

NOT BAD NAME

ough Number Of Outsiders

EMENT BY BISHOP OF LIMERICK

INSIDE its boundaries Limerick had got rather a bad name of a certain small number of outsiders who were new to this countryside. So commanded his Lordship the Bishop, Rev. Dr. O'Neill, in the course of an address at a Confirmation ceremony at Bruff on Friday.

The Bishop was speaking to a congregation after administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to 160 children from the National Schools of Bruff, Grange Kenanus.

Children, who were very well attired and a credit to their parents and teachers, were in the presence of Rev. Brother Carthage, Mother Brendan, Mrs. Harcourt, Mrs. O'Donnell and Mr. T. J. O'Connell.

S LORDSHIP'S ADDRESS.

In the course of his address, his Lordship said:—"We have no need to sound any note of alarm about the decline of religion in this country; but in other parts of the world at the present time the story is quite different, and that is true of lands which boasted of a strong and virile faith in the not distant past. In some countries violence has been employed to suppress the faith, and that violence continues. You can scarcely pick up the daily paper without finding some act of callous brutality against those who will not give up the principles of their faith. Do you think that the menace of Communism, allied with Communism, is far away from you at the moment? He went on, "you must not delude yourselves and think that it will not come in time, because in some lands now being persecuted the enemy was in their midst before they knew it."

THE TRUE ANTIDOTE.

The proper practice of the faith in private and public life is the true antidote for the poison that is trying to penetrate through the world at the present time." Referring to the cinema, he said the minds of the young were often perverted by a kind of magic that is shown to them in the cinema that had no regard for the law of God or the moral law. Great good could come also from reading some of the cheap literature which circulates so widely in modern times, and these should not be made available to the young, as the length of their convictions could be undermined by a lot of the material that appears in these books.

A BAD INFLUENCE.

INSIDE its boundaries, said his Lordship, Limerick had got a rather bad reputation because of a certain small number that were newcomers to this countryside. Because of their social position and wealth, these people attracted attention, but, unfortunately, in some cases they did not give good example of the Christian way of life. Their presence in a parish could do much harm to the youth. They have the rights of citizens while they are among us," he said to his Lordship, "but it is up to the people of the parish to decide whether they are to continue to enjoy their privileges if they continue their way of life without regard to the moral law."

HAPPY YEARS IN BRUFF.

His Lordship referred to the happy years he spent in Bruff, and that it would be a pleasure to visit the parish at all times. He congratulated all concerned on the excellent condition of the Church, in particular paid tribute to the generosity that made possible the new altar rail and flooring in the sanctuary. He urged parents to be ever mindful of their duty towards their children to instruct them in the Catholic Faith. Parents should not leave everything to the teacher and the priest, but must help in the formation of good characters in their children, and must particularly give good example, since much of the vice of the world has come from bad example. He exhorted all to practice the Christian way of life at all times, but particularly during this Holy Year.

APOSTOLIC BENEEDICTION.

His Lordship imparted Apostolic benediction to the congregation of children. Sacred music was rendered by the choir of children led by Mrs. Ryan, organist. The Confirmation Mass was celebrated by Rev. E. Houlihan, C.C. Other clergy present were: Rev. D. Canon Riordan, V.F., Bruff; Very Rev. D. O'Martin, P.P., Croom; Very Rev. Father S. O'Dea, P.P., Bruff; Rev. J. Browne, C.C., Bruff.

DAYS OF TRIAL

Recalled By Recent Death

THE SENTENCE ON GENERAL MCKEON

THE days of trial in Ireland and the death sentence passed on General Sean McKeon, the present Minister for Justice, are recalled by the recent death in Limerick of Mr. John McGrath, ex-Sergeant of the R.I.C.

The funeral of the late Mr. McGrath took place from St. John's Cathedral, Limerick, on Sunday 16th inst., to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

The clergy present at the graveside were: Rev. Father O'Grady, Adm.; Rev. Father Creed, C.C.; Rev. Father Mullins, C.C.; Rev. Father Fee, C.C.; Rev. Father Moran, C.C.; Rev. Father Flynn, O.S.A.; Rev. Father Carthage, O.F.M.

The chief mourners were: Messrs. John, Michael and Patrick McGrath (sons); Mrs. E. McGrath and Mrs. H. M. McGrath (daughters-in-law); John J., Michael and Gerard McGrath (grand-children); Lawrence and Mrs. Ryan (relatives).

