

rded the sowing of withstanding this hat much progress s counties in the ay, and also with w with the advent or the agriculturist ed that from this me on all tillage ion is, if anything earlier than it was the wretched com- months retarded ll round, and again the early Summer s to the harvest er, dispelled by the in just as it was the season of in- v needed is a bright e soil and fit it for little rain now and ; and beneficial, and verbiably associated reasonably expect ll hasten conditions vigorous growth of ather across Channel s in many places on her low temperature ain or drizzle, and still was the fact and hailstorms pre- n the whole, how- the benefit of warm w weeks, and good , been made in the n which are almost ed. Probably, there- wintry side was but y present indications o further cold snap, during March, is to e to retard the pro- ons on the land or in k round the Limerick how us that the plot- years past have con- rds the country's food rrmers busily engaged upation which is as by and invigorating.

EUTENANCY.
According to present French will cease to be the 30th of the present will then be appointed to in the interval until Lord the office. Lord Edmond Dublin in the first week of lly sworn in, after which d.

cost of re-building and replacement of machinery were not available for the present.
His Honor allowed the case stand for their production.

DEATH OF MR JAMES FLYNN.

We announce with sincere regret the death of Mr James Flynn, which took place at his residence, Cruise's Royal Hotel, this evening. The deceased gentleman had been laid up for a considerable time, and within the past week or so only slender hopes were entertained of his recovery. He was proprietor of Cruise's Royal Hotel for many years, and under his proprietorship it enjoyed a very wide measure of public support and patronage. His death has come as a severe blow to his widow and family, and grievous sorrow will be extended to them in the bereavement that has overtaken them. Mr Flynn was a very enterprising business man, kindly and courteous to everyone with whom he came into contact. He took an active part in every movement initiated for the well-being of the city and the people generally, never sparing himself in the interest of any charitable or other deserving cause. He was High Sheriff of the city about fifteen years ago, and it was during his term that the Winter Assizes were held in Limerick. In this movement he took a prominent part, and it may be said that he was mainly instrumental in getting the change effected by the then Government of the day. Some few years ago he was appointed a magistrate for the city, and at the last municipal elections he was returned as one of the 'Ratepayers' representatives of the Dock Ward on the Corporation. In the domain of sport his activities were no less marked. He was a Director of the Limerick Race Company; a member of the County Limerick Coursing Club, in which he took a particular interest, and a keen enthusiast of Rugby football, being a past president of the Irish Rugby Union and of Garryowen Football Club, and a member of the Regatta Executive. His many friends in the city and country generally will hear with poignant regret of his demise, and will ever cherish memories of a fast friend and kindly and hospitable gentleman.

DEATH OF MR MARCUS G. SLADE, C. E.

We regret to record the death of Mr Marcus G. Slade, C.E., which took place at his residence, 3 The Crescent, on Sunday night. He had been but a short time ill, and had reached an advanced age. Mr Slade was one of the few remaining links connecting the present with a generation almost passed away. He was a familiar figure in our midst, kindly, and retiring in his disposition, and highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends in Limerick and adjoining counties. He enjoyed a large private professional practice, was connected in his time with many important arterial drainage schemes, and the construction of piers round the coast, and was also extensively associated with the business of the Land Courts fixing judicial rents. He lived, as stated, to a ripe old age, but the news of his death has been heard of with sorrow by all who had the pleasure of the acquaintance of a genial and warm-hearted friend. The funeral is announced to take place to-morrow at 10 o'clock for St Mary's Cathedral.

DEATH OF MRS M. deCOURCY.

The death, which we regret to announce, took place this morning at her residence, The Crescent, Limerick, of Mrs M. deCourcy, widow of the late Mr John H deCourcy, for many years Clerk of the Limerick Petty Sessions Court. The deceased lady, who had attained an advanced age, had been ailing for some time, and her death was not unexpected. She was daughter of the late Alderman P Hogan, who was a merchant of considerable standing in the city, and as well as being a member of the Corporation was connected with many of the local public Boards. The funeral will take place on Thursday at 10 o'clock from St Michael's Catholic Church.

THE LIMERICK MURDERS.

