

close to their hearts.  
In view of the clear exposition of the benefits resulting from University qualifications given by "Limerick Exile" in a recent issue of your paper, it is not necessary for me to dwell upon them here, but it would be well that this important aspect be kept clearly before the public mind.

The difficulties to be overcome in forming extern classes of the kind in question are many, but they are surely not beyond solution.

If we could have a University here, then, as suggested, bring the benefit of a University through the medium of extern University classes. This system is already in operation in England, and the degrees of London University are open to all, without consideration of conditions of residence, and irrespective of their method of preparation. University education is denied here to those who cannot afford the great expense involved. We have now, in this latest idea, a chance to give everyone an opportunity of obtaining a recognised University qualification with all that it promises.

We must not allow this opportunity to pass lightly by.—Yours faithfully,

"R. P. N."

## LITERARY AND ECONOMIC SOCIETY

The annual general meeting of the Limerick Literary and Economics Society took place in the Municipal Technical Institute on Wednesday night, Mr. E. H. Bennis presiding.

An interesting review of last season's activities was submitted by the hon. sec., Mr. P. J. Stundon. It showed that a most interesting variety of lectures and debates took place. A pleasing feature was the notable increase in membership.

The following officers and committee were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. P. J. Donnellan, Chairman, City Vocational Education Committee; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. M. Casey, B.C.; P. V. Twomey, C.E.O.; J. O'Donnell, B.Comm.; and A. J. Eakins; hon. sec., Mr. P. J. Stundon; hon. treas., Miss M. Finucane. Committee—Misses M. Goodwin, A. Bourke, B.A.; Messrs. J. A. Walsh, M. Hayes, P. Fitzgibbon, and D. MacCartaige.

The hon. sec. paid a warm tribute to the Press for their assistance in promoting the objects of the Society.

Shaughnessy's great work for engineering was adequately recognised. In 1901 he was knighted, in 1907 created K.C.V.O., in 1916 raised to the peerage and in 1911 received the honorary degree of D.C.L. from Trinity College.

Shaughnessy's mother, like his father, was Irish, and in 1880 he married another Irishwoman, Elizabeth Bridget Nagle, by whom he had two sons and three daughters. He died at Montreal on 10th of December, 1923.

Shaughnessy has been described by a contemporary as neither obstinate nor arrogant but wont to place great trust in his own judgment . . . with a quick wit and a keen sense of humour . . . well-informed and an omnivorous reader in spite of the defects in his early education . . . fond of music but cared little for pictorial art . . . habitually drank a pint of champagne with his dinner . . . fond of billiards and bridge . . . owned some race-horses . . . played golf . . . was a Roman Catholic

## MEMORIAL TO LATE CANON REIDY

At a public meeting of the parishioners of the late Very Rev. Canon Reidy, P.P., Askeaton, it was decided to erect a memorial over his grave in the parish church grounds.

Mr. E. Cussen, Rock Abbey, was appointed treasurer, and Mr. D. F. Jones, N.T., Askeaton, secretary.

It was decided to hold collections at the church gates in Ballysteen and Askeaton on next Sunday.

The late Canon Reidy was parish priest of the united parishes of Askeaton and Ballysteen for a number of years, and was very popular with all classes and sections of the people.

## SUCCESSFUL KILMALLOCK STUDENT.

Hearty congratulations are extended to Mr. John P. O'Donnell, Lord Edward Street, Kilmallock, on his taking of first place, with first-class honours, for his B.E. Degree (mechanical and electrical); also, B.Sc. Degree, at University College, Dublin.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul gratefully acknowledge a donation of £3 from "A Friend," per Hon. Treasurer. (16c)

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