

EMINENT CHURCHMAN

Death of The Dean of Limerick

Notable Career

Monsignor Michael O'Donnell, Rathkeale

We regret to announce the death of Rt. Rev. Monsignor Michael O'Donnell, P.P., V.G., Dean of Limerick Diocese, which took place at the Parochial House, Rathkeale, on Monday night.

Monsignor O'Donnell was born at Croom in 1854, and was educated at Carlow College and the Irish College, Rome. Ordained at Limerick nearly 60 years ago, he acted as curate at Ardpatrick and Bruff, and was Professor at the old St. Munchin's Seminary at Limerick, when the late Bishop O'Dwyer, then a young curate, was in charge. Monsignor O'Donnell was Administrator at St. Michael's, Limerick, for some time, and while there he was instrumental in getting St. Joseph's Church built. From St. Michael's he went to Rathkeale as Parish Priest 36 years ago.

OTHER DISTINCTIONS.

He was made Domestic Prelate by His Holiness the Pope in 1920, and was Vicar Capitular of Limerick Diocese from 1923 to 1924. He was Procurator of the Chapter of the Plenary Synod, Maynooth, in 1927, and was made Dean of Limerick early in the present year.

Monsignor O'Donnell was a saintly priest and an eminent Churchman. He had an extraordinary capacity for work, and lived an active and austere life, striving incessantly for the spiritual and temporal needs of his flock. He took a keen interest in education, and was Chairman of the Deel Drainage Committee, which had several thousand acres of land drained near Rathkeale a few years ago. Monsignor O'Donnell was in his 83rd year.

He was a brother of Sir Thomas O'Donnell, D.S.O., and of Mrs. O'Donnell, Fort William, Ballingarry, and also of the late Mr. P. E. O'Donnell, solicitor, Limerick.

THE FUNERAL

The Most Rev. Dr. David Keane, Bishop of Limerick, presided at the Solemn Requiem Mass of the Right Rev. Mons. Ml. O'Donnell, P.P., V.G., Dean of Limerick, at the Parish Church in Rathkeale on Wednesday.

There was a vast assembly of clergy and laity in the church, and all business in the town was suspended for the day as a mark of respect to their deceased pastor, who had been their spiritual and temporal adviser for 36 years.

The celebrant of the Mass was the Very Rev. C. Canon Mulcahy, P.P., V.F., Kilmallock; the deacon Rev. Father McSheehan, S.J., Galway, and the sub-deacon Rev. M. O'Grady, C.C., Shanagolden. The Rev. J. Brassill, C.C., St. John's, Limerick, was the master of ceremonies. The assistant at the Throne of his Lordship was Very Rev. J. Archdeacon Begley, P.P., V.F., Bruff.

After the Office for the Dead had been sung, the priests, who numbered up to one hundred, led the funeral procession to the churchyard, where his Lordship presided at the burial service.

THE CLERGY.

GETTING READY

Trans-Atlantic Flights

The following statement has been issued by Imperial Airways:—

The Imperial Airways long-range flying boat "Caledonia" is now being made ready at Southampton with a view to flying over to the Atlantic air-base at Foynes, on the river Shannon, there to carry out the further technical tests, with wireless and other equipment, which will be necessary before a first North Atlantic flight is undertaken between Ireland and Newfoundland.

PREPARATIONS CONTINUE.

Meanwhile technical preparations continue for the period of preliminary North Atlantic flying which is to precede a regular ocean air service. Experts are busy on many aspects of this vital project. Detailed investigations are being carried out as to meteorological conditions on the North Atlantic. Tests under varying conditions are also being made with the powerful wireless installations which will be capable of maintaining contact with the flying boats during trans-Atlantic flights, while other trials which are in progress concern the wonderful equipment of navigational and other instruments in the long-range flying-boats, and also the fuel consumption of these aircraft when on long-distance flights.

One specially important aspect of the forthcoming preliminary flight is the study which meteorological experts have been making of North Atlantic weather, from the viewpoint of regular commercial flying. This has necessitated, among other things, special investigations with pilot balloons from ships crossing the Atlantic. These tests have been conducted in order to secure data hitherto unobtainable, as to wind-strengths and directions at the altitudes commercial aircraft will actually be maintained when on their trans-Atlantic voyages.

In this regard, a factor that needs to be borne in mind is the general prevalence, on the North Atlantic, of winds blowing from west to east. This aspect of North Atlantic meteorology will mean that, generally speaking, air voyages between Newfoundland and Ireland will be accomplished in faster time—aided by this west to east wind—than will be the case with flights in the reverse.

AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

Regulation With Government

Mr. John McCormack, at the meeting of the Limerick Committee of Agriculture

RECENT SHOW AND

Mr. P. J. Liston, Secy. Limerick Dairy Shorthorn Society, wrote stating awarded in cash prizes exhibited at the Show and Limerick on 2nd April. bulls £62 was awarded; deen Angus bulls, and 3 bulls.

The Chairman said that ing to know that Co breeders had done so well and Sale.

REGULATION WITH

A circular letter was Department stating that debarring applicants charged liabilities to the on foot of rates or cottages participating in any schemes grants, prizes, subsidies, entered by the Committee, drawn by order of the Executive.

The Secretary said that the order was that failed to pay their rates to participate in schemes from Committee.

NO REPLY

In connection with the by the Pigs Marketing Board views of the Committee the grading of pigs in bacon.

The Secretary said that larised the members, as their views, but he had replies. The Committee had lution asking the Board to system for the grading of stores.

Mr. Fahy said that it would to adjourn consideration until the next meeting, unless of the resolution would.

This course was agreed.

CART AND M

Sequel to Co. Li Collision

At Adare District Court, S. Kenny, D.J.,

James Murphy, Ballykenry, was prosecuted at Attorney-General for, as a horse and cart without

Supt. J. Cooney, Adare, defendant was represented O'Malley, solicitor, Limerick

Guard Mackin, Patricksence of having received

accident at Clarina on the ary last. Defendant's cart up against the fence

broken, and a motor car down the road. The night and there was snow on

side of the road. The cart wrong side of the road, had no light on the cart,

slippery with snow on side of the road.

Patrick Crafton, driver car, said he was returning ton to Limerick on the night

He was on his proper side and when he approached accident the cart, which was

side, apparently pulled over with the result that the red. The car was damaged of the impact.

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Beyond the Price
of Pennies**



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on Home Remedies—
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