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PRESERVING THE IRISH LANGUAGE.

The Executive Committee of the Gaelic League (says the Belfast Weekly, April 22) met on Tuesday, 11th inst., the Rev. M. P. Hickey, D.D., M.R.I. A., in the chair. Also present : — Miss O'Reilly, Miss Borthwick, Messrs. J. M'Neill, Pearse, Barrett, Casey, Hayes, Lloyd, Hogan, and

O'Donoghue. In the correspondence read were letters. from the editor of the Hibernian, Boston, promising hearty support ; from Mr. W. H. Grattan Flood about the projected book of Irish songs and airs; from Miss M'ManuH, Kiltimagh, O. H. Ward, Barnesmore. and T. H. M'Cafferty, Winnipeg, with reference to new branches and classes in their districts ; and from Mr. Concannon giving an account of his visit to branches in Galway and in the Arran Islands, and of the founding of branches in Innisheer arid Tuara.

Reports were submitted from Arran, Belfast. West Belfast, Ballymacarrett, Blackrock, Cam lough, Eyeries. Farney, Galway, Kilmilkin, Kilmihil, Kiltartan, Letterkenny, Liverpool, and Mount Melleray branches, and communication. ?\* from Cardiff and Oiein Branch, Dublin.

New branches were announced at Fortwiliiam, Belfast, Innisheer, Arran Islands, and Tuam, with affiliation fees from the two first and Claremorris.

Thomas Costello, M.D., Tuam. was elected member ; Rev. J Percy, treasurer, Hereford, and James I Morris, 22 North Earl-street, Dublin, were elected associates.

The Rev. Dr. Hickey, as delegate to Belfast, and Mr. Thomas Hayes, as visitor to Kilfarboy Branch and delegate to the Teachers' Congress, made reports to the committee.

A committee was appointed to adopt a uniform system of orthography for the publications of the League. The usual public meeting was held on Wednesday

—Mr. P. H. Pearse in the chair. Messrs. Maylor, of Liverpool Branch, and W. King, of G