

West Limerick Tragedy THE MURDER CHARGE

Accused Again in Court RESULT OF MAGISTERIAL INVESTIGATION

The Ballingarry Courthouse was again crowded on Wednesday when Mrs. Mary McCann and her son Jeremiah were further brought up on remand before Mr. P. D. Sullivan, R.M., on the charge of having at Gortree West, County Limerick, on the 22nd of April last, murdered Thomas McCann, husband of the first and father of the latter prisoner.

Detective Constable O'Mahony stated that on the 20th April the female prisoner said at Ballingarry Barracks—"It is a wonder Tom is not arrested; I don't know why they didn't arrest him; if Tom was arrested he would tell the truth;" witness on searching the deceased's house on the 30th of April found a piece of a shirt stained with blood; on the 3rd June Mrs. McCann said—"I heard him muttering on his going out the door after he called Mikey, the man was not able to speak; I could hear any shuffling that would be in the yard; no one came into it; no one struck him from outside; if we let the old vagabond where he was outside the thing would be all right"; the female prisoner before leaving the barrack said to her son Tom—"Ah, 'tis you have us here; I heard you saying you were sure of it; you got your lesson back on the road."

Thomas McCann, son of the female prisoner, swore that the deceased made his will after Christmas; on the morning of the 22nd of April his mother called him; he went out to the yard and saw the deceased lying there; there were three or four cup-fulls of blood on the ground, and also blood on deceased's face; witness related how he brought the deceased into the house and stripped him, and his mother washed him; he did not know what became of deceased's every day clothes; witness stopped the female prisoner from striking the deceased with a hatchet some months previously.

Answering questions by Mr. Ryan, solicitor for the accused, witness said the deceased had enemies, and was afraid of Dore and the Dalys.

This concluded the evidence for the Crown, and Mr. Gaffney asked that the prisoners be returned for trial to the next Assizes.

Chairman—Does that application apply to Jeremiah as well as to the other prisoner.

Mr. Gaffney said he asked that both be returned for trial, as he suggested that the mother and son were in collusion. They had it that when Thomas McCann was called in the morning Jeremiah was not in bed. The Crown suggested that he could be and was in communication and collusion with his mother that morning before the other boys and the girl were called, and Michael McCann's evidence was that the kitchen door was unbolted and opened when he got up. As to the first defence raised that the deceased fell and got killed, that theory was exploded by the medical evidence, and as to the suggestion that he was killed by other people, all the persons whose names were mentioned had accounted for themselves on the night of the occurrence.

Mr. Ryan denied that there was any evidence against Jeremiah McCann to connect him with the killing of his father one way or the other. There was no evidence either against Mrs. McCann except the wild statements of an excited woman, and the scraps of statements which the police heard her utter, and even these were of not much importance. He disregarded the evidence of the man Hayes altogether as to the relations between husband and wife. McCann, the deceased, had enemies in the place, any of whom could have done the deed. His case was that the statements given as having been made by Mrs. McCann in Hannah Daly's house were a pure concoction on the part of the witnesses who gave them in evidence.

The Chairman said on the evidence before him he would discharge Jeremiah McCann, and return Mrs. McCann for trial at the next Assizes for the County Limerick.

BROTHERS AT LAW

Case at Quarter Sessions

ACTION BEFORE COUNTY COURT JUDGE
At the Limerick Quarter Sessions, before County Court Judge Law-Smith, K.C., Thomas Ryan sued his brother, Phillip Ryan, to recover compensation for the value of his support, clothing and maintenance, as provided by the will of the plaintiff's mother, deceased, in 1901.

The plaintiff, examined by Mr. Blackall, solicitor, stated that his mother left the farm to defendant subject to the condition mentioned as the subject of action, and also to a monetary consideration, which was satisfied; he lived with the defendant until last March, when he left owing to the action of defendant's wife.

Mr. Blackall—What drove you out of the house that you could not stop there?

Plaintiff said defendant's wife struck him while he was at breakfast; he made up his mind that the first time she struck him it would be the first stroke and the last, and so he left the house immediately; his brother was married since 1903, and plaintiff left the house last March; the defendant's wife was always causing disturbance.

