

The sheep-like imitative-ness with which women accepted with compliant resignation any new fashion prescribed for them was in a way amusing in its servility. Aesthetic taste and appropriateness did not count, for the gentlemen in Paris and New York with "a hereditary genius for finance" had given the word and that was that. The idea was that it would be almost as good to be out of the world as to be out of the fashion.

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The "New Look" may or may not be an improvement on what it was intended to replace. That much can safely be said without violating our neutrality on the question. Nothing but approval is to be urged, however, for the spirit of courage that has dared to stand up against what in other days would be slavishly accepted without a murmur. His latest revolt, as we may call it, goes to show that Irishwomen are becoming more independent-minded and self-respecting and gives rise to the hope that one day they may decide to evolve and prescribe their own fashions.

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A gifted Irish poetess once wrote:—

Fashion's a tyrant
And we are her minions,
Robbing our life of the
freedom it craves."

She was referring to the absurdity of women decking themselves out in particular forms of dress simply because some unknown "authorities" gave the word as to what was to be worn! The crowning irony of it all is that practically all the designers of feminine fashions are mere males. Whether it is nice or ugly—and on that point we must step to the middle of the road—the "New Look" will have proved something of a blessing if it be the means of ending a social dictatorship that has for so long held ruthless and universal sway.

...the three victors are natives of Ballina, Killaloe, and were warmly congratulated on their success. Results:—

Senior Softball Single final—Pte. Con Collins (Nenagh Battalion F.C.A.) defeated Pte. T. Maher, (Collins Barracks, Cork), 17-21, 21-4, 21-7, 21-12.

Senior Soft Ball Doubles final—Privates A. and C. Collins defeated Privates J. Moloney and T. O'Gorman 21-11, 21-12, 21-10.

Senior Hard Ball Singles final—Private C. Quigley defeated Capt. B. O'Brien 21-17, 21-13, 21-12.

Senior Hard Ball Doubles final—Capt. O'Brien and Private T. Maher defeated Sergeant J. Merriman and Private J. Sinnott (12th Batt., Collins Barracks, Cork).

BALLYLANDERS FAIR

REVIVAL A SUCCESS

For the past ten or twelve years (writes our Ballylanders correspondent) the Ballylanders August fair was not very well supported, either by buyers or the people with the cattle to sell. A few months ago, steps were taken in the right direction towards a revival of this once great fair, and thanks to the activities of the local branch of Macri na Feirme (Young Farmers Club), the fair held on August 18th was very encouraging. It was not a very big fair, but plenty buyers bought up at fancy prices what cattie were on offer. The fairs of September, October, November, December and January should be well supported, as well as the monthly pig market and weekly fowl market. In and around Ballylanders the people are very industrious, and now that a home market has been established, it is up to the people themselves to preserve the interests of the locality.

GOT TITLE OF MONSIGNOR

The title of Monsignor has been conferred on Right Rev. Patrick Fogarty, of Marpole and Vancouver, Canada (writes our Ballylanders correspondent). Monsignor Fogarty was born in Glenlara, Glenbrohane, Knocklong, on March 10th, 1876. He studied philosophy at Mount Mellaray and St. John's College, Waterford, and he finished his theological training at St. Paul's, Minnetonka, U.S.A., where he was ordained in May, 1902. After serving in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, he was appointed to establish the new parish of St. Anthony's in Marpole, in 1925, and he has been Pastor there since that time. He is also Dean of Vancouver City Deanery. Monsignor Fogarty is eldest son of the late Patrick and Mary Fogarty and brother to Mr. Willie Fogarty, Ballyfruta, Knocklong.

RECEIVED

On the 11th of this month Miss Mary and Miss Betty Noonan, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Noonan, of Gurteen Lodge, Feenagh, Co. Limerick, were received into the Order of the Sisters of the Christian Schools of Mercy at Mount Battenhall, Worcester.

Among those present for the happy event were Rev. Father Carr, C.C., Liverpool, and their sister, Mrs. Kitty O'Connor, who was accompanied by her husband, Mr. John O'Connor, and her cousin, Miss Nora Gilbourn.

Miss Mary Noonan has taken the name of Sister Mary Lucy and Miss Betty Noonan that of Sister Andrew Marie.

Both Sisters, with a number of others, leave for France on the 30th to commence their period of Religious Formation.

