

GAELS AND GAMES

(By "THOMOND").

The hurling clash between Granagh and Ahane at that famous G.A.A. centre by the Maigue was certainly a great game, but I would not go as far as Sean O'Callaghan's information on the wireless that it was the best seen in Limerick for years past. Memories of the great encounters of the champions with Droom, Young Ireland and Fedamore compare well with last Sunday's display.

The Game.
Ahane pulled off their tie by six points. It was a great feat, considering they were up against a better trained team. The splendid exhibition of training and combination shown by Granagh was well counter-balanced by that strong attack and grim defence so often shown by those Ahane hurlers. With choice of positions and that strong gale helping the Westerners, they finished up the first half with a lead of 4 points, viz., 1-5 to 1-1. In the opening stages the Easterners quite early notched 1 goal and 1 point, but for the rest of the half hour they were in the defence. In Jackie Power's unavoidable absence, John Mackey, centre-back, did brilliant hurling, and to crown his performance in the second period at the other end, he scored two lovely goals. I am not mentioning the younger Mackey to depreciate the rest of the winning team, as all the players acquitted themselves creditably. In the absence of Hickey, Power, Wynnes and Fitzgibbon, the "youngsters" called on showed that grit, pluck and speed in wielding the caman which brought so many victories to Ahane. The youngest of them would tackle the biggest player so quickly that they often got away with the leather. Granagh certainly richly deserve to be congratulated on fielding such a well-trained and evenly balanced team. Let them not feel disappointed at this late defeat. We wish sincerely that they will continue to lead the West and bring forward county players of the type of Paddy Maherty, Willie Hough, Ned Cregan, etc., and the old crowd, Mick Feely, the Mangans and Jack Shea, men who did so much to give Limerick their name in the hurling world.

County Team.
The most important task facing Limerick Gaeldom is for the Ahane Gaels, and their co-operators in the selection, to field our best tried hurling team to represent the county. The playing off already in the first round of our senior championship and the advantages of playing the inter-county games afford a great scope for judging our material. Let us hope that our selectors will take full advantage of those opportunities. As we saw last year we lost a Munster championship and a possible All-

OBITUARY

MR. THOMAS O'BRIEN.

It is with feelings of sincere regret that we announce the death of Mr. Thomas O'Brien, 3 Treaty Terrace, Limerick, which took place rather unexpectedly on Sunday, March 5th, at Barrington's Hospital after a very short illness. His death came as a great shock to his family, brother and sisters, and a wide circle of relatives and friends. The late Thomas O'Brien was a very devout Catholic and from an early age was associated with the National Movement. During the War for Independence, 1920-21, he was arrested, and his home raided by the Black and Tans. He also took a prominent part in the lock-out strike as a protest against British occupation in Ireland. His funeral, which took place from St. Munchin's Church, was representative of all sections of the community, including Mr. Dan Bourke, T.D., and was a testimony to the esteem in which he was held.

The priests in attendance were: Very Rev. Canon O'Dwyer, P.P., V.F., Rev. Father McCarthy, C.C., Rev. Father Ryan, C.C., Rev. Father Godfrey, C.C., St. Munchin's; Rev. Father Adrian and Rev. Father Celestine, O.F.M.

The chief mourners were: Mrs. Joan O'Brien (wife), Jeremiah, Alphonsus, Thomas, Henry, Raymond and Sean (sons), Maureen, Sarah, Kathleen, Rita and Joan (daughters), Mr. Henry O'Brien (brother), Miss May O'Brien, Mrs. W. O'Connor and Mrs. Ned Hanrahan (sisters), Mr. Ned Hanrahan, Mr. Willie O'Connor (brothers-in-law), Mrs. Henry O'Brien (sister-in-law), Masters Rory O'Connor and Thomas Hanrahan (nephews), Maire, Nuala, Eileen, Sheila and Ethna O'Connor (nieces), Mr. Mick O'Brien, Miss Kathleen O'Brien, Miss Angela O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Mick O'Brien (junior), Mr. Joe O'Brien, Mrs. Jack O'Brien, Miss Maureen O'Brien, Mr. Brian O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry O'Brien, Miss Emily O'Brien, Mr. J. O'Brien, Mr. Willie O'Brien, Mr. Jack O'Brien, Mr. Thomas O'Brien, Mr. Jimmie O'Brien, Mr. Joe O'Brien (junior), Miss A. O'Brien, Miss M. E. O'Brien, Mrs. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Stockil, Miss Helen Stockil, Miss Katie McSwiney, Mr. Jimmie Keogh, Miss May Keogh, Miss Josephine Keogh, Mr. Jack Keogh, Mr. Christopher Keogh, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Keogh (junior), Mrs. Chris. Cusack, Mrs. Bridie Downes, Mary, Kathleen and Nancy Downes, Paddy, Sean, Michael and Oliver Downes, Mr. John Scanlan, Mrs. Maureen Hanlon and Mrs. Tobin (cousins and relatives).

