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today, to share our belief
 that we are all in the hands
 of the God who is love," he
 added.

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 express a profound conviction
 that every person mat-
 ters, that the suffering Son
 of God is to be seen in each
 one," he added.

Death of noted historian

LIMERICK'S best
 known historian died
 early this morning after a
 short illness.

Kevin Hannan, 77, of 16
 Pennywell Road, died at
 5.30am in St John's
 Hospital. He had been taken
 to the hospital a little over a
 week ago, but in recent
 years he had suffered some
 health problems.

Mr Hannan was a promi-
 nent local historian, and
 contributed articles to the
 Limerick Chronicle and
 Limerick Leader for the
 past 30 years, in addition to
 publishing several books on
 local history.

His latest book, Limerick
 - Historic Reflections - was
 published less than a year
 ago, and contained a com-



prehensive history of the
 city.

Mr Hannan was president
 of the Old Limerick

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Society, vice-president of the Thomond Archaeological Society, a member of the Historic Monuments Committee of the Corporation, and a member of the Museum Committee. He was also a member of the executive of the Limerick Civic Trust, representing the Thomond Archeological Society, and was associate editor of the Old Limerick Journal.

A tailor by trade, he worked for the Crescent Clothing Company on Hartstonge Street until his retirement. He was also a keen angler and artist, and enjoyed travelling.

Mr Hannan is survived by two daughters and three sons. His wife May died a number of years ago.

"He was the best local historian we had," said Deputy Jim Kemmy, another noted historian and a close friend.

"He was very well read and was a descriptive writer. He could quote poetry at length, including the complete Drunken Thady.

He was a renaissance man in every sense of the word - a nature lover, artist and historian.

"He was a great friend, a delightful companion, and I will miss him."

Work on Scoil Ide

WORK on Scoil Ide may be closer to commencement, following the decision of Education Minister Niamh Bhreathnach to prepare tender documentation for the building work.

The Minister, responding to representations from Deputy Jim Kemmy, assured him that every effort will be made to ensure that the project is progressed at the earliest opportunity.

"At this stage it is not possible to indicate the time frame for the commencement of the project," said Deputy Kemmy.

"However, a decision on the timing of the tender process will be taken when the project is ready to go to tender."