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**LATE J. J. QUAID**

**Huge Funeral Cortège**

The funeral of the late J. J. Quaid, former Secretary of Limerick County Council, took place on Thursday of last week from St. Munchin's Church to the family burial ground at Ballingarry. The cortege leaving Limerick was a huge one and of a most representative character. It was added to very considerably on reaching West Limerick, where the Quaid family always deservedly enjoyed the highest respect and popularity.

The chief mourners:—Mrs. May Quaid (widow); Mrs. J. O'K. White, Mrs. R. N. Maguire and Mrs. J. P. Griffin (daughters); William Quaid (brother); George and William Quaid (nephews), Dr. W. J. O'Sullivan (brother-in-law); Mrs. T. Rookby (sister-in-law); J. O'K. White, R. N. Maguire, F. O'Mahony and J. P. Griffin (sons-in-law).

Mass Cards were received from the following:—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Russell; B. Moynihan and Co. Ltd.; Charlie and Judy; John Barry, William Street; "Taxie," Raheen; Charlotte Mulqueen, Rosbrien; Dr. and Mrs. P. J. McMahon; Roger O'Sullivan, solr.; F. B. Clune; Eileen and Michael O'Malley; The President, Committee and Members of the Limerick Institution; Paddy and Kathleen Roche; N. W. O'Riordan, "Hawthorne"; T. Finlay and family; Sheila and Charles Wallroth; Mary O'Malley, Auburn House; Mr. and Mrs. Hornick; Paddy and Kitty O'Malley; Pat and Kitty Hinchy; Steve and Vi McDonogh; Mrs. Peacocke and family; M. Clarson; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hartigan; Mrs. Nell O'Connor, Dublin; William Quaid, Ballykenedy; Wm. Quaid, Ballykenedy North; Anthony and Mary Good, Ballinasloe.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—May; Ronnie, Pat Noeline and John; John and Jean; Irene, Jack and children; Mr. and Mrs. Cleeve; Management and Committee Limerick Horse Show; Co. Limerick Coursing Club; Lola and Nial.

**SYMPATHY FROM COUNTY COUNCIL**

At the meeting of Limerick Co. Council on Saturday, Mr. J. W. Canty, Chairman, presiding,

Mr. M. O'Donnell proposed that the sympathy of the Council be extended to the relatives of the late Mr. John J. Quaid, former Secretary of the County Council, whose death occurred during the week. Deceased, he said, was a most outstanding official of the Council who, even during the most difficult and dangerous days of the fight for freedom carried out his duties most efficiently and often at grave personal risk.

The vote was passed in respectful silence.

**FROM THE LIMERICK CORPORATION**

At a meeting of the Limerick Corporation on Monday, the Mayor (Mr. M. O'Malley, solr.) presiding, Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., proposed that the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Quaid and family on the death of Mr. J. Quaid, who was, he said, a very prominent citizen.

The vote was passed in silence.

**LIMERICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**GARDENING NOTES**

**Seasonal Guidance**

**GLASSHOUSE WORK**

(By J. J. O'CARROLL, R.Sc.O.)

During the wet weather of the past few weeks little work could be done outdoors in the garden, but the lucky possessors of glasshouses could keep themselves and their men usefully occupied under cover.

I dealt recently with the work to do on vines and peaches and now I propose to deal with tomato houses.

These should be thoroughly cleaned now. They should be fumigated with sulphur, the walls, if any, whitewashed and the glass and woodwork washed down.

The old soil should be removed to a depth of eighteen inches at least, and be replaced with new loam from the field. Gardeners term this loam as "fibrous," from the fibres or grass roots in the loam. These fibres are important, as they ensure the right physical condition in the soil for the healthy ramification of the tomato plants' roots. The roots of the grasses, etc., in the new loam keep the soil particles just sufficiently apart to facilitate sufficient aeration and drainage not only for healthy root action but for the rapid increase of the beneficial bacteria which are so essential for the manufacture of plant food materials in the soil.

**UNHEALTHY SOIL.**

Soil that has grown several crops of tomatoes is bound to become sick as a result of losing its fibres, becoming foul from the accumulation of residual toxins from previous crops and from soil-borne diseases and soil pests.

Any old worn-out soil from the garden will not do to replace the old tomato soil, for although it may not contain tomato diseases and pests, it will, because it possesses no fibres, be physically unfit for tomato growing.

**SOIL STERILISATION.**

Where new soil cannot be had, and of course, large scale tomato growers cannot possibly replace the soil under acres of glass, new life can be given the soil by steam or chemical sterilisation to kill the toxins and soil diseases and pests, after which the physical condition of the soil is improved by adding large quantities of straw or such like.

Sterilisation by steam, although it gives the best results, is out of the question except for large growers, whose extensive acreage would pay for the outlay for the necessary steaming plant.

The small grower can, however, do a fairly good job by sterilising with the chemical Formalin. One gallon of 40 per cent. Formalin is added to 49 gallons of water, and the 50 gallons of the mixture is applied to 10 square yards of the freshly dug tomato soil. To ensure success with this method of sterilisation, it is essential that the fluid should come in contact with every particle of soil down as far

been applied, the surface soil should be covered with damp sacking or the like and the house kept closed for 48 hours.

It goes without saying that no plants must be in the house during, or for two weeks after, the sterilising has taken place.

The manuring of the house should be done after sterilisation and a greater amount of potash than usual may be required, as plants are apt to grow too soft after sterilisation.

**LETTUCE PLANTING.**

In tomato houses where the soil need not be sterilised or renewed, it should now be double dug two spades deep and two layers of stable manure added as the work proceeds.

The correct amount of base fertiliser should be added and after a slight dusting of lime on the surface and a raking over to make it fine and level, May King lettuce plants should be planted at 10" apart each way. These ought to heart up in March, but they need not interfere with the tomato planting as they can be planted between the lettuce if the latter is not out by tomato-planting time.

**OTHER GLASSHOUSE WORK.**

It is a great thing to have a second glasshouse, where one can "store" all plants while the other house is being cleansed, etc.

It is also economic to put all the tender plants in one house so that one fire only is necessary in frosty weather.

If heating is necessary it is most desirable that the most should be made of it and even under the benches should be occupied with forcing seakale, rhubarb, etc.

If heat has to be applied now, first early tomatoes, antirrhinums, lettuce, cauliflowers and sweet pea could be sown, and early tulips, etc., could be forced.

Chrysanthemum and perpetual flowering carnation cuttings can now be taken and inserted in sandy soil in shallow boxes and in 3" pots.

**WINTER SPRAYING.**

The winter spraying of fruit trees and bushes should be done as soon as possible, especially on plums, pears, gooseberries and currants, as they begin to grow very early in the year.

February is time enough for apples but the others, also raspberry canes, should be sprayed by the end of this month.

Apply any of the ordinary brands of tar oil at 7 per cent., or 1 to 14, to kill moss and the eggs of appis, sucker and scale insects. If there are red spider and capsid eggs on the trees, special tar-oil—mineral-oil—sprays must be applied, or these pests must be tackled in spring during the sprayings for the control of scab.

Choose a fine, calm day for spraying and see that every side of every twig is covered with the wash.

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