The story of Michael Joyce

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THE fascinating career of a Limerick man who was leader of the United Kingdom's river pilots' association before serving as Mayor of his native city will be the subject of the next lecture organised by the Thomond Archaeological and Historical Society.

Dr Tadhg Moloney will deliver the lecture on the life of Michael Joyce who was Member of Parliament for Limerick City from 1900 to 1918, an Alderman representing the Customhouse Ward on Limerick Corporation from 1899 to 1920 and Mayor of the city for two years (1905-1906).

Another aspect of his adventurous and colourful life was that prior to his political career he had been involved in guiding ships up and down the River Shannon as a River Pilot, becoming president of the United Kingdom Pilot’s Association, a position he held for thirteen years.

Michael Joyce was very much involved in a number of sporting activities including being a founding member of Garryowen Football Club.

To learn more about this man’s extraordinary career, all are welcome to attend the lecture which will be held at 8pm on Monday, November 19 in the Tara Building, Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road.