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**OBITUARY**

MRS. JENNY O'DOWD, N.T.

The death has taken place at her residence, Vincent House, Tervoe, of Mrs. Jennie O'Dowd, N.T., beloved wife of Francis O'Dowd. The deceased, who, until her appointment to Tervoe National School less than two years ago, was attached to the teaching staff of St. John's Convent School, Limerick, was of an amiable and lovable disposition, and won the esteem and affection of her pupils and a large circle of friends. Her death, occurring so unexpectedly within a year of her marriage, came as a great shock to the many to whom she had endeared herself, and to her bereaved husband and relatives deepest sympathy is extended.

The funeral took place from Ballybrown Church to the family burial ground at Ballyhea, Ennis, on Sunday last. Many mourners accompanied the remains from Ballybrown, and the funeral cortege was joined by numerous others as it approached Ballyhea, by which time it had assumed very large proportions.

The chief mourners were—Francis O'Dowd (husband); John, Tommy, Vincent and Barney (brothers); Mrs. Hogan and Mrs. O'Loughlin (sisters); Mrs. Della Carrigg (sister-in-law); Mr. Stephen O'Dowd, Mr. T. Hogan, Mr. P. O'Loughlin (brothers-in-law).

The remains were accompanied by Rev. James Bluett and Rev. John Bluett and received at Ballyhea by Rev. Fathers Hamilton and O'Neill.

Messages of sympathy were received from the following—Angela and Peadar; Mrs. O'Dowd, Ennis-corthy; Pat O'Sullivan, Dingle; Essie Conlon, Limerick; Sister M. Finbar, Rathkeale; Maisee and Michael, Dublin; A. McCarthy, Nenagh; Frank Harrison, Kilkenny; A. McMahon, Limerick; Rev. Father Barry, Birr; Francis and Evelyn Quinn, Ennis-corthy; William Brett, Waterford; Ned and Mrs. Connolly, Kildysart; The Kavanagh Family, Kilkenny; Marion and Reg. Sparling, Scariff; Ben Thompson, Mount Shannon; Nancy O'Connor, Ennis-corthy; Bill Morris and Family; Clonmel; The Teachers in Luriga; Ted Redmond, Ennis-corthy; Rita Keogh, Kildysart; John and Rita O'Hanrahan, Kilkenny.

Mass cards were received from the following—Jack and D. Carrigg; Her Loving Brother, Tommy; Barney, Eva and Vincie; Tom, Aggie and little Mary; Rev. M. Meaney, S.J., Clongowes; Paddy and Mary Hayes; The Horgan Family; Rita and Sean Manning; Mrs. Mai O'Leary; Pupils of 7th Standard Presentation Convent, Limerick; Tervoe School Children; Mary and Sheila O'Riordan; Paddy and Mary Tuohy; Jo and Michael Collins; Bridie Meade; Eva O'Keefe; Margaret Shanahan; Lon and Susan McCarthy; Stasia Nevin; Staff of St. John's Convent School; Mrs. C. Costelloe; Frank and Agnes Hanley; George Roberts (junr.) Tadhg and Nora Kelly; The Cullinan Family; Peggie, Gerard and Geraldine O'Brien; Harold Family; The Foley Family; Jack and Nora Considine; Bill and Mary Hanley; The Nevin Family; Pat and Mrs. Cullinan; Denis and Mrs. Cullinan; Mrs. R. Walsh; Mary and Paddy O'Riordan; Kathleen Murphy; Nora and Margaret, 27 William Street; Mary O'Leary; The Galligan Family; Joe and Ciss O'Connor; The Tucker Family; N. Prendergast and Family; Bob Swift; Sodality of B.V.M., Limerick; Emily Nevin; Della Coghlan and Family; The Maguire and A. Enright; Mary and Frank O'Neill; Della and Marlin Kavanagh; The Kelly Family; Marie, Con and Family; N. Meehan; George and Sara McDonagh; Willie Bluett; M. McGuane and C. Brodie; H. F. and G. O'Connell; Ita Deegan and B. McMahon; Rose, Mike and Family; The Flynn Family; James and May McMahon; The O'Mahony Family; Michael and Mrs. Fawl; Paddy and Baby Tighe; Sister M. Carmel; Tom and Eddie Griffin; Margaret Enright; The Slattery Family; Mrs. Bourke and Mary; The Cleary Family; Mrs. Marguerite McArdle; Mickie and C. Corry; May Kearns; The Lillis Family.

