Bourchier remembered at UL

A LIMERICK man is being honoured by the Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria with a documentary exhibition, opening this week, at the University of Limerick.

James David Bourchier (1850-1920) was a highly educated man hailing from Ballyea, Kilmallock. Bourchier first visited the Balkans in 1888, after which he devoted much of his life to aiding the young Bulgarian state.

He worked as a foreign correspondent in Bulgaria for The Times newspaper, and other papers in the UK and Ireland. His love and sympathy for the Bulgarian people led him to become deeply entwined in the history of Bulgaria and he is considered a National Hero. Speaking with the Irish Independent, Dr. Luke Ashworth, head of the Department of Politics and Public Administration at UL, was eager to impress the importance of this man on the people of Limerick. Bourchier was awarded several honours to show the appreciation of the Bulgarian people. There is a James Bourchier Boulevard in the heart of Sofia, and he was the first foreigner ever to have his face featured on a Bulgarian stamp.

The exhibition runs from 21 November to 7 December in the Foundation Building (Concert Hall) at UL and is an excellent chance for the people of Limerick to remember him.

Island hop demand ‘Island hop demand ‘

By Mary Earls

It has been suggested that two bridges could link estate with Moyr and Corbally

HOME OWNERS in St Mary’s Park have their eyes on being offered 20,000 for the Regeneration Agency, if they don’t want a replacement house in the revamped estate. St Mary’s Park Resident’s Committee c of home owners want to get out of the estate because they believe the anti-social behaviour will worsen.

One homeowner alleged that when regeneration plans were first mooted, people were local authority that they would go to St Mary’s Park for 250,000 for their houses.

“Lots of us just want to get the hell out. We were told by the council that it’s a house, or we would be given the option of 250,000 euro with their help because we were shocked when we heard. Recreation Committee was only off 20,000.”

“Regeneration are also looking at build bridges to Corbally and Moyross.”

would like Brendan Kenny to know about and that these two crossing areas will give easy access to change more damage.

“And with some crime figures getting c next year, it’s just too much for someone like Gardai can’t control the estate now, not when it’s bigger, with two gates with bridges at least now with only one way in and one way out, there is no escape if somethings happens in The Island. “Plans to build load houses in the estate, giving us all tiny lands, is another thing that is turning head. According to this resident, who didn’t want named, there are 50 legally owned houses, in a community of 300. And he said that residents be divided into two groups, who want to stay and those who want to leave. The Resident’s Committee is now c：“We want to get to the information meeting for the estates to let them know where it’s at.”

“The residents know they are sitting on a mine, when they see the plans for parks, i