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Death Of Canon
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With very sincere regret we chronicle the demise of Very Rev. Patrick Canon Barrett, P.P., Clonlara, which took place in the Parochial House on Wednesday night, following a long illness.

The late Canon Barrett was born at Ennis 88 years ago. Having completed his secondary education he went to Maynooth to complete his studies and was ordained there 62 years ago. Two years ago he celebrated the diamond jubilee of his ordination.

Following his ordination he laboured as curate at Portroe, Dungkerrin, Birr and Roscrea. He was then appointed parish priest of Killlimer, and just 20 years ago he was translated to the pastoral charge of Clonlara in succession to the Very Rev. James Kennedy. In 1932 he was appointed a member of the Cathedral Chapter of Killaloe.

Despite his great age, the late Canon Barrett performed his priestly duties up to a year ago and, indeed, he continued to celebrate Mass in his house, with the special permission of the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty, up to quite recently.

A most saintly priest, the late Canon was beloved by his people. He was a scholar of a high order, but in the realm of music, especially Church music, he occupied a leading place, not only amongst the clergy of the Diocese of Killaloe, but in all Ireland. He composed music for a number of Masses, and his erudition in this respect was so deep and profound that he was recognised in ecclesiastical circles to be an outstanding authority on Plain Chant.

His death is mourned throughout the Diocese of Killaloe and far outside its confines, for he was the essence of gentleness and humility. A man of great learning, he had a thorough knowledge of many complex questions, all of which he treated in a simple, matter of fact way. He was a shining light of the Church, and by his death, in the fullness of years, the Diocese of Killaloe has lost one of its greatest priests and scholars.

After solemn Office and Requiem Mass in Clonlara Church to-day the interment took place in the church grounds, amidst many striking manifestations of regret and sorrow.

FRENCH CIRCLE

SUCCESSFUL RE-UNION

Notes, News & Views

LITTLE SHIPPING.

Shipping at the port has been unusually slack during the past month. As a matter of fact, not as much as one vessel docked here since 29th January. That, surely, is bad, very bad. Something has got to be done—and done now—to revive the trade of the port. A short time ago there was an indication of a renewal of shipping, to some extent with Limerick, but it would now seem that the hopes then aroused were not justified; they were certainly premature. But the present state of stagnation cannot be allowed continue. The Harbour Board, we readily admit, are fully aware of the seriousness of the situation. They are doing their best to revitalise the port, as it were, but this will be achieved with greater speed if all who should be interested in its prosperity give full co-operation.

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A NEW MEDICO.

His numerous friends in Limerick will extend hearty congratulations to Dr. Donal Quinlan on having passed so brilliantly his final examination at U.C.G. He is son of our popular fellow citizen, Mr. Daniel Quinlan, district manager, Irish-American Oil Co., Galway, and nephew of Mr. P. F. Quinlan, ex-Mayor. Dr. Quinlan received his secondary education at Crescent College, Limerick; Jesuit College, Galway, and Clongowes Wood College. He represented U.C.G. on the rugby field on many occasions, and in passing it should be stated that he is an adapt at the "handling code." By the way, he is, too, an all-round athlete, being a sprinter of note. There are hopes that Dr. Quinlan will begin his medical career in his native city.

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THE FUEL PROBLEM.

The fuel situation in the city is still acute. The turf stocks held by Muintir na Tire are exhausted, but efforts are being made to obtain sufficient deliveries of timber blocks to complete the current winter season. It is feared, however, that the increase of £1 per ton for firewood allowed by the Department of Industry and Commerce will add to the difficulties of the Committee ad-