MR. P. MCCARTHY, ASKEATON

It is with deep regret we have to

MARKET PRICES

Breadstuffs—Flour (bakers), 64/6 per sack; retail, 64/6 per sack; wholemeal, 62/- per sack; oatmeal, 6/- per stone; flake oatmeal, 6/4 per stone.
LIMERICK MARKETS—Saturday
Hen Eggs—2s. 2d. to 2s. 5d. per dozen; duck eggs, 2s. 2d. to 2s. 5d.
Chickens—11/- to 17/6 per pair.
Ducks—6/- to 9/6 per pair.
Old Fowl—6/- to 9/6 per pair.
Potatoes—70 loads; 10d. to 1/4 per stone.
Turnips—2 loads; 80/- per ton.
Mangolds—12 loads; 50/- to 60/- per ton.
Rye Hay—110/- to 115/- per ton.
Upland Hay—85/- to 100/- per ton.
Corcass—75/- to 80/- per ton.
Oaten Straw—60/- to 70/- per ton.
Wheaten Straw—50/- per ton.
Weekly Cattle Market—There were 597 calves in market; they sold at from 22/6 to 150/- each.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

WEEKLY CATTLE AND SHEEP MARKET.

Wednesday, April 12th—Cattle—Full seasonable entry again forward in this section. A good attendance. Demand continues active for beef, especially for handy weight heifers; also for useful heiferish cows, which were readily sold. In beef cows best class found ready customers, but secondary and older sorts met a dull and slow trade. In the beef section a healthy and firm tone ruled; full current values being freely paid; a good clearance. In stores short supply of strong feeders; two year-old polled bullocks with quality and condition easily cashed. Business showed a healthy seasonable influence, with a good "take" for nice drafts of feeders, both heifers and bullocks, which met a good selling trade at better rates; small and thin cattle difficult to place. Yearlings not as good a trade as last week; tops and good second class changed hands; backward and plain sorts hard to negotiate. Business all round hardly as firm as last week, except for promising two year-old bullocks, which sold particularly well. Fair clearance. Fat heifers and bullocks, best, £31 5s. to £37; second run, £24 to £30 15s.; fat cows, £27 10s. to £31; second run, £21 to £24; old, £10 to £19; two year-old bullocks and heifers, £17 10s. to £22 12s. 6d.; second run, £10 15s. to £15; yearlings, £12 to £14 10s.; second run, £7 to £10 17s. 6d.

Sheep—Heavy entry; average supply of tip-top sheep; full attendance of buyers; all round trade was quite, and heavy sheep easier, though best pens touched last Wednesday's rates. Fresh well fed medium weight sheep in demand and about held their price; for other sorts lower rates; secondary and rough sheep dull trade. Hoggets not as active. Fresh ewes fair trade. All round buyers showed a cautious disposition, and in most cases concession was necessary to effect exchange. Satisfactory clearance. Fat middle weight, 122/- to 134/-; second run, 110/- to 120/-; small, 90/-; hoggets, 102/6 to 107/6; small, 70/- to 90/-; ewes, best, 115/-.—Wm. B. Fitt & Co., Auctioneers.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

WEEKLY DAIRY MARKET.

Tuesday, April 11th—One of the largest entries of the season; a mixed description; not up to the standard of last week; scarcity of top lots, and really promising heifers, for which there was enquiry; the requisite qualification being quality with capacity, shapes and nice condition; heifers of this class

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