistress of the house and a female friend of hers, who made a most provident escape, after which he proceeds to the rodeo and butchers the patron in a frightful manner, robbing him of his clothes, boots, watch etc..."

Editor's Table. We are informed that the average attendance of Irish parishioners at Mass in the Villa Mercedes is 200 each Sunday, and not a single case of disorder occurs. In Fortin de Areco, on the contrary where there is no Irish chaplain, drunken riots sometimes unhappily arise between our countrymen on the Lord's Day at the Fondas. The moral is clear.

Saturday 22 August (487)

"On the Prospects of Cotton Cultivation in the Argentine Republic" by Thomas J. Hutchinson FRGS,²² H. B. M's Consul at Rosario.

Notice. To Irish Estancieros. A respectable Irish couple with two children lately arrived are open to an employment to take charge of the education of the junior member or more families. Highest references given. Apply by letter or otherwise to Rev. A. D. Fahy, Buenos Ayres.

Tuesday 1 September (495)

Editor's Table. Consul Hutchinson's work is fast approaching completion. "A Life in the River Plate" by some unknown is also in circulation.

Major Rickard's book²³ has at last been published and is expected out in the next steamer *La Plata*.

²² FRGS – Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.

²³ Major F. Ignacio Rickard, "A Mining Journey Across the Great Andes with Explorations in the Silver Mining Districts of San Juan and Mendoza, and a Journey across the Pampas to Buenos Ayres," 314 pp, London, Smith Elder. 1863, reprinted 2015.

Wednesday 2 September (496)

Notice. Wanted. A first rate strong able Press Man to work and take charge of the Standard hot press. Good wages paid to the competent party. Apply at the Standard office.

The Mercedes Tragedies. Astor 22 August 1863 letter to the Editor from Villa de Luján... It is rumoured about here that the ruffian who murdered poor Kirby and peon is to escape with a temporary banishment from Buenos Ayres, and as the scoundrel has found some persons to offer him their sympathy, we, as Irishmen, should not omit forwarding a petition to Government in order that public example be made of this monster... The murder of Kirby was not his first...

Thursday 3 September (497)

Governess. A respectable young Irishwoman recently arrived, is anxious to procure employment as a Governess, or in the care of children etc., being willing to make herself generally useful; well educated, aged 21. Apply X. Z. Standard office.

Friday 4 September (498)

Editor's Table. The water schemes are all now before the Municipality, and we hear that a London firm (Easton, Amos & Co.)²⁴ of which Mr Coghlan is the agent is about to get the contract.

Tuesday 8 September (501)

Editor's Table. We are happy to learn that T. O'Brien Esq., Argentine Consul in the Irish capital is about to visit the River Plate this year to study its advantages for Irish immigration.

Thursday 10 September (502)

Editorial: Colonisation or Immigration? ...All our immigrants, of each nation belong to one small district; the Italians to Genoa, the French to Bordeaux, the Irish to Westmeath and so of the rest...

Saturday 12 September (504)

Editor's Table. We regret to learn that the general impression Villa Mercedes is that the blood thirsty assassin of Kirby and Devere will not suffer the extreme penalty of the law. It is not true that any powerful 'compadres' exert their influence to save him, but the professed objection to capital punishment will induce the authorities strain every point or legal quibble in the case.

²⁴ See David Eaton "Easton & Amos A Brief History of a Victorian Engineering Company," Holway Publications, Dover, 2007; engineers of Great Guilford Street, Southwark, London.

Makor Rickard's new work expected next week and will be on sale at McKearns.

Sunday 13 September (505)

Editor's Table. The Irish community of Chascomus intend erecting a church on the estancia of Mrs. Mulleady; the estimated cost is \$50,000 m/c, the great part of which has already been generously offered by our countrymen in this vicinity. The esteemed pastor Rev. Michael Connolly,²⁵ has received the necessary permission from the bishop, and the good work will soon be commenced. This is highly gratifying, as the above will be the first temple for divine worship erected by an Irishman in these countries. We will publish the subscription list when forwarded to us.

Thursday 17 September (508)

River Plate Directory. We respectfully request those of our subscribers who have not as yet sent in the forms duly filled in that they will favour us with them at their earliest convenience.

Friday 18 September (509)

Princely Munificence. The Sisters of Mercy acknowledge the donation of 5,000 dollars m/c by Baron Mauá²⁶ per W. Leslie Esq.²⁷ for the Irish Orphans Asylum and Hospital. This is really an instance of open-handed liberality equally worthy of the noble donor and of the above charitable institutions. The claims of the Irish Orphanage on the native and foreign public are undisputed, but it is not generally known that the Sisters give gratuitous instruction to 200 poor children of the City, and support moreover several Irish orphans. There are a House of Refuge for servants out of place, and an Hospital; there, thank God are very seldom put in requisition; domestic employment is never scarce, and Irishmen seen to enjoy privileged health.

