

When the occasion merited it the late Bishop could and did express himself emphatically on public issues. He appeared at the public meeting in the Town Hall in 1936 to protest against the proposal to scrap the voluntary hospitals, and in 1942 he was again present at a public meeting to raise his voice in support of the campaign to grow more food.

### ABIDING INTEREST IN THE POOR.

He took a deep and abiding interest in the welfare of the poor and seldom failed to attend the general meetings of the St. Vincent de Paul Society or the Fuel and Blanket Fund, where his aid in a very practical form was enhanced by strong appeals for help to the better-off citizens on behalf of the poor.

Temperance was another virtue of which his Lordship was a strong advocate. He made it a special duty to be present each year at the annual meetings of St. Michael's Temperance Society and in administering Confirmation never failed to recommend abstinence from intoxicants to the children. Dr. Keane was almost entirely responsible for the building of St. Michael's Rowing Club, as a very substantial subscription from him made it possible for the Society to undertake this big project.

During his Episcopacy, too, it should be mentioned, three new parochial churches were erected—St. Mary's, Kilmeedy and Janesboro'. The parish church of Shanagolden was reconstructed from the foundation and in the carrying out of all these great works the late Dr. Keane was the guiding force. His loss to the Diocese is well-nigh irreparable, and his memory will live in the hearts of the people for years to come.

Never robust in health, he sacrificed himself to a patient, untiring, enlightened administration that leaves its best monument in the deep regard of his united clergy and people, united in gratitude and admiration for the example of a life dedicated ever to lofty purpose, a life unspotted by the world.

### BISHOP'S LAST MOMENTS.

In the closing stages of his Lordship's illness Father Vernon Russell had celebrated Mass daily in the patient's room. On Sunday morning the Bishop thanked the celebrant and bade him farewell.

## Special Message to Clergy and People

The Lord Bishop left the following special message for his clergy and people, to be read after his death:—

"I wish to express my gratitude to the clergy and people of the Diocese of Limerick for the great kindness they have always shown me, and beg the remembrance of their prayers when I have passed to my account."

Father Russell, a native of Limerick, has resided at Milford House since his retirement from Westminster, where he long held the post of Master of the Cathedral Music.

On Sunday morning, too, shortly before he lapsed into unconsciousness, when those present assured the Bishop of his people's prayers, he asked that the children in particular should intercede for him.

Rev. Michael Moloney, P.P., St. Patrick's; Rev. P. J. O'Callaghan, Diocesan Secretary; Rev. Father Ephrem, O.F.M. (Guardian); Rev. P. J. O'Regan, C.C.; Mr. J. H. J. O'Regan, C.C.; Mr. J. H. J. O'Regan, C.C.

of speaking an enjoyable and beneficial holiday, and it is hoped that a considerable number will come of their own accord, in addition to members of Gaelic League Branches, Irish Classes and any other Gaelic Societies, who will be sent there on scholarships. While the scheme is mainly one for Limerick City and County, youths from outside will also be accepted.

### INSTRUCTORS WILL GIVE THEIR SERVICES FREE.

The staff of instructors will give their services free, so that the minimum cost per person will be realised. The Committee will also pay 25 per cent. of the total cost in respect of each person sent by a Gaelic Society, so that it will be quite possible for each branch to be represented. In order to raise funds in aid of the scheme, a drawing of prizes is being arranged, and each branch will be allowed one-third of the total amount realised by it through the sale of tickets.

Questions regarding the seeking of financial assistance from various other sources were deferred to the April meeting.

## GAELIC LEAGUE BRANCH FOR GLENROE

A public meeting was held at Glenroe on Friday, 9th inst., for the purpose of forming a branch of the Gaelic League. Rev. P. J. Coleman, P.P., presided. Micheal De Burca also attended.

Speaking first in Irish and later in English, the Rev. Chairman, after welcoming Micheal De Burca, spoke of the efforts to restore the Irish language and appealed to those present, old and young, to leave nothing undone in this great cause.

Other speakers were Rev. Father O'Dea, C.C., Glenroe; Micheal De Burca and Padraig Cearbhaill.

The branch was formed and the following officers appointed:—An t-Athair O Colmain, S.P. (Uactaran Onor); An t-Athair O Deaghe, S.O. (Cathaoirleach); M. Mac Conmidhe (Ruaidhe), Sean Cranich (Treas.). Coisde—Aibhils Ni h-Aongusa, Brighid Ni Cathasaig, Cait De Bhailis, Marie Mac Carthaig, Siothain De Bhailis, Padraig Ereathnac, Sean Mac Riath, Donnall O Chathasaig, Brian O Hanrahan, Sean Conduin, Diarmaid Mac Carthaig, Donnchadh Weeks, Padraig Mac Suibhne.

## DEATH OF VERY REV. CANON LISTON

We regret to announce the death of Very Rev. James Canon Liston, P.P., Ardagh, Co. Limerick, which took place yesterday following a long illness. He was 80 years of age and one of the oldest priests in the diocese. Born at Gortnacreehy, Kilmeedy, he was educated at Mungret and Maynooth Colleges. After his ordination in St. John's Cathedral, Limerick, in 1892, he served for some years in Newcastle-on-Tyne. On returning to Limerick Diocese he was a curate at Manister, Fedamore, Rockhill, Pallaskenry and Castlemahon. In 1924 he was appointed Parish Priest of Killeedy and ten years later went to Ardagh, after which he was created Canon of the Cathedral Chapter. He carried out a number of important improvements at Ardagh Parish Church.

