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...mother also, and the Church invites us to join
our feeble voices to the jubilant canticles that
resound through the heavenly courts as the
Immaculate Mother of God, exempted from
the common decree of corruption, passes into
the realms of bliss to receive her reward, the
consummation of all the sublime mysteries
that made her life so wonderful on earth.
"Let us all rejoice," sings the Church, cele-
brating a festival in honour of the Blessed
Virgin Mary, "at whose Assumption angels
rejoice, praising together the Son of God."
Having referred to our difficulty here below to
realise the glory of Mary's exaltation in Heaven,
the rev. preacher said that Mary's glory in
Heaven may be measured in some degree by
considering her life here on earth and the
extraordinary dealings of Heaven in her re-
gard. Earth determined the destinies of
Heaven for us all, and the degree of glory that
each one attains to in the life to come depends
entirely on the sanctity and perfection of the
life that he leads here on earth. He then re-
viewed the life of Mary in relation to that of
her divine child, Jesus, touching upon the
great privilege of the Immaculate Conception,
her divine maternity, her wonderfully close
alliance with Jesus from Bethlehem to Calvary.
"No wonder," said the preacher, "that the
Church has urged her children in every age
to honour and venerate this, most distin-
guished favourite of Heaven, this precious
vessel of election on whom the Almighty
could have conferred no higher dignity,
no more eminent rank, than that of Mother
of God. No wonder so many festivals
have been established in her honour, so
many churches dedicated to God under her
patronage, so many altars erected in her honour,
side by side with those erected to Jesus in the
Blessed Sacrament; so many religious societies
instituted in her name, so many sermons
preached and holy books printed to proclaim
her praises and glories, and to recommend her
powerful intercession for the spiritual advan-
tage of the Christian world. The preacher next
proceeded to show how consonant it was with
reason alone, apart altogether from the Church's
pious belief and teaching on the Assumption,
that the holy sanctuary of Mary's body, in
which the Incarnate Word took up His abode
should not be degraded by the corruption of
death. "No," said the preacher, "as the Divine
hand of God interposed in the morning of her
life to save her pure soul from the tainting
breath of the infernal spirit, so in the calm
serene evening of her existence, as the love of
her pure soul endeavoured to wing its flight
heavenward towards the throne of Jesus in
Glory, there should be nothing in her death
common with that of ordinary mortals. We
must not hesitate to believe that Jesus was
watching by the glorious scene, and that
heavenly hosts were there in their myriads
hymning in the language of heaven: "lift up
your gates, O ye princes, and be lifted up, O ye
eternal gates" as Mary the Mother of God is
entering into the glory of heaven. In a prac-
tical peroration the preacher exhorted his con-
gregation to a life-long devotion to the
Mother of God, who had been given to
the world in His last dying mo-
ments by Jesus to be the spiritual mother
of the faithful and the most influential
helper in heaven for the salvation of souls.
Though only servants of God—the prayer of
Elijah brought rain from the clouds, and that
of Moses water from the rock. How, then can
God refuse the request of her who was His
Mother and the purest, holiest, queenliest
creature ever formed by the Divine fiat? Or
how could God refuse to listen to Mary's
prayer when she held forth those blessed hands
that swathed His infant body in Bethlehem,
that nourished Him at Nazareth, that arranged
His divine body in the shroud at Calvary, and
pleaded with Him as she did at the marriage
feast of Cana and Galilee. At the end of a
powerful discourse the preacher said the people
of St. Mary's parish were fortunate, inasmuch
as they got year after year an opportunity of
celebrating with due solemnity the great Feast
of the Assumption. Their good and devoted
pastor provided the opportunity, and the people
of the parish should do their part by leading
lives worthy of their great patron.

The music was supplied by a specially ang-
mented choir.
In the evening Rosary, Sermon and Benedic-
tion took place in the Church, and there was
again a large congregation. A most impressive
sermon on the life of Our Blessed Lady was
delivered by the Rev. M. Murphy, P.P., St.
Patrick's.

