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telegraph wires, struck by the fall-
ing trees, were also brought down.
Mr. Hannon, Engineers' Depart-
ment, General Post Office, Limerick,
who was passing at the time, had
the wires quickly adjusted. The
heavy rain which followed the gale
covered the hollow parts of the road
to a depth of several feet of water.
Owing to the high waves on Lough
Derg and the roughness of the
Shannon, the Grand Canal boats
would not venture crossing, and
were obliged to take refuge at Kil-
laloeh and Banagher until the storm
had abated.

HOUSE BROKEN INTO

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ROBBERY AT LACKELLY

The home, at Lackelly, of Miss
Margaret Reeves, who was visiting
friends at the time, was broken
into recently, and many valuable
articles taken (writes our Bally-
landers correspondent). A great
deal of expensive bedding was miss-
ing, together with pieces of silver,
unobtainable at the moment. The
house is situated in a very lonely
and inland area. Extensive Gardai
activities are operating daily. It
looks as if the robbers were fully
aware of the habits of the owner,
Miss Reeves.

ASTRONOMICAL NOTES

Mercury is the smallest planet in
our Solar system, being only 3,000
miles in diameter, not much bigger
than the moon. It is the nearest
planet to the sun, only 36 million
miles from it, as compared to the
earth's 93 million miles. It was
sometimes known as the "elusive
planet" because of the difficulty of
seeing it. This is due to the fact
that being so near the sun it is only
visible just after sunset very low
down in the sky. At present it is
possible to see it between 5 p.m. and
6 p.m. below the brilliant planet
Venus in the west or slightly south-
west of the sky. In a week's time,
owing to brighter evenings, it will
be scarcely possible to find it.

ERNEST H. BENNIS.

Limerick Vocational Committee
set up such classes in the Rural
schools even on an itinerant
basis for, say, six or eight weeks in
each school. Many farmers would
gladly give a competent instructor
their tractor to take down and
overhaul for the benefit of his
pupils. They would at least be
able to detect, and remedy, minor
faults after such a course, and
thus save many wasted hours
waiting for a mechanic, who may,
or may not, be able to put the
tractor going again. Very many of
the latter want to make every job
a garage one. The views of your
readers on my suggestion would be
welcome.

"FERGUSON OWNER."

SHOOTING SEASON IN SOUTH LIMERICK

The shooting season just closed
in South Limerick was very good
and was well up to average (writes
our Bruff correspondent). Phea-
sants were plentiful and in good
condition, with the result that
sportsmen had a very good season.

The Secretary of the Kilmallock
Gun Club reports that prospects
for the next season are bright, as
there is a plentiful supply of hen
pheasants in the district and the
bird sanctuary established by the
Club has been well protected.

DEATHS.

McMAHON—On Tuesday, Feb-
ruary 3rd, at St. John's Hospital,
Patrick McMahon, 9 Garvey's
Range. R.I.P. Remains were re-
moved to St. John's Hospital last
evening. Funeral on to-morrow
(Thursday), at 3 o'clock, to Mount
St. Lawrence Cemetery.

(American papers please copy).

McNAMARA—On February 4th,
1948, at her daughter's residence,
3 St. John's Terrace, Limerick,
Mary, relict of the late Michael
McNamara; deeply regretted by
her son, daughters and relatives.
R.I.P. Remains will be removed to
St. Mary's Church this (Wednes-
day) evening, at 9 p.m. Funeral on
to-morrow (Thursday), at 4 p.m. to
Kileely Cemetery. English, Ameri-
can and Australian papers, please
copy.