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F.—THE QUESTION OF E GOVERNORS AND THE

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land.

Dr O'Dwyer thought if the Board of Control did one thing at a time and went on with the building (to relieve the over-crowding) which would cost £7,000, it would be better, and then the Governors could look round next year and see if they could launch this land project. He d d not know if any committee of the Board had ever inspected this land?

Dr O'Neill-No.

After further discussion, it was decided, on the motion of Mr Harris, that a special meeting of the Board be held on Tuesday next to consider Dr O'Farrell's report.

DR O'NEILL'S GOOD SERVICE PAY.

The next business was a notice of motion of Mr Herbert to rescind the resolution granting £100 a year good service pay to Dr O'Neill. Mr Herbert said that from the constitution of the Board it would be useless for him to propose the notice of motion, and he withdrew it, but entered his protest against the increase, which was not, to his mind, in accordance with the rules of 1892.

The following contracts were declared:—Soap, Mr Anglim, at £1 per cwt; cutlings, Mr Gaffney, at £11 4s per ton; meal, Mr J H Roche, at £5 17s 6d.

The Board then adjourned.

REJOICINGS AT GLENSTAL.

On Thursday night all the workmen, their wives and grown up daughters were invited by Sir Charles Barrington, Bart, to a dance to celebrate his engagement with Miss Bacon. The festive gathering was presided over by the steward, Mr R Weller, who in a brief speech proposed the health of Miss Bacon, which was enthusiastically drunk and received with ringing cheers. The health of the generous host was then drunk with three times three. Songs were rendered at intervals by various members of the company, and dancing was indulged in with great spirit until one o'clock, when the party, which numbered between sixty and seventy, dispersed to their various homes, highly delighted with the enjoyable night they had spent. Refreshments were liberally supplied throughout the night. It is extremely gratifying to hear of these friendly re-unions, showing, as they do, the good feeling existing between employer and employed.

THE LATE REV. DAVID WILSON, D.D. TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

43, Merrion Square East, Dublin, 10th day of December, 1894.

Sir,—I read with great interest your obituary notices of the Rev David Wilson, and the account of his funeral. His praise is sung by loftier harps than mine, but I yield to no one in the love and esteem in which I held him for a period of in or about fifty years. Such a character deserves a lasting memorial from the citizens of Limerick, as well as from his friends in Belfast, Cork, London, and elsewhere. I have no doubter committee will be formed in Limerick to do justice to his public services and virtues; and it will afford me a great though a melancholy pleasure, to join, even in ever so slight a way, in assisting in such a work.—I am your obedient servant,

WM. LANE-JOYNT.

ENTERTAINMENT AT RATHKEALE, TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR—Kindly give me space for a few lines of comment upon your laudatory notice of the concert and theatricals held here on Friday and Saturday evenings. In the first place it was Miss Bessie Massy who on Friday evening sang "The snowy breasted pearl," and she sang it as usual with much taste, tenderness and effect. Miss Minnie Massy sang on Saturday evening,

ring to, of course, the claim for £689 5s. Mr Guinane was appointed arbitrator for the contractors, but there appeared to be no information as to the manner in which Mr Guinane was appointed to act for the contractors. ever, an award was made, signed by Mr Spillane and Mr Guinane, to the effect that Messrs O'Doanell and Scanlan be paid £399 in full for their claim, which was defined as the claim of £689 5s. Having fully investigated the claim, and having heard evidence in presence of the respective solicitors of the parties, the arbitrators made that award. On 9th March the award was affirmed by the Corporation, with the addition that it was an understanding that the amount be accepted by Messrs Scanlan and O'Donnell in full discharge of their claims, and a sum of £411 13s 4d claimed by them on foot of the contract. On the 20th March Mr O'Donnell attended on behalf of the contractsrs, and stated they would accept the £399. On the 27th March '88 a cheque was signed by the Mayor and two members of the Corporation, Mr D F M'Namara, and Mr Michael Spain, and there was a let'er from Mr O'Donnell that the cheque would be accepted as a settlement of all claims of Messrs O'Donnell and Scanlan the against Corporation, and that there would be no further claim against them. Mr Drury made a surcharge against the Mayor, Mr D F M'Namara, and Mr Spain. On the same date an appeal was sent to the Local Government Board by the persons surcharged, and after some official correspondence between the Local Government Board, Mr Drury, and the Law Adviser, on the 21st June a scaled order was issued affirming the surcharge of £3991. The amount was then lodged with the Treasurer, and nearly twelve months in May 1891, the Corporation City after. petitioned the Local Government Board, asking them to request the auditor to inquire again into the claim and make such an order as would meet the justice of the case and if necessary have a full inquiry into the whole circumstances. In this petition it was stated that the contractors had never read the deed of contract. They had been informed that it was drawn on the same lines as previous contracts, and it never struck them that any change would take place during their three years of the contract. The Local Government Board replied that having already acted on the lines contemplated by the statute, having heard an appeal and issued a sealed order, the matter had passed out of their hands, and they stated they had no power to take further action. On the 23rd July the Corporation unanimously resolved that a cheque for £399 be signed. On the 3rd September it was signed by 33 members of the Council. That brought the matter down to the present data from the original talkers. There were then a few questions the auditor said he would like to have information on, one of which was—what was the cost in previous years for the work?

Mr Dundon—What is the amount paid to the previous con ractor, Mr Hunt, and what did it cost the Corporation when they had the work in their own hands?

Mr Woulfe said he would prepare the informa-

tion on the point.

The Auditor—Did the previous articles of contract contain the same clause as to the depot?

Mr Corbett-They did.

The Auditor—Was there any submission to arbitration on the part of the contractors beyond the fact which is in the award?

Mr Dundon—It is likely a letter was received from the contractors appointing Mr Guinane as their arbitrator. What appears to have been done in regard to the matter is this. The claim came before the Committee of the Corporation, and they said, "We consider this is a claim that ought be decided by arbitration." The Corpo-