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don, solicitor; M. Dove, L.P.S.I.; James Lyons,
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sum of £61 19s in all was handed in, so it is
expected that the collection, which will be held
in the principal streets of the town before the
three Masses on Sunday next, will exceed
£200. For the promoters of the collection know
the farmers of the parish will subscribe as
liberally as the townspeople for the grand
object for which this fund is to be applied. All
subscriptions will be published in the local and
Dublin papers.

Foynes Drowning Fatality Funeral of the Victim

STRIKING EVIDENCE OF SYMPATHY AND REGRET

The deep and widespread regret evoked
throughout West Limerick at the recent drown-
ing at Foynes of Mr. Richard Liston found
expression in the enormous attendance at the
funeral of the deceased. Mr. Liston was son
of Mr. and Mrs. Liston, of Coolybrown, Reens
Pike, to whom the sympathy of the whole
countryside is extended in their great afflic-
tion. For some years the late Mr. Liston was
a clerical student in Belgium, and a few weeks
ago he came back to spend his holidays in
Ireland, with the sad result already too well
known. With his fellow-students he was a
warm favourite, and they have now much
cause to regret the loss of a true friend and
companion. The funeral, which took place
from Coolcappa Church to the family burial
ground at Dreghtrasna on the 3rd in-
stant, was largely attended, and evidenced
the esteem and regard in which the
deceased was held, and the sympathy
that was extended to his sorrowing family. As
the remains of the young student, who was cut
off in the prime of life, were laid in their last
resting place there were many subdued sighs of
regret, which were only intensified by the fact
that a bright and brilliant career was opening
before the deceased. The clergy present were—
Rev. J. Carr and Rev. Michael K. Barry. The
relatives present were—Mr. and Mrs. Richard
Liston (parents), Michael Liston, Patrick
Liston, Joseph Liston, Nicholas Liston, James
Liston (brothers), Michael Doody, Callow; Cor-
nellius Foley, Reens (uncles); Mrs. Doody,
Callow (aunt). Amongst the general public
were—Cornelius Foley, junior, Reens; Mrs.
Foley, do; Nan Doody, Callow; Mr. and Mrs.
Nicholas Liston, Knockaderry; Mrs. Quaid,
Ballinacorney; Thomas Roche, Newcastle
West; James Liston, Knockaderry;
Tim Dowling, Coolybrown; Patrick Dowling,
do; Lil Dowling, do; Nan Dowling, do;
Bridget Liston, Knockaderry; Michael Liston,
Garryduff; John Corbett, Skehanagh; Daniel
Corbett, do; Bridget Corbett, do; Nora Liston,
Knockaderry; James Corbett, Ardrine;
Michael Keenedy, Callow; Maggie Liston,
Knockaderry; Mrs. M'Enery, Dromin; Mrs.
Buckley, Garryduff; James Liston, Lisnaskey;
Michael Leahy, Templeglantine; the Misses
Leahy, do; Edward Liston, Knockaderry; T.
Scannell, Newcastle West; Michael Liston,
Knockaderry; J. Scanlan, Cunigar; Patrick T.
Liston, solicitor, Rathkeale; Michael Scanlan,
Cunigar; Bridget Scanlan, Cunigar; Nicholas
Liston, Kilgubban; Patrick Bridgeman,
Cunigar; Richard Sheehy, Newbridge; Alice
Liston, Kilgubban; T. Roche, Newcastle West;
Katie Liston, Kilgubban; Mrs. Martin Liston,
do; Michael Mulcahy, Newcastle West; T.
Liston, Ballybrown; Bridie Liston, Kilgub-
ban; Patrick Mulcahy, Ballinahown; W.
Liston, Glenistar; Michael Liston, Ashgrove;
M. Liston, Ardrine; James Liston, Ardrine
(cousins).

Kilkee Sports

SUCCESSFUL ATHLETIC MEETING
The Kilkee Sports, which were held on
Saturday, were very largely attended. The
different events were keenly contested and
spectators enjoyed the capital sport provided.
Details—
100 Yards—Michael Hedderman, Cross, 1;
James Egan, Kilkee, 2; John Egan, Kilkee, 3