

DOCTOR'S DEATH

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MEMBER OF ESTEEMED FAMILY

The death occurred suddenly in a Cork City Hotel, of Dr. William Bennett, Graigacurra, Ballingarry, at a fairly advanced age. A member of an esteemed County Limerick family, the late Dr. Bennett was son of the late Mr. Daniel and Mrs. Bennett (nee Fitzgerald), Killaculla, Glin, and practised in Sheffield for nearly half a century. He was brother of the late Dr. David Bennett, London, who, in his teens, won a scholarship at the Crescent College, Limerick, tenable for three years, and another brother, Dr. Patrick Bennett, Gold Medalist in Surgery, who practised in Sheffield prior to his death some years ago. Another brother, Rev. D. Bennett, was a student at Maynooth College, when he lost his life in a drowning accident. He was also brother of the late Mother Magdalen of Laurel Hill Convent, Limerick, and of the late Mr. Michael Bennett, of Graigacurra, and was uncle of Rev. Fr. Bennett, C.C., Southwark Diocese, England.

The deceased, who practised for most of his life in England, retired some years ago, and his tragic death occasioned widespread sympathy.

The remains were conveyed by road from Cork to Granagh Church and following Requiem Mass there, the interment took place at Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, Limerick, in the presence of a very large and representative congregation that was representative of all classes, and testified in a great degree to the esteem in which the deceased was held.

Officiating clergy were:—Very Rev. T. Canon Wall, P.P., Ballingarry; Rev. Fr. Bennett, C.C., Southwark (nephew); Rev. Fr. Kelly, C.C., Granagh, and Rev. Fr. O'Keeffe, C.C., Ballingarry.

The chief mourners were:—Mr. John Bennett (brother); Mrs. J. Sheehy (sister); Sister M. Ailbe, Sister M. Kiernan, Mrs. J. Kelly, Mrs. T. Noonan (neices); Rev. M. Bennett, Messrs. David and Patrick Bennett, Rev. T. Sheehy, and Messrs. Patrick, Daniel, Edward, Kevin, David, William and John Sheehy (nephews).

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FROM ITALY

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SCHOOL GIRL'S THANKS

A little Italian school girl recently enjoyed some of the food sent from this country for the relief of distress in her country. Included in the shipments, apparently, was sweetened condensed milk from Limerick and it is probably in reference to this, she has written a simple letter of thanks, in English, to St. Michael's Presbytery, Limerick. Here is the letter exactly as it was written and which incidentally shows the difficulties and pitfalls associated with the mastery of a foreign language:—

110 Sonnino St., Bari
(Italy).

May 11th, 1946.

Your Reverend Pastor,
Limerick,
Ireland.

Gentleman,

I pray to excuse, whether an Italian little girl takes the liberty to apply to you for praying you, that you might do know to the generous Irish people her more felt thank for the sugar which they will have made a present to the so many Italian boys and girls. I manifest the sentiment of gratitude, to which my two brothers associate themselves, also for many a poor boy, whom I know.

May the good God bless the goodness of people of yours, and to give every nation the so desired peace.

Your devout little girl,

ROSA GRIMALDI.

To the foregoing letter the following reply in Italian has been sent:—

St. Michael's Presbytery,
Limerick,
Irlanda,

9 Luglio, 1946.

Alla Signorina Rosa Grimaldi,
110 Via Sonnino,
Bari,
Italy.

Cara Rosa,

Vi ringrazio sinceramente per la vostra lettera di ringraziamento al popolo di Limerick, per il loro dono di zucchero ai fanciulli di Bari. Noi qui nella Citta di Limerick comprendiamo bene come il vostro popolo di Bari abbia sofferto a cagione della guerra, ed estendendo a voi tutti la nostra simpatia, vi assicuriamo che continueremo a mandarvi zucchero e vestimenti, per tutto il tempo che ne avrete bisogno. Pregheremo pure per lei