

# AND DEED OF KINDNESS

of kindness, little love, the earth happy, like an above. own lines (writes our correspondent) may be aptly Ennis Gardai, and the River Fergus. As a deed of kindness the w friends after her ad forsaken her and rted widow. Some- wan broke a wing; her in the water and fficult if not impos- progress on land. fined her movements f water running by Barracks and the ners Schools. Kindly ai seeing the sad bird, which was oming more handi- and brought her to Keffe, the County skilled medical atten- an excellent medical he bird, whose wing- d bound in such a ermit of the greatest movement in the On being liberated a new interest in Now at luncheon can be seen patiently slip on the river for the schoolboys who from their lunches. with the schoolboys' ly bird swims to the arda Barracks, leaves l enters a fowl yard ternises with other The bird takes bits the hand of Mrs. of the Station even allows Mrs. e her up in her arms as a person would The swan has own in her entire lot new friends—both human.

## DRY CLOSURES

he failure of scrap and to shortage of all departments of Ironfounders (Ire-Waterford, involving kers, were closed on an indefinite period. company was chieuy manufacture of cast-utensils, turf-burning eating stoves

## CRARY RIGHT?

writes our Ennis cor-ims to have produced n in the Irish Army. Jack Ryan, stationed now on a special se in the Curragh s stockinged feet he er six feet. Is he the the Irish Army?

ferred on Mr. Gaffney the Distinguished Service Cross in recognition of his work in founding the American Hospital in Munich.

## SUPPORTED THE "CHIEF"

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## DEATH OF OLD LIMERICK NATIONALIST

An ardent Limerick Nationalist of the old school, one who was deservedly held in high regard by all classes, passed away in the early hours of yesterday morning in the person of Mr. James O'Donovan, 47 Henry Street, and late of 3 Castle Street. The deceased, who had reached an advanced age, was an active and thoroughly fearless supporter of Charles Stewart Parnell both before and after the Split, and was one of those who went to the local railway terminus to meet "the Chief" on his last visit to Limerick. A sincerely patriotic Irishman all through life, he possessed many fine traits of character and enjoyed the confidence and respect of all who knew him. He was the first secretary of St. Michael's Rowing Club and was for a long period the secretary of the Limerick (Violated Treaty) Branch of the Irish National Foresters. He spent many years as law clerk with the late Mr. James H. Moran, solr., and in that capacity, as in all others, he exhibited marked ability and integrity. He was father of Mr. James O'Donovan, secretary of the North Munster Branch of the Irish Rugby Union, to whom and the other members of the family and the numerous relatives and friends we extend our sincere sympathy.

The funeral took place at one o'clock to-day from St. Michael's Church to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, the cortege being very large and of a most representative character.

The chief mourners were—James and Edward O'Donovan (sons); Mrs. May South (daughter); Mrs. E. O'Donovan (daughter-in-law); Gerard and Joseph O'Donovan, James, John and Gerard South, James, John, Edward, Patsy and Angela O'Donovan (grand-children) The priests in attendance were—Rev. Dr. Cowper, Adm., St. Michael's, and Rev. Father Moynahan, C.C., do. Rev. Dr. Cowper officiated at the graveside.

## CHARGE OF FORGING NOTES

The Gardai at Roscrea took into custody a young farmer, Joseph Davis (24), Derrymore, Roscrea, who was charged at a special court before Mr. P. J. Gantly, P.C., with forging 10/- notes at Roscrea. The defendant was remanded to Roscrea District Court on January 22nd.

orders made by him in respect of his judicial functions.

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## THE SWAN SONG.

A correspondent, signing himself "Inquisitive," wants to know what is the origin of the expression, "Swan Song." Naturalists say that when the swan is dying it utters some exquisite notes. Erman, who is regarded as an authority on bird life, says "when the swan is wounded it pours forth its last breath in notes most beautifully clear and loud." Shakespeare, in his Othello, makes Emily say—"I will play the swan, and die in music." Hear one of our poets on the subject:—

"What is that, mother?" "The swan, my love;  
He is floating down to his native grove.  
Death darkens his eyes and unplumes his wings;  
Yet the sweetest song is the last he sings.  
Live so, my son, that when death shall come,  
Swan-like and sweet, it may waft thee home."

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## CITY 'BUS SERVICE.

The citizens of Limerick are wondering why they should not have as good a bus service as is provided for the people of Cork, especially on Sundays. The Sunday bus service here is very unsatisfactory, and though pressing representations have been made to the management on the subject nothing has been done to meet the desires of the citizens. While on the subject of buses, it may not be inopportune to inquire why the different bus stations in the city are not indicated by appropriate signs. A long time ago the public were told that the stopping and picking-up centres for the buses would be indicated by notice boards. When will this undertaking be carried out?

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## GOING STRONG.

The Limerick Savings Bank, though one of the oldest institutions of its kind in the country, is still going strong. It was reported at the half-yearly meeting, held during the month, that one hundred and twenty new accounts were opened during the preceding year. That, surely, is a very healthy state of things, for it shows that the small investors are availing of the wonderful facilities offered by this Bank to encourage thrift. It may not be generally known that the Savings Bank is subject to inspection by officers appointed by the Minister for Finance.