

TERRIBLE CYCLONE

FIVE HUNDRED PERHAPS OR INJURED

A telegram from Wellington that a cyclone visited that killing or injuring five hundred storm passed directly through town wrecking everything subsequently broke out in it and it is now burning. The houses, churches, school buildings, paper offices were destroyed, to estimate the number of deaths.

Later telegrams from Wellington not confirm the first report number of persons being killed by the cyclone which devastated. It is now estimated that thirty persons lost their lives others have been more or the present twelve bodies lying from the debris of the wreck.

FIENDISH ATTACK

Frederick Marrs, a shoemaker before the Rochester magistrates wounding his wife, at St. intent to murder her. The critical condition, and the depositions last night in St. She stated her husband at yesterday morning by striking with a shoemaker's hammer him, but he seized her by the neck and tore away her windpipe. He then struck her with a hammer, and attempted to strangle her. Her features were battered, her nose was laid open, her ears smashed, and her ear torn with the hook of the hammer.

Marrs was remanded. It transpired he is a diabetic recently been in the hospital.

SIR HENRY PONS DU RHAM MINE

Sir Henry Ponsduy, sent to the Queen by the Government of the Cleveland Miners as a distress caused by the says he is afraid he can which he has already given which has reached him proper for the Queen's advise her Majesty to in referred to.

The Miners' Federation suggestions of the Bishop Government Inspector, M.P. and suitable reply manifesto replying to them is issued to-night.

The ballot returns against the acceptance of the Durham miners' most determined since strike.

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Mr Littler, Chairman of addressing the Grand Jury the Duke of Cambridge's hold the justices were licences of a publican soldier when the latter was

A QUESTION OF PROCEDURE

ENNIS PETTY SESSIONS.—YESTERDAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.) (Before Mr F. G. Hodder, R.M., in the chair, Mr J. W. Scott, and Mr H. de L. Willis.)

The Guardians of the Poor of Ennis Union had James Carthy, an inmate, summoned for drunkenness on the Workhouse premises on 18th May.

The Master (Mr Thos O'Loughlin) proved the offence, and the defendant, who did not appear, was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment.

Mr Michael Harvey, Northfield Cottage, Connolly, was prosecuted by the Inland Revenue authorities, for using a gun and dog for the destruction of game, on the lands of Knockakilla, on 7th February last, without being duly licensed.

Mr William Armstrong, supervisor, conducted the prosecution, and Mr Cecil Miniken, solicitor, Ennis, defended.

Martin Harvey called by Mr Armstrong on the 12th day in question, the defendant on Michael Sullivan's holding at Knockakilla, shooting a snipe. He was on boggy land, and had a setter dog. After discharging the gun the defendant went and picked up the bird and put it into a side bag. It was a red setter dog he had. Defendant was fined £5 on February 12th last for killing a snipe.

In cross-examination by Mr Miniken, witness said this was the second time he had given information against Harvey. He was positive it was a snipe he saw him shoot.

Mr Miniken produced several witnesses to prove that the defendant had not a gun, and could not have had a gun with him on the day in question.

After a protracted hearing, on the contradictory evidence the Bench dismissed the case.

Mrs Mary Anne Duffy, Turnpike, Ennis, was fined £5 for a breach of the licensing laws, on Sunday last, on the evidence of Corporal Grady and Gunner Coyne, of Clare Artillery, who swore to being supplied with drink on that day by the defendant.

Mr Healy appeared for the defence. John Hayes was sent to jail for one month for an assault on his mother in Old Mill street, Ennis, on 25th inst.

Bridget Nichill, who had been innumerable times before the court, was on the complaint of Sergeant Doonan, sent to gaol for one month for drunkenness and disorderly conduct in Ennis on the night of the 18th inst. She became very violent, and had to be forcibly removed, shrieking, from the court by a number of constables.

THE RECENT LARCENY IN ENNIS.

The two men, John and Michael Kerin, arrested under circumstances already reported, in connection with the larceny of artificial manure from the yards of two Ennis merchants, Messrs John Armstrong, and T. C. & P. E. Moloney, were brought up, the former on bail, and the latter in custody, and further charged.

Mr Dunning conducted the prosecution, and Mr Cecil Miniken, solicitor, appeared for the defence.

The depositions, which had already been made, and which have appeared in your columns, were put in.

Mr Martin, steward to the Clare Defence Union, through whose instrumentality the thefts were brought to light, made a brief further information.

Mr J. Armstrong, T.C., examined, said he had since examined his stock of artificial manure. He had misad two bags.

To Mr Miniken—I never sold manure before until this year. I got in about 20 tons this year. I checked all but two loads: These could have a bag short, but I don't think they were from what my boys and the railway porter said. Since I got the manure in March, my servant boys have frequent intercourse with the store when I was not present. They had, and do have, the keys.

