

Mr T. Shaw, and others lent valuable and a party of police in charge of Inspector Lawless and Head-Constable worked most energetically. We have again that the military deserve the the citizens for their brave and unselfish to save life and property.

THE INQUEST.

At 10 o'clock this afternoon, Mr Coroner held an inquest on the deceased man, Patrick Jones, who lost his life by burning. Sergeant Hanley, William d'charge of the case for the police, and considerable interest was centred in the The greatest regret has been expressed ty for the poor man's fate, and much has been awakened for his sorrowing ho are now deprived of their means of

allowing were the jury—James Smyth n), Patrick Moloney, Wm. O'Friel, James Ambrose Hall, John Butler, Henry John Kelly, Patrick Hayes, Michael son, John Buckley, Cornelius Foran. The jury having viewed the body, evidence e into, and the first witness examined eph Sace, who in reply stated he was the of the house, 119 George street, and was at eight o'clock last evening. He shut use, then his assistant putting off the gas ching the lamps left the shop after witness ve him the key. It was paraffin oil that d in the lamps, and there was an Ameri ve in the gentlemen's room, but the fire in out as witness left. He had only n of paraffin oil in the house to fill the and these were filled each morning. He arge quantity of other oils for hair. After the establishment witness, with his assis- ent home and he was there only about ten ve minutes when he was informed the was burning. He returned immediately and the door forced in. The only belief he form as to the fire was that it came from inlan's kitchen underneath.

Butler—They have no passage through hop?

Delaney—Was it you yourself put out the Yes.

Did you notice any trifling escape of gas during ay? Yes.

Did you quench the lights over the window be- burning of the meter? Yes, and closed the after.

Did you see any smoking? No.

Did you light a match to show you the way to the meter? No.

What are all those materials you had in the room composed of? Spirits.

Is it inflammable? Oh, yes.

Butler—Had the flue in the range any con- on with the shop? It passed through the

reply to another question from Mr Delaney, witness said when he came to the house the test amount of fire was in the corner where the meter was turned off, next to Laird's shop.

In Bannon, assistant to Mr Sace, deposed he ut all the lights, and Mr Sace turned off the he waited until the gas was shut off from the meter before he turned off the taps.

Mr James Forrest, City High Constable, deposed he was superintendent of the Corporation Department, he should candidly admit they no brigade in Limerick; at a quarter after 10 o'clock he received the alarm that there a house on fire in George-street; he took a car, drove to the Corporation yard, where fire engine is kept, and gave the alarm to the Joyce in the vicinity; he sent out the hose

in charge of Patrick Jones, the deceased, the fire engine; when they arrived at the which was only about four or five minutes, employed a number of men to assist in laying n the hose and get it ready; they worked n a hydrant at Mr Delaney's corner at the commencement of the fire (about fifty yards y); the plugs were frozen, and they had to t for fifteen or twenty minutes to get the

er. Mr Delaney—When you got the water what was supply?

Mr Forrest—It was a bad supply.

held at the number of Commis- to-morrow evening, for the purpose of organizing a fund.

Three separate committees have been already started in town for the purpose of collecting subscriptions for the family of the deceased Fireman. To save any confusion they are merged into one, and we are asked to state that the General Treasurers will be the Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, the Mayor, the High Sheriff, and Mr Wm Spillane, J.P.

DEATH OF MR JOHN R. GILDEA.

We deeply regret to record the death of Mr John Rudolph Gildea, Governor of the county prison, which took place on Sunday at the Governor's house. It was only on that day week that Mr Gildea became ill from influenza, but his indisposition gave no great cause for alarm for a few days when it developed into pneumonia, and on Saturday evening the patient's condition became most critical. All that the skilful aid of Drs Gelston, Fogerty, and Myles could do, was of no avail, and Mr Gildea breathed his last some time about two o'clock on Sunday morning. He had been eight years Governor of the Limerick District prison, previous to which he was Governor of Kilmainham, and during the political excitement of recent years, when so many "suspects," and prisoners convicted under the Crimes Act, were under his charge, Mr Gildea's name was never mentioned in relation to a complaint—he never displayed harshness, or undue severity, but rather showed a kindly feeling towards the prisoners, which gained for him their respect. By his staff he was highly esteemed and looked on as a friend, and they one and all lament his loss. Mr Gildea in private life, enjoyed the acquaintance of a large circle of friends in Limerick and throughout the city his untimely demise is sincerely regretted, every sympathy being expressed with Mrs Gildea and her family in their affliction. The interment took place to-day at St Mary's Cathedral, and the funeral was of a very representative character. The chief mourners were—Mr Gildea, Dublin, brother, Mr H. L. Gildea, Limerick, cousin, and Mr Smith, of London, brother-in-law of the deceased.

