posed by John Griffin, seconded

Patrick_ Langan, Co.C. - Pro- OLD GAEL'S DEATH

MR. M. PURTILL, CROAGH

The death of Mr. Michael Purtill Ballinagoul, Croagh, who passed away with tragic suddenness on the 12th inst., came as a terrible shock to his family and numerous Deceased, who was unfriends. married, and little more than 60 years, came of a very old farming stock, highly and deservedly respected in the district. "Mick" was a grand old character, beloved by

said she was perfectly clear that such a conversation never occurred. DEFENDANT'S EVIDENCE.

LABOUR

INDEPENDENTS.

posed by P. F. O'Shaughnessy,

Patrick Fitzsimons, Co.C.

Proposed by Rev. James O'Byrne,

Very Rev. Michael Ryan, P.P.,

There were no withdrawals at

seconded by James Downey.

C.C., Shanagolden, seconded

such a conversation ever

Michael J. K. Dore, Soir. - Pro-

D. Sammon.

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place.

In

by John J. Foley.

the appointed time.

ant, corroborated the evidence of the plaintiff as regards his career prior to 1944, when he opened his practice as an auctioneer. At the end of that year, during a conversation with the plaintiff, witness

Glentworth-St. and Mr. O'Malley said he had a front room in No. 9 Glentworth Street which he would let to witness rent of £3 10s. a month was ultimately decided on. There was fue, turf and blocks stored in the room at that time and it was agreed

that the room should be parti-

tioned, which was actually done

later. The evidence of Mr. Johnson that witness had approached him about the accommodation, before going to Mr. O'Malley, was untrue. Also untrue was the evidence that approached the he plaintiff on several occasions be-

fore the letting was agreed on. The partitioning of the room, when let to him, cost witness £10, Rev. Canon Murphy, P.P., Croagh; and he purchased the materials himself. The plaintiff never suggested to him that the letting was one of temporary convenience. Never at any time did he consider ling Club; Bill Sheahan; Edmund getting alternative accommodation, Burke and family; Michael Burke although this would have been av-

ailable in Glentworth Street. that Mr. Collins was his sponsor in quest that the front room in No. 9 O'Shea, Farm Lodge; Dan Griffin, sultation with the various sections should be let to him. DIFFERENT VERSIONS.

Judge-Mr. O'Dwyer, your

account of this transaction is quite different to that of Mr. O'Malley. Do you think there is the possibility of your being confused about this, or is your recollection quite clear? Witness-It is quite clear.

Judge-Are you then suggesting

took all who knew him. He was a true Gael and life-long nationalist, being cross-examination, witness for many years secretary of the United Irish League, Croagh Branch. He was one of the founders of the present West Limerick G.A.A. Board, and one of the most popular figures on the playing fields and Patrick J. O'Dwyer, the defend-Board meetings, few of which he failed to attend up to his death. As a Gael, defeat or reverses meant nothing to him. He always came back with renewed enthusiasm to the game he loved. His firm belief was that no young fellow was said he would like to get offices in worth mentioning as an Irishman unless he was able to do his part

> led his remains from the church. and through the little village of Croagh which he loved, on his last journey to the family burial ground at Boherna Kiln, bearing two hurleys, one dating back 50 years to the Abraham H.C., Rathkeale. The

large crowd that followed his re-

mains on the 13th and 14th bore

ample testimony to his popularity.

Michael Madigan and "Bill" Shea-

han, two of his old brother Gaels.

on the hurling field.

The chief mourners were:-Patrick and Thomas Purtill (brothers), Margaret Purtill (sister), Mrs. Purtill (sister-in-law). The clergy present were:-Very

Rev. Father O'Dea, C.C., Kilfinny, and Rev. Dr. Casey, C.C., Adare. The following sent Mass cards:-Maggie and Tom; Shountrade Hur-

and family; Edmund O'Reilly and down your necks. family; Jim Smith and family; the Cross-examined, witness said that Sparling family; Pat Kett and fam- Limerick, the General continued. before he got the accommodation ily; the McMahon family; the He had then declared that the from Mr. O'Malley he had not made O'Reilly family, Kilgrogan; Mrs. effects of the world destruction durinquiries as to where he was going Casey and family; the MacDonagh ing the war would sweep quickly to set up his business. He denied family; Mick and Mary Meade; down on the world, and that the Jim and Mary O'Shea; Patrick and Irish Government were passing into the setting up of his auctioneering Bridget Dunworth; Dan and Han- that situation without any effective business. He did not intend, on his nah Madigan; Mort, Ciss and Nell; preparation; that they had asked first visit to Mr. O'Malley, to re- Nora Collins, Adare; Lena; John them without avail to make by con-

Hurling Club.

and Jane.

were received.

mediate attention. These matters would require the full co-operation of every Party and every class in the country, went on General Mulcahy.

Continuing, General Mulcahy said:-Instead of adopting an attitude that would help to bring about this, Mr. de Valera was leaving nothing undone to induce among the people fear, division, and a

sense of irritation and frustration

Unless the electorate challenged

him and his Party effectively in

this election the nation's work

would be injured. Only a leader who was mad would declare that unless he got a majority in the coming general election the country was going to be doomed. Only a leader without any sense of the Christian conception human nature, while reminding his people to-day that they were not "angels," would insist on reminding them that as human beings

they had such weakenesses, passions, prejudices, hatreds and animoisities, that they could not work either constructively or in any kind of national unity outside the Fianna Fail Party.

CREDENTIALS. General Mulcahy continued:-It

SHOULD EXAMINE

is your duty to examine the credentials of those going for election and select from them the best Parliament. See for yourselves what is happening under the leadership of the Fianna Fail Party, judge Fianna Fail by their leader and what Fianna Fail candidates will tell you if you question them closely in private conversation, General Mulcahy said. You cannot afford to be under that kind of leadership to-day. We offer you in Fine Gael a

leadership which has fought against

the ever increasing inroads on your

liberties. You can have them if you

want to, but if you do you will feel the results of your vote. The Parliament we offer you will recognise the various vocations there are in this country and the different interests in this country—a Parliament that will listen to you, hear your voice, and not drive things

Three years ago I last spoke in Kilknockan; Jim Madigan; Harry of our people concerned with agri-

cultural and industrial production, Wreaths were sent by Old Gaels and by giving the Dail all the inforand Comrades, Croagh, and Croagh mation the Government had on the world economic situation. He sug- lo Numerous messages of sympathy gested that the Government would,

ship, and to the application of hur-

as a result of its neglect, some day develop into a state of panic that would send them looking for more V power, more control, more censor- to

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