Amongst the large number attending the funeral were the following:—Messrs. Moss Twomey, J. Geaney, M. Delaney, D. Moran, Dublin; T. Simpson, W. Stapleton, S. Hayes, Tipperary; J. Quinlan, D. Twomey, Mr. P. Halpin and Mrs. Halpin, of Croom; M. Meehan, Lisnagry; G. O'Mara, Mount Shannon; M. Kerins, Cratloe; J. Neilan, Ballyvarra. It would be impossible to give a complete list of those present.

TELEGRAMS AND MASS CARDS.

Telegrams were received from the following:—The Lord Abbot and Community, Mount Mellary; M. J. Keyes, Minister for Local Government; Ald. Dan Bourke, T.D.; Messrs. W. H. White and Co., Limerick; Messrs. John Quin, Ltd., Limerick; McGrath family, Wexford; Michael Bergin, Dublin; John Bergin, Dublin; Bruton family, Dublin; Connolly family, Newrath, Waterford; Connellan family, Dublin; Mick Delaney, Dublin; Jim and May, Curragh Camp; John and Kitty Hayes, Kilmallock; Jim Killian, Dublin; Kerley, Dublin; Slanthe Mineral Waters Co., Dublin; Tracey family, Waterford.

Mass cards: G. Adams and family; J. J. Airey and family; Buckleys, Clare St.; Mr. and Mrs. W. Cusack; Teresa Cremins; Mr. and Mrs. Tams; John Greaney; Hofners, George St., Dublin (nouveaux of Masses); Hafners, Henry Street and Talbot Street, Dublin (do.); Staff of Irish Industries Ltd., Dublin (do.); Paddy and Tessie Keating, Limerick; C. Kennedy, Dublin; E. Kirby and A. Stack; Mrs. Lawlor, Rhebogoe, Singland; Moloney family, Dublin Road; Paky and Maggie Moloney, Dublin Road; May Moloney; Pat and Elizabeth McGrath; John, Michael and Gerard; Mick and May; John and Han; McCarthy family, Upper Clare St.; Mr. and Mrs. O'Dowd and family; Mr. John Ryan and family, Cunenty, Kilcommon; Eileen Ryan, Dublin; Larry Ryan and family, Dock Road; Kitty and John Ryan, Dublin Road; the Sugrue family, Limerick; Mrs. Sheehan, N.T., and family, Upper Clare Street; the Keogh family, Monsterevan; Cunneen family, Rhebogoe.

THE HISTORIC FIGHT NEAR BALLINALEE.

The deceased was the father of the late Rev. Father Joseph, O.Cist., Mount Mellary. It will be remembered that the death of his oldest son, Thomas J. McGrath, who was a D.I. of the R.I.C. and was killed near Ballinalee, Co. Longford, in January, 1921, and the subsequent trial by British Court Martial in the City Hall, Dublin, of the present Minister for Justice, General Sean McKeon, T.D., on the capital charge of having "murdered" the District Inspector and on which charge sentence of death was passed on General McKeon, was followed by the remarkable and historic appeal made on behalf of the convicted man by the late Mr. McGrath and his wife and family. In mid-May of 1921 there appeared in all Irish and cross-Channel papers a personal appeal made by the McGrath family to have the life of Sean McKeon spared. This appeal was sent individually by registered post to Lloyd George, Hamar Greenwood, General Macready and to the British Attorney General, and at the special request of the late General Michael Collins, an original of the appeal was also sent to him. The British authorities duly acknowledged the document and in writing promised that every consideration would be given to the appeal when the sentence came up for confirmation. Deceased's second son, John McGrath, junr., was prominently identified with the Republican and Labour movements and was interned in Limerick prison, Clonmel, Kilkenny, Newbridge and Curragh Camp, and was seriously injured in escaping early in 1922.

RATHKEALE HOUSING NEEDS

MARKET PRICES

LIMERICK MARKETS—Saturday.

Butter—2/7 to 2/10 per lb.
 Hen Eggs—2/7 to 2/10 per doz.
 Duck Eggs—2/6 to 2/9 per doz.
 Chickens—16/- to 21/- per pair.
 Ducks—6/- to 10/- per pair.
 Old Fowl—12/- to 18/- per pair.
 Turkeys—2/8 per lb.
 Geese—8/- to 10/- each.
 Eating Apples—2/6 to 3/6 per basket.
 Cooking Apples—2/6 to 3/6 per basket.
 Potatoes—1/8 to 2/3 per stone.
 Mangolds—50/- per ton.
 Rye Hay—170/- per ton.
 Upland Hay—120/- to 155/- per ton.
 Oaten Straw—135/- to 160/- per ton.