Amongst the general public were—Rev Canon Gregg, Protestant Chaplain to the Gaol; Rev Father Quain, Roman Catholic Chaplain; Dr Gelston, Rev J. W. Chapman, Mr Alexander W. Shaw, J.P.; Mr F. G. M. Kennedy, J.P.; Mr Wm L. Stokes, J.P.; Mr E. Gibson, Drs Myles and Fogerty, Dr O'Neill, Resident Medical Superintendent Lunatic Asylum; Dr Kelly, Erinagh House, Castlecon- Colonel Madsell, J.P.; Capt Vanderkiste, J.P.; Mr W. S. Cox, C.E.; Mr Stack, Rev Father Lee, C.C.; Mr Wm L. Hunt, Capt Hunt, Mr B. de Ros Rose, J.P.; Mr M. E. Conway, Mr James O'Mara, Mr Wm Lloyd, Mr John Guinane, J.P.; Mr O'Brien, Mulgrave street; Mr John M'Enery, Limerick Leader; Mr A. J. Eakins, Messrs Guy and Co; Mr John M'Inerney, P.L.G.; Mr P. Kenna, J.P.; Mr Francis A. O'Keefe, M.P.; Rev Father Griffin, C.C.; Mr W. L. Hunt, Mr M'Nab, Mr Barnett, M'Birney, and Co; Mr A. C. Wallace, Rev J. Dowd, Mr Troy, Mr Gale, Mr Wm J. O'Donnell, J.P.; Mr J. Casey, Mr J. J. Clery, J.P.; Mr Hallowell, Mr M'Gann, Chief Warden of the Prison; Mr Castles, do City Gaol; Mr T. Cooney, Mr Herriott, etc.

Amongst those who sent carriages were—Dr T. Gelston, Mr R. Hunt, J.P.; Mr Wm Sidney Cox, Mr T. E. O'Brien, D.L. South Hill; Mr A. W. Shaw, J.P.; Dr Myles, Mr R. de Ros Rose, J.P.; Mr Archibald Murray, Mr F. G. M. Kennedy, J.P.; Mr Stokes, J.P.; Mr Troy, etc.

The coffin was borne from house to the hearse by some stalwart warders, and it may be added that the staff of the prison sent a beautiful wreath as a tribute of respect.

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.—

Madam Worth's Celebrated Guinea Corsets (black 25s) may be obtained from her Local Agents, Messrs Cannock and Co. (Limited), Limerick. Dec. 10.

At Cork, on Saturday, Ellen Sullivan, a married woman, was committed for trial on a charge of having been guilty of the murder of her husband, James Sullivan, on the latter's

Dr O'Neill said the contract price for beef and mutton was 11-16d per lb.

A letter was read from Joseph Mescall, shoe-maker, resigning his position which he held for 18 years. The doctor recommended the man for his pension, and the resignation was accepted.

A letter was read from the Lord Lieutenant, authorising the appointment of the present Board of Governors for 1892.

A letter was read from the Office of Asylums, transmitting three copies of the reports of the recent committee, consisting of Sir E. Mitchell, Mr Holmes, and Dr McCabe, on Lunacy Administration in Ireland. The Lord Lieutenant, the letter stated, expected that the issue of these valuable reports would do much to educate public opinion on the question of Lunacy Administration, and having regard to the importance of the subject he thought it desirable that they should be brought under the special attention of the Boards of Governors.

Mr Harris proposed, and Dr O'Dwyer seconded that each Governor be supplied with a copy, and this was agreed to.

Dr O'Neill said the report gave the Resident Medical Superintendent the appointment and dismissal of attendants.

The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer objected to this, remarking that the more power the authorities left in the hands of the board the better.

Dr O'Neill in his monthly report stated that he had a Christmas tree for the patients, and a couple of very pleasant hours were spent. Nearly 250 of the patients, male and female, were present, and each person received something off the tree to suit their different tastes.

THE FATALITY AT THE FIRE.

The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer said that he proposed writing to the *Chronicle* to-night asking for a collection on behalf of the widow and family of the poor fellow who lost his life at the fire last night. He would be happy to receive the subscriptions of the Governors.

The Governors handed subscriptions to the Bishop.

The Board adjourned.

THE SHOOTING OUTRAGE NEAR DYSART.—

On Saturday morning a young man named Patrick Sullivan, son of a farmer residing at Ballyea was arrested by Sergeant Conneron, of Newhall police station, on a charge of having been concerned in a shooting outrage near Dysart on the 10th of October last, when a farmer belonging to the district named, John Reidy was fired at from behind a ditch while proceeding along the road towards his home, and in connection with which no person has been, so far, made amenable. Sullivan was conveyed to Ennis under police escort, and confronted with Reidy in the presence of Mr Hodder, R.M. Reidy failed to identify the prisoner, and he was discharged.

ANOTHER TESTIMONIAL RE CELLULAR CLOTH

ING.—Mr C. Corneille has received the following:—"84 George-street, Limerick, Dec 21st, '91) DEAR SIR I am sure you will be glad to hear that the Cellular Shirts I purchased at your firm 'after a fair trial' have given me every satisfaction, and I have great pleasure in recommending them as the proper shirts for health, comfort and cleanliness. Owing to the peculiar construction of the material, it gives free scope to the pores of the skin, and does not allow perspiration to collect on the surface of the body—at the same time the shirts give sufficient warmth in either winter or summer without fear of chill. You truly, ROBERT BARRY, M.D., F.R.C.S.I., Sur Medical Officer of Health, Limerick. To Mr Corneille, Thomas-street." (Oct 17.)

It having been reported that Mr Clifton Surgeon Dentist, is about to discontinue attendance in Limerick, he wishes to state the rumour (which arose owing to a sale of furniture taken place at his address), is entirely unfounded, as there is regular daily attendance, as for many years past, at 11 Upper Mallow-street. (Feb 2)

ILLNESS OF SIR THOMAS BRADY.—

Sir Thomas Brady was confined to bed for nearly the whole of the past week, but is now able to sit up, and his speedy recovery is expected. He has been attended by Drs ... For over 40 years this is the longest illness ...