Mr Peter Moloney, Mill street, was next called, and stated that he had a shop in Mill street and a store in the rear of Bindon street. Michael Kerin was in his employment at the time of this occurrence, and on this morning he got the keys of the yard gate and went out the back door to go to the store. He came back about a quarter to nine o'clock. About half-past ten o'clock witness met Kerin opposite the gaol, and asked him for the keys. He gave them to witness, who then asked him was anybody in the yard that morning. He said not. Witness then asked did anyone take any dung out of the yard that morning. Defendant replied not. "Do you know Mr Martin," said witness. Kerin replied he did. "He saw an ass cart with stable dung coming out this morning, and also I believe something more than stable manure," said witness. "All right," said defendant. Witness then said he had been to the yard the previous evening, and had seen no stable manure lying about, but it was scattered about that morning when he went over. Defendant said there was no manure left in the yard for two days previous, when he gave some to Tom Purcell, of Ballycoore. He did not give defendant, nor anyone else, any authority to take manure from the yard that day. Kerin never got any artificial manure and no black from witness. He had a

DEATH OF MR. A. C. WALLACE, SOLICITOR-TOWN CLERK.

We regret exceedingly to announce the unexpected death of Mr A. C. Wallace, Town Clerk of Limerick, which took place to-day in London. A notice conveying the sad tidings was handed in at this office late this evening, and it will be read with unfeigned sorrow throughout the entire city of Limerick. A more courteous or obliging public official than Mr Wallace it would be impossible to find, and he was a gentleman who, by reason of his sincere and genial manner, possessed the good-will of all who had the pleasure of knowing him. He has been Town Clerk for some eight or nine years, having succeeded Mr John Ellard, Clerk of the Crown and Peace. Previous to his official appointment, Mr Wallace was some years a member of the Corporation. His demise the citizens will deeply deplore, and for our part we sympathise to the fullest extent with his respected family and relatives in their great bereavement.

DEATH OF MR. BUNTON, CROWN SOLICITOR FOR CLARE.

We sincerely regret to record the demise of a gentleman occupying a very high position in his profession, and respected and esteemed by all classes of the public in Clare, we allude to Mr Timothy Bunton, Crown Solicitor for that county, who passed away on Thursday evening last at his residence after a brief illness. Mr Bunton served his apprenticeship in the late Mr M Cullinan's office and was sworn in a solicitor in 1864. He was a lawyer of great ability, his sound judgment and forensic knowledge, bringing him a very large practice in the county and outside it. On the death of Mr Alexander Morphy, Crown Solicitor, two years ago, Mr Bunton was chosen to succeed him, and it was felt that no more judicious choice could have been made. He was very popular in his native town, and his death is deeply regretted, while the utmost sympathy is expressed with his family in their affliction. The funeral will leave for Drumcliffe burial ground at 3 o'clock to-morrow (Sunday).

Our Ennis correspondent writes that at the Petty Sessions, yesterday, Mr Hodder (who was associated on the bench with Mr J W Scott, and Mr H de L Willis) said he wished to say a few words on the great loss the County had suffered by the death of Mr Bunton, Crown Solicitor. By his worth and energy, Mr Bunton had raised himself to the very first position in his profession in the county, and when he was appointed Crown Solicitor a few years ago, the appointment met with the unanimous approbation of everyone. To him (Chairman), and to every other official, he was a dear and valued friend, a wise counsellor, a genial companion, and they would miss his pleasing voice. He would be very glad if they could adjourn the court out of regret at his loss, but the last day the business fell through owing to the non-attendance of a magistrate, and if there was a further adjournment to-day, it might be a matter of inconvenience to the public; and no one would less wish the public to be in any way inconvenienced than the late Crown Solicitor.

Mr Willis said he would ask the bench to adopt a resolution of sympathy with Mrs Bunton, which he would read for them. It was as follows:—"That we, the Magistrates assembled at Petty Sessions, on this, the first occasion after his decease, desire to place on record on behalf of the magistrates in general of this county, as well as of ourselves, the feelings of our deep regret at the death of Timothy Bunton, Esq, Crown Solicitor to this County; and we beg to convey to Mrs Bunton, for ourselves and fellows, the expression of our heartfelt sympathy with her in her sore and sad bereavement."

Mr Willis continued that he was sure every one in that court joined with the chairman in what he had said with reference to the deceased gentleman. They all felt very great sympathy with his relations in the loss they had sustained, and he (Mr Willis) was sure they would adopt the resolution he had put before them. He had taken the liberty of including in it, with them, the magistrates in general of the county, because he felt that many of them would wish to join in the expression of sympathy. They had lost a good public official, and many of them a dear personal friend. He would now ask them to adopt the resolution, and he wished too to join in the regret that they could not adjourn the court.