RIP on Tuesday 15th inst. in his 50th year Mr James Young of Pilar. Deceased was a native of County Westmeath and had resided in this country over twenty years.

Saturday 19 September (510)

Editor's Table. The murderer of Kirby and his peon has not yet been executed. It is rumoured that he will escape with a few years of imprisonment,

²⁵ Michael A. Connolly, Galwayman who studied at All Hallows College, Dublin at the expense of Anthony Fahy O.P. Arrived in Buenos Aires together with Fr James Curran early in 1860 and was ordained in December of that year. He built two chapels, firstly on Mrs. Mulleady's estancia and then on Thomas Mahon's estancia. See Ussher, *Los Capellanes*, pp.102-103.

²⁶ Visconde de Mauá (Irineu Evangelista de Souza 1813-1889), Brazilian merchant, entrepreneur, industrialist, banker and politician.

²⁷ William Leslie, Manager Mauá Bank, Cangallo 101, Buenos Aires. See Mulhall *Handbook of the River Plate*, 1863.

but we can hardly credit that the Provincial executives would lend itself to such business.

Tuesday 22 September (515)

The Kirby Murder. List of subscribers to reward the Captor of the murdered of Kirby and Devere, 2 August 1863. The murder of our countryman Kirby, of Kerry, and Devere of Bristol, being arrested, and a prisoner in this town, and to arrest his capture Horacio Chaves for his services, we the undersigned subscribe each for the purpose as follows, a list of 71 named individuals and amounts each subscribed is listed.

Wednesday 23 September (516)

Dr Brogne's Outward... This reminds us of Mr Curran's²⁸ enterprise. Our Dublin friend is the proprietor of the only vessel sailing directly from Ireland to the River Plate. He runs a considerable risk in taking passengers on credit and has to compete with Liverpool firms of superior capital. It cannot be denied that he greatly facilitates emigration by saving our countrymen the necessary expense of crossing the Channel. He is moreover the only man in Dublin, or even Ireland, who contributes to Argentine progress; yet the premium of one dollar per head on emigrants given to the consul Mr Timothy O'Brien, a worthy gentleman much respected by his fellow-citizens, but who has no possible connection with Buenos Ayres, can give neither assistance nor information to parties coming hither, and has no imaginable claim to the dignity of Argentine Consul, but that he acts for her Catholic Majesty.

If anything is to be gained by the office of Consul, we have to insist that Mr Peter Curran of Eden Quay, Dublin, be appointed. In his mercantile and official capacity, he will be able to render much benefit both to this republic and to the numerous parties annually emigrating hither from Ireland.

Thursday 1 October (529?)

River Plate Directory 1864. This publication will be an excellent medium for advertising, circulating 1,000 copies in these republics and Great Britain. Insertions from \$50 upwards at \$200 per page.

Friday 2 October (530?)

Major Rickard's Work. We have just received from the author a copy of his "Mining Journey Across the Great Andes" in cloth with two good maps and comprises over 200 pp. Tomorrow we will review it.

²⁸ Peter Curran of 30 Eden Quay, Dublin, ship chandler, provision merchant and export bottler. See *Thom's Almanac and Official Directory for the Year 1862*.

Tuesday 6 October (531?)

Editor's Table. It is with pleasure that we inform our readers that there is reason to believe the assassin of Kirby and Devere has been condemned and sentenced to death. *The Standard's* feelings of humanity urges us to demand, for the safety of camp residents, that this cold blooded murdered be removed from among us. *Fiat Justicia!*

Thursday 8 October (536?)

Good News For Ireland. It is seldom we have anything to report of the Emerald Isle and our Irish readers wonder that neither our Supplement, nor Weekly devotes sufficient attention to the country one third of our continent. Unfortunately, we only hear of Ireland through the London journals which exchange with us, our sole Irish exchange being the *Wexford People*.²⁹ Although one of the Editors of *The Standard* has been for two years correspondent of the *Freeman's Journal*,³⁰ that paper will not reciprocate the usual courtesy...

Camp News. "...There is a regular tide of Irishmen in and out of the 13 May... One Irish estanciero from the Partido of Moron has just bought 2 square leagues of Government land out there in \$ 30,000 per league and has eight years to pay... Another well-known Irish estanciero from Villa Mercedes has purchased five leagues of Government land in the same direction..."

Friday 9 October (527?)

Man Drowned. M. G. L. 3 October 1863 Buenos Aires, letter to the Editors. At noon on Friday 2nd last James Clarke, seaman of the barque *Regina* and native of Londonderry, Ireland, was unfortunately drowned by falling from a stage overboard while engaged painting the ship...

