

Western People

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One of the saddest sights ever witnessed in the West of Ireland was the waking of the five young girls and young man from a village near Lahardane who went down with the ill-fated Titanic.

For two days and two nights wakes were held. The photo of each victim was placed on the bed on which they had slept before leaving home and kindred. They were covered with snow-white quilts, and numbers of candles were lighted around. The wailing and moaning of the people was most distressing and would almost draw a tear from a stone.