

CURIOSITIES

Curious objects, structures, monuments, landmarks, sights, etc. For example, Wishing stones or "chairs," freaks of nature (i.e. grotesque rock formations)—in fact, any scene or object which may be regarded as queer, quaint or mirth-provoking. Location and description. Any story or legend to be related.

none

CUSTOMS, PATTERNS, ETC.

Brief account of old customs, traditional cures, etc., still practised in the district. Pilgrimages to Holy Wells, Shrines, etc. Patterns.

On St. Martin's night there is a cock killed and its blood is sprinkled in the four corners of the house.

On Bonfire's night June 23rd, fires are lighted in the open air. A very few people sometimes throw lighted faggots into their crops to ensure a good harvest.

On St. Stephen's Day 'mummers' or wren-boys, dressed in fantastic clothes, visit the houses and dance, sing and play and are given some reward for the entertainment.

Hallowe'en is observed amongst the young people as the night for playing various tricks.

Chairs that hold the coffin are tipped over flat on the floor as soon as the coffin is taken out for hearseing.

The spade and shovel are left in the shape of a cross over the open grave by the gravediggers until interment takes place.

Chin-cough. Secret'savings s.e. into which the animal leaves after his
four-mouth... Cursed by the child who never saw its father.
King woman... the secret... (Signed) Donald A. Gaughan.

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Surveyor.

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