POSTMAN'S GREAT MILEAGE

Mr. Jeremiah Tierney, attached to Knocklong and Garryspillane Post Office, has just served fifty years, taking his first appointment, as an auxiliary postman, in August 1898 (writes our Ballylanders correspondent). During his service he walked an average of 10 miles per day for 40 years. Taking a postal year of 300 days, this makes a figure of 120,000 miles. For the last ten years he was on a postal route of 18 miles per day, which he cycled. This would mean 54,000 miles, also taking a postal year of 300 days. Both figures combined give a grand total of 174,000 miles walked and cycled in the fifty years of his faithful service. During his long career, Postman Tierney was only absent five or six weeks through illness.

ARCHBISHOP'S NEPHEW HOME

Rev. Father Michael Mannix, Australian Mission, son of Mr. T. C. Mannix and the late Mrs. Mannix, formerly of Deerpark, Charleville, and nephew of his Grace, Most Rev. Dr. Mannix, Archbishop of Melbourne, is at present home on a short holiday with local friends (writes our Charleville correspondent). His father, still hale and hearty at an advanced age, is now resident in New York. He was a partner in the one-time flourishing auctioneering firm trading under the name of "Miller and Mannix."

FOYNES SHIPPING.

On Saturday, the 21st inst, the tanker ss. "Daxhound" arrived in Foynes Harbour, bringing 1,200 tons of aviation spirit, which was distributed between the Irish-American and Irish Shell Oil Companies. Owing to high seas, the tanker was delayed in the harbour for two days.

City of the Broken Treaty!
Lordly Limerick, shined in song!
Town that saw full many a vision,
Place that witnessed many a wrong.
Oh, what heart of Erin's children,
Oh, what soul of ardent Gael,
But fast surges wild and swiftly
At the echo of your tale?

City of the Broken Treaty!
Princely seat on Shannon's side!
Holding thee within your bosom
Memory of the brave who died;
Sons of valour, sons of daring,
Children nurtured by your love,
Sons who bravely strove to conquer
For their home and God above.

City of the Broken Treaty!
Time may pass, but still will glow
Memory of those noble heroes—
Hearts that loved thee in thy woe.
Thro' thy streets will always echo
Story of brave Sarsfield's band,
Fighting, hoping, ever-striving,
For their Faith and Fatherland.

City of the Broken Treaty!
Ever true when Erin cried:
Seeking never for trophies splendid
Or for fame too oft denied;
Wishing aye to hide the service,
Counting it as last and least—
Craving not for victory-tokens,
Spurning glow of martial-feast.

City of the Broken Treaty!
List thy praise by stranger sung;
List the glory of thy brightness,
Chanted in an alien tongue,
From across the rolling waters
I salute thy stainless might—
City wrapt in splendid gladness!
Sent with Erin's hope alight!

CRUON PIONEERS

Over thirty members of Croom Branch of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association took part in an excursion to Ballybunion on Sunday last.

DEATHS.

JUDGE (Limerick)—At his residence, Hennessy's Avenue, Killeely, Patrick Judge; to the inexpressible grief of his sorrowing wife and family. Remains will be removed to St. Munchin's Church this (Wednesday) evening at 7 o'clock. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), at 3 p.m., to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. R.I.P.

O'DONOVAN (Limerick) — 25th August, 1948, at Millford Convalescent Home, Agnes, relict of Denis O'Donovan, late of Shannon Hotel, Castleconnell. Deeply regretted by her loving family. R.I.P. Remains will be removed this (Wednesday) evening at 7 o'clock to St. Patrick's Church. Solemn Requiem High Mass at 11 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday). Funeral immediately afterwards for Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

When the plain people were made to understand that the principles of James Connolly were of paramount importance in relation to their social welfare, and that the Citizen Army in Dublin, under his leadership, were among the principal fighters in the Easter Week Rising, and that the unfortunate man lost his life in their cause. They were told this by political and labour leaders from public platforms, especially on fair and market days, prior to the 1918 General Election.

Some of those people were honourable and meant well, but their motives were apart from patriotic. The Risings of 1798 and 1848 were under the leadership of genuine patriots, but it is doubtful if the majority of followers were not influenced by the slogans of the French Revolution, such as Liberty, Equality and Fraternity, the doctrines of Robespierre, Rousseau and Danton. The Russian Revolution propaganda instituted a share of false patriotism in many countries and left a psychological impression and effect on the people that will take years to eradicate, and we are not an exception in this country.

