

letter went on: "It will leave behind it a record of public spirit co-operation between police and people and between all classes of citizens which is a good omen for our country."

Having complimented the Commissioner and Garda on the organization of the L.S.F., the Minister also desired that his thanks and that of the Government be conveyed to all ranks of the Force for their services during the emergency.

Mr. Doyle then read the order of disbandment issued by the Garda Commissioner. He also congratulated the men of the force on the loyalty and patriotism they had shown throughout a very difficult period of the country's history, and said that the many tasks allotted them had been performed with great willingness and efficiency.

Supt. P. Colleran, Garda Siochana, paid a tribute to the L.S.F., which, he said, had given great assistance to the Gardai during the last five years and had acquitted themselves in a manner of which the country could be proud. The L.S.F. had shown itself fully conscious that they were serving a great cause, and merited the best thanks of the citizens for their services to the country in a time of danger.

## THANKSGIVING DAY IN LIMERICK

Thanksgiving Day, held on the feast of S.S. Peter and Paul, was solemnised in Limerick with fitting religious ceremonial. The earlier masses were attended by very large congregations, when thousands received Holy Communion in thanksgiving to God for having preserved our country from the horrors of war.

At 12 o'clock Solemn High Mass was celebrated in all churches, after which there was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until the evening prayers at 7 o'clock, when the day's ceremonies were brought to a close with Solemn Benediction. Throughout the afternoon there was a constant stream of worshippers to the different churches. The faithful paid homage to the characteristic King and gave thanks to Him for having preserved the country and people from the war, the evil effects of which will remain for decades.

There was no secular demonstration of any kind. The people spent the day quietly, reverentially. Business houses closed and flags were flown from public buildings.

## W SOLICITOR WELCOMED

Ennis Court, District Justice Mason welcomed Mr. Thomas F. Heilly, solr., Ennis, on his first appearance in a case in the Court. He congratulated him on his success and wished him many years of

## SHOULD DO

His Holiness the Pope to-day addressed the American Naval Mission, headed by Mr. Harry Shepherd, in the Vatican

In the course of his remarks the Holy Father said:

"To have a lasting peace most sensible men should not be concerned exclusively with material reconstruction, but would work to secure for the peoples of the world political freedom, spiritual freedom and religious freedom."

## DEATH OF MR. JOSHUA FITZELL

The death took place at his residence, Castle Gardens, Thomondgate, Limerick, yesterday, of Mr. Joshua Fitzell, a very highly esteemed and respected citizen. For a long number of years he was connected with the poultry and egg trade, being one of the largest exporters in the province.

A man of strong and independent views on public questions, he expressed himself with candour and vigour when a member of the City Council some years ago. He took a great pride and interest in the growth and expansion of the city, and by his death Limerick has lost a very worthy champion.

As a young man, the late Mr. Fitzell was a keen follower of the rigger code and was a past President of the Munster Branch of the I.R.F.U. He was an enthusiastic supporter of the Young Munster Club, of which he was President for a long period some years ago.

We join with the general public in tendering deep sympathy to his widow and family.

## MEDICAL PROFESSION

His numerous friends in the locality (writes our Dromcollogher correspondent) will offer hearty congratulations to Dr. P. Ryan, North Road, Dromcollogher, on having obtained his degree as doctor on the completion of a brilliant university course. Eldest son of Mr. S. Ryan, creamery Manager, and Mrs. E. Ryan, N.T., Dr. Ryan had a brilliant career at Rockwell College before entering the National University. Well known in G.A.A. circles, he assisted the local club in many games, and later played a prominent part with Commercial's in the Dublin championships. In the pursuit of his noble profession he takes with him the good wishes of the entire community amongst whom he was universally popular.

## TO AID GAELIC LEAGUE FUNDS

Did you not refuse the... ing that you had to hand session to the Erasmus Schools?

Defendant denied that a... age was caused by gre... Witness had only one gr... Defendant had refused to... rent on the grounds that... ers wanted possession of th...

In reply to Mr. O'Malley said he would agree that more than £31 at 6/- a w... he emphatically denied damage was caused by gre... The greatest number of gre... witness ever had at a tim... dam and three pups. Th... never kept in a room.

Justice—Are you sweari... tatively that the greyhoun... never in the house?

Witness—Yes, on my oat... Justice—I doubt it.

Defendant's wife gave co... tive evidence and said that... refused the rent, stating... was a matter of getting po... for the owners.

Mr. Gaffney said that... was probably lax in collect... rent as defendant's wife... first cousin, and then ev... thought of this method of... the Ryan's out. Under the... gency Powers Act a pers... was willing to pay his ren... not be put out at the presen...

Mr. O'Malley said the hou... an old Erasmus Smith hou... was not covered by the Act...

The Justice said that the... tiff had stated in evidence... would be prepared to leave... fendant in possession if t... was paid up. For that rea... would give a decree for pos... not to issue if the arrears... amounting to £31 10s., wer... within a month. He also... 35/- expenses.

## 'PLANE PILOT BURNED DEATH

Pilot Officer Gordon Ayt... the Canadian Air Force, was... to death when a Mosquito... crashed near Gort, Co. Galv... Thursday night. Flight-Lieut... Anderson, also of the Canad... Force, the other occupant... plane, was severely burned... aircraft was on its way from... land to Scotland. It de... engine trouble over Galwa... and when it crashed, Guar... members of the emergency... made unavailing efforts to... the pilot.

## SALE OF ENNIS PREMISES

The premises formerly h... the late Mr. D. H. McParlar... later by Mrs. Mary Walla... Parnell Street, Ennis, have... sold by Messrs. Michael Mc... and Son, M.I.A.A. The valua... the entire premises, includi... shop, is £10 and the rent f...