

## BRAVE KILFINANE MAN

The following (writes our Kilfinane correspondent) is an extract from a letter received recently by relatives of the late Thomas O'Brien, Ballyroe, Kilfinane, whose death occurred a few weeks ago, from Major L. Roche, J.P., The Royal Munster Fusiliers, 34 Brandon Road, Manchester, 13: "An Irish newspaper has just reached me here, in which I read with the greatest possible regret of Sergt. Tobin's untimely death. I send you all my very deepest sympathy. I have very happy recollections of his great gallantry in the European War, 1914-1918, and of his gallant services in France. He is one of the finest soldiers I have met, and the manner in which he led his platoon at the storming of Guillemont, in France, 3-9-1916, is one of the finest acts of gallantry recorded in our regiment. A great soldier and a great Irishman."

## CONSECRATION OF NEW CEMETERY

An impressive ceremony took place at Dromcollogher last week, when the extension of the local cemetery was consecrated in the presence of a large number of the clergy and over 200 children from the local schools (writes our Dromcollogher correspondent). The consecration ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Browne, C.C., and presided over by Very Rev. J. Donohoe, P.P., Dromcollogher. The new extension is fronted with a spacious and artistic entrance and the interior is well laid out and intersected by cement paths. The extension was very much needed in the locality since the old cemetery, which has served as such for centuries past, was very much congested, with not an inch of ground to spare for any new graves which might be required.

## GOOD COLLECTION

Hospital Branch of the Irish Red Cross Society received a very generous response to its appeal for subscriptions to assist those in needful circumstances in other countries and the church gate collection held on Sunday last proved very fruitful.

## DEATH.

BARRY—5th December, at the City Home and Hospital, Mrs. Ellen Barry, 1, Pery Street, Limerick, and wife of Asylum Cottages. Remains will be removed this (Wednesday) evening at 6 o'clock, to St. Michael's Church. Funeral on Friday, at 3 o'clock, to Mount St. Lawrence cemetery.

from securing proper housing accommodation. It would, however, be obliged if the Minister would instruct the Acting City Manager to insist that the houses erected by the Limerick Corporation with the aid of public funds are used for the purpose for which they are intended."

## VESSELS IN PORT

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### CONDENSED MILK FOR FRANCE

A Swedish vessel, the "Hernor Bratt," arrived in the Port of Limerick last night with a cargo of timber. This vessel, which belongs to the Bratt Line, is the first vessel to reach Limerick from Scandinavia since 1940.

The ss. "Edenvale," of the Wexford Steamship Company Line, is also in port. She is taking on board 450 tons of condensed milk for Bayonne, France, where it will be handled by the International Red Cross.

The ss. "Moyalla," belonging to the Limerick Steamship Company, arrived in port this morning from Liverpool with a general cargo.

## THE BY-ELECTIONS

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### MAJOR VIVIAN DE VALERA ELECTED

In one of the lowest polls ever recorded in a Dublin election, Major Vivian de Valera, Fianna Fail candidate, won the north-west by-election in a straight fight with labour.

The poll was only 28 per cent. of the electorate.

The figures were:—

Major V. de Valera (F.F.)—13,503.  
Mr. J. Breen (Labour)—6,397.  
Majority—7,106.

## ASSISTANCE FOR HOSPITAL POOR.

Hospital Guild of Muintir na Tire (writes our Hospital correspondent) are holding the annual whist drive in aid of the poor of the town and district on Sunday next. It is hoped, from the proceeds of the whist drive, to provide those in poor circumstances with vouchers for the purchase of food to help them over the Christmas period. It may also be possible to provide some turf.