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Michael McElligott, Hospital

The unexpected death of Mr. Michael McElligott, Main Street, Hospital, Co. Limerick, has evoked widespread regret over a wide area. Deceased, who was engaged in the victualling trade for many years, was extremely popular in his native town and surrounding districts, and the high esteem in which he was held was manifested by the large and representative gathering who attended the interment at the local cemetery.

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. Morgan Walsh, St. Mary's, Bacup, Lancashire; deacon, Rev. J. Ryan, C.C., Herbertstown; sub-deacon, Rev. Father O'Keeffe, C.C., Kiltely; master of ceremonies, Rev. Father Meaney, P.P., Emly. In the choir—Very Rev. Canon McCarthy, P.P., V.F., Hospital; Rev. Father McElligott, P.P., Kiltely; Rev. Father Foley, P.P., Knockaisy; Rev. Father McGrath, C.C., Hospital, and Rev. Father O'Meara, C.C., Knockaisy.

Chief mourners—Mrs. C. McElligott (widow); Malachy, Denis, Patrick and Michael (sons); Maureen McElligott (daughter); Patrick, John and Bobbie McElligott (brothers); Mrs. Duggan (sister); Rev. Morgan Walsh and Thomas Walsh (brothers-in-law); Mrs. McElligott, Kiltely; Mrs. Anna Mary Walsh, and family; Owen Bresnan, Ballybrood; Mrs. Leonard, Michael and Mrs. Fogarty, Morgan and Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. Donovan and the Timothy family, Middleton, Manchester.

Mass cards were received from the following—Malachy O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carew, Hospital; Bobbie and Josie, Kiltely; the Mitchell family, Hospital; Quish family, Port-Boy; Thomas and Mrs. Walsh and family, Hospital; Eileen O'Sullivan and family, O'Connell Street, Limerick; William O'Connell, Roche's Stores, Limerick; Miss M. Kelly, Bacup, Lancashire; Michael and Mrs. Fogarty, Ballybrood; Kathleen Kenny, Dublin; Mrs. Mary Dundon, Emly; the Cahill family, Dublin; the O'Callaghan family, Hospital; Miss B. Turner, Bacup; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Barry, Limerick; Patrick and John McElligott, Ballybrood; Malachy, Joe and Michael Fogarty, Rathjordan; Mrs. Duggan, Doon, Children of Mary, Bacup, Lancashire; Tommy, Thomas and Mrs. Bourke, Hospital; Paddy and Mrs. O'Connell, Little Catherine Street, Limerick Presentation Convent, Hospital.

Wreaths, telegrams and letters of sympathy — Rev. Denis O'Brien, Our Lady of Grace, Prestwick, Manchester; Rev. Timothy Crowley, St. Mary's, Acerrington, Lancashire; Rev. R. E. Brennan, St. Mary's, Bacup, Lancashire; Rev. Bro. Albert, De La Salle, Castletown; Jerry Fogarty, Kilmallock; Martin Morley, Bacup; James O'Rourke, Kilmallock; Miss Nellie Cronin, Bacup, Lancashire; Paddy Lynch, Ennistymon; John O'Sullivan, Limerick; Thomas Costello, Nenagh; Mrs. Blake and family, Thurles; Sister Perpetua, Dun Laoghaire; Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hogan, Kilfrush; Mr. Michael Condon, Hospital; Mrs. Bennett, Rathanny; Michael Carney, Tullow, Co. Carlow; Rev. Bro. Ailred, Castletown; Sr. M. Teresa, Presentation Convent, Hospital.

FOYNES SHIPPING

On Friday evening last, 14th inst., the tanker, s.s. "Pass of Leny," arrived in Foynes Harbour, bringing 750 tons of spirits for the Irish Shell Oil Co.

FOCAL POINT FOR SPRING

Abbeyfeale Branch Library And Museum

SPEECHES AT THE FORMAL OPENING

IN the presence of a large and representative gathering, including officials and members of the Limerick Co. Council, Abbeyfeale's new Branch Library was formally opened on Wednesday evening of last week (writes a staff reporter of the "Limerick Leader"). Erected at a cost of £1,200, the new Library is a most attractively designed and neatly finished structure, with a large and well lighted book room and first-class facilities for the issue of reading matter. The initial stock comprises a fine collection of some sixteen hundred volumes, including works of fiction and general literature. A special section is devoted to the needs of school children and in addition facilities have been provided for a local historical museum to which a number of interesting exhibits have been already contributed. The building, which is located on the Killarney Road, was erected by the County Council with the aid of a grant from the Carnegie Trust. First Branch Librarian is Miss Eva O'Riordan, a local lady, who had everything in perfect order for the opening ceremony, which was performed by the Chairman of the County Council (Mr. J. W. Canty).

PRESENT AT CEREMONY.

Mr. P. T. McCarthy, Co.C., as the local representative, presided at the formal opening ceremony, and also present were:—Messrs. J. W. Canty, Chairman, County Council; P. J. Meghen, B.E., Co. Manager; T. P. Broe, Co. Secretary; Daniel Doyle, Co Librarian; James Collins, T.D.; D. J. Madden, T.D.; T. O'Connell, Co.C.; P. M. O'Connor, Co.C.; C. J. Quinn (representing Mr. P. J. Sheahan, M.R.I.A.I., Architect); W. Flynn, Building Contractor; Misses N Windram and E. O'Kelly, Library Assistants; Miss Eva O'Riordan, Branch Librarian, Abbeyfeale, and Rev. D. Murphy, C.C., Mountcollins.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Very Rev. P. Canon

that respect Mr. Canty had always played a man's part in standing up for Abbeyfeale, and he thought the same could be said of every member of the Council. He also welcomed Deputies Collins and Madden, as well as the County Manager, of whom he said he thought if they searched Ireland they could not find a better man (applause). He also tendered a hearty welcome to Messrs. O'Connor and O'Connell, both of whom had been always good friends of Abbeyfeale as members of the Council, and to the Co. Librarian, and Co. Secretary, both of whom had played their part in bringing the new Library to Abbeyfeale.

COUNTY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN.

Mr. Canty, on behalf of the Council, formally declared the Library opened, and said it gave him great pleasure to be present to perform the ceremony. Continuing, amidst laughter, the Chairman said he was afraid the Limerick County Council were being beggared by Abbeyfeale, as during his 22 years experience Mr. McCarthy was always looking for something. "Unless Mr. McCarthy is sent to some other place," added Mr. Canty, "I am wondering how long the Co. Council will be able to stand it."

Continuing, Mr. Canty congratulated all concerned with the new Library, which was, he said, a beautiful building, well stocked with first-class literature. He felt sure that the people of Abbeyfeale and district would avail to the fullest possible extent of the facilities now provided and that in time the branch would become a local focal point for the dissemination of culture amongst the whole community. He hoped that the branch would be also able to cater for the reading needs of the children of the district and that it would continue to expand in its scope and activities.

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