

LIMERICK ASYLUM BOARD.—We learn Privy Council have appointed Captain Croker, D.L., The Grange, and Mr James Barry, J.P., George-street, Limerick, to be of the District Lunatic Asylum. These have been created by the resignation of Mr. and Captain Mark Maunsell, J.P., who held office since the list of 1890 was published. We are glad the authorities have made a selection—the gentlemen appointed Governors of the Asylum, and intimated with the details of its working.

MR. MURPHY'S CATTLE SALES.—On Saturday next, the usual fortnightly sale of cattle and sheep will be held by Mr F. W. McCarthy, at the Agricultural Hall, Military Road, Limerick. The catalogue is a large one—60 dairy cows and in-calf heifers will be offered for the hammer. Mrs Courtenay's lot of cows are well worthy of notice; they are tried milkers. Mr J. Roche Kelly's lot of 12 in-calf heifers are well selected, and in fine condition. Mrs Smith O'Grady's lot of cows cannot be excelled. Mr F. Maunsell's lot of sheep are remarkably good. Altogether the cattle and sheep of Saturday's sale are of a first-class quality, and we would direct the attention of our agricultural readers to this auction. Particulars of the stock to be sold will be found in our next columns.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.—The average annual rate of mortality represented by the deaths registered in the sixteen principal town districts of Limerick was 39.2 per 1,000 of the population. The following table shows the deaths registered in the past week in the various districts, alphabetically arranged, corresponding to the following annual rates per 1,000:—
Belfast, 15.5; Cork, 33.7; Drogheda, 32.2; Dundalk, 8.7; Galway, 53.8; Limerick, 40.5; Lisburn, 33.8; Newry, 14.0; Waterford, 11.6; Wexford, 42.8. The mortality from the principal zymotic diseases in the past week was equal to an annual rate of 4.3 per 1,000, varying from 0.0 in twelve of the districts to 12.1 in Belfast, the 27 deaths from all causes registered in that district comprising 26 deaths (being 5 over the number from that district in the preceding week), 2 from scarlatina, 14 from whooping-cough (being a surplus of 5 as compared with the number for the preceding week), 1 from diphtheria, 5 from typhoid fever, and 4 from diarrhoea.

ADDRESS TO MR. JOHN FINUCANE, M.P.

On Tuesday, Mr John Finucane, M.P., was met at Geary's Hotel by a representative delegation from his constituents in East Limerick, and presented with an illuminated address and purse of sovereigns. A number of prominent gentlemen were present, and the proceedings were marked by great enthusiasm. The address congratulated Mr Finucane on his enjoyment of good health, and his confinement in prison, and expressed a feeling of pride in him as their representative, recognising in him a man of high worth and faithful to his pledge to his constituents and party. It prayed that God might lengthen his life, to enjoy the fruits of a free Ireland gained by the efforts of himself and his colleagues. Mr Finucane appropriately acknowledged the compliment paid to him, and assured those present that in the future, as in the past, he would use his endeavours to continue the confidence

Abbeyville, Croam; Mr Furnell, Fort George, Kilpeacon, Mr Blennerhassett.

The officiating clergy were the Rev Canon Gregg, and Rev W. J. Clarke. The former gentleman, towards the close of the service, which was of the ordinary character, delivered a very impressive address in reference to the deceased gentleman.

The coffin was covered with beautiful wreaths of lilies, violets and ferns, sent by many friends. It was a heavy mounted polished oak with massive brass mountings, and in it was enclosed a mahogany shell, nicely upholstered in satin. Messrs P. M. McCarthy and Sons were the undertakers, and carried out the arrangements in their usual satisfactory manner.

THE LATE HON. HUGH MASSEY.

At the Patrickswell Petty Sessions on Tuesday, the magistrates presiding were—the Hon. Gaston Monsell (in the chair), Colonel Massy Westropp, and Mr W. F. O'Grady.

After a few cases had been disposed of, the Chairman said he wished to say a few words touching the sad event of yesterday—viz. the interment of the late Hon Hugh Massey. He was a gentleman highly respected, beloved and esteemed by Catholic and Protestant, by rich and by poor, by farmers and labourers, in fact liked—and deservedly liked by everyone. He begged to propose the following resolution:—"The magistrates sitting at Patrickswell Petty Sessions beg to convey to Lieutenant-General Lord Clarina the great regret which they feel at the death of his brother, the Hon Hugh Massey."

Colonel Massy Westropp seconded the resolution.

Mr O'Grady fully agreed in the resolution, and with all that the Chairman had said, and deservedly said.

District-Inspector Frizell, on behalf of the police, supported the resolution in a few appropriate words, and it was carried unanimously.

Yesterday at the Limerick Board of Guardians, Mr J. M. Inerney, chairman, presiding.

Mr R. J. Gabbett said it was his melancholy duty to bring forward a motion with which, he was sure, they would all agree and pass unanimously, and that was that they adjourn the board out of respect to the memory of the late Hon. Hugh Massey. He might say it was the only graceful compliment they could pay to his brother, Lord Clarina, who, without exception, was one of the most attentive and useful members of the board. It was the least compliment they might pay him on the death of his brother. The Hon. Mr Massey was no ordinary man either. He was of inestimable value to the county, and always took an active part in everything, agricultural or other practical movement for the benefit of all. He was a large employer of labour, and those who attended the funeral the other day could see the estimation in which he was held by the many tearful faces of men, women and children. He begged to propose that the board do adjourn as a mark of respect to his memory.

Mr D. F. M'Namara seconded the resolution.

Alderman Riordan said he thought the chairman might accept it as seconded unanimously.

The Chairman—Yes. I don't think there will be a dissentient from the proposition. I had the pleasure of meeting the Hon. Hugh Massey on many occasions, and he was a most estimable man, while I must say Lord Clarina is the most straightforward guardian sitting on his side of the house.

Mr M'Namara—Or any side.

The motion was unanimously adopted, and the board adjourned.

TOWN COUNCIL.

this case, and in order that I not suffer anything by the exertion, the men of the Pork Erection are prepared to guarantee your worship in any way you think proper you might suffer by the exertion.

Mr Beauchamp—In reply to of Mr Moran, I must say I gentleman to ask your worship opinion of eminent counsel, as your worship to go against that centered in the annals of the profession.

Mr Moran—Oh, nonsense, no.

Mr Beauchamp—Yes, unprec what it is.

Mr Moran—Take care of your and leave me to myself (applauds).

Mr Beauchamp—I'll take care.

Mr Moran—I'll defend the men to the last, and don't you touch a thing that is unprecedented.

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