

County Lady's Death

Inquest Evidence

The death of a middle-aged lady named Margaret O'Donnell, Adare, who died in the County Hospital, Croom, following injuries received when struck by a motor car at Garranboy, Adare, on Monday, was investigated at an inquest held on Tuesday at Croom.

Supt J J Cooney, Adare, represented the Garda authorities, and Mr E Cassen, solr, Rathkaale, appeared for the next-of-kin.

Daniel Hayes, cousin of deceased, gave evidence of identification.

Dr Mary Lillis, House Surgeon, County Hospital, stated deceased was admitted to the institution at 5.55 on Monday evening. Witness attended her and found she was unconscious and suffering from shock, for which witness treated her. She had a wound over the right eyebrow and her pupils were irregular. She died at about 8 p.m. On making a post mortem examination witness found an incised wound over the right eye and the superior maxilla on the right side was fractured. She had severe injuries to the bones of the neck and a compound fracture of the tibia and fibula on the left side. In witness's opinion the deceased died from shock and injuries received.

To Supt Cooney—The injuries, in witness's opinion, were consistent with being struck by a motor vehicle or some heavy object.

This concluded the evidence and Supt Cooney asked for an adjournment until the facts would be placed before the Attorney General.

The coroner (Dr J P Clery) adjourning the inquest, passed a resolution with the deceased's relatives in which the Superintendent and the jury joined.