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On the morning of 7th April witness made tea and then went to the covert. He was not near Mrs. Hanley's house and he did not assault her. He had no hostility to Mrs. Hanley or any member of her family.

Accused added that during his mother's lifetime he had made a loan for the money. He had also aimed for the money since but did not get it.

Questioned by Mr. Donovan regarding the driving of trap-pegs in the covert witness said that he could use the heel of his boot for this purpose.

Mr. Donovan asked the witness did he get £800 on the marriage of his brother.

Witness replied in the negative.

Mr. Donovan—Did you get any money?—I got some money.

The money you got on the marriage you spent in Canada?—No, Mr. I was a hard-working man.

After you got that money you went to Canada?—In 1923 I went to Canada.

And that was long after you got the money?—In 1914 she came here.

Accused denied that he attacked Mrs. Hanley on a previous occasion. He admitted that after writing a letter to her in 1937 he went to live in an outhouse at the farm.

GOT £700.

Re-examined by Mr. Danaher, accused admitted that he got £700 after his brother's marriage.

This completed the case and the jury then retired.

The jury found accused guilty on two counts and he was put back for sentence.

At to-day's Court Mr. Danaher asked the judge to bear in mind, firstly, that Hanley had been in prison since the month of April, and secondly that no serious consequences had ensued to Mrs. Hanley. He asked the Judge to deal as leniently as possible with the accused.

"A BRUTAL ASSAULT."

The judge in sentencing accused said: "This man was charged with a very serious and very brutal assault on an old lady whose hus-

band is dead. The excuse given for it was that he was trying to recover some money that he alleged he had lent to his brother who is dead. If there was any truth in that there is a way of collecting debts. The civil court is the place." The Judge went on to say that accused had hit Mrs. Hanley on the head four times with a hatchet. "The marvel to me," said the Judge, "is that the woman survived this assault. I find that he was previously sentenced to 5 years penal servitude. True that is a considerable time ago." The Judge added that if he was satisfied that Mrs. Hanley was not in danger he would not consider this previous sentence. In view of the evidence given the least sentence he could give accused would be three years penal servitude.

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DEATH.

Drake—November 4th, William Drake, at 5 Weston Gardens, Rosbrien, Limerick. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains will be removed this (Wednesday) evening at 6.45 to St. Michael's. Funeral on to-morrow (Thursday) at 3 o'clock, to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.