PROCEEDINGS 1962

LECTURES

January : Ireland of the Scriptoria ... ... ... G. F. Mitchell, M.A.
February : The Kingdom of Desmond ... ... ... Eoin O Mahony, B.L
April : Early Gaelic Literature ... ... ... Frank O Connor
October : Development of the Irish Harp... ... ... Richard Hayward
December Moylough Bell Shrine ... ... ... Prof. M. J. O Kelly

OUTINGS

May : Kilkenny & Jerpoint
June : Askeaton Castle and Friary, Ballyglehane and Ballycahane Castles.
July : Manister, Croom, Carrigeen (Dysart), Dunammon and Garronbue.
OBITUARY

Mrs. Michael O'Callaghan 16th March 1961

Dermot F. Gleeson, M.R.I.A. 22nd September 1962

Kathleen Murphy, the future Mrs. Michael O'Callaghan, came to live in Limerick in the autumn of 1909. Gaelic scholar and Cambridge graduate in one well adjusted personality she was to succeed her sister, Mrs. O'Donovan, as professor of Method at the new Training College for Teachers. Five years later she married Michael O'Callaghan whose service to his country and the price he paid for it is part of Limerick history. His widow survived the tragedy of that spring night in 1921 for exactly forty years.

Like Michael she placed her best gifts at the service of Limerick and Ireland. Feile Luimnigh, language study, art occasions like the Holy Year Exhibition and Art Treasures of Thomond—in such activities she found fulfilment while Limerick learned to regard her with steadily growing gratitude and pride. Ever since our Society was revived in 1929 she and her sister gave unstinting support, and members will long recall her addresses at functions of the Society. Death came to her less than two months after the passing of her sister, Mrs Maire O'Donovan, for many years our Vice-President. And so, to repeat an invocation often on the lips of each of them: Solas na soillse, radharc na Trionóide, tabhair doibh, a Thierna.

This Journal resumed publication in 1936 and the first issue carried a paper by Dermot Gleeson as did most numbers ever since. And now in retrospect we realize that all the previous work is set in focus in that magnum opus which is reviewed elsewhere in these pages, the definitive history of the Diocese of Killaloe. To each of us Dermot Gleeson was scholar, gentleman and friend. We miss him and we pray that after his long toil and a grave illness so bravely endured his gracious spirit may find rest and peace.