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AMATEUR THEATRICALS IN ENNIS.—An amateur theatrical performance will be given at the Town Hall, Ennis, on or about the 6th and 7th September, by a number of ladies and gentlemen of Clare. The plays to be presented will be "Chiselling," "Man Proposes" and the "Absent Man." The proceeds of the entertainment will be in support of the County Clare Cricket Club, towards obtaining a good cricket ground, that at present in use being too far from the town, and not by any means a good one.

THE CLARE ARTILLERY.—We are glad to learn that Captain M J Kenny, Mallow street, Limerick has been promoted Major in the Clare Artillery, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel D M Massy, who was appointed to the command of the brigade on 1st August, '93. Major Kenny, who becomes second in command, has served over 14 years in the regiment, and obtained his captaincy in '85. He is a most capable and popular officer, and his promotion has been heard of with intense satisfaction by hosts of friends in Limerick and Clare. We congratulate him on his well deserved advancement.

SHOCKING FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday Mr Coroner Casey held an inquest at Ballintubber, near Kilfinane, touching the death of a man named Patrick Cronin. It appeared from the evidence that on the 8th inst the deceased was employed making a risk of hay, and having finished off the top, let the fork he had been using slide down the side of the risk, and immediately followed, believing the fork was lying on the ground, but instead it was standing perpendicular prongs upwards, which entered the unfortunate man's abdomen, inflicting injuries that caused his death in five hours. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

THE EVICTED TENANTS BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.
Mount Trenchard, Foynes,
Co Limerick, 13th August.

SIR—Being prevented from taking part in the debate, I shall be obliged for space to explain in your columns my reasons for not voting on an Irish Bill of such importance.

As I have explained in the *Nineteenth Century* review, I disapprove most strongly of the Government measure, and especially of the compulsory element which constitutes its fundamental principle; nor—gladly as I would have welcomed a compromise—do I think any amount of amendment could convert it into a satisfactory and workable Act. I cannot, therefore, support the second reading.

On the other hand, the admissions of the Unionist leaders as to the desirability of legislating seem to me to necessitate a clearer definition of the attitude of the joint party than can be given by a purely negative vote, such as Lord Balfour proposes. A direct negative leaves that attitude open to the construction—or misconception, as I believe it to be—of *non possumus*.

The debates in the House of Commons have failed to remove such a misconception. The amendments which might have cleared up the situation have not been discussed, or even moved, and are not before the public. Surely, therefore, some such resolution as Mr T W Russell's, indicating the positive side of the Unionist policy, is

LIMERICK LUNATIC ASYLUM.

The monthly meeting of this Board was held to-day in the Boardroom of the Institut Lord Emly presided, and there were also present—The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, Mr Wm Spill J P; Dean Bunbury, Capt Croker, D L; M Hunt, J P; Mr Vincent Nash, J P; Alder O'Mara, Mr P Herbert, T C; Mr T E O'Br D L; Mr James Harris, Alderman Council J P; Alderman Riordan.

Dr O'Neill, Resident Medical Superintendent, Mr Browne, C E, Architect, and Mr P F Clerk, were in attendance.

STATE OF THE HOUSE.

For month ending 14th of August. Extent accommodation, 250 males and 250 female number of inmates, 290 males and 282 female remained the 10th July. 295 males, and females; admitted, from city, 1 female; from the county, 4 males and 7 females; discharged to the city, 1 male and 4 females; to the county, 5 males and 1 female; died, from the county, 5 males and 1 female; Total discharged and died, 9 males and 6 females; remaining the 14th of August, 281 males and 282 females; from city, 59 males and 60 females; from county, 231 males and 222 females.

THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Dr O'Neill reported:—"I have much pleasure in reporting favourably of the general health of the patients, and the sanitary condition of the Asylum is carefully attended to. The number still keep up, as we have 72 patients this day in excess of what we should have. Since the commencement of the year there have been 12 admissions, showing that insanity is still, unfortunately, on the increase in this county. A special meeting of the Governors was held on 31st ult to consider my report on the overcrowded state of the house, the Inspectors' report regarding the quantity of land and the extent of the accommodation to be provided for, and the architect's report and rough plans of same. A considerable discussion, a resolution was unanimously adopted which will be laid before you. Having completed the term of office of Medical Superintendent, which entitles me to good service pay, I have to request you to recommend the Lord Lieutenant to grant me the usual increase of £100 a year. There are 12 candidates for the position of night attendant rendered vacant by the resignation of the one appointed at last meeting. I beg to apply for annual leave of absence to be taken at inter to suit the interests of the Institution."

Mr Hunt said they had recently seen the motion of other medical officers, who had their increased allowances for good service, there was no Governor here but would admit Dr O'Neill richly deserved the increase (to be heard). He thought they would all have the greatest pleasure in recommending it, and accordingly handed in notices of motion that will move at the next monthly meeting that requisition be made to the Lord Lieutenant that Dr O'Neill be granted good service pay a year for eight years' service, in accordance with the P Council Rules."

A letter was read from the Most Rev O'Dwyer announcing that he had nominated Rev T Lee, Adm. St John's, to the office of chaplain of the institution, in room of the Rev Geo Quaine, who has been given charge of a curate parish.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The report of Mr Wm M Ellis, relative to his audit of the Asylum accounts for the