Mr Scott did not think that he could add anything to what had been said, with which he entirely concurred. Mr John Cullinan said, as senior member of the profession present, he should endorse the remarks of the Bench. Mr Bunton had deserved everything that had been said of him, and more, and he (Mr Cullinan) could not find words sufficient to express the regret at his loss.

The ordinary business was then proceeded with.

THE LIMERICK LACE SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENTS.

A short time since some ladies and gentlemen who take a praiseworthy interest in the Limerick Lace School suggested the idea of arranging a performance in behalf of that institution, and their efforts were very kindly supported by several of our local amateurs. The result has been, we are glad to say, a very gratifying success, and the funds of the Lace School will considerably benefit by last night's and to-day's entertainment. Last night the Athenaeum was crowded in every part by a most representative audience. The main attraction of the programme was Gilbert's and Sullivan's comic opera, Trial by Jury. Preceding this Tableau Vivants of a very realistic character were produced under the titles of "The Graces," "The Seasons," and "A Portrait." These were arranged by Captain Young, R.A., and Mr W. White. "The man who would like to marry" formed the subject of four or five pictures arranged by Major Fowler, R.A., the best of them being a boat scene and a sentimental idea. Some incidental music to the tableaux was contributed, but there was too much time lost in connection with this part of the programme which might easily have been augmented by a few attractive solos or duets. The audience were delighted with Trial by Jury, which is a very humorous "fitting" at judge and jury, and it was so well staged and equally well presented that we only regretted the opera was so short. Our readers are probably aware of the leading features of the piece. A charming young lady brings an action for breach of promise, and enters court attended by her very attractive bridesmaids. The judge and jury are fascinated by the galaxy of beauty presented to their view, and at the outset their prejudices are clearly in favour of the injured one, who still further arouses their feelings of indignation against the callous defendant by fainting in court. In fact the judge is so touched with the incident that he proffers her a seat on the bench which she, needless to remark, readily accepts and falls sobbing on his breast. The trial ends rather abruptly by the judge tossing his papers and books about, and quickly vacating his seat, he rushes into the body of the court, and declares that he will marry the fair one himself. A very lively chorus follows and the curtain falls on quite a festive scene. Mr W. Brazier made as good a judge as he did "Sir Joseph Porter" on a recent occasion. He was quite at home in his ermine robes; displayed a full conception of the serio-comic idea of the character identified in "The Learned Judge," and he sang and acted in a faultless manner. We need hardly say that he was deservedly applauded. His song "When I, good friends, was called to the Bar" was encored. Miss Birdie McCarthy as the "Plaintiff," acted with great ability, and sang in a most expressive and tasteful manner, eliciting the heartiest plaudits of the house. Mr G. P. Geleston deserves every praise for his excellent portrayal of the role of "Defendant." His song "When first my love I knew," was very sweetly sung, and elicited a well earned encore. Mr J. F. Gaffney looked quite the thing in his wig and gown, and proved a very knowing "Counsel for the Plaintiff." He was in fine voice, and put before the Jury the grievances of his "interesting client" in the most persuasive manner. Mr F Johnson as the "Usher," was exceedingly good—his official dress fitted him to perfection, and he asserted his position very realistically in sternly demanding "Silence in Court." The introductory chorus, "Hark, the hour of ten is sounding," with solo by the Usher, was very pleasingly sung, and made a most favourable impression on the house. Indeed, all the concerted pieces and choruses were excellently rendered. Mr B Nash made a capital "Foreman of the Jury," and the "Principal Bridesmaid" was ably represented by Miss Ella Ryan. The other bridesmaids were Miss Nash, Mrs O'Callaghan, the Misses Ryan, Mrs Joyce, Miss Riordan, Miss Doyle, Miss A Doyle, Miss Hanrahan, Miss Egan, Miss Donnellan, and Miss Arthur. Their dresses were varied, and very pretty. As the spectators in court, were Miss Graves (who was dressed as an orange woman with her basket), Mrs Eilmore, Miss Fogarty, Miss Vereker, Miss Holmes. The jury and officials of the court were as follows:—Messrs J Gubbins, Sparrow, Jackson Harris, C Geleston, J Fitzgerald, A M de Pins, M Power, F Mitchell, T J Bourke, T Carman, Joyce, Harnett, Anglell, A Pike, Walters, &c. We must congratulate the orchestra on the precision with which they played the music of the opera; and, it may be added that the orchestral arrangement was the work of Mr Stanislaus Elliot. The following were the performers—