Weekly Cattle Market—There were 895 calves in market. They sold at from 40/- to 220/- each.

LIMERICK CATTLE MARKET WEEKLY MARKET, SATURDAY, APRIL 22.

Dairy Cows and Heifers.—The entry, which totalled 170 head, was easily the heaviest entry of the season, and a record for Limerick Market. The quality of the cows and heifers, especially the former, was again exceptionally high and with a most representative attendance of buyers from many parts of the country, and with entries from eight different counties, they had an excellent selection to choose from. Trade for the good cows and heifers held firm, the demand for the promising young dairy cow with milking qualities being again keen. Trade for the incalf and calved heifers, particularly the secondary classes, showed an easing off in values as compared with recent quotations, but where vendors were disposed to make concessions exchanges for this description were readily effected, a remarkably high percentage of the entry changed hands under the hammer, the clearance and turnover exceeding by a considerable margin the previous record for this market.

Top price of the sale went to Mr. J. A. Moran, Lavallyroe, Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo, at 50 guineas, for a calved cow, Mr. Denis Ryan, Coolishal, Caherconish, was the runner-up in this department, at 46 gns. Top price for heifers went to Mr. Malachy McKenna, Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary, at 48 gns., Mr. Matt Mitchell, Grange, being the runner-up in this department, at 46 gns. Incalf and calved cows, best, £44 10s. to £50; seconds, £40 to £44; others, £33 5s. to £39; small, £26 to £31. Incalf and calved heifers, best, £43 to £48; seconds, £41 to £42 10s.; others, £35 5s. to £40; small, £28 to £33 10s.; stripper cows, £15 to £19 10s.

Store Cattle.—Numerically the entry was up to last week's figure, with many lots of strong stores and a very good selection of yearlings. Buyers were in good attendance but bidding not as free as at last market, a number of lots of useful stores remained unsold. The clearance and turnover were, however, again heavy. Two and a half year-old bullocks and heifers, best, £29 15s. to £33 10s. Two year-old bullocks and heifers, best, £25 5s. to £28; seconds, £23 to £24 10s. One and a half year-old bullocks and heifers, best, £21 to £23 10s.; seconds, £18 10s. to £20 10s. Yearlings, best, £23 10s. to £25 5s.; seconds, £20 to £21 10s.; others, £15 15s. to £17 10s.; small, £11 5s. to £13 15s. Brood cows, £15 to £23 15s. — Louis de Courcy, Auctioneer.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK. WEEKLY DAIRY MARKET.

Tuesday, April 25th.—Entry not so heavy as last week, about an equal number of heifers and cows in the heifer section not as many promising lots as last market; choice incalf heifers were freely bid for and readily cashed at best current rates; trade firm, bidding came freely and exchange was ready for this class; secondary and poor heifers not in favour. Some nice dairy cows shown, these were freely bid for and anything showing promise was readily cashed; secondary and backward cows not in demand, trade in this section much quieter. The cold weather and backward condition of pastures no doubt is having its effect on trade. Good clearance in heifer section, but quite a number of cows failed to clear; all the same the volume of business transacted was substantial, and compared favourably with last week. Top price of the market went to Mr. Tony Kennedy, Ballinacorney House, Kilmallock, at 52 gns. for an exceptionally choice calved cow; the same vendor was also the runner-up at 49 gns., closely followed by Mr. Denis Ryan, Coolishal, Caherconish, at 48 gns. Top price for incalf heifers went to Mr. Frank McKenna, Castle Bar, Shinrone, and to Mr. Matthew O'Brien, Panninstown, Padamore, at 48 gns. each, the runner-up being Mr. D. Cusack, Singland, Limerick, at 46 gns. Dairy cows, best, £46 to £52 10s.; second run, £37 10s. to £44 10s.; others, £30 to £37. Incalf heifers, best, £42 to £48; second run, £36 10s. to £40; small, £32 10s. to £35.—Wm. B. Pitt and Co., Auctioneers.

LIMERICK CATTLE MARKET. WEEKLY FAT STOCK MARKET. TUESDAY, APRIL 25th.

The entry at to-day's market showed an increase in both departments and, with a good attendance of buyers, bidding was better than for some time. Some very choice medium weight heifers and some lots of very well finished sheep were keenly bid for and most of this description sold under the hammer. More good cattle and sheep could easily have been sold. Fat heifers, medium weights, best, £47 to £49 10s.; seconds, £40 to £46. Fat sheep, best, £8 7s. to £10; seconds, £7 7s. to £8. Houghs, £7 15s. 6d. to £8 7s. — Louis de Courcy, Auctioneer.