Editor's Table. The barque *Raymond*³¹ which left Dublin the 10 August with some 200 emigrants is expected to arrive next week.

Wednesday 14 October (531)

Guinness Mahon & Co.,³² 17 College Green, Dublin, 7 September 1863 letter to M. G. Mulhall acknowledging receipt of £18.13s for the O'Connell statue fund.

Thursday 15 October (532)

"Lost Friends" – undated letter from Julia Keogh, 20 South Earl Street, Dublin. Her son John Keogh emigrated to America 20 years ago and now that she is feeble and in delicate health it would be a great consolation to hear if he is living.

²⁹ *The Wexford People*, founded 1853 in print every Tuesday.

³⁰ *The Freeman's Journal*, established 1763 by Charles Lucas and published until 1924 when acquired by *The Irish Independent*.

³¹ The barque *Raymond* 394 tons, built Nova Scotia 1858; Master – T. Rochford; Owner – P. Curran; Dublin home port. See *Lloyds Register of Shipping*, 1863, No.75, p.549.

³² An Irish merchant bank based in Dublin founded in 1836 by barrister Robert Rundell Guinness (a nephew of the brewer Arthur Guinness) and John Ross Mahon.

Advert. Hibernian House – a long list of names for whom letters are awaiting collection.

“Distinguished Arrival” – Timothy O’Brien late Consul in Dublin and second son of Sir Timothy O’Brien³³ arrived per *Mersey* on Tuesday. Welcome and hope both he and his wife become residents of La Plata. Quotes from the *Freeman’s Journal* regarding a dinner and presentation made to O’Brien in Dublin having announced his intention to settle in South America. An inscriber silver salver was presented to Timothy O’Brien on his departure to South America, September 1863.

Friday 16 October (533)

The *Raymond* with 270 passengers, is expected next week from Dublin.

Saturday 17 October (533?)

Married on 7 October at the Merced Church by Rev. Father Fahy, Mr Harry Sanders to Miss Mary Holiven.

Wednesday 21 October (536)

Editor’s Table. We understand Government is about to accept our suggestion by appointing Mr Peter Curran, Argentine Consul at Dublin in lieu of Mr Timothy O’Brien. The former is owner of the only vessel trading direct from Ireland to Buenos Ayres.

Friday 23 October (538)

Editor’s Table. The *Raymond* expected hourly – 70 days from Kingstown, will come just in time for shearing. Most of the passengers come out to their relation here settled, and a few bring capital to start themselves with sheep; and a priest and a surgeon attend them, who will probably fix their residence in this country.

Advert. John Tipping. The *Raymond* is expected here daily. Your brother Simon is on board; come to town and meet him. Send your address to the *Standard* office.

Sunday 1 November (546)³⁴

The South African Mission. V. Rev. Dr O’Reilly visited us to protest against our idea that he should deposit the magnificent subscriptions he has received in Bishop Escalada’s hands, or remit through a local banker. He declares he is not bound to give the subscribers any account of the month. We learned yesterday (not from Dr O’Reilly) that the Irish Catholics of Cape of Good Hope are in a flourishing condition.... Dr O’Reilly claims he is only responsible to his own

³³ Sir Timothy O’Brien (1767-1862) politician and merchant; MP for Cashel and Lord Mayor of Dublin 1849.

³⁴ Note. In the month of November, the serial numbers are out of sequence, not always correct; in some instances are impossible to read due to actual degradation of the news print itself.

bishop and the public will not be content to know that he has gone to the Falkland Islands and intends returning to Africa. Two subscription lists are left open with Rev. Messrs Cullen and Kirwan. The *Standard* gratuitously printed circulars and lists for O'Reilly and invited him to come before the public to whom he is bound in gratitude to shew every deference. O'Reilly never shewed his credentials to the Mulhalls.

Advert. "South American Adventures" by Thomas Woodbine, \$130, now on sale at G. & H. McKern English Bookshop.

Advert. "River Plate Directory 1864" inscriptions from \$50.

Tuesday 3 November (547)

Local News. More Irishmen. We are happy to inform our readers that on Sunday last 17 Irishmen landed from Liverpool per *Uruguay*. They have all got situations already and are gone to the camp.

"The South African Subscription" – 1 November 1863, long letter from John Cullen C. C., San Miguel, to the editors of the *Standard*. During his stay Dr O'Reilly has won the sympathies of the Irish residents. In your issue of 29³⁵ you state that you are not aware when O'Reilly intends to return to Africa. Some Irish priests in the Diocese of Buenos Aires have made donations to O'Reilly and he had introduced O'Reilly to the Mulhalls; O'Reilly had a letter from the bishop of Cape Town. In October last year you executed the order to print the circular stating the objects of O'Reilly's mission. O'Reilly has celebrated Mass in almost all the camp chapels and preached in nearly all of them. Priests from foreign dioceses are not allowed to carry out those functions unless they can produce satisfactory credentials. Cullen request the Mulhalls not to bring religion into contemp.