## PAINTINGS FOR RED CROSS RAFFLE

Towards a raffle being organised by the Hospital Branch of the Red Cross in aid of the Anti-Tuberculosis Drive Fund. Mrs. and Miss Gubbins, Kilfrush, members of the committee, presented their Branch with two exquisite paintings—in oils—"The First Pollock Hole" and "The East End" (well-known sights in Kilkee), by Eva Hamilton. The Branch also procured a very fine oil-painting of "Bantry Bay" by Lotitia Hamilton.

had better not dogmatise too much.

### NEW PLAYS.

A special word of praise is due to those enterprising teachers who wrote or translated their own plays. Judging by the acclamations of the audience those new plays were among the very best produced. They had their faults, but again I must be careful. If I say some of them made heavy demands on the scene shifters I may be told that all Shakespeare's multi scene plays were written for the stage—not for the armchair, and I would hate to be asked how many scenes in many of the "best-sellers," from "Macbeth" to "Desert Song." In some the plot was slight, but Gabriel Fallon—an acknowledged authority—say that in the modern theatre it is the entertainment that counts.

### BAND AND COLLEGE STAFF.

The Technical School band contributed a large share every night by their rendering, under difficult conditions, of varied selections of Irish music.

This final word of praise for a most efficient and hard worked stage staff should by right appear at the very top of these notes. They literally worked wonders with lights and properties and produced everything from prisons to palaces in most convincing style.

## FOYNES DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The Foynes Dramatic Society presented to a packed audience in St. Senan's Hall, Foynes, Bernard Shaw's three-act comedy, "Cupboard Love." The players did extremely well and won enthusiastic applause. Those taking part were: Mr. Michael Sheehan, Miss Phyllis Scanlan, Miss Shiela O'Doherty, Miss Mary O'Connor, Mr. Tony Scannell, Mr. Frank Buckley, Miss Breda O'Connor, Mr. Donal O'Connor and Mr. Patrick Diffley.

Three very enjoyable songs were sung by Mr. P. J. Dundon, while choice selections of music were provided at intervals by Miss R. Madigan (piano), Mr. Thomas Heath (violin) and Mr. Thomas Lynch (banjo). A special word of thanks is due to Mr. Daniel Stapleton, who was in charge of the stage settings, which were a credit to him.

## BANK PROMOTION

His many friends in the city and county will be pleased to learn of the well-merited promotion of Mr. Patrick J. O'Sullivan, Accountant, Provincial Bank of Ireland, Limited, William Street, Limerick, to the Managership of the Dingle, County Kerry, Branch. During his sojourn of nearly three years in Limerick Mr. O'Sullivan made numerous friends in business, where his unfailing courtesy in the discharge of his duties was highly appreciated. He made a niche for himself in club circles in the city, and the members of the Limerick Golf, Shannon Rowing and Beagle Clubs will wish him the best of luck in the new post to which he has been appointed.

## TRANSFER ON PROMOTION

Sergeant W. Keegan, who was in charge of Rathkeale Garda Station since 1925 (writes our Rathkeale correspondent) is transferred on promotion to be Inspector of Weights and Measures at Macroom, County Cork. A very capable and industrious officer, who exercised tact and good judgment in the discharge of his duties, his departure is generally regretted, and all sections of the community in the district where he officiated wish him a very bright and successful future. He is succeeded by Sergeant P. White from Ballincollig, County Cork.

## CONGESTION IN SARSFIELD STREET

place on Sunday. Garryowen old rivals, Garryowen Munster, will try headquarters. The Munster Cup—which to 1885, is symbol of Rugby. During its career it has changed times, but Garryowen unique distinction name inscribed on than any other club vince. Needless to say day representatives club are more than emulate those who fore them; hence is certain to be Young Munster, or the only Limerick club its credit the winning pionship of Ireland Cup can be depended issue a determined the "boys in blue." reason why Sunday's one of the most whole competition.

### GLENMORE AVENUE

Glenmore Avenue, situated residential opened during the past still without a sewer. Attention has been ected to this prime things, but it would has not been possible to provide modern arrangements there. quence of the development Prospect district necessitating the sewerage force pur Surveyor (Mr. C. St. now in a position to needs of Glenmore matter of fact, his s gaged in preparing sewerage system and it is to be he area will shortly ha so necessary to er and hygienic conditi

### UNFOUNDED REPUTATION

Mr. Michael J. Key attention, at the m City Council the oth a trait—and a ve one, too—that is ma in Limerick. The stated that his na associated with the tenancy of a Corpor a way to show that directly responsible application of a w The fact is—and th orated by the Ad (Mr. M. F. Donnell) knew absolutely r the transfer and ha presentations of a behalf of any indivi semination of report malicious in charact deplored. Public me to contend with w repudiate slanderou circulated by "wh paigns."

### NOT SATISFIED.

As the Waterford is not satisfied with method for the ma appointments to lo they want the mac Local Appointments ers overhauled, as i a view to having fulfilled they have resolution declarin Local Appointments ers should submit t final selection to t concerned. They al ence to be given, by tion, of an existing local authority. T came before the Lim tion at its last me