

sted that position by sitting at the bed and from that position they could most a foot or so of the bed on which lay. Consequently he contended that in which the deceased was when her tied could not be observed from the Mrs O'Donnell was. He asked them the evidence of Mrs O'Donnell, as true, and if they came to that con- sion must come to the conclusion that a conspiracy there against Miss Garvey in the eyes of the board, with a their coming to the conclusion that Miss s to blame. It should also be borne in Miss Garvey was in charge of thirteen the hospital, and he held that Mary gerald was more responsible for the the ward where deceased was than ey could possibly be. Miss Garvey evershe was sent for on this particular d she seemed to have taken pro- in regard to the deceased he said she did not tie the woman's they had nothing to contradict her, evidence of these witnesses, whom he were all conspiring to injure her. er commented on the evidence of the ts, and pointed out a difference be- two. They should come to the con- t either the evidence of one or the not true. After touching on the f Mrs Dwyer, he continued to say that ey was an officer in their employment ead for three or four years, during e she had held the highest character e never been reported to the board as any reproof whatsoever. On the other y Anne Fitzgerald, he was instructed, censured by the board—Mr Sheehan ect him if what he stated was not a eahan (master)—I can't remember r not the woman was reported before rd. e—Undoubtedly, whether she was or oman was reported on the night pre- s occurrence to the nuns. Unless you ed that Miss Garvey is to blame, I ou not to make any report in your hich might be injurious to Miss Garvey, submit it would be a grave injustice y. oner, addressing the jury, said that ry lengthy inquiry, extending over the art of yesterday, their labours were n to a close. He for one would not be say that this inquiry was not neces- if he were to judge by the manner in e jury had listened to the evi- rom the beginning up to the ne, and the very pertinent questions out from time to time to the different it was clear they were fully aliye to tance of throwing light upon the matter estigation. If there was one thing another that should, like Caesar's wife, suspicion, it was public institutions management. Quite apart from the they were mainly supported by the , amongst whom the jury were num-

to their verdict; if twelve were agreed it would be sufficient for the purposes of that investi- gation.

The room was then cleared of every one ex- cept the jurors, who after an hour and a half's deliberation unanimously agreed to the follow- ing verdict—

“That Margaret Bourke died in the Limerick Union Hospital on April 29th from bronchitis and heart disease, and we are of opinion that the falling out of the bed and exposure on the floor of the ward of the deceased for 20 minutes may have accelerated her death; that we con- demn the tying of her hands, and consider the nurses, especially the assistant nurse, Fitzgerald, were guilty of very great neglect.”

ARREST OF NURSES GARVEY AND FITZGERALD.

Last evening the Cahirdavin police arrested Nurses Garvey and Fitzgerald on the charge, we understand, of cruelly neglecting their duty towards Margaret Bourke, whereby her death was accelerated. Miss Garvey was arrested in the house of her friends at Cahirdavin while Fitzgerald, the assistant pauper nurse, was ap- prehended at the workhouse. They were taken before Colonel Maunsell, J.P., about half past nine o'clock, and an information having been made by Head-constable Flanagan detailing what came under his notice both at the last meet- ing of the Board of Guardians, and at the Coroner's inquest, the accused were remanded, and it is probable the case will come on at the next County Petty Sessions. Bail will be accepted.

RURAL SANITARY BOARD.

The Rural Sanitary Board met to-day for the transaction of business under the Labourers Act. Mr Andrew Harte presided, and the other members present were—Colonel Westropp, J.P., Mr R. E. Lloyd, J.P.; Mr M. Meehan, Mr P. Hayes, Mr Striche, Mr J. Humphries, Mr Wm. Humphries.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

MR POSNETT'S AWARD.

Mr Meehan said they might pass a resolu- tion as to what valuation Mr Posnett ought to allow in the making of his award. Of course it would not bind him in any way, but the opinion of practical men would guide him to a certain extent. They ought not to give the landlords twenty years' purchase in the face of foreign competition.

Mr Wilson, Executive Sanitary Officer, said that the Board had already formed their esti- mate as to the amount of compensation to land- lord and tenant.

Mr Hennessy, C.E.—The basis was twelve and a-half years' purchase to the landlord and seven and a-half to the tenant.

Mr Humphries—How much was Mr Posnett's valuation over yours?

Mr Ryan, solicitor—In the aggregate of the awards Mr Posnett made there was a difference of about £80 as compared with your valuation of the 75 sites that came before him. The matter dropped.

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