"Tiresome Friends" – Dr O'Reilly is either deaf to every challenge and remains in the background while Fr Cullen is either unwilling or unable to give the required explanations. They have a right to know the 'ins' and 'outs' of a charitable subscription. O'Reilly is fully authorised by his own superiors. Yes, the *Standard* printed the circulars which apparently were not used. They do not believe O'Reilly is an imposter.

"Emigrants Asylum" the statement which appeared in Sunday's *Nación Argentina* to the effect that the asylum pays for the carriage of the emigrants' baggage to this model lodging house, is altogether incorrect as regards the emigrants per *Raymond*. We saw one poor man obliged to pay a porter to carry his box to the place, and the great bulk of the passengers luggage would have remained all night on the mole had it not been for Rev. Mr Fahy, who procured a cart which the emigrants themselves loaded.

³⁵ The issue of the *Standard* for 29 October 1863 is missing from the Universidad San Andrés collection.

Wednesday 4 November (548)

Advert. J. Murphy & Co., Clonmel, Brewer. Irish Stout and East India Pale Ale on draught at McGovern's, corner of Reconquista and Piedad.

Thursday 5 November (549)

Editorial: "Rev. Messrs Cullen and O'Reilly" – it is highly disadvantageous to get into a polemic with priests or ladies, since no matter how they transgress the bounds of decency in argument we must treat them with consideration. Cullen's letter in Tuesday's paper was unpolite which were it not for the writer's cloth should have elicited a response that would make him hide his diminished head. The same letter appeared in yesterday's *Tribuna* stating it was denied publication in the *Standard*. Mr Cullen is no longer an Irish missionary having exchanged the Irish parish of Capilla del Señor for the post of cura teniente at San Miguel. O'Reilly boasts that he has visited every Irish home in the province collecting over \$103,000; he also visited the *Standard* three or four times last week. He is a very respectable clergyman, and the object of his mission is not only legitimate, but, laudable. He has mismanaged the matter grossly. O'Reilly's mission was unlucky for the Mulhalls as they expended 200 dollars and lost three nights arranging lists of subscribers...

RIP on 20th ult. In this city Mr Joseph Funston, aged 75 years. Deceased was a native of Ireland and served over 40 years on the River Plate as pilot for merchant vessels and British men-of-war... He was universally respected for his skill and excellent behaviour, and leaves a widow and three children, for who a collection is being made among his friends.

Friday 6 November (550 ?)³⁶

"South African Mission" – undated letter from 'Various of Your Countrymen' to the Editors of the *Standard*. Takes issue with John Cullen's letter. They are surprised that the *Standard* lowered the journal by inserting such a "disgraceful document." They are amazed that Fr Cullen has so officiously constituted himself the instrument of Dr O'Reilly and lent his signature to a letter of such a nature and can only infer that he did so without reflection and that his lenient character has

been imposed upon. In conclusion the reverend gentleman seems to think that the public have no right to ask any satisfaction from them; we would beg you to drop the subject, as no benefit can be derived from carrying on a polemic with such disadvantageous opponents, their standing precluding the possibility of their being answered in the terms they merit.

Local Events. Notice. One Less. We regret to find that one of our camp subscribers has taken umbridge at our controversy with Dr O'Reilly. Our number

³⁶ The *Standard* collection at the Universidad de San Andres, accessible on line is incomplete and commences at Friday 6 November 1863, No.558?

is reduced to 1358, having been 1385. Still we can never afford to lose a friend, and suppose he will subscribe again next month.

Notice. The *Scilia* receiving cargo for London, Belfast, Dublin...

Education of Adults. Carmen de Areco 28 November letter to editors of the *Standard* from F. G.

Sunday 8 November (552)

Table Talk. Messrs McKern advise us of a large invoice of books just received from Ireland, by which we must understand that Hibvernian literature is in the ascendant.

Advert. Patrick D. Lynch & Co., wool brokers.³⁷

South African Mission. We refer our readers to a letter from the esteemed and Very Reverend head of the Irish congregation, in another column. We hope this will end the matter, as it is absurd for the South African collectors to be spending \$400 daily in the *Tribuna* merely to attack the *Standard*.

