
LOCAL WILLS

INTERESTING BEQUESTS

Mr. John Thomas Gallagher, of 21, Sarsfield Street, Limerick, publican, who died on 24th April last, left estate in England and the Republic of Ireland, valued at £5,726. He left all his property to his daughter, Mary J. Gallagher, subject to his wife being maintained for the remainder of her life. Probate was granted to his brother, Frank Gallagher, of 1 St. John's Villas, Mulgrave Street, Limerick.

Mr. Lewis Francis Hickey, of 20, Elm Park, Ennis Road, Limerick, Manager of the Limerick Motor Works, who died on 9th January last, left estate in England and the Republic of Ireland, valued at £3,463. He left his property to his wife. Probate has been granted to the National Bank, Ltd., of 13, Old Broad Street, London E.C.

Mr. John Joseph O'Donnell, of Charleville, Co. Cork, draper, who died on 22nd September, 1948, left estate in England valued at £1,672. He left his property upon trust for his wife for life, then £250 to his daughter, Kathleen Costelloe, £400 upon trust for his other daughter, Bridget, house and business at Charleville to his son, Cornelius, and the residue to his said three children. Probate has been granted to Michael Morrissey, of Charleville aforesaid, and his son-in-law, Morgan Costelloe, of Ashton, Corbally, Limerick.

VISIT TO HOMELAND

Rev. Fr. Laurence Hennessy, P.P., Concord, California, has spent a month's holiday in his native Glen of Aherlow (writes a Galbally correspondent). During his stay he went on a Pilgrimage to Rome. While at home Fr. Hennessy thoroughly enjoyed his holiday, having completed his trans-Atlantic trip and Rome trip by air. He returned to the U.S.A. from Shannon on Wednesday of last week. Fr. Hennessy is brother of Mr. Joachim Hennessy, Glen of Aherlow, and of Mr. John Hennessy, licensed vintner, William Street, Limerick.

Well in Cork. St. Dominic is fortunate or unfortunate, as the case may be, in getting himself mixed up with various personages. The similarity of his name with the Irish saint, Modomnac (Latinized Dominicus), lead a host of 17th century writers astray. Some postulated that he wrote letters to the Irish princes to get foundations for his Order; others that he actually came to Ireland himself. In the case of the Rosbrien Well he went one better and travelled in very high society, being identified with the Lord Himself. This old ecclesiastical property did not belong to the Dominican Order, but to the Canonesses of St. Augustine, who lived at Peter's Cell. We presume that the good Sisters baptized an old pagan well and called it after the Lord, in memory of a certain Biblical incident. This may have been rendered into Latin as Puteus Domini, which later corrupted into Domini's Well or Dominic's Well. In Cork the word corrupted into Sunday on account of its similarity with the Latin word for Sunday—Dominica.

FAVOURITE PENITENTIAL EXERCISE

The tradition was kept up after the estate changed hands. Visiting holy wells and making the rounds—a procedure which lasted hours—was a very favourite penitential exercise in Penal Days. Whether any set form of prayers is necessary we are not competent to decide. But there is surely some tradition still preserved and the upholders of that tradition should come forward and tell us.

BRAON AILLSE.

DEATHS.

HALL (Ballybrown, Clarina, Co. Limerick)—August 12, 1950, at his residence, Patrick Hall; deeply regretted by his loving parents, brothers, sisters and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral took place to-day from Ballybrown Church to Kilkeedy Cemetery.

McKERNAN (Limerick)—August 14, at St. John's Hospital, Brendan McKernan, late 7 Rossa Villas; deeply regretted. Remains will be removed to St. John's Cathedral this (Monday) evening at 8.30. Solemn Requiem Mass at 11 a.m. on Wednesday. Funeral same day to Mount St. Lawrence at 3 p.m. Go ndeanfaid Dia Trocaire ar a anam.