

# BANNER LOOP

## Michael Coyne

(1882–1916)

### Irish-Language Poet File Gaeilge

Michael Coyne (Micheál Luke Pháidín Ó Cadhain) was born near Corr na Móna. His creative mind, command of the Irish language, and poetic talent gave rise to oral poetry and song. His themes focused on his community and on national events, and he exhibited a style that was witty and, at times, satirical.

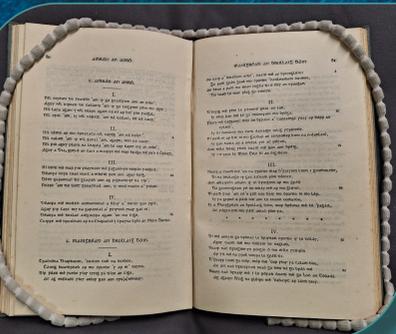
Michael emigrated to Pennsylvania, USA, and worked as a miner. Professor Tomás Ó Máille reputedly invited him home, believing he could secure him a position with the Gaelic League. When it didn't materialise, Michael emigrated to Pittsburgh. Professor Ó Máille dedicated a chapter of his *Micheál Mac Suibhne agus Filí an tSléibhe* (*Michael Mac Sweeney and the Mountain Poets*, 1934) to Coyne's work.

Gar do Chorr na Móna a rugadh Michael Coyne (Micheál Luke Pháidín Ó Cadhain). Fuineadh amhránaíocht agus filíocht bhéil as intinn chruthaitheach, as líofacht Gaeilge agus as féith na filíochta. Tá a chuid cumadóireachta, lenar bhain stíl a bhí tráthúil agus seanbhlastúil uaireanta, bunaithe ar imeachtaí pobail agus náisiúnta.

Chuaigh Michael ar imirce go Pennsylvania, SAM, mar a ndeachaigh sé i mbun mianadóireachta. Is cosúil gur thug an tOllamh Tomás Ó Máille cuireadh abhaile dó, agus tuairim aige go bhféadfadh sé post a fháil dó le Conradh na Gaeilge. Nuair nár tharla sé sin, chuaigh Michael ar imirce go Pittsburgh. Bain caibidil de leabhar an Ollaimh Uí Mháille, *Micheál Mac Suibhne agus Filí an tSléibhe*, (1934) le saothar an Chadhnaigh.

The village of Baile Mheiricá, Cloghbrack Middle, close to where Michael Coyne was born and reared

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The work of Michael Coyne featured in Ó Máille's *Micheál Mac Suibhne agus Filí an tSléibhe*

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The Ó Máilles of Muintir Eoghain. Brothers Tomás (back row, third from left) and Micheál (front row, second from left) collected the work of Michael Coyne

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