

she sure, she admitted coming to wash her hands. Witness did not hear or know any more about the incident. She did not hear Miss Lynch use the words complained of. She asked if she had the figure "9" under "8" in the book.

After he had asked the witness a number of further questions, Mr. Lee asked for permission to treat the witness as hostile and cross-examine her.

The Judge asked if there was any precedent for such an application in a civil action.

Mr. Lee said there had been such applications.

After further evidence, Mr. Lee withdrew his application to treat

The Judge, in his summing up, said that he had read the words complained of and said that the defence was one of justification of the words in question, with a second plea of privilege. It had to be proved that there was publication of the words, and Miss Ita Murphy, to whom the words were alleged to have been published, said she only heard Miss Lynch asking the plaintiff if she changed the figure "8" to "9." This did not amount to a direct accusation of any kind, and Miss Ita Murphy did not so understand the allegation. Accordingly, although the plea of justification had been raised, there was no publication to satisfy the claim, which he dismissed.

was served on the defendant on the 24th September, 1947, and when a defence was filed by way of counter-claim in January, 1948. Mr. Fitzgerald had referred to that fact, and to what might be considered a fictitious counter-claim. Both parties in the case appeared to him to be respectable men, and these transactions between them had been carried on over a period of several months, but neither of them thought fit to make out an antemortem document bearing the transactions. He considered that it was a most unbusinesslike way to conduct their affairs. He had listened far too long to the case—hours too long—and no document had been presented which would have led him to decide the case. As far as the evidence of Mr. O'Dea went, he (Judge) would not be able to say with any degree of confidence or certainty, where the probabilities lay between the plaintiff and the defendant. He did not believe the plaintiff's story, and the onus was on him to tip the scales in his favour. Mr. O'Dea, more or less, said what was sauce for the goose was sauce for the gander; but he, too, failed to establish his claim. Accordingly he would dismiss the claim and the counter-claim without costs.

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The remains were removed to Cappagh Church on Friday evening, and the funeral, which was of large dimensions, took place to the New Cemetery, Rathkeale, on Saturday. Rev. Father Boyce, P.P., read the prayers at the graveside. Very general sympathy is extended to his widow and family in their bereavement.

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3. Any dog in respect of which an offence is being committed against said Order and these Regulations may be seized and treated as a stray dog under the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Dogs and Animals Act, 1906.

4. These Regulations apply to the entire area of the Administration of the County of Limerick.

Signed:—

T. F. BROE.

County Secretary

PRELIMINARY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Goods of
EDWARD F. SHEEHY, late of Moviddy, Newcastle West, County of Limerick, Farmer, Deceased.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the above Deceased who died on the 29th day of October 1948, are requested to send particulars thereof to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executor.

Dated the 15th day of October 1948.

ROBERT CUSSEN & SON, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.