Memorial to Limerickmen executed after they were set free from court

Memorial erected at Cross of Grange, Tipperary Road, the scene of the 1920 shootings in which two men died

A MEMORIAL was unveiled last Sunday in honour of Limerickmen who were killed by Crown Forces prior to the civil war. The pair were shot dead, execution style, after escaping conviction for the alleged murder of a British policeman.

The memorial is erected at the Cross of Grange on the Tipperary Road where Michael Blake and James O'Neill were killed by unidentified members of the Royal Irish Constabulary on November 20, 1920.

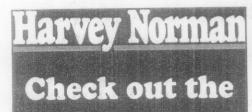
It was unveiled by his-Seamus O'Suilleabhain and a addressed by Des Long, chairman of the Blake Memorial O'Neill Committee.

James O'Neill and brother. Michael's Patrick had been arrested and charged with the murder and manslaughter of a constable in July

The men were tried in Dublin but for the lack of serious evidence against them, the case was thrown out of court and the men were released.

Patrick Blake, his father John, and his brother Michael, made their way home by train, deciding to get a taxi from Limerick Junction large gathering was to their home on

A MAN in his 20s required hospital treatment following an assault on the Dublin Road on Thursday night. Investigating gardai say that a row broke out between two people at around 1am. While no-one has yet been arrested, a definite line of investigation is being followed.





Organising committee chairman Des Long views the new memo-

Rosbrien Road

rial proir to its erection at the site in Cross of Grange.

masked.

shots into the taxi, fatally wounding Michael motor coach. The coach Cappamore. A white Blake, mistaking him for too was stopped at the scarf placed over his his brother, Patrick,

Meanwhile

O'Neill was travelling removed from the vehi-The men fired two from Limerick Junction cle and led towards the with his sister Kitty by Cross of Grange and eyes and he was shot James James O'Neill was

railway four times.

Burglaries and hand bag snatches

HENRY Street gardai are investigating a number of minor crimes this week including handbag snatches and burglaries.

Atlantic Homecare was entered by three men after they smashed a rear door at 11.20pm on Wednesday night last. It is not yet known what, if anything, was taken.

And at 10pm on Saturday, two youth grabbed a handbag containing a small sum of cash from a through woman walking Palmerstown Court.

Two youths fitting a similar description are being searched for in connection with a break-in to a car parked in the church grounds on St Patrick's Road shortly after noon earlier that day. The suspects are described as being aged between 13 and 14 years, and wearing dark tracksuits with hoodies.

And a cashbox was grabbed in an opportunist crime at a college in the Old Town Hall Centre at lunchtime on Saturday, It contained a small sum of cash.