NEWCASTLE WEST MARKETS.

Butter, 2/8 per lb.; hen eggs, 2/6 per doz.; duck eggs, 2/- per doz.; potatoes, 1/10 to 2/- per stone; oats, 3/- to 3/6 per stone; hay, £5 to £6 10s. per ton; hens, 1/4 per lb.; chickens, 1/8 per lb.; spring chickens, 2/- per lb.; geese, 1/- per lb.; turkeys, 2/3 per lb.; ducks, 1/- per lb.; Guinea fowl, 1/- per lb.; new feathers, 4/- per lb.; old feathers, 2/- per lb.; cow hides, 1/- each; calf skins, 4/6 each; horse skins, 11/- each; horse hair, 2/- per lb.

ABBEYFEALE MARKETS (Monday, 24th April).

Large market of calves cleared at £5 to £11; hay, £4 10s. to £6 per ton; mangolds, 3/- cwt.; oats, 3/4 st.

OBITUARIES

Mr. P. Nihill, C

Widespread regret Pallas and surrounding the recent death, after illness, of Mr. Patrick Nihill, of The Square, Old Pallas, who came of an old respected family, passed Croom Hospital at a relatively early age of 57. Possessed of a keenly very optimistic turn of mind was a general favourite in all classes, more especially his generation, which his company at all times. Energetic in all his ideas, he threw himself heartily into any work which had for its object the benefit of his fellow countrymen, honesty, sobriety and devotion to the Faith were known to need any. Proof of the esteem in which he was held was evident in the huge concourse of the general public who gathered for the funeral from the Church to the family at Old Pallas, and sincere sympathy was shown on all sides at the premature demise of such a genial character. At the graveside clergy were: Very Rev. P.P., Nicker, Rev. Father Fitzgibbon. Deceased leaves a widow and a son.

Mr. P. Houlihan

Much regret has been expressed by the death of Mr. P. Houlihan, of Maiden Street, Newrath, who passed away after a rather long illness, several years, deceased, was an esteemed family man, John Houlihan, and father, associated with the town for many years and unassuming. Late Mr. Houlihan was a keen sportsman and respect and sympathy will be shown to the bereaved father and sisters. There was a representative attendance of friends to Churchtown. Rev. Monsignor V.G.; Rev. D. Costello, M. Kelly, C.C., and Fitzsimons, C.S.S.R. at the graveside. Children included: John Houlihan, Eugene (brother), John and Mrs. E. Patrick, Thomas Houlihan, Maiden Street (relatives).

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK. WEEKLY CATTLE MARKET.

Fat Heifer Sold Wednesday, April 26th. Fat heifer forwarded in to the market last Wednesday, buyers, and an excellent price for a heifer and readily bid for at 10 and nicely fed small heifer met a ready sale, a number of the better quality cows of the better quality attention, older cows not in favour, trade was again increased supply gave opportunity of taking more subsequently trade was brisk as last Wednesday prices did not suffer well maintained, a choice however, effected a prime fat heifer, the James Colgan, Bell Road, Limerick, was the purchaser being Upper William Street and secondary cows, being a quiet trade. Aged and forward cows sold well, plenty of sent, and more could be sold. In young stores, entry; choice drafts of bullocks and dairy strong demand, rates down, and useful inquired for and exchanged. Few choice yearlings steady. The constant effect on entry in Fat heifers and but to £62 10s.; second 10s. Fat cows, best, second run, £38 to £45; old, £19 15s. to £25 old store bullocks, 1 year-old bullocks up to £32 10s. 1 1/2 year heifers, £21 to £24 best, £19 10s. to £2 15s. to £15 10s.

Sleep—Number decrease, an even mutation on the whole usual attendance; good demand, especially weathers, but for a ruled somewhat quiet slightly easier, well in favour, and had a rates for prime sheep the season. Young cashed; hoggets, shew numbers, choice per pound; no stores on of fat lambs, which quest and wanted, sheep well maintained other sorts business slightly weaker but satisfactory clearing weight, 205 - to 25 184 - to 197 6; shew Ewes, 164 - to 184 - 160 - to 177 - 157 6. Fat lambs best second run, 10s - 1; Pitt and Co., Auctioneers.

DE COURCY'S LAND SALE

Residence at Main Tipperary. On Friday last, a 7, Glentworth St., non-encumbered residence converting into a with large yard at out-buildings and