

and on the 4th January last. Mr J J Comyn (instructed by Mr C O'Donnell, solicitor for the plaintiff; and Mr R F Holmes, solicitor for the defendant, who are brother and step-father, respectively, of the plaintiff) appeared at the outset stated the difficulty experienced by Mr J J O'Malley, Engineer, in gaining access to St Munchin's Cemetery for the purpose of making a plan of the plaintiff's father's grave. He was refused admission by the caretaker, and had to seek permission from Rev Canon Robertson, which was granted. Yet he was not admitted until late in the afternoon by the caretaker. The grave in question was purchased in 1869 by the plaintiff's grandfather, who is buried there, also his father and grand-uncle, Rev T G Whitaker. Last January, the Rev G Whitaker's widow died in Adare, where she lived with her second husband, a Mr [Name]. Her death was notified to the defendants, who made arrangements for her interment in this particular grave at St Munchin's, after seeing the Rev Canon Robertson and Mr J Stewart. When the plaintiff heard this he objected, as he being the principal heir-at-law had an exclusive right of burial in the grave. The grave, despite this, was opened at 7 o'clock in the morning, and seeing what had occurred, the plaintiff went to the barracks, saw Sergeant Kennedy, and told him the circumstances. During the interment the plaintiff was assaulted by Samuel Whitaker and threatened by Robert Nozzer.

The plaintiff gave evidence in support of counsel's statement as to his exclusive right of burial in the grave. He added that Mrs Shier had no claim to burial there, and in endeavouring to prevent the interment he was threatened by Nozzer, and assaulted with a rope by his brother. Another mourner kicked him in the back of the head, with the result that he was under medical treatment for six days. In reply to Mr Holmes, the plaintiff said he was taken to the grave before the coffin was lowered, and would not leave it until he was taken to the grave. Sergeant Kennedy gave evidence of the assault, and Dr Holmes of the injuries sustained by the plaintiff. His Honor—What do you say, Mr Holmes, on the question of title? Mr Holmes contended that there was no such thing as an exclusive right of burial by the heir-at-law. All the members of the Whitaker family had a right of burial in this grave, and in consequence Mrs Shier, who possessed that right, incurred considerable expense, twenty-five years ago, in enclosing the grave and putting up a headstone. His Honor, having heard Mr Comyn, said he was satisfied that the plaintiff possessed no exclusive right to the detriment of the other members of the family. The plaintiff had created a most painful scene at the interment by jumping into the grave to try and prevent the coffin of his mother being lowered into it. He would have the action on the merits.

LIMERICK FURNISHING TRADES' ASSOCIATION.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed at a recent meeting of the above Association:—That we desire to offer to our worthy President, Mr J M at Rev Dr Hallinan, our sincere thanks for his successful efforts in bringing about a settlement of the dispute which recently existed in our midst. We leave to express to the family of Mr P R Tappin, Esq, Managing Director of [Name] & Co, our sincere sympathy in their bereavement, and also to our esteemed friend Mr John Long, on the death of his

PIERCE BEASLEY ARRESTED.

illegal drilling at Doonard on the 10th March. The prisoner, who ignored the jurisdiction of the Court, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment, and to three months' extra in lieu of bail. When the prisoner was removed from the Courthouse stones were thrown, whereupon the police charged the crowd with batons and inflicted some serious wounds.

BIRTHS. MARRIAGES. DEATHS

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DUGGAN—April 7, 1918, at Denmark House, 37 Lr. Leeson-street, Dublin, to the Rev. C. C. W. Duggan and Mrs Duggan, the Vicarage, Tal-laght, a son.

HARRINGTON—April 6, 1918, at Bay View, Rush-brook, Co. Cork, the wife of Edward Heffernan, Temporary Surgeon, R.N., of a daughter (Elizabeth Anne).

MARRIAGES.
LUKE and MURPHY—April 4, 1918, at St. Mary's Church, Doonbrook, by Rev. D. P. R. Wilson, M.A., Rector, Robert Frater, son of the late Daniel Luke Stirling, to Amy Beatrice Lucas, daughter of the late Thomas Lucas Murphy, North Strand, Dublin.

WOOD and ABERNETHY—April 9, 1918, at St. Barnabas' Church, Dulwich, London, by the Rev. Howard Nixon, M.A., A. V. Wood, Australian Engineer, to Maud Abernethy, eldest daughter of James Abernethy, Dunganon.

DEATHS.
DARLEY—Killed instantaneously in action on Easter Sunday, 1918, after nearly four years of active service. Lieutenant-Colonel John Evelyn Carmichael Darley, Hussars, aged 38, most dearly-loved younger and only surviving son of Mr and Mrs Wellington Darley, of Violet Hill, Bray.

MADDEN—April 10, 1918, at her residence, 25 Wolfe Tone-street, Elizabeth, wife of Michael Madden, Insurance Agent. Funeral on to-morrow (Friday) from St. Michael's R.C. Church at 2 o'clock (new time), for family burial-place at Ballysimon. R.I.P.

STANLEY—April 2, 1918, at Ralphmount, Borriskane, Co. Tipperary, James, eldest son of the late Thomas Ralph Stanley.

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