"S. African Relief" – 7 November letter A. D. Fahy, Buenos Aires, to the Editor of the *Standard* regarding an article in this morning's *Tribuna*, regarding criticisms in the *Standard* of Dr O'Reilly and the South African Mission. Fahy never said anything derogatory either (directly or indirectly) against O'Reilly and does not see why his name should be involved. Fahy believes O'Reilly is a most reputable priest. If he had not collaborated with O'Reilly it is due to the great difficulty which "our own charitable institutions are labouring... We are getting up a hospital which at present contains several poor Irish girls and old men... The continued appeals of poor institutions have left us considerably in debt... I have never either directly or indirectly advised the Editors of the *Standard* as to the system of politics they should be guided by. I am no politician. I regret exceedingly that Dr O'Reilly's feelings should be hurt by some uncalled remarks that appeared in the *Standard*... It is enough for Dr O'Reilly that he leaves Bs. As. With the respect that is due to his character. A. D. Fahy.

Tuesday 10 November (553)

Notice. Irish College Lobos. I beg to leave to notify to the parents and guardians of the students of this College that the Christmas Examinations will commence on 10th December and will end (D.V.) on the 16th or the 17th. I will accompany to Buenos Ayres pupils that are to leave for the holidays. No pupil shall be allowed to leave the College without a special application to me on the subject. P. Fitzsimon, A. M., Rector.

Birth on the morning of the 9th inst. at Calle Belgrano No. 74, Mrs. E. T. Mulhall of a son.

³⁷ Before arriving in Argentina, Patrick Lynch lived at Stanley in the Falkland Islands and worked for the Falkland Islands Company for four years

Wednesday 11 November (554)

A native of Longford, Ireland, arrived in this country, wishes to know where John Dinegin resides, who comes from the same place.

Editor's Table. Respecting the general meeting in favour of Father Fahy, we have to say that the circulars which we received from the Honorary Secretary, Mr Carroll, were duly forwarded to the country districts. We are glad to see the committee so active and hope that every Irishman in the camp will not fail to respond to the invitation. All who can conveniently come to town should do so to attend this meeting. We hope to see a full attendance, and that the first public meeting of Irishmen in Buenos Ayres will be worthy of the country from which we come.

Advert. Joseph Mills and Henry Mills. Natives of County Westmeath, Ireland whose father resides in Buenos Aires. Anyone who knows anything about these young men will please address the Buenos Aires *Standard*. New York papers please insert.

Advert. William Maxwell. Son of Joseph Maxwell and Letit's Latham (maiden name) of Portadown, County Antrim, Ireland, desires to hear from his relatives if any living either by his father or mother's side. He has resided in Buenos Aires for over 20 years. Irish papers please copy.

Sheep Farming in Ireland. Undated 1863 letter from a subscriber to the Editors. Dear Sir, as many of your subscribers are sheep farmers and Irish, I think that they will read with interest the following account of the great Irish sheep fair held last October; it proves clearly that if sheep are increasing here, they are decreasing in Ireland. [There follows a newspaper account of the Ballinasloe Sheep Fair.]

Saturday 14 November (556)

Terence Curran. Begg leave to notify the public that he has now on hand a large and well selected stock of English and Irish made goods, 75 Calle San Martín.

*Sunday 15 November (557)*³⁸

Advert. Peter Cunningham. Passenger on the steamship *Sicilia* from Liverpool is required to call at the office of the undersigned without delay. Chas. W. M. Benn & Co., Bs. As. Nov. 9, 1863.

Advert. Estate of Luke Cassidy. Any person having claims against the Estate of the late Luke Cassidy will please apply on or before the 16th November to the undersigned Assignee. John Kemsley,³⁹ Calle Parque 140.

RIP on the 8th inst at Villa Luján Mr Patrick Haugh of this city. Deceased was a native of Co. Clare, Ireland. His relatives take this opportunity to express their

³⁸ Note advising "wrong edition number."

³⁹ John Kemsley was a public and official translator.

thanks to Dr Fermin Yrigonen, and his brother D. Luis for their kindness on the occasion.

“The Bishop of Buenos Aires and the Irish College of San Salvador, Lobos” – November 5th was a great day for the Irish College and sons of Ireland in South America. The Bishop’s address to the Rector, the Rector’s reply; Student’s Address and the Rector’s Reply.

Advert. Estate of Luke Cassidy. Any person having claims against the estate of the late Luke Cassidy will please apply, on or before the 10th November to the undersigned Assignee. John Kemsley, Calle Paarque 140.

Editor’s Table. The libels on Fr Fahy are reproduced in yesterday’s *Tribuna*. Of course an “Irishman from the Camp” is only a fictional signature, as there is not one of our sheep farmers who would not feel inclined to horse whip both the anonymous ruffian (no matter what his cloth) and the editors who publish these infamies on one of the most respected foreigners, the most exemplary clergyman and indefatigable friend and patron that our society can boast of.

Birth on the 3rd December at Capilla del Señor the wife of Mr E. Lennon, estanciero, of a son.

Advert. Patrick D. Lynch & Co., wool brokers, Plaza Once.

