

CITY DISTRICT COURT

Motoring Prosecutions

Smart Penalties

A the City District Court yesterday, The following were fined for using defective motor vehicles:—Michael Grogan, Kilkee, 10s; John Hurley, Charleville, £2; Ed. Fitzgerald, 25 Emmett Place, Limerick, £3; Joseph Browner, Clare Street, Ennis, £2; Kieran O'Hanlon, Turk House, Garryowen, £1. This defendant was also fined £3 for using an unlicensed car. Patrick Hayes, Cappawhite, £1; Thomas Sheehan, East Sq., Askeaton, 10s; John Regan, Carrowbehy, Castlerea, £3.

Guard Rea was complainant in the above cases. Supt. Meehan, charged James Scanlan, 35 Catherine Street, Limerick, with dangerous driving on the 18th July.

Mr. E. Treacy, solicitor, for the defendant, said his client was unable to attend, but despite this fact he was prepared to go on with the case.

Miss M. O'Sullivan, in reply to Supt. Meehan, said that at 8.30 pm. on the date in question she parked her car in O'Connell Street facing the Crescent. There was another car parked some yards in front of hers. While speaking to a friend on the footpath the owner of the other car came out of a shop and entered his car, and reversed it right into hers. Her friend went to the driver and told him what had happened and the defendant then moved forward and a few seconds later reversed into her car again.

In reply to Mr Tracy, witness said that that the car did not move backwards very quickly, and that the crashes were not very severe. Defendant had now fully compensated her for the damage done to her car.

Mr A. Killeen, solr., gave corroborative evidence, adding that the defendant seemed dazed and confused after the crashes.

Sergeant Morgan stated that when he visited the scene of the accident he saw the defendant standing on the footpath. He had his hand in his pocket and was swaying from one side to the other. Despite the fact that he was swaying he was not drunk. Witness drove the car to the barracks. In the car witness found a bottle of cider.

Mr. Treacy said that the defendant was a returned American, and was for many years chief warden in a penitentiary in the U.S.A. He had now retired. He had been driving cars since 1922, and always drove very slowly. It was really impossible to give any explanation for what had happened. Defendant did not drink, but usually took a bottle of cider before retiring at night, and he was after having a bottle of same when the crash occurred. "He is of a very nervous disposition," added Mr. Treacy, "and has got a terrible fright over this incident, and consequently I would ask your Worship to deal leniently with him.

The Justice imposed a fine of 20s.

MR. LOUIS DE COURCY'S LAND SALES

To-day, at Geary's Hotel, Mr. Louis de Courcy, Auctioneer, Clonlara, offered for sale by auction the accommodation land at Clongaheen, Broadford, County Clare, for Miss Mary Torpey in two lots, Lot 1, area, 13a 1r 23p, statute measure; annuity to I.L.C., £3 2s 6d; P.L.V., £4 5s. Bidding opened at £100, and advanced to £200, at which price and auction fees, it was knocked down to Mr. John Sweeney. Lot 2, another part of these lands, containing 7a 3r 20p; annuity to I.L.C.,

AUGUSTINIAN ORDER

Loss to Limerick Community

Death of Rev. M. Foley O.S.A

News of the sudden death of Rev. Maurice Benignus Foley, O.S.A., created a painful sensation in Limerick, when it became known that he had passed away at the Augustinian Priory during Monday morning.

Father Foley was only 26 years of age, and his death, which was entirely unexpected, came as a great shock to the Augustinian Fathers and the citizens generally. He was eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Foley, Dungarvan, County Waterford, to whom deep sympathy will be extended. Father Foley celebrated Mass on Sunday morning as usual, and officiated at Benediction in the evening. He appeared to be in good health when he retired for the night, but in the early hours of Monday morning had a sudden seizure, and expired in a short time.

The deceased priest entered the Augustinian Novitiate in Rome in 1927, and having read a distinguished theological course was ordained at St. Patrick's College, Rome, in 1934. He was for two years a member of the community in Ballyhaunis, and following a Chapter of the Order in 1936 was transferred to Limerick.

During the eighteen months he has been attached to the Augustinian Order in Limerick, Father Foley acted as Sacristian and as Sub-Director of the Sacred Cinture Confraternity. He was deeply pious and charitable, and combined a great charm of manner with a boundless energy in the performance of his religious duties. The proposed erection of the new church in Limerick was a project which he took up energetically, and even in a short space of time he had, with the assistance of a willing band of lay workers, done much to ensure the happy culmination of the work.

The poignancy of the occurrence is heightened by the fact that Father Foley's brother, Rev. P. I. Foley, O.S.A., who was ordained last year, left Ireland on Sunday morning for Australia. One of his sisters is a nun in Fernbank Convent, Waterford.

