

£1,500 For Widow

County Limerick Shooting Recalled

The Death of Jerome Maher

Settlement was announced at £1,500 and costs in the High Court in an action by Mrs Norah Maher, Maidstown, Brurea, Co Limerick, claiming damages on her own behalf and that of her four children from Patrick Coll, Maidstown, Brurea.

She alleged that her husband, Jerome Maher, who had been employed as a steward and labourer by Coll, was sitting in a lorry on the public road at Dromin when Coll presented a shot gun at him, fired a shot and inflicted such injuries that he died.

The defence was that at the time of the shooting and since Coll was a person of unsound mind.

Coll was tried in connection with the matter, but was found by the jury to be unfit to plead.

Mr Justice Hanna making the settlement a Rule of Court directed that £700 be paid to the widow, and that £200 be lodged in court for each of the four children, whose ages range from two years to ten, the dividends to be paid to the mother towards their upkeep until they come of age.