
OBITUARY

THOMAS MADDEN

Members will have learned with deep regret of the death in Baggot Street Hospital on 24th August, 1947, after a brief illness, of Thomas Madden, State Forester, Coolgreaney, Co. Wexford.

On completion of his training at Avondale School of Forestry with the 1941 class, he was placed in charge of portable sawmills and charcoal production at Rathdrum Forest where he did pioneer work in the preparation of charcoal and its use in petrol engines. He was later in charge of Donadea and Coolgreaney Forests. In each of these posts he showed marked ability.

He was an enthusiastic member of our Society and served on the Council in 1945 and 1946 when he was instrumental in bringing the library scheme into action. He also contributed to the Journal.

To him Forestry was more than a livelihood, it was an abiding interest and his numerous friends will regret the cutting short of so promising a career at the early age of twenty-nine. R.I.P.