In answer to Mr. J. H. Moran, solicitor, who appeared for the defendant, the plaintiff said he was not a roving man, but he was in America; he got £7 to go to America, but if he did he sent home £12 which the parish priest of Cappamore told him was repaying the sum at compound interest; he was also in Australia.

The defendant was examined, and gave his version of the case.

Mrs. Ryan, wife of defendant, denied assaulting plaintiff.

Plaintiff (intervening) said she struck him on the head with her bare knuckles while they were at breakfast.

Death and Funeral of Mrs. Eugene Cronin, Callahow

Deep and sincere regret, writes our Feenagh correspondent, has been felt in West Limerick regarding the demise of this amiable and highly-respected lady. The late Mrs. Cronin was a member of an old and deeply esteemed West Limerick family, whose social standing and influence have been favourably recognised. The funeral cortege from the local parish church for the family burial place at Castletownconyers Cemetery was of enormous proportions. The officiating clergymen were—Rev. L. Curtin, P. P. Feenagh; Rev. James Carroll, C.C. do; Rev. J. Meagher, C.C. (cousin to deceased). Chief mourners—Eugene Cronin (husband), M. Mullane (brother), Mrs. Barry, Buttevant (sister); Thomas, Richard, Patrick and Master Eddie, Bigane, Cork; Mr and Mrs Short, Nenagh; Thomas O'Brien, Miss Mary O'Brien, Mr and Mrs O'Brien, Ballinaha; Patrick and John O'Flynn, Mrs O'Leary, Miss O'Connor, Dromally; Thomas and Mrs Geary, Ahavabeen; John, Maurice, and Miss Geary, Pallas; Thomas Cronin, John and Mrs Sheehan, Milford; Mr and Mrs Duane, J. Boyce, Mrs Hourigan, Ballingarry; Miss Meagher, do; Mr and Mrs Geary, Miss Fitzgerald (cousins), The attendance of the general public included—Messrs P. Vaughan, J. P.; M. Irwin, J. P.; J. Quaide, D.C.; M. J. Irwin, Deputy County Surveyor; Edward D. Liston, V.C., Newcastle West District Council; Maurice Irwin, D.C.; M. F. Geary, D.C.; John White, D.C.; M. Flynn, D.C.; John W., and Mrs Irwin, James Holmes, D. O'Callaghan, Alexander M. Carthy, D. Quill, N.T.; J. Power, N.T.; Joseph A. Treacy, N.T.; Edward J. Irwin, Joseph Fitzgerald, Kilmacow; J. Carey, do; Thomas O'Brien, do; J. Cagney, do; Thomas Scanlan, do; J. Mulqueen, do; William Bennett, do; Edward O'Brien, do; M. O'Grady, do; M. and Mrs Houlihan, do; David and Miss Noonan, M. O'Brien, Limerick; Patrick and Mrs Daly, Ballingarry; E. Ahern, Dromcollogher; Denis and Miss Noonan, do; Andrew Walsh, Post Office, do; M. Kennedy, M. F. Horan, do; J. O'Gragan, chemist; M. Murray, do; R. Bresnihan, Ballygran; James and Miss Scully, Incha; R. Hayes, Miss Keane, Ballygran; Patrick and Thomas White, Ards; P. O'Leary, D.C.; M. O'Brien, R. O'Donnell, Maurice O'Brien, Michel and Miss Morrissey, P. Quinlivan, Thomas P. O'Connor, Charles M. Carthy, M. Creagh, M. O'Connor, Willie Kelleher, Joseph O'Connell, John and Willie Ryan, John J. Power, P. Meehan, E. and J. Short, Mrs Geary, Kilmurry House; M. Liston, Accour; E. and J. O'Sullivan, do; John Moloney, James Cullane, John E. Irwin, J. Neenan, C. G. and Patrick M. Carthy, Gurteen; Denis Toomey, do; Thomas M. Eniry, John Long, John King, Morty Lynch, David Geary, Bohard; P. Moloney, do; J. Harrold, do; Michael and Mrs Ryan, do; John Geary, Kilmee; P. Gilburn, do; John O'Brien, D.C., etc.

