

man successfully carried out was the erection of the St. Vincent schools in Henry-street, for the children of the locality—a very populous district—where the want of such most needful accommodation had been long felt.

### DISTINGUISHED LIMERICKMEN.

Intelligence was received in the city yesterday of the elevation to the Episcopacy of the Rev. Father Corbett, son of Mrs. Corbett, Upper William street, and who at one time was a curate in St. John's Parish. Some years ago Father Corbett went out to Australia, where his career has been a very brilliant one. The rev. gentleman soon after his arrival in his new home was appointed to a parish, next he was made a Doctor of Divinity, and now he has been appointed Bishop of Sale, in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The news of the rev. gentleman's great success has been heard by his many friends in Limerick with the most sincere pleasure.

We have met the following paragraph in the New York Sun, in an article descriptive of the United States' Bishops of the Roman Catholic Church:—"One of the youngest of American Bishops, reckoned from the creation of his diocese, is Michael Joseph O'Farrell, first Bishop of the diocese of Trenton. In years he foots up 55, and in labors for the Church he is ranked a veteran. He comes from Limerick, and is Irish to the core, with the Irishman's warm-heartedness, enthusiasm, and genial ways. As befits a man from Limerick, he is a patriot almost before he is a priest. He has been foremost in all movements to range the Catholic Church in America on the side of the Irish in their struggle against England. His most frequent appearance before the general public is as a lecturer on Irish wrongs for the benefit of some one or another Irish relief fund. He began his work in this country in Montreal, and was afterwards assistant and then pastor in old St Peter's, in Barclay-street. He was serving here in 1881, when the fourteen counties in the lower part of New Jersey were erected into the new diocese of Trenton, and he was appointed its Bishop. Since then he has laboured with more than the usual energy of a Bishop in building up the Church under his jurisdiction, and has made himself personally known and felt in almost every town and village in the extensive territory he has to cover. His dignified, graceful figure, and bland, homely, and kindly face are familiar to all Trenton people, and his popularity among them is unbounded. It is a fact not generally known that, in the famous controversy in which Froude, the English historian, contended against the Rev. Thomas Bourke, O.P., to prove that England was justified in oppressing Ireland, the facts upon which Father Bourke based his cause were collected and prepared for him by Father O'Farrell. The Bishop bears the reputation among priests of being the best posted man in the clergy on Irish history."

### DRINKING TROUGHS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.  
Limerick, May 10, 1887.

SIR—Through the medium of your paper will you permit me to call attention to the complete absence of any public drinking trough for horses and dogs in our city.

Very few can even imagine the suffering of these poor animals during summer—especially as horses are worked harder in Limerick than in any city in the kingdom. If the public bodies and public companies refuse and cannot be compelled to put up these troughs, it would be a blessing if you would accept subscriptions for this purpose.

Yours truly,

D. L.

to the city.

Mr Spaight asked what proof had they of the dangerous nature of the lunatic child.

Mr Spillane said they had medical evidence to prove that.

After some further discussion, Mr Spillane proposed—"That in all cases of admission of patients from the Limerick Union, a certificate must be forwarded with the patient, signed by the Master of the workhouse, stating the date of admission of such patient to the workhouse."

Alderman Coumhan seconded the resolution, which was passed unanimously.

The contract for skim milk for the year was given to Mr Thomas Power, Ballymore, at 2d per gallon.

Some routine business having been disposed of, the Board adjourned.

### THE LATE DROWNING CASE.

#### INQUEST YESTERDAY.

Yesterday, shortly after 12 o'clock, the coroner (Mr DeCoursey) held an inquest at Goggin's public house, Thomondgate, touching the circumstances connected with the death of the unfortunate man, Cusack, who in a drunken freak plunged into the river at Thomondgate, on the night of Thursday, the 18th ult, and was accidentally drowned.

Head-Constable Wall watched the case on behalf of the police.

A respectable jury was sworn, and having viewed the body,

Mary Cusack, wife of the deceased, was sworn, and deposed the last time she saw the deceased was on Thursday evening, the 38th April, at eight o'clock; he was then going towards the distillery, and there was no person with him; the deceased was drunk, and she did not speak to him; she had not live with him for some months before; she did not know where he went after he left her; but she heard afterwards that he had been drowned; he was a good swimmer, was 25 years of age, and was a fisherman.

Patrick Brennan deposed he recollected being on the other side of the river on Thursday, the 28th ult, about 8 o'clock, at the Island slip, and heard a noise as from someone in the water, who turned out to be a man; he got a boat and went to the rescue, and whilst going to him saw him sink, and hit the water with his hands, and then sink, knew where the deceased was picked up yesterday; that was about 20 or 30 yards from where he saw the deceased sink; he knew that the deceased used to indulge in a swim when he had drink taken; he often saw the deceased swim whilst under the influence of drink.

Sergeant Patrick Ginnelly, deposed—At a quarter to 3 o'clock on yesterday he was informed that the body had been found; he went and examined the body, which was dressed with a coat and trousers and gandy; there were no marks of violence on the body; the deceased had a pipe in his possession; the deceased had been brought to the barrack at 1 o'clock on the day of the occurrence by Constable White, charged with being drunk, and was discharged at about a quarter past six o'clock; the deceased had been in his possession.

Head-Constable Wall stated that he had further evidence, if necessary, to prove that the deceased was drunk at the time of the melancholy occurrence, but the coroner stated that he had heard quite sufficient to warrant the jury in coming to the conclusion that the death was purely accidental.

The jury, after a few minutes' deliberation, found "that the deceased came by his death by drowning on the evening of the 18th April, and that it was purely accidental."

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