The Funeral

The remains of the late Rev. M. B. Foley, O.S.A. were interred in Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, following Office and Requiem Mass at the Augustinian Church, Limerick, on Wednesday morning. Hundreds of citizens participated in the funeral procession, which was a remarkable demonstration of the sympathy felt for the Augustinian Community, and the family of the deceased priest. During the Requiem Mass the church was filled to capacity, while the streets outside were crowded with sympathisers, who had come to pay a last tribute of respect to the memory of a very popular and esteemed young priest. There was a large attendance of priests from all over the diocese, as well as the Augustinian Fathers who travelled from various parts of the country.

His Lordsh'p, Most Rev. Dr. Keane, Bishop of Limerick, presided at the Requiem Mass, and subsequently officiated at the graveside in Mount St. Lawrence, where the remains were interred.

The celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Father Gough, O.S.A.; deacon, Rev. Father D. Walsh, O.S.A., Dublin; sub-deacon, Rev. Father S. Roche, O.S.A., Dublin.

Master of Ceremonies was Rev. M. Connolly, O.S.A., Drogheda.

The chanters were Very Rev. Father Mansfield, Prior, Ballyhaunis, and Rev. Father Curtin, O.S.A.

CURRENT REVIEW

A HOME COMING.

The induction of the Rev. W. P. Harty to the pastoral charge of St. Mary's, the island parish of this historic diocese, was in the nature of a home coming. Father Willie Harty reminded the congregation that thronged the beautiful Church of the Assumption on Thursday afternoon for the ceremony, that he was born, and baptised and confirmed in the parish. Like every true native, he takes pardonable pride in St. Mary's and its people, whose spiritual welfare he has now been charged to safeguard and promote. While performing the duties of his sacred office with that zeal and energy characteristic of his curacy years, and as pastor of Bulgaden, Father Harty evinces deep interest in the material well-being of the people, and in his new sphere he will not relax his vigilant activities.



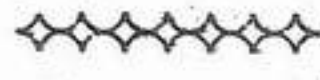
GRACEFUL TRIBUTE.

Very Rev. Canon O'Dwyer, P.P., V.F., who introduced Father Harty to his parishioners, paid a very graceful and well deserved tribute to his qualities as priest and friend. The Canon recalled that St. Mary's was the scene of the ministry of many distinguished ecclesiastics, among them Most Rev. Dr. O'Dea, Bishop of the diocese in the dim past. The late Bishop Hallinan was Parish Priest of the parish in 1894, as was another remarkable man, Dean O'Brien, who took so active an interest in the Catholic Young Men's Society movement. So Father Harty has many eminent exemplars, and has given an assurance that his mission would be to do his best to serve the spiritual and temporal interests of his flock—the faithful Catholics of a part of the city renowned for their unswerving loyalty to Rome and Ireland.



A SUGGESTION.

Anent the allusion in this column to "An Artistic Family," I have been favoured with a letter from Mr. C. H. Burchett, Westcliff, Kilkee, thanking me for my reference to his paintings. May I say that I value his appreciation of my efforts to bring the works of this artist to the notice of the public, and to focus greater attention on his beautiful metier. That being so, the suggestion is now made that the Committee of the Limerick Art Gallery should enlist Mr. Burchett's co-operation in its very laudable enterprise. As we are approaching the second anniversary of the Gallery's foundation, the occasion might be availed of to invite him at the exhibition to give a talk on, for instance, some modern painters and their works.



CULTIVATION OF ART.

It would give an immense fillip to the movement to familiarise the citizens with the beauty of the works of the Great Masters. If there is to be any cultural value from the existence of the Gallery, it must be as widespread as possible, and not circumscribed. That would be the antithesis of democracy in art, and defeat the motive that gave birth to the foundation. The whole people, not a section or coerie, must be brought into contact with the collection, and have the subjects explained. By that means the uninitiated will develop an interest, and in time be in a position to appreciate art for its own sake. It will stimulate concern, and not be merely 'a thing apart' to the average individual.



OLD COMRADES REUNION.

The Munster Fusiliers Old Comrades held the annual re-union dinner and smoking concert in the Legion Hall last week-end. There are not very many left of the gallant men who played an

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According to the peo to express an opinion without a vocational t description must in f with a back row seat i remunerative employr side it is obvious tha equipped has a much competing for work of a than his rival with no s Vocational education it to go no farther back markable strides in this advocated in Press an and the Government interest sufficient to impress. The numb Schools built in towns, abundant testimony (f to vocational studies by Education. Generous made for the erection and in the Co. Limerick like ten have been erec centres. At Hospital West the curriculum than at the others wh auxiliaries. But they the pursuit of a n and in the coming year dominant position in Expert methods in fact house and farm are general, as the happ doing things is passi Efficiency has become touchstone and the co that neglect or refuse guilty of gross folly. in Eire are fortunate, a has done, and is doi humanly possible to pr and point the way to workers in every callir stated, has been in the movement in the cit half a century, as prior Education Act of 18 elementary science and was given in the At was limited and nothi that provided under th With the pas age of tir was extended, until t ceivable subject with a is taught in the M Institute. The most the excellent support as demonstrated by t day and evening cour had classrooms beco necessary to build a and the additional inadequate to cope Owing to the overfl was forced to seek ot the demand and hi idea of erecting ar