Notice. Joseph Mills & Henry Mills natives of County Westmeath, Ireland. Anyone who knows anything about these young men, will please address to the Buenos Aires *Standard*.

Advert. William Maxwell. Son of Joseph Maxwell, and Lelit’s Latham (maiden name) of Portadown, County Antrim, Ireland, desires to hear from this relatives if any living, either, by father or mother’s side. He has resided in Buenos Aires over 30 years.

*Tuesday 17 November (557)*⁴⁰

Wanted. Situations as Housemaids or General Servants for two Irish girls who can be well recommended. Address Housemaids at this Office.

Editor’s Table. The libels on Fr Fahy in yesterday’s *Tribuna* in Spanish. Of course an “Irishman from the Camp” is only a fictitious signature as there is not one of our sheep farmers who would not feel inclined to horse whip both the anonymous ruffians (no matter what his cloth) and the editor who published there infamous on one of the most respected foreigners; the most exemplary clergyman, and indefatigable friend and patron that our society can boast of.

William Maxwell son of Joseph Maxwell and Letit’s Latham (maiden name) of Portadown, County Armagh, Ireland, desires to hear from his relations, if any living either by father or mother’s side. He has resided in Buenos Ayres over 20 years.

⁴⁰ Price, two dollars.

Local News. A letter signed John Gheoghan, Victoria Hotel, has been sent us but we believe it to be a forgery, and will not publish it unless it be shewn genuine.

Joseph Mills & Henry Mills of County Westmeath, Ireland, whose father resides in Buenos Ayres. Anyone who knows anything about these young men, will please address the Buenos Ayres *Standard*.

Wednesday 18 November (558?)

Estate of Luke Cassidy. Any person having claims against the estate of the late Luke Cassidy will please apply, on or before 10th November to the undersigned. John Kemsley, Calle Parque 140.

Thursday 19 November (559?)

Editor's Table. The committee appointed at a preliminary meeting, held at the vestry of San Roque, on the fifth inst., has received a letter from Rev. Father Fahey, which, with the Hon. Secretary's letter enclosing same, will be found in another column. These letters speak for themselves and almost need no comment. Although the public meeting, however, has been adjourned in compliance with the wishes of the Rev. Mr Fahey, the subscription list is still open, and, we are happy to say, is extremely popular. Letters are coming in to it daily from all parts of the camp, subscribing to the fund. We hope to see the committee collect a sufficient sum to be able to purchase a proper residence for our most esteemed Irish pastor.

Fr Fahy, 17 December 1863, Buenos Aires, letter to the gentlemen of the Committee requesting that the meeting be put off in consequence of the drought and the impossibility of travelling from the camp. Fahy neither directly or indirectly sought any manifestation and hopes he will be able to merit the approbation of his Irish countrymen "during the short period I am destined to live."

Michael Carroll, 18 December 1863, Buenos Aires, letter to the Editors of the *Standard*. In consequence of Fr Fahy's letter to the Committee the majority of members have yielded to the Fahy's wishes so the meeting proposed for Sunday next will not take place.

Saturday 28 November (567?)

The Rev. Mr Fahy – letter from "The Enemies of Envy" to the editors of the *Standard*.

Editor's Table. We have to thank our colleague the *Tribuna* for publishing, on Thursday morning a most flattering letter to the Rev. Mr Fahy, a translation of which will be found in another column. Even the native residents, it would seem, have taken up the defence of our revered clergyman. We think it right also to state, that the editors of the *Tribuna*, when their attention was called to the matter,

refused to allow any more anonymous letters, slandering the Rev. Mr Fahy, to be published in their journal. "Fiat justitia ruat coelum."⁴¹

The Great Sheep Robbery. The Robber Caught.

Irishman Denis Tormy of the Partido Navarro recently lost some 40 sheep. On discovering his loss, Tormy told his neighbours and so estanciero Archibald Cox of Carmen de Areco. During shearing he had heard natives peones talking about sheep recently brought up from the south – sheep which were stolen from Tormy.

RIP on 21 inst. At his residence Calle Moreno, Mr John McDonnell, a native of Country Antrim, for many years resident in this country. Deceased was a Master Builder and constructed some of the finest homes in this city; it was he who built the Irish Convent.

Sunday 29 November (568)

Notice. Moreno Church. The editors of the *Standard* are authorised to collect subscriptions for the above church by the Commision, J. Ramon Rodriguez.

Editor's Table. Our friends in both town and camp would do well to pay a visit to Mr Terance Curran's drapery establishment, 75 Calle San Martin almost in front of the Bolsa. We have seen some Belfast shirets and other good in Mr Terence's store, which, we had thought were not to be got out of Ireland.

Sunday 6 December (574)

Irish College Lobos. Christmas examinations commence on 10 December. P. Fitzsimons, Rector.