Patriotism is not among the majority in any country. Human nature is too selfish to grasp its significance and the very few are often amongst the unknown and sacrificed by the parasitic dexterity of later political adventurers.—
Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL COLEMAN.

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BRILLIANT LIMERICK MAN

Sir Henry Blackall, son of the late Mr. Harry Blackall, solicitor, Limerick, was recently appointed President of the West African Court of Appeal, with residence at Accra. For some years past he was Chief Justice at Hong-Kong, and his advancement to the highest post in the Colonial Legal Service has crowned a brilliant and distinguished career. His numerous friends in Limerick will extend cordial congratulations to Sir Henry on his well-deserved promotion.

BULL INSPECTIONS

At the autumn bull inspection at Feenagh only three animals were presented and none of these was passed. At Kilmee 5 were passed out of 6 presented. It is calculated that out of the small number presented in the different districts around Kilmallock about 50 per cent. were passed.

DUCK PLENTIFUL, GROUSE SCARCE.

According to our Kilmee correspondent, wild duck are very plentiful in many parts of that district, but grouse are very scarce, due principally to heather fires and ravages by reynard.

It should be also mentioned that all the successful candidates are pupils of the Christian Brothers, to whom, as well as to the boys, congratulations are due.

A NEW APPOINTMENT

Mr. Malachy Sharkey, State Forestry Adviser, has resigned on receiving an important appointment from Messrs. Power and Co., nurserymen, Waterford. Mr. Sharkey, who was stationed at O'Callaghan's Mills, County Clare, is an artist of note, some of his water colours having been exhibited in Limerick and in his native Dundalk. A fluent Irish speaker, he was for some years hon. secretary of the O'Callaghan's Mills Gaelic Club.

INSURANCE OFFICIAL'S SUCCESS.

Mr. Michael Delaney, Ballygarry, the popular local representative of the Irish Assurance Co., has joined the staff of the Prudential Assurance Co., and has been called to New York for a special course of training.

PROTEST AGAINST SUNDAY OPENING.

At a special meeting of the Council of Killaloe Centre Pioneer Total Abstinence Association, a resolution was passed protesting strongly against the proposed legislation to permit the opening of licensed premises in provincial towns and rural areas on Sundays.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS.

At the recent entrance examination held at the Secondary School, Ballygarry, scholarships were secured by Miss Mary Margaret Kerins, Ballygarry; Miss Nancy O'Donnell, Croughteen, Castletown-McEnery, and Miss Ita O'Donnell, Graigue, Castletown-McEnery.

EAST LIMERICK PILGRIMS TO KNOCK.

On Sunday last (writes our Pallasgreen correspondent) about 50 people from Pallasgreen travelled to Knock Shrine and took part in a great Pilgrimage, which included a large number of pilgrims from Tipperary. This is the first time that pilgrims left Pallasgreen for Knock.

CHARLEVILLE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Owing to the absence on holidays of a number of members, the usual monthly meeting of the local Development Association was not held during the next ten days. The next meeting will be held on Friday, the 10th prox., when there is likely to be a full agenda for disposal.

Foxes are caught to housewives (and Ogonelloe disappearance or a well fed occurrence (with correspondent). townland of Ballloe, Mr. Michael old offender the try yard, and Mahon of the succeeded in trap, young cubs. It depredation has Birdhill direct growing very ing are the pes ants must always keeping vigil al spite their best yards are being

FOUND DEAD

Mr. Joe Mulgan was found dead this morning of last Knockaderry was a well known He served with in Egypt during war, and used anecdotes of his his examination He worked at A the full time and on many from Knockader Sunday evenings on Monday morning great historian, of Church history ages. His special was his special pupil of Mr. M at Castlemahon ago. One of his the late Mr. Head Postmaster

GARDA SERVICEMAN

After a number in the Garda Si Hospital correspond Michael V. Hurley is a native of and served for at Knocklong S he was transfere where, as Serge himself the nam popular and offic force. He take retirement the with whom he whilst serving in

SLAUGHTER

In order to elshire fowl-pest, for Agriculture slaughter of 10, were to be put during the next tening for the The slaughter wment £20,000 by tion to owners.