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Supt. Meehan—Did you ever see a revolver in her possession?—No.

Did she ever take any drugs?—She told me that she took something to make her sleep. She did not say what it was.

BOOKED A ROOM.

Mrs. Hanna Moloney, Hotel Crescent, Limerick, stated that on Wednesday, 26th instant, a woman whom she did not know came and booked a room in her hotel for the night. She did not occupy the room on that occasion. On Thursday 27th, the same woman came and booked a room. She went to the apartment and intimated that she was going to stay in to write some letters. Witness went to the cinema, and returned home after 11.30. She then learned that something had occurred. Witness noticed nothing abnormal about the woman, and thought her very nice.

Maureen Guinane, a maid employed at the Hotel Crescent, deposed to going to the room occupied by Mrs. Holfier at 7 p.m. She opened the door and saw Mrs. Holfier lying on the bed. Thinking she was asleep, witness closed the door and came away.

Miss Maeve Moloney, daughter of Mrs. Hanna Moloney, stated that at 11.40 p.m. she was going upstairs. She passed the room occupied by Mrs. Holfier. Witness saw the light coming through the door, which was slightly ajar. She knocked at the door, and not receiving an answer, she opened the door.

Superintendent—Did you enter the room?

Witness—No.

Superintendent—What did you see?

Witness—I saw a woman stretched on the bed. I knew from her appearance that she was dead. I knew at once there was something wrong.

Superintendent—Did you notice a revolver?

Witness—No; I was too far away from the bed. The Guards were then notified.

GUARDS EVIDENCE.

Guard A. Doolan, O'Curry Street, gave evidence of going to the Hotel Crescent, Limerick, on 28th instant, at midnight. Prior to that Mrs. Margaret Kaitcher came to the station and reported that her mother, Mrs. Elsa Reininger, was missing since 5 p.m. Mrs. Kaitcher indicated that her mother was worried. On receiving a report witness went to the hotel, where he saw the body of a woman lying on a bed facing the door. She was fully dressed, and had a revolver in the right hand. The arm was bent and the revolver was pointing towards the body. There was a wound on the right side of the head. The revolver was a .32, Continental make, containing six chambers. There was a bullet in each chamber, and one was spent. Beside the bed was a tumbler, which contained a small crystallised substance, and on a washstand were two small bottles, which were uncorked. In the room was a lady's brown handbag, which contained a passport. The passport was issued in Vienna by the Czechoslovakia Consul, and bore the name "Elsa Reininger." The passport only gave permission to the deceased to remain in the United Kingdom for 48 hours. Witness found a receipt for three registered letters. One was addressed to the Police, Limerick, and was posted at 6 p.m. on the 27th October.

Mr. J. J. Sexton asked the place of birth of the deceased.

Coroner—Neulistriz, Czechoslovakia.

The Foreman of the Jury—Is there evidence that the family lost their property in Vienna?

WAS A RICH MAN.

Herr Hoelfler—I was a rich man. I had 300,000 Austrian shillings, and I have lost it all. My wife and daughter had property and securities. I could through my own channels bring only £440 to Ireland for my wife.

Coroner—How was your daughter affected?

served judgment.

OBITUARY

Death of Mr. R. Brazil

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. Richard Brazil, which took place at his residence, 61 Catherine St., Limerick, at midday yesterday. The deceased had been ailing for some time past, but it was hoped he would pull through. It was not to be however, and the end came peacefully and resignedly at an age when most men have a good reserve of energy left.

Mr Brazil, who was a native of Dublin, came to Limerick in 1918 as agent of the "Freeman's Journal," and held that position until the newspaper ceased publication in 1924, when he was appointed local circulation manager of the "Cork Examiner" and "Evening Echo." His application, industry, and knowledge resulted in a vastly increased demand for these publications in city and district. Dick Brazil possessed all those qualities that make friends—a keen sense of humour, candid and upright in all his dealings and transactions. He had a strong affection for the city of his adoption and its people. He was a good and valued citizen, a great lover and patron of all kinds of sport, his favourite being Association football. His death is a severe blow to his wife and family, who have the sincere sympathy of the public in their bereavement.

The remains will be removed at 8 o'clock this evening to St. Michael's Church. Funeral to-morrow to Mount St. Lawrence, after Requiem Mass at 11 o'clock.