Editor's Table. The preparatory meeting is already announced with respect to the Rev. Mr Fahy, takes place on this day at 2 p.m. in the Sacristy San Roque. We are quite certain the wordiness of the object is alone sufficient to stimulate friends of the reverend gentleman to observe a punctual attendance, as a Committee, Secretaries and Treasurers will be appointed; also, the day will be named for the general meeting.

Notice. Testimonial to Fr Fahy. On Sunday next, December 6 at 2 p.m. a preliminary meeting will be held in the Sacristy, San Roque, for the purpose of forming a committee and making arrangements for a general meeting of which due notice will be given.

Tuesday 8 December (575)

Notice. The Meeting in Favor of the Rev. Mr Fahy. The business of the meeting was commenced by Mr Francis Mahon to chair, and Mr Michael Carroll, Hon. Secretary. The subject of the meeting arose from the merited esteem which all entertained for Fr Fahy and the fixed determination not only on the part of Irish Catholics, but of all who were acquainted with the reverend gentleman. E. T. Mulhall and John Hughes proposed a meeting of Irish residents in town and

⁴¹ Latin – let justice be done though the heavens fall.

camp to be held on 20 December with the object of publicly manifesting their sense of the anonymous slanders in the *Tribuna* newspaper. There follows a list of sixteen men (headed by Thomas Armstrong) as a committee to communicate to all Irishmen.

Notice. Edward Kenny a native of Longford, Ireland, has arrived in this country, and wishes to know where John Dinegan resides, who comes from the same place.

Birth. On Monday 6th inst at Calle Belgrano 74, Mrs. E. T. Mulhall of a son.

Friday 11 December (577)

Editor's Table. Regarding the general meeting in faor of Fr Fahy we have to say that the circulars which we received from the Hon. Secretary, were duly forwarded to the country districts. We are glad to see the Committee so active, and hope that every Irishman in the camp will not fail to respond to the invitation. All who can conveniently come to town should do so to attend this meeting. We hope to see a full attendance and that the first public meeting of Irishmen in Buenos Aires will be worthy of the country we come from.

Sheep Farming in Ireland. Undated letter from "Post" to editors of the *Standard* as many subscribers are sheep farmers and Irish – an account of the great Irish sheep fair held at Ballinasloe last October to be of interest.

Saturday 12 December (578)

Notice. Terence Curran notifies the public that he has on hand a large stock of English and Irish manufactured goods at Calle San Martin 75.RIP on the morning of the 9th inst. Edward, the infant son of E. T. Mulhall of this city.

Sunday 13 December (579)

Testimonial To The Rev. Father Fahy.

It is deemed necessary to reproduce the resolutions adopted at the preliminary meeting on Sunday with a circular letter to Irishmen throughout the camp. It is superfluous to further urge the imperative duty of every Irishman who values his native character and that regard for religion and its ministers. We could easily recount the many claims of Fr Fahy to some substantial mark of gratitude at the hands of his countrymen. The Committee recommend the opportunity to enable Fr Fahy to wipe off the remaining debt on the educational establishment instituted by him.

The Meeting At Colon

Copies of the resolutions at the Sunday 6th San Roque meeting with the object of publicly manifesting their sense of the anonymous slanders against Fr Fahy in the *Tribuna*. Michael Carroll 7 Dcember letter (by order of the Committee) advising meeting to be held at the Colon Theatre on Sunday 20 December.

Notice. Testimonial to Fr Fahy.

The members of the Committee appointed to carry out the arrangements for the public meeting, are particularly requested to meet on Thursday evening next the 15th inst. At 7 o'clock p.m. at 74 Calle Belgrano. Michael Carroll Hon. Sec.

Notice. Wanted situations as housemaids or general servants, two Irish girl who can be well recommended. Address Housemaid at this office.

Arrest Of Irishmen

12 December letter from "C" at Moreno to *Standard* editors. "C" saw a cart load of men escorted by armed soldiers. They had been taken prisoner for not having a "papeleta." They are new arrivals and don't speak Spanish and are taken prisoners as criminals. Lately during shearing they have been catching people and ow during the wheat harvest they do it even more energetically.

Tuesday 15 December (580)

Editor's Table. Any person who can give information of Mr Patrick De Courcey who resides near Moreno, will please send same to this office, as his friends in the camp are beginning to get very anxious about him, and fear that has fallen a victim of some foul play.

Thursday 17 December (582)

RIP on 13th December at his estancia in the Partido of San Antonio de Areco, Mr Thomas Donaghue. Deceased was a native of Ireland and for many years resided in this country.

Friday 18 December (583)

Advert. Dublin Cook. A steady respectable woman wants a situation in and English family as cook. Address: A. B. *Standard* office.