In the House of Commons yesterday,

you burned the house and property of John Kennedy?—Yes.
And in the claim made here by Mrs Lynch, you were directed to burn the property of John Lynch?—Yes.
You have I notice made some distinction in the case of Mrs Hayes? Owned by brother.
His Honor—You say that you were directed to destroy the houses of John Kennedy and John Lynch? Yes. As members of the family where they were living.
Mr Comyn—That is against the direct evidence he has given. This military gentleman cannot be speculating.
His Honor—His direct statement is that the houses where John Kennedy and John Lynch lived were burned.
Mr Comyn—In his reply to me he stated that he burned the house of John Kennedy and John Lynch, and what I say is that he burned the houses of Mrs Lynch and of William Hayes' mother.
His Honor—I will take the case of Mrs Hayes as being different from the other two.
Mr L O'B Kelly, B.L., enquired of the officer if all the necessary formalities were complied with. Were the people of the locality notified to be present at the burnings.
His Honor—The persons living around the place were to be summoned.
Mr Kelly—The people living in the neighbourhood.
The witness said if possible people residing in the locality were to be summoned to witness the burnings, and the notice was read out to the occupier of the house.
Mr M Binchy, B.L.—You were told to burn the house of William Hayes, and there was a note with reference to the house of Mrs Hayes? Yes.
William Hayes was the occupier in this case as far as the military authorities are concerned? Yes.
There was nothing against Mrs Hayes? No.
You were not directed to punish Mrs Hayes, but to burn the house because it was William Hayes' home?
His Honor—Why were you directed to burn these houses?—Because the people were in a position to know that armed men were about there, and they did not notify it.
Mr Binchy—Was that the reason William Hayes' house was burned?—It was.
His Honor—Was there any mistake made as to the houses you were directed to destroy?—No.
His Honor—If an Executive officer gets an order to carry out a job, and if he carries out that job, he can do nothing else in the matter. He does not know anything against Mrs Hayes, but he gets an order to burn her house for certain reasons.
Mr Binchy—Yes.
His Honor—Can you tell me of your own knowledge of any other houses that were officially burned?
The witness—Is it in the Brigade area?
His Honor—Yes.
The Witness—Two houses were destroyed in Miltown Malbay.
His Honor—That is in the County Clare. Give me a case in Co Limerick.
The Witness—Two were destroyed in Kilmallock after the murder of Sergeant McGuire.
His Honor—Do you know of any since then?
Yes. In Limerick City on Saturday evening last.
His Honor—That would be on the 9th of this month. Can you give me the exact number of houses and the streets in which these houses were situate? There was the house of McInerney, 10 Look Quay.
His Honor—In all how many houses were burned by the military on the 9th April?—Four.
And these were acts done by the military authority?—Yes.
Emanating from the same source?—Yes.
Were they houses and furniture, or houses?—One case was furniture only, the others were houses.
Were these residential or business houses, and did they include stock?—Yes. That was included.
His Honor—Thank you. Your evidence will be a help to me in these cases.

THE LATE ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN.

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completely taken away, dow or a door left in April, 1919, he held there, and the house was but on the 5th March, 192 be driven through the fro the bedrooms were.
His Honor—Could all done between January and not.
His Honor—The damage done in three months? Witness—He thought t £5,000. There is 180 acre premises. If it were in country he thought it w
Further questioned w land attached to the es land was divided up am district, and the highest an Irish acre; the 60 or it was divided got a gre O'Grady, for whom he di
Questioned by Mr K damage done to the hou in one hour if there wer do it. At the time he h it was well known the owner. His opinion was taker appointed to loc damage might have been Stephen O'Neill gave 1919, he went to live in holt Castle. At that tin to the premises. The fir garden, was started in S fruit was taken away down. They next cor windows of the house. driven through the gl after that witness cl were next broken away; in the ear to tear down the teams of horses with time to remove the stu menced to tear down t Mr P J Kelly, by whom and he told him it was house broken down, prevent it; then Mr write to Mrs Burton, at Cullinan, to try to hav no mention made of his Mr P J O'Donnell, estimate for repairing castle. He said the ds work is under the do taken away intact.
For the opposition to was examined, to prove there was not one stone Castle. In September the floor, partitions, ar He said there was a he and while he was there taken from Carrigaholt case for a writing pen. the damage started, at their heads to take aw the slates were injure
The Republican poli tecting it? Yes, and four more did our best
What happened the to protect it?—They d what was left of it.
His Honor said it w Killeen to come into o whole of which might not for his defence. pension.
When considering t Cullinan asked Mr Ki intimating that such in the amount of the to Mr Killeen.
Mr Killeen consulte who were apparently which he informed expenses.

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