

the headmaster succeeded the Committee. success of the school in first place, due to the co-operation of Father who had given tremendous since he came to n. The co-operation of staff of the school was able for some of the which the school was and the staff had been rk in harmony for the vocational education se of the generosity of ttee, which had always sidered any suggestions ng the facilities in the which had always been best friend.

#### O'BYRNE'S TRIBUTE.

as a member of the r O'Byrne said that the his country was tied up, t measure, with voca- cation. "You may talk y schools and all that," and I agree they are tant, but for the benefit majority of our people, education is the thing be encouraged and and brought into the the people in every s on that account that ever I can here, and I ad to see the change in of the school since I about eight years ago. ne the attendance was —an average of about ght. Now we are in the position that this year waiting list of boys and to apply for special tion for some of them." Byrne then paid a tri- staff. As "the man on he could endorse every aise said by the Chair- regards the teachers' ould, he said, back the he Shanagolden Voca- ol against that of any school in the whole He was sure that when ittee had finished its of the school and the he members would agree with him and hairman. age the Chairman gave and the staff the rest of free and the Commit- ded to inspect the erwards, the members ne greatest satisfaction they had seen, particu- the sheltered minature f three bee-hives.

was always conceded he was the best of a great twenty-one players, who held the unique record of never tasting defeat in their day. Standing nearly six feet, of powerful physique, he was the picture of the perfect athlete. He was the last but one of an outstanding club combination.

Always a keen follower of the "big ball" game right through his life, he was ever held in very high esteem by young and old in West Limerick, but nowhere more than in his native parish of Ballyhahill. The attendance both at the removal of the remains and subsequent obsequies bore eloquent testimony to the popularity which he always enjoyed. Beannacht De ara Anam.

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### IN ANGLO-IRISH WAR

Mr. Daniel Flanagan, Killough- teen, Newcastle West, passed away on Sun., 13th inst., after an illness of comparatively brief duration. Deceased, who was most popular and esteemed, played a very active part in the Anglo-Irish war, and was up to the last a staunch and sterling nationalist. Deceased was brother of Mr. Matt Flanagan, of the Land Commission, Dublin, and of Miss Mary Flanagan, Killough- teen, to whom, as well as to the numerous other bereaved relatives, sincere sympathy will be extended. The late Mr. Flanagan was also a relative of Mr. Michael McCarthy, secretary, West Limerick G.A.A. Board, and of Mr. Dan Flanagan, former well-known Limerick county hurler. All sections of the community were represented in the very large attendance at the funeral, which took place from Newcastle West Parish Church to Ardagh Cemetery. The coffin was draped in the Tricolour, and many old comrades of the independence movement joined in paying final tribute to deceased. The chief mourners included Mr. Matt Flana- gan (brother) and Miss Mary Flanagan (sister), in addition to very numerous relatives. Right Rev. Monsignor Hannan, P.P., V.G., assisted by Rev. M. O'Grady, C.C., and Rev. M. Kelly, C.C., officiated at the graveside.

great shock to most thinking Irishmen and Irish women at home and caused immense disappointment to our kith and kin in America and else- where abroad.



The excuse given for this indefensible step was that it was decided upon in the inter- ests of economy! The amount of money to be thus saved was insignificant from the point of view of national ex- penditure and was a mere trifle by comparison with the vitally important advantage and security attainable through the proposed service. Dublin, it appears, is the only capital in Europe that has no direct wireless communication of its own with the United States and other foreign countries. This is obviously a grave source of weakness and it is surely a want that should be set right to the full at the earliest moment avail- able for doing so.



To deprive Ireland of such an indispensable adjunct of her new freedom in order to create the impression that a substantial saving is being thereby effected is nothing short of a cruel and short- sighted imposition. If the head of the present Govern- ment decided to-morrow to speak to our people in far-off lands he should first seek the co-operation and courtesy of the B.B.C. It is obvious that a position of this kind is not in keeping with our dignity or our interests. Such a situ- ation does not obtain in any other country with preten- sions to progress or indepen- dence of mind and outlook.