The Meeting At Colon. The Public General Meeting on behalf of the Rev. Fr Fahy to be held on Sunday 20 December at the rooms in Colon. The chair will be taken at two o'clock precisely. Buenos Aires, December 15, 1863. The Committee.

Testimonial To Fr Fahy. Undated letter (14 December?) from Michael Carroll to the editors of the *Standard*; Carroll makes no excuse for asking the editors to publish an accompanying letter from Daniel Maxwell, proprietor of the Commercial Rooms. Daniel Maxwell 15 December letter to editors of the *Standard*; the proposed meeting at Colon to manifest the high estimation in which Fr Fahy is held by all classes. Encloses \$500 as his subscription and an expression of is feelings towards Fr Fahy

Saturday 19 December (584)

Editor's Table. The Committee appointed at the preliminary meeting, held at the vestry of San Roque on the 6th inst. has received a letter from Rev. Mr Fahy, which with the Hon. Secretary letter enclosing same will be found in another column. These letters speak for themselves and almost need no comment. Although the public meeting, however

has been adjourned, in compliance with the wishes of the Rev. Fr Fahy, the subscription list is still open, and we are happy to state is extremely popular. Letters are coming in to us daily from all parts of the camp subscribing to the fund. We hope to see the Committee collect a sufficient sum to be able to purchase a proper residence for our most esteemed Irish pastor.

Fr Fahy 17 December 1863 letter to the Committee and Michael Carroll 18 December 1863 letter to editors of the *Standard*.

Notice. The Proposed Public Meeting. Michael Carroll 18 December letter to editors of the *Standard* and Fr Fahy's 17 December 1863 letter to the Committee.

Sunday 20 December (585)

Irish Decline. Irish Agricultural Statistics. Letter of 16 October from a Magistrate in Cork to the editor of *The Times*.

Tuesday 22 December (586)

Notice. Irish College Lobos. Examinations lately held at the College, an institution which has already taken a high position and one that every Irishman in South America must contemplate with pride and feelings of unmixed pleasure...

Wednesday 23 December (587)

Peace & War. 17 December letter from Galway man of Carmen de Areco to editor of the *Standard*.

Thursday 24 December (588)

RIP on 21st inst. at the residence of her son-in-law in Rosario (Mr T. J. Hutchinson HBM Consul) and at the venerable age of 79, Frances, relict of the late John Henry of Ballymacaw, County Waterford, Ireland.

Friday 25 December (589)

RIP on Wednesday 23 December, Mary, relict of the late Mr Hugh White of Belfast, Ireland, aged 72 years.

RIP on 22nd inst. in this city, Mr Henry Deehan of Banagher, Kings County, Ireland in the 28th year of his age.

Sunday 27 December (590)

Editor's Table. Our brother editor Michael G. Mulhall left Corrientes for Paraguay on 19th inst. We suppose he will be at the function on Independence Day when it is said the President will be made Emperor.

Tuesday 29 December (591)

Editor's Table. The *Ferrocarril* of Rosario states that numerous Irish sheep farmers are crossing the Arroyo Media with their flocks, and settling down in

Santa Fe, where grass is plenty and land cheap. Our colleague welcomes them and advises other to follow their example.

Notice. The friends of the lamented Mr Austin Saltham are invited to attend the funeral ceremonies, which take place at the Merced Church at 11 o'clock.

Lamentable Accident to the respected Irishman John Dunne at Villa Mercedes. Dunne was driving a cart from Mr Lowe's estancia and by mistake drove up to what he thought was the gate of the rodeo. As it was dusk Dunne did not perceive his mistake, until he came to the posts; he then tried to turn the horses suddenly, but the motion of the lease was so quick that the cart gave a jerk, threw Dunne out and the wheel passed over him and he died instantaneously. Meanwhile the horses broke away from the cart, and were making straight for a barraca or cliff overhanging the river, when by the greatest good luck, an Irishman who was minding sheep, and the husband of the woman in the cart, providentially ran to their assistance and stopped the horses; had it not been for this, nothing could have saved the poor woman and child from sure destruction. Deceased was about 40 years of age and had resided in this country some 11 or 15 years where by untiring industry he had secured an independent fortune. He was a native of Milltown, County Westmeath, Ireland and was buried in the Villa Mercedes on Sunday evening.

Thursday 31 December (593)

Local Events. Hard Up. Owing to the non-arrival of steamers, the extraordinary heat of the weather, and the absence of our gossypium⁴² brother in Paraguay, news is monstrously scarce in the *Standard* office. We cannot stuff our paper with political nonsense; we therefore prefer to make a clean breast of it and implore our friends to send us whatever news they may have.

Advert. Guinness Stout. Just received a small shipment of this first rate been. L. J. Isaac, Rividavia 124.

⁴² A genus of flowering plants from which cotton is harvested.