

up and around at home a few days previously the sad news, coming suddenly, caused a terrible shock in the town, more especially as it was known that his demise meant a very heavy bereavement. Genuine heartfelt sympathy was extended to his widow and other relatives in their sorrow.

**Funeral.**  
The remains were removed to St. Mary's Church, Rathkeale, on Tuesday evening.

The funeral to the New Cemetery, Rathkeale, on Wednesday, was very impressive and representative and testified to the popularity of the deceased, who was a highly respected Ballinacorney family. The officiating clergy were—Very Rev. Canon Mangan, P.P., Rev. T. Wall, P.P.; Rev. M. O'Brien, P.P.; Rev. P. C. Lynch, C.C., and Rev. T. Costello, C.C.

**Death.**  
Margaret O'Shea, comforted by the Sisters of Holy Church, passed away peacefully at her residence, Upper Main Street, Rathkeale, on the 21st inst. She was a member of a very old and highly respected family in this town. The remains were removed to St. Mary's Church, Rathkeale, on Tuesday evening, and the funeral took place to the Old Cemetery, Rathkeale, on Wednesday. The prayers at the graveside were read by Rev. Canon Mangan, P.P., V.F.; Rev. P. C. Lynch, C.C., and Rev. T. Costello, C.C.

**Madigan Passes Away.**  
Nora Madigan (nee Condon), whose death occurred at her residence, Commercial Hotel, Rathkeale, on Friday, 20th inst., belonged to a highly respected and widely connected family, many members of which figured prominently in the life in former years. A woman of a noble disposition she had many friends that gained the admiration of all who knew her. She was the mother of Michael Madigan, a well known member of G.A.A. circles for many years.

**Funeral.**  
The remains were removed to St. Mary's Church, Rathkeale, on Saturday evening and the funeral, which was a large and representative, took place to the New Cemetery on Sunday. The officiating clergy were—Very Rev. Canon Mangan, P.P., V.F.; Rev. E. O'Brien, P.P.; Rev. M. O'Brien, P.P.; Rev. P. C. Lynch, C.C.; Rev. T. Costello, C.C.; Rev. J. O'Byrne, C.C.; Rev. J. Finn, C.C.; Rev. M. Kelly, C.C.

**Figure Gone.**  
Maurice Roche, who died at the Hospital, Croom, on the 24th inst., after a brief illness, was a familiar figure in the Rathkeale town. A man who was of a kind and inoffensive disposition, his name was mentioned with many expressions of kindest sympathy by those who knew him. The remains were removed to St. Mary's Church, Rathkeale, on Saturday evening and the funeral took place to the New Cemetery, Rathkeale, on Sunday. The officiating clergy were

most enjoyable yet held here. Its unequalled success gives encouragement and hope to the promoters that the same generous measure of support will be accorded other events organised for the same purpose.

#### Prize-Winners.

The prize-winners were:—Miss Alice Leahy, Miss A. McEnery, Miss Peggy Hurley, and Messrs. P. O'Connell, P. Reale and Matthew Mitchell.

#### Late Mr. John Kelly.

The death occurred at his residence, Ballinamona, recently of Mr. John Kelly, at a comparatively early age. Belonging to a well-known and highly respected farming stock, the late Mr. Kelly was a gentleman of many fine qualities. Of a genial and friendly disposition, and bluff, hearty, jovial temperament, his cheerful and breezy personality was welcomed in many circles. As a farmer his progressive methods and industrious habits were the source of his success. Among the people of his immediate neighbourhood he had the reputation of being a kind friend and an obliging neighbour. Surely a sufficient epitaph for any of us. His death occasioned deepest regret, not only in his own family circle, but also amongst a large number of friends and acquaintances.

#### The Funeral.

The funeral took place to the family burial ground at Emly after Requiem Office and High Mass. The last prayers at the graveside were recited by Very Rev. Canon McCarthy, P.P., V.F.; Rev. Father Power, C.C.; Rev. Father Fitzgerald, C.C., Herbertstown; Rev. Father Kennedy, C.C., Knocklong, and Rev. P. Kelly, England. The attendance at the graveside was of large proportions, and reflected the popularity in which the deceased gentleman was held and the widespread sympathy extended to his relatives.

#### Late Mr. Thomas Hogan.

The death also took place recently of Mr. Thomas Hogan, brother of Mr. John Hogan, Clashmore. A young man of whom it may be said that he was an outstanding example of the triumph of the spirit over physical disabilities, for during several years of ill-health his gaiety of temperament, sunny disposition and cheerful manner were always in evidence. A kindly lovable character, with a ready wit and bright attractive personality, he was exceptionally popular with all who knew him, while the heroic and cheerful way in which he bore himself even to the end under constant ill-health evoked the admiration of all. His death at an early age was sincerely regretted in the town and parish, and there was unstinted sympathy extended to his relatives on the sad occasion. The interment, which took place in the local cemetery, was attended by a large crowd, representative of all classes in the district. R.I.P.

a far bigger trade than the number of overseas certainly ought to be able of the American. Certainly profitable market for products and commodities in position to supply in far proper organisation.

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The lack of a national marine hits us in a way that has militated very considerably in the building up by the Government of the overseas trade on really advantageous lines. The prospect of such a fleet would be a long time but the lessons of the war to Mr. Lemass, show that it is important to our national defence to have an "army" of ships. It was for good reason that the Minister, that the Government should not rush to buy ships, but that a reasonable prospect of such a fleet being available. The prospect seemed certain when it became a question of ships in these dangerous times. It is at all, that the Government should endeavour to obtain the best possible will be much more difficult to obtain good serviceable ships. It has been some time that the head there is, it would be a cause for regret at the loss of a promising opportunity.

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Last September the Government mission of the U.S.A. to purchase boats, ranging in size from 1,000 tons to 10,000 tons, without restriction to the tonnage. The interest in these boats is that of these steamers—£928,000 or £48,842 each. It has been possible for our Government to procure some, at least, of these vessels at the time. It would probably have been at the price. The freight charge of 9,000 tons of goods from the River Plate to this country would be about £40,000, or £8,942 per ton. These latter figures are very interesting and show that the nation we have all along had a foreign shipping company.

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There are, of course, many ships now for sale, and these