Patriotic Limerick Lady

Dies In Dublin

The death took place on Thursday at her residence, 36 Ailesbury Road, Dublin, of Mrs Ellen Humphreys, a native of Ballylongford, county Kerry. Deceased was the widow of the late Dr David Humphreys, Limerick, and sister of The O'Rabilly, who was killed in Easter Week, 1916. Through her brother she was closely associated with the Volunteer movement, and her house in Northumberland Road was the covering address for the purchase of arms from abroad. It was one of the first houses raided for arms in the pre 1916 period. When visiting her brother and her son in G.P.O. during Easter Week she got permission from l'atrick Pearse to give medals of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour to the members of the Republican garrison. She was arrested after Easter Week and taken to the stables of the Royal Dublin Society at Barlabridge. She was later brought to Kilmainham and Mountjoy Jails. Her home in Herbert Park, and later in Ailes. bury Hoad, where she lived with her sister, was frequently used for Cabinet meetings by the Government of the Republic from 1919 to 1921.

She issurvived by two sons and a daughter—Richard Homphreys, a p; Emmett Humphreys, A.Arch., and Sighie (Mrs. Donal O'Donoghue).

The funeral takes place to-morrow (Sat.) after 9 a.m Mass to Abington, Murroe, by road.

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