

was read by the Dean of Dromore. The appropriate Hymn 594 was sung; and the Bishop, from the pulpit, gave an earnest and interesting address to the candidates, who numbered 157 - 57 males, and 94 females - including four Ardmore, presented by Rev. J. J. Major. Their demeanour was generally reverent and devotional. A large number of their relatives and friends were present, and appeared fully interested in the service.

At the close, after the first post-confirmation Collect, the Hymn 376 - "Thine for ever, God of love" - was given out by the Bishop, and at his request was sung by the candidates and congregation, all kneeling.

Monday: 6th February, 1899 - Meeting of Select Vestry held to Revise Register of Vestrymen. The Bishop of Dromore, Rector, in Chair. The Register was carefully gone through; several persons were added who were qualified therefore, and others were removed who were disqualified by death, removal from the parish, or failure or insufficiency of subscription. At the close of the Revision Period, on 28th February following, the following was the result of the Revision for ensuing year (1899-1900):-

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| Resident Parishioners | 249 | } 261 |
| Owners of Property | 7 | |
| Acc. Memb. of Congregation | 5 | |

The following Resolution on the lamented death of the Baroness von Stieglitz - on Monday, 23rd January, 1899 - was unanimously adopted. Proposed by Mr. Geo. Falvo and seconded by Mr. Thomas Gilpin:-

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"Resolved. That on the part of the Parishioners of Seago, we desire to place on record our deep sorrow on the occasion of the loss and bereavement we have sustained on the death of Hester Anna, Barnepe van Steghe, of Carrickblackier. She ever cordially acted with her brother Major Stewart Blackier, in his devotion to all that concerned the Welfare of Seago, and generously shared in his munificence to which we are largely indebted for the provision made for the re-endowment of the Parish. Succeeding her brother in their ancestral estate, and ancient mansion, she lived in the midst of her tenantry, knowing all, sympathizing with all, and known and respected by all. Forward in promoting all efforts for the instruction of the young, and the relief and comfort of all amongst us who were any ways afflicted or distressed. The ^{and enlargement} rebuilding of the Parish Church was effected chiefly through her bounty, encouraging the zeal of the parishioners and friends to make their House of God remarkable for its grace and beauty. Deservedly esteemed in her hale old age, she came to her grave like a shock of corn cometh in its season, ^{and died} full of years and honours and blessing
 Abraham Dawson, A.M.; Dean of Drogheda and Rector of Seago - Chairman."

Monday, 20 March, 1899: - Meeting of Select Vestry, duly convened. The Dean of Drogheda, Rector, in Chair. Following Members Present:-

J. Buckley Atkinson Esq., Mr. Geo. Calvert