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DEATH OF MR. ARTHUR RUSSELL.

We regret to announce the death, which took place this morning at Lemonfield, of Mr. Arthur Russell, senior member of the firm of Messrs J. N. Russell & Sons. Mr. Russell was but a few days ill, having been in town no later than Monday last. He complained of a slight cold next day, which on yesterday assumed a serious aspect, and at half-past ten this morning the venerable gentleman breathed his last. He was in his 80th year. Since the death of his brother, the late Mr. Richard Russell, the deceased gentleman was governing member of the firm, and up to the time of his death took an active interest in its large transactions. He was a gentleman of a kind retiring disposition, a capital business man, and indulgent to his employees, and one "whose word was as good as his bond," to use the remark of a friend who had known him long. Mr. Russell was Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce for a number of years, and quite recently was re-elected to that position. He was a member of the Harbour Board, and had also been connected with the Markets Trustees, but latterly did not mix much in public business. The date of the funeral has not yet been fixed.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

At the County Petty Sessions on Thursday, before Mr J. C. Delmege, and Mr W. F. O'Grady, a young man named Michael Hartnett was charged with embezzling a sum of money from Mr Thomas Geary, confectioner, Charlotte's Quay. The accused was in Mr Geary's employment since May last, and in December was placed in the position of vanman at a salary of 10s per week with commission. On Wednesday the 15th of last month, he was sent to Newport with a van of goods, value for about £10, but did not return. The horse and van were got at Kilmallock. From information received, Mr Geary proceeded to Queenstown, and identified the accused who was about to embark for New York. Detective Sergeant Maguire gave evidence of the arrest, which was effected when the accused was about to proceed to New York by a Guion Line steamer. A steerage passage, which, he stated, he purchased for the money obtained for the goods, was found in his possession. The

THE CITIZENS' IN AID OF BARRINGTON'S HOS

The annual Ball in aid of Barrington was held last night in the Athenæum with a very creditable success. In view of the seasonable ailments, no doubt, present, from being present, but at the same time there was a very good muster of lovers of the chorean Art, the city and county were represented. The building was decorated by the Ladies' Committee, Messrs Todd and Company, and though there were not to say very many, the decorations were very elegant and in good taste. The entrance to the ball-room was decorated with flags and drapery, and the stage at the back of the stage was very pretty, not to say cosey, resting place. The stage, was luxuriously furnished in a room style, and the hall itself received the same careful treatment. The walls were decorated with beautiful mirrors bordered with flowers of various hues. The fairy lamps judiciously placed in a cluster of moss and flowers producing a pleasing effect, and in fact was the finest of the arrangements. Round the walls over the mirrors was a quantity of flowers. The gallery front was similarly decorated. Underneath the gallery were rows of potted plants, and the panels of the work were garnished with tendrils in the same manner as the other portions. The back apartment leading to the ball-room was transformed—to use a very common expression—into two very attractive parlours, in which greenery and art drapery were dominant. The gallery itself, from the best view of the ball-room could be