Funeral of Mr. Michael Lyons, Newcastle West

It was with feelings of deep and sincere regret the sad and unexpected news of the death of this highly-esteemed gentleman, Mr. Michael Lyons (late of Rathkeale), which occurred after a very brief illness at his residence, Bridge-street, Newcastle West, was received by the people of his native town, Rathkeale, with deepest regret and sorrow, and who could scarcely realize its truth for a time. He was one of the most unassuming of men, his pleasing and benevolent disposition endeared him to a large number of friends, and he was truly beloved within the family circle. The funeral took place after the usual sacred ceremonies in the local parish church, Newcastle West, for the family burial place, St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Rathkeale, where the interment took place amidst feelings of profound regret. The following clergy were present—Right Rev. Monsignor Hallinan, D.D., P.P., V.G., Newcastle West; Very Rev. Canon O'Donnell, P.P., V.P., Rathkeale; Rev. John O'Shaughnessy, P.P., K. Kaderry; Rev. J. Murphy, P.P., Kilmolman; Rev. Michael Hayes, C.C., Newcastle West. The chief mourners were—Mrs Lyons (widow), William, James, and Joseph Lyons (sons), Mona Lyons (daughter), Rev. John O'Shaughnessy, P.P. (cousin); Mrs David Kennedy, Newcastle West (sister-in-law); James F. Power, solicitor, Birr; John H. Power, Rathnasore, Rathkeale; Wm. H. Power, Mount Brown, Rathkeale (brothers-in-law); David O'Shaughnessy, Adare; W. O'Shaughnessy, Clerk of Asylum, Limerick; Pat Power and Christy Power, Rathkeale (nephews), Elizabeth and Kathleen O'Shaughnessy, Rathkeale; Agnes F. O'Connor, Limerick; Kathleen Power, Rathkeale (nieces), Mr and Mrs O'Brien, Foynes; Michael O'Donnell, Loughill; Mr and Mrs Condon, Ardree; Michael O'Shaughnessy, Bridge-street, Newcastle West; Michael O'Shaughnessy, J. P., do; Michael Keating, Amigan; William D. Power, Rathkeale; Fanny Barry, do; Mrs George Mulcahy, do; Mrs R. Johnson, do; J. Sheehy, P. Sheehy, Ballybahill; M. Brown, Ahawilk, and Mrs Cowhey (cousins). A large gathering of the general public attended, which were too numerous to mention. Mrs Lyons and family received many messages of sympathy and regret—Mr J. P. O'Connor wired from Middleton, Co. Cork, regretting his inability to attend funeral.

West Limerick Elections

REJOICINGS AT FEENAGH
On Sunday evening a largely attended and representative meeting was held at Feenagh for the purpose of celebrating the return of Messrs. Quaide and O'Brien for the Feenagh Electoral Division. Mr. Michael Irwin, Deputy County Surveyor, presided, and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed. Addresses were delivered by the Chairman and the victorious Councillors. Prior to and subsequent to the meeting a torchlight procession, to the accompaniment of a choice selection of national music and the enthusiastic plaudits of the people, paraded the village. It was originally intended to hold the demonstration on Saturday evening, but owing to the lamented demise of the late Mrs. Eugene Cronin the programme was changed. Subsequently a second meeting was held for the formation of a local Volunteer

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Final Notice to Claimants and Incumbrancers. Court of the Irish Land Commission. Land Purchase Acts.

Record No. E.C. 4276.

Estate of WILLIAM HUME NORMAN LOCKE, continued in the name of CAROLINE HARRIET ROESTER as successor in title of the said WILLIAM HUME NORMAN LOCKE, deceased, County Limerick.