REV. C. HUNT C.S.S.R.

The death occurred at St. John's Hospital, Limerick, last night of Rev. Cornelius Hunt, C.S.S.R. Born at Athea, Co. Limerick, in 1865, Father Hunt received his early education at Mungret College, and graduated from the old Royal University of Ireland. He entered the Redemptorist novitiate in England in 1886, and having completed his ecclesiastical studies, was ordained in 1890. Two years after he was sent to Australia, where he laboured for 27 years. He was well known and beloved by the clergy and people of Australia.

He gave many retreats to clergy and religious, and was a zealous missionary. He was a great controversialist in Australia, where he built two monasteries. For the last 20 years spent in Australia he was Rector of one or other of the Redemptorist houses.

In 1920 he returned to Ireland, where he gave many missions and retreats. He had been in failing health in recent years.

MAN'S SUDDEN DEATH

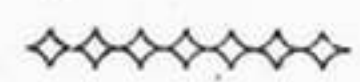
Alexander Bevill, aged about 48 years, died suddenly at his home in the Cross Road, Thomondgate, this morning.

The body was removed to Barrington's Hospital this afternoon pending a post mortem examination.

The deceased man was employed by a city firm at Limerick Docks.

It is understood that the post mortem is being held because of an injury the deceased is supposed to have sustained some time ago.

hour movement in this country, and must be accepted without reservation. The function itself was a big success, highly creditable to Limerick Trades and Labour Council, the hosts, while the service was up to the fine reputation of Cruise's for doing things well and satisfactory. It would be like omitting the Prince of Denmark from the play not to mention the name of the Chairman, Mr. James McQuane, an outstanding labour figure, and one of the best and most sociable.



A NEAR THING.

Through an oversight, there was no mention in this column on Saturday's issue of an incident that took place recently in the North Sea while Captain Tim O'Sullivan was serving aboard the Limerick Steamship Company's "Lanarhone." It happened that the weather was thick and heavy, and Capt. O'Sullivan on duty, when he saw a seaplane overhead, evidently in distress. The plane came lower, and one of the occupants frequently signalled to the ship. It eventually dropped into the sea, and was noticed to be a German, carrying pilot and observer. "Lanarhone" slowed, put about and stopped, and the airmen were rescued. It appears it was a near thing, and it was fortunate the steamer was in the vicinity. Capt. O'Sullivan is an all-round athlete, a powerful swimmer and possessor of trophies.



LEAVING CERTIFICATE.

The results of the Leaving Certificate Examination are on the whole flattering to Limerick City and County. The number of pupils, boys and girls, presented, 108, were from sixteen colleges and schools, less than an average of eight, which is low in comparison to some Munster counties—for instance, Clare, which sent up 70, quite good. Of the Limerick total, 71 were boys and 37 girls, and the city was represented by 50 students and the county by 58. An analysis shows that in the county 46 passed, and in the city 45, while the former secured honours marks in 36 cases and the latter 27. Ballygarry, Newcastle West, and St. Joseph's Limerick Girls' Schools did best, all the pupils presented passing with honours; next came Doon and Killfinane Convents, St. Munchin's with 9 presented and passed 6 with honours, and C.B.S., Sexton Street, 25 passed, 14 with honours.



JUDICIAL JOKE.

Judge McElligott, during the hearing of a landlord and tenant case in the Circuit Court on Friday, remarked there were now more houses than people in the city. If there are, strange the demand continues and rents exceedingly high. His Lordship was indulging in one of his jokes—the judicial mind cannot be eternally absorbed in serious themes and must be relieved by a spot of humour a la Judge Adams. Our Courts are much too gloomy and need a bit of livening up from time to time, something after the fashion set by Gilbert in "Trial by Jury." That would be good for Bench and Bar, and attract larger audiences. Anyhow, the Judge will, if he takes the trouble to test the accuracy of his remark, find the number of houses far in arrear of 41,000—the last census figures.



DISTRESSING AND PAINFUL.

The tragedy that occurred in Limerick last week, when an alien Jewess took her own life, is a melancholy commentary on the condition of those Central European countries responsible for an anti-Semitic campaign which has been denounced by His Holiness Pope Pius XI. and every statesman outside Dictator frontiers. It was clear from the evidence given at the Coroner's enquiry that the

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