

plaintiff would be entitled to judgment in this case on either head of the alternate causes which he had pleaded in his Civil Bill. On the measure of damages, he has proved personal pecuniary loss amounting to about £9. I do not think that the sum needed to make that am up to the amount of claim of £5 is an excessive quantum to compensate him for the pain and inconvenience and worry suffered not only on his own account but on account of his natural anxiety for the danger to his wife and children. There will accordingly be a decree for the amount claimed."

Costs and expenses were allowed to plaintiff.

## LIMERICK LEGENDS

### TRADITION AND TREATY STONE

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Sir,—The Old Limerick Society on Thursday had a very interesting discussion on a paper, entitled "Legends of Limerick," read to them by the City Librarian, Mr. Herbert, who obviously went to great pains to check the data he used and who cited many authorities at length.

Amongst the claims which Limerick has to a niche in the history of Ireland is that it is the place where the famous Treaty was signed. But the claims made that the present Treaty Stone actually was the object on which the terms were drawn up has no direct evidence from any source to support this popular viewpoint. Admittedly it could have happened, but did it? The story mentioning the Treaty Stone is less than a century and a half old, and thus is still lacking a century of stature for authenticity.

Tradition has a value, since it gives indications to what might possibly be termed evidence at a later stage of the inquiry. But there is a lot of spade work still to be done on the finding and the examination of old documents relating to Limerick. Who can tell what wealth of evidence relating to this period has still to be uncovered in such places as the archives of Holland? This question undoubtedly will take years for elucidation. The members of the Society can be relied on to do this amazing amount of work necessary before this matter can be settled as final. For the present your guess is as good as mine.—Yours faithfully,

"ONLOOKER."

## TOWN FLOODING

### SCHEME SUGGESTED FOR ENNIS

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Skymaster.

## KNIGHT OF GLIN DEAD

### THE FUNERAL OBSEQUIES

The death took place on Saturday, at Glin Castle, Glin, County Limerick, of Mr. Desmond Windham Otho Fitz-Gerald, Knight of Glin. The 28th holder of the title, which dates back to 1298, Mr. Fitz-Gerald was born 48 years ago, the son of Desmond Fitzjohn Fitz-Gerald and of Lady Rachel Windham-Quin, who was the second daughter of the fourth Earl of Dunraven. In 1929 he married Veronica, second daughter of the late Mr. Ernest Villiers, M.P., and seven years later he succeeded his father as Knight of Glin.

Mr. Fitz-Gerald was a member of the executive of Limerick Horse Show Committee, and took a keen interest in agriculture. He was a member of the Kildare Street and Bachelors' Clubs. He is survived by his widow, his 11 year-old heir, Desmond John, and his daughters, Fiola and Rachel.

Throughout yesterday there were many callers at the castle to express sympathy with Madame Fitz-Gerald and the other members of the household. The family flag, of St. Patrick's blue, surmounted with the Irish harp, was at half-mast, and there were many other manifestations of regret and sorrow.

Numerous messages were received by Madame Fitz-Gerald, including telegrams from Mr. J. Leydon, Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce; Mr. S. J. K. Roycroft, managing director, Limerick Steamship Co.; the Earl of Dunraven; Lord and Lady Adare; Eileen, Countess of Meath; Lord and Lady Inchiquin; Sir Lancelot and Lady Olephant; the MacGillacuddy, etc.

The interment took place to-day at 2.30 o'clock from the Castle to the family vault in the Protestant Church adjoining the estate. The coffin, borne on a farm cart in traditional style, was draped with the family flag and covered with many beautiful wreaths of natural flowers. A huge concourse attended, as practically all the inhabitants of Glin, in which business was suspended, took part in the cortege.

The chief mourners were Madame Fitz-Gerald (widow), Miss Fiola and Miss Rachael Fitz-Gerald (daughters); Desmond John Fitz-Gerald (son); Lord and Lady Inchiquin, Earl and Countess of Meath, Earl of Dunraven, Lord and Lady Adare, Lord and Lady Muskerry, Miss Blennerhasset (cousins).

Right Rev. Dr. Hodges, Bishop of Limerick; Archdeacon Maxwell, Listowel, and Rev. Mr. Phillips, Rector, Glin, read the burial service.

## BAN ON OUTSIDERS

ENNIS URBAN COUNCIL

Lorry came to take away the pony. Witness definitely paid one of the three the 30/-, and the pony was then taken away. The three men said on the occasion that they were in a hurry to go to a dance in Killee.

Cross-examined, witness said that the money was not paid to the plaintiff himself. The animal was not taken away on a market day; it was on a Sunday.

### JUSTICE'S DECISION

Having been informed that certain witnesses had not attended, the Justice said it was not fair to ask the Court to deal with the case without essential witnesses. Promises that the witnesses would turn up were no use, and it seemed to some people that anything would do for the District Court. Consequently, he was left to decide the present case without essential witnesses, and he would accept the word of the defendant that the arrangement for the carriage of the animal was for 30/-. The defendant, however, did not know the man to whom he paid that sum and as he did not pay the money to the plaintiff he (Justice) would give a decree for 30/-.

## LIMERICK DRAMA

### IN DAYS BEFORE THE FEILE

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Sir — Mr. Frank Lyddy, Joint Hon. Secretary of Feile Luimnighe, was reported in one of the Dublin papers last week as saying that before the Feile was started no amateur theatrical company in Limerick "would look to get a 'house' of 100 on its best night." If accurately reported—and if not, he had plenty time since to correct the inaccuracy—he must be suffering badly from either loss of memory or a woeful lack of information. His remark, at any rate, is so wide of the truth as to be a complete absurdity.

The Limerick Gaelic League Dramatic Society of forty years ago or so used fill the old Theatre Royal every night of a whole week annually and so used the old Limerick Operatic Society, and the Theatre Royal seated between eight and nine hundred people. Other local amateur groups filled the Catholic Institute Hall, St. Michael's Temperance Hall, St. John's Hall, the old Athenaeum, etc., every year with their theatrical productions.

In face of these facts there is no sense in foolish claims like that put forward by Mr. Lyddy. No one wants to take any credit from Feile Luimnighe, but it is only making that Festival something of a joke to be suggesting that, before its time, local drama in Limerick had no exponents or following.

Yours faithfully,  
"DRAMA FAN."

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