TAKE NOTICE that the Final Schedule of Incumbrances affecting the proceeds of the Sale of parts of the Lands of Pallas, containing 268a 1r 6p; Gortalassa, containing 280a 1r 1p; Clooncrippa, containing 30a 1r 25p, all statute measure, and situate in the Barony of Connello Upper, and part of the lands of Lissaniska West, containing 290a 1r 26p, statute measure, situate in the Barony of Glenquin, and all in the County of Limerick, which have been sold under the above Acts, in fee-simple, has been lodged in the Registrar's Office of this Court, at 24, Upper Merrion-street, Dublin, and any person having any claim not therein inserted, or objecting thereto, either on account of the amount or the priority of any charge therein reported as due to him or any other person or for any other reason, is required to lodge an objection thereto, stating the particulars of his demand and duly verified, with the Registrar of this Court on or before the 9th day of July, 1914, and to appear on Thursday, the 16th day of July, 1914, at 11 o'clock, before the Judicial Commissioner, at his Court, at the Four Courts, Dublin, when he will adjudicate upon the several claims appearing on the Schedule, and upon any objections lodged thereto. And Take Notice that any demand reported by such Schedule is liable to be objected to within the time aforesaid. And further Take Notice that I have fixed Tuesday, the 14th day of July, 1914, at my Chamber (No. 49), at 32, Nassau-street, Dublin, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the vouching of the several claims appearing on the said Schedule, and all parties interested should attend before me on that day with the necessary proofs to vouch their respective claims with a view to the funds being distributed on the said 16th day of July, 1914.

Dated the 5th day of June, 1914.
J. MAULEY, Examiner.
PATRICK T. LISTON, Solicitor for Vendor, 58, Rutland Square, Dublin. 12

Final Notice to Claimants and Incumbrancers. Court of the Irish Land Commission. Land Purchase Acts.

Record No. E.C. 9232.
Estate of Sir CHARLES BURTON BARRINGTON, Baronet, D.L., County Limerick.

TAKE NOTICE that the Final Schedule of Incumbrances affecting the proceeds of the sale of the lands described in the Schedule hereto, which are situate in the Barony of Ownybeg, and the above County, and which have been sold under the above Acts, in fee-simple, has been lodged in the Registrar's Office of this Court, at 24, Upper Merrion-street, Dublin; and any person having any claim not therein inserted, or objecting thereto, either on account of the amount or the priority of any charge therein reported as due to him, or any other person, or for any other reason, and especially any person or persons having any claim in respect of an indemnity created by an Indenture, dated 6th May, 1856, from Sir Mathew Barrington to Henry Barry, whereby the said Sir Mathew Barrington granted unto Henry Barry the lands of Glenstal, Turlougher, Gleno, Meentulla, Garranebawn, portions of which have been sold in this matter to indemnify the said Henry Barry, his heirs and assigns, and the fee farm rent of £100 issuing out of the lands of Knockfinck, in the Barony of Connello Lower and County Limerick, conveyed to the said Henry Barry, to the extent not exceeding £2,500 from all charges and incumbrances in anywise relating to the said fee farm rent, or any part thereof, or the said lands of Knockfinck, or any part thereof, and in respect of which said indemnity, it is stated at item No. 12 on said Final Schedule of Incumbrances that no claim has ever arisen in respect of same and the Vendor does not admit that any claim can now exist, is required to lodge an objection thereto, stating the particulars of his demand and duly verified, with the Registrar of this Court on or before the 4th day of July, 1914, and to appear on Monday, the 13th day of July, 1914, at eleven o'clock, before the Judicial Commissioner, at his Court, at the Four Courts, Dublin, when he will adjudicate upon the several claims appearing on such Schedule of Incumbrances, and upon any objections lodged thereto. And Take Notice that any demand reported by such Schedule of Incumbrances is liable to be objected to within the time aforesaid. And Further Take Notice that I have fixed Wednesday, the 8th day of July, 1914, at my Chamber (No. 34), at 32, Nassau-street, Dublin, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the vouching of the several claims appearing on the said Schedule of Incumbrances, and all parties interested should attend before me on that day with the necessary proofs to vouch their respective claims with a view to the funds being distributed on the said 13th day of July, 1914.

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