Mr. T. McNAMARA, KNOCKANES

It is with sincere regret we have to record the death of Mr. Thomas McNamara, which took place at his residence, Knockanes, Adare, on Friday, 15th inst. The deceased was a sterling Irishman of a most genial and obliging disposition, perfectly honest and straight forward, who took a great interest in the industrial welfare of his native parish, being one of the founders of the Black Abbey Co-operative Dairy Society, and a member of the committee since its inception. He was also a member of the Adare Co-operative Society, which is doing an extensive business. His remains were removed to the parish church on Saturday evening, 16th inst., and the funeral took place to Adare Cemetery on Sunday, the cortege being one of the largest and most representative seen in the district for a long time.

The clergy present were...

**GARDENING**

**The Judging Of Gardens**

I am often occupied for many weeks at this time of the year judging gardens. In fact, I am busy with many competitions; at the moment, and, incidentally, I shall be judging the Killeely gardens next week, actually on the 5th of July.

One of the things that surprises me most regarding these competitions is that there are so few competitors. Apart from the encouragement of the good prizes offered, one would imagine that all the neighbours would vie with one another to have the most beautiful and well-stocked gardens. I often heard it said that a good example is the best sermon, but this is not always true in the garden line, anyway. I have seen the most beautiful gardens often in the midst of totally neglected ones. And, by the way, this is another amazing thing which I find from time to time—a well-stocked and beautiful garden not entered for the competition.

**HINTS FOR COMPETITORS.**

Nothing is more evident to the trained eye of the judge than a well-planned, cultivated and cared-for garden. Plants respond to the love and care bestowed on them, and no amount of hasty cropping and patching the day before the judge arrives will make a neglected garden good. It takes several months for the quickest crops to mature and their quality at any stage of their growth reflects to the judge's eye the care that has been given them from their babyhood.

This does not mean, however, that a final touch up should not be given before the judge arrives. On the contrary, the lawns, paths, borders and beds should have a final shave and brush up. It is wonderful how that final neat touch will enhance an already well-stocked garden and improve even the plot with only fair quality crops. I might add that a garden may be well stocked with good quality crops and fail to get a prize owing to the neglect of the paths, borders, edges and lawns.

If you have fair quality crops, make the most of them by showing them off in tidy surroundings. Pull that weed out there and that brown leaf off the cabbage. One that is gone to seed, put it on the manure or compost heap, and, by the way, the judge will take a sharp note of how the compost heaps are stored. Manure is scarce and anything that will rot to make humus for the garden ought to be stored in a tidy heap and turned from time to time to rot it down to make good manure.

There is nothing more untidy than an uncut lawn. If you have no lawn mower, borrow one or cut the grass with a shears, or don't have a lawn at all.

When taking plants see that the stakes are hidden behind the plants and that the twine is not too much in evidence.

Try, if possible, to have your garden orderly with the crops in their own plots and not mixed up higgledy piggidy. Potatoes, cabbages, lettuce, peas and beans; roots, leeks and celery is the order for the vegetable garden, and the fruits, if any, should be by themselves.

Points are often awarded for special features, such as an old wall or ugly shed hidden by a useful and well trained plum, pear tree or other wall climber, and a nice well-furnished window box, rustic archway or seat often takes the judge's eye.

His main concern, however, at the present time will be to note if all available space is occupied by useful good quality vegetables, so that your garden will reflect your efforts to increase the nation's food supply at this critical time.

**REWARD FOR LABOUR SPENT.**

Whether you are a prize winner or not you will be rewarded in many ways in accordance with the amount of care that you have bestowed on your plants.

There is a certain amount of pleasure derived from the actual gardening operations and remember while you are gardening you are out of other mischief, but there is great pleasure in seeing plants grow in response to your every-day attention and when the fruits of your toil are presented in the kitchen there is abundant reward in the praise forthcoming from the household for the good things you have provided with your own hands. And again one gets a good deal of enjoyment out of showing your friends your achievements although one must beware not to be a bore in this respect. Other people will hate your garden if you keep on harping about its good qualities all day long.

Remember they may have a garden, too, and may or may not be as successful as you. Give them a chance of telling you something about theirs. One of the best pleasures a gardener has is in giving his surplus plants to neighbours, but don't try to foster the dud stuff on him. Give him a bit of your rarest plant. That will please most as you will be demonstrating...

