

At a recent meeting of the Uidh Maine Coisde Ceannair it was unanimously decided not to hold a Feis, as in previous years, but in its stead to substitute a series of Aedhridheactanna, to be held in the different centres of the Coisde Ceannair area. At the meeting it was urged that such a course of action would be well calculated to bring the Gaelic League propaganda well under the notice of the public, and as a consequence a greater measure of support and co-operation on Gaelic lines was predicted for it. The initial effort in this direction will be made at Gurteen on Sunday, 22nd May, under the auspices of the local branch of the Gaelic League, and Gaelic songs, choruses, recitations, and stories will be given by prominent Gaels, from a platform which will occupy a central position in the field, which Mr. J. Kyne has generously placed at the disposal of the Committee for the occasion. The musical side of the festival will be varied and attractive, and will include selections on the violin and Irish bagpipes. Already steps have been taken with every hope of successful results, to secure among others the Kilmoreedaly fife and drum band. Irish dances will occupy a prominent part of the programme, and judging from the interest taken by the pupils, who for some time past have been receiving instruction in the "poetry of motion" from the able and popular Gaelic teacher of the Coisde Ceannair district, there is every reason to expect a series of popular exhibitions in this direction. In connection with the Aedhridheacht it is proposed also to hold a tug-o'-war tournament, for which the following teams have entered:—Ballymacward, Garbally (Skehanaghi), Gurteen, Springlawn (Moylough), Kiltulla, and Newcastle. Prizes to school children of the parish will also be distributed. Tickets for admission to the field can be had at the modest rate of 4d. An enjoyable ceilidh will be held in the evening. The proposed event has attracted a good deal of attention and interest locally, and the members of the Committee are leaving nothing undone to make the day a great success.

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MOUNTBELLEW BAZAAR

A meeting was held in the Town Hall, Mountbellew on March 27th, to organise a bazaar for the purpose of liquidating the debt on the agricultural show, at which the following were present: Very Rev. J. Canon Fallon, P.P.; Lady Sophia Grattan Bellow (in the chair); Sir Henry Grattan Bellow, Miss Grattan Bellow, Miss Moira Grattan Bellow Mr. and Mrs. Price, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Kennedy, Miss Pounden, Miss Halvey, Mr. Cahill, Mr. O'Connor, Miss Cunningham, Miss Irwin, Miss Kitt, Mr. P. Fahy, Mr. P. Kenny, Mr. J. Clancy, Mr. M. Moran.

Mr. M. Moran, who was appointed hon. secretary, stated that at a preliminary meeting it was decided to hold the bazaar on Saturday and Sunday the 5th and 6th July.

The following kindly consented to preside at the stalls: Cafe Chantant, Lady Sophia Grattan Bellow; Flower and Plant Stall, Mrs. Price and Miss Halvey; Toy Stall, Mrs. Kennedy; Sweet Stall, Mrs. Wall; Refreshment and Tea Stalls, Miss Pounden.

Mr. E. Donoghoe, Mr. J. Clancy and Mr. M. J. Kelly, were deputed to take charge of the Dancing Pavilion.

Lady Sophia Grattan Bellow Very Rev Canon Fallon, P.P., Mr. Cahill, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Kenney and Mr. Fahy intimating their intention of presenting prizes.

A managing committee, consisting of the stall holders, with Very Rev Canon Fallon and Sir Henry Grattan Bellow were appointed.

A vote of thanks to Lady Sophia Grattan Bellow for presiding at the meeting brought the business to a close.

A meeting of the amusements committee was held in the Town Hall on Sunday, March 30th. A programme for sports under G. A. Rules was drawn up for Sunday July 6th.

The Secretary was directed to apply to the G. A. A. for two championship events to be competed for at sports. Mr. L. Lardner, Athlery was appointed handicapper.

Mr. Haverly stated that he would offer a challenge on behalf of Springlawn tug-o'-war team to any team in the province.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman brought the meeting to a close.

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