**SPLENDID FEIS**

**Tuamgraney Gaels Assemble**

Feis Gaimm Naomhtha was held in Tuamgraney on Sunday, June 17th (writes our Killeeloe correspondent). The weather, the large crowd, the many competitors, the high standard of competition, the local seven-a-side tournament, the parade and display by the Scariff L.D.F., headed by the Tuamgraney Fife's Band, all helped to make the event an outstanding success in a historic setting. Here, according to tradition, lies buried Brian O'Sha's daughter, and from whom Tuamgraney takes its name. Residents will still kindly point out her grave to the inquiring visitor. She was drowned in Lough Graney and is buried in Tuamgraney. Still to be seen here is St. Cronan's Church, rebuilt in 1851 by Cormac O'Ceallaigh, Abbot of Tuamgraney, re-edified and enlarged by Brian Boru in the year 1000, but now used as a place of Protestant worship. Outside the village, on the Bodeke road, the visitor can also see the holy well of St. Cronan, who died in the year 552.

At night, a concert in commemoration of the centenary of the death of Thomas Davis was held in Tuamgraney Hall. All the more notable songs of Thomas Davis were sung in unison by a choir composed of the night and day students of the Vocational School.

Mrs. Woodhouse, Ennis, deserves special praise for the way in which she adjudicated the dancing. Other adjudicators were—The Very Rev. Canon O'Molloy, P.P., V.F., Killeeloe; Supt. Murray (do.), Messrs. P. Comer (do.), W. Mulcahy, C.E.O., Ennis; P. Kely, Bodeke; S. O'Connor, Scariff; Miss M. Scanlon (do.), R. Jackson, Limerick; and S. MacSeanaioich, Treoruidhe, Comh-dhal Nabsuinta na Gaedhlighe.

Mr. O'Dwyer, chairman; Miss M. Morrissey, secretary; Mr. P. Vaughan, M.A., headmaster, and the committee are to be congratulated on the success of the feast. A special word of thanks is due to the following, without whose generosity the holding of the Feis would be an impossibility—Messrs. J. Brady, M.C.C.; M. Dronoy, creamery manager, and P. McMahon, Whitegate.

Mr. Mulcahy, who delivered the oration, spoke in Irish and in English.

In the course of an able address Mr. Mulcahy said that we had our freedom now in the Twenty-Six Counties, and had free permission to speak and write Irish on all occasions. The Government was doing everything possible for the language revival, but no Government, however enthusiastic, can restore the language without the full co-operation of the people. There were many obstacles to be overcome, the radio, the films, foreign dances and foreign games, and many newspapers were working against the language. The old culture is passing away and the new culture setting in. Unless we are satisfied, said Mr. Mulcahy, to co-operate and put an end to these anglicising agencies, the language, culture and all our national traits are in danger of being wiped out. Mr. Mulcahy paid a great tribute to Mr. Vaughan, M.A., headmaster, Scariff Vocational School, and to the members of the Feis Committee.

Very Rev. Canon O'Molloy, who proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker (seconded by Mr. Brady, M.C.C.), said that the spoken language had made great progress in the Scariff district for the past few years. He paid a glowing tribute to Mr. Vaughan and to the committee for the success of the function.

**LABIAIRT NA GAEDHILGE.**

Fe Bhun 10—Eilias Ni B-Aibgeasa.

Fe Bhun 12—Nora Ni Ruidri and Padraig Ni Ruain (Cothrom).

Fe Bhun 14—7. Maire Ni Mhionog; 2. Maire Ni Threasaigh; 3. Seumas O Maolrunaigh.

Os Cionn 11—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 13—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 14—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 15—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 16—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 17—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 18—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 19—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 20—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 21—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 22—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 23—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 24—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 25—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 26—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 27—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 28—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 29—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 30—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 31—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

Os Cionn 32—1. Eithne Ni Bhrain; 2. Aine Ni Nunnain; 3. Brigid Ni Cheallaigh, Domhnall O Tuathach, Cothrom, Ard Mhoidh O Shein O Gradaig and Mairead Ni Mhaidomhnaigh.

**IRISH IRELAND**

**Mitchelstown Feis Results**

The following are the results of the competitions at the recent Mitchelstown Feis:

Reel, Jig and Hornpipe, for boys and girls under 16 years of age, and within a 12 miles radius—1st, Clare Lenihan, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Mary Barrett, do.

Four-Hand-Reel Competition within 12 miles radius of Mitchelstown—1st, Kildorrery; 2nd, Knockanevin.

Confined Competition (Liam Hickey's Irish Classes)—1st, Knockanevin; 2nd, Kildorrery.

Reel, Jig and Hornpipe, for girls under 16 years (Open)—1st, Eilis Lathain, Hasson School of Dancing, Cork; 2nd, Mary Lathain, do.

Four-Hand-Reel (Open)—1st, Hasson School of Dancing, Cork.

Reel, Jig and Hornpipe, for girls and boys under 16 years of age (Open)—1st, Helen Ryan, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Michael Ryan, do.

SINGING—CHOIRS. 1st, Presentation Convent, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Christian Brothers, do.

SOLO SINGING—BOYS UNDER 16. 1st, C. O'Riordan, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Denis O'Leary, do.; 3rd tie, Patrick Pigott, do., and Sean O'Dea, Kildorrery.

Girls under 16 years—1st, Peig Downey, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Eilis Walsh, Kildorrery.

SOLO SINGING—MEN. 1st, Michael Duggan, Killeeney; 2nd, Sean Hannon, Kildorrery.

VIOLIN COMPETITIONS. Over 16 years of age—1st, Seumas McCarthy, Cahirgranny, Kiltworth; 2nd, Michael Duggan, Killeeney.

1st, Patrick Hughes, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Eilis Manony, Kiltworth.

ULLEANN PIPE COMPETITION. 1st, Liam Casey, Fermoy; 2nd, Liam Condon, Mitchelstown.

CELIDHE BAND (OPEN). 1st, Mitchelstown; 2nd, Fermoy; 3rd, Liam Casey Cellidhe Band, Glenn na gCreadhar.

WAR-PIPE COMPETITION. 1st, Seumas Casey, Fermoy; 2nd, Liam Baker, do.

STORY-TELLING. Under 14 years of age and within 12 miles radius—1st, Padraig Mac Giolla Chuig, Fermoy; 2nd, Sean O Flannachta, do.

Members of Liam Hickey's Irish Classes—1st, Liam Downey, Knockanevin; 2nd, Eoghain O Buachalla, Garryheath, Mitchelstown.

Best Irish-Speaking Family (under 14 years). 1st, Padraig, Sean, Colm and Aine, of Mr. Liam Bell, of Fermoy.

Best Irish-Speaking Family attending Liam Hickey's Irish Classes—1st, Aine and Nora Lyons, Gortruadh.

Recitation, under 16 years, within 12 miles radius—1st, Eileen Kearney, Skebeen na Rinnee; 2nd, Mary Williams, Ballyporeen.

Recitations (Open)—1st, Eoghain O Buachalla, Garryheath; 2nd, Jean McGrath, Knockanevin.

Dialogue, under 16 years—1st, M. O'Connell and Patrick Power, Fermoy; Sean O Flannachata and Pilib Mac Partholain, Fermoy, highly recommended.

Dialogue, over 16 years (Open)—1st, Sean Sweney and Margaret O'Brien, Knockanevin; 2nd, Liam Downey and Thomas O'Brien, do.

FEIS JUDGES. Language Section, Michael O'Caill, T.C.G., Cork; Padraig O Cadhlaigh, O.S.; Donnall O Cochain, O.S., Anglesboro.

Singing—Miss K. O'Connor, O.S., Cork; Diarmuid Mullins, T.G., Anglesboro; Patrick Carroll, T.G., Kiltinane.

Music—Mr. Michael O'Leary, Cork.

Dancing—Mr. Cormac O'Keefe, Cork.

In connection with the Feis, an interesting hurling match between Kiltinane and Old Castlejown was played, the latter winning by 3 points, a fine display being given by both sides.

**SOIL ANALYSIS**

**NEW AND INEXPENSIVE METHOD**

A new and inexpensive chemical-analytical method of ascertaining the content of nutritive substances in the soil which is expected to be of great importance has been worked out by a young Swedish researcher, Dr. Hans Egner, of the Uppsala Agricultural University. Dr. Egner (says "Swedish News," published by the Swedish Consulate in Dublin) was recently awarded the Swedish Agricultural Academy's silver medal and a grant of money for his investigations.

By Dr. Egner's method it is now possible to determine in a far simpler and more reliable way than before what deficiencies of salts and substances there are in the soil and what quantities and kinds of manure and fertilizers have, therefore, to be supplied in order to make it fertile. He has thereby applied and improved the so-called lactate procedure which derives its name from the use of lactic acid...