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Dr. Myles, Mr. M. G. Slade, C.E. The Rev. Canon Willis officiated at Rathkeale, and gave a short address at the grave.

#### DEATH OF MR. JAMES S. BENNETT.

The above named gentleman died on the 14th instant, after a protracted illness, at his residence, Tullabrackey. For many years Mr. Bennett was a member of the County Fox Hounds, and was passionately fond of hunting. During the latter portion of the forties and beginning of the fifties he was one of the few who sat in the "pig-skin" in the covert side in this county. He was a forward rider, a keen sportsman, a genial companion, and doubtless those who knew him at his best will, with a sigh of regret, wish that the turf may rest light on his coffin. Mr. Bennett was a graduate of T.C.D., an upright and fearless magistrate, and for a long time an *ex-officio* guardian of Kilmallock Union, where he was much respected. His remains will leave Tullabrackey on Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. for interment at Doonass.

#### DEATH OF THE REV. CANON LLOYD.

We regret to observe in our obituary columns the announcement of the death of the Rev. Edward Lloyd, A.M., Canon of Clondegad, which took place at Broadford, County Clare, yesterday, after a short illness. Deceased clergyman, who was in his 59th year, was ordained in 1859, and spent the entire of his ministry in the diocese of Killaloe. He was appointed to the living of Kilsiele in 1874, and held it up to the time of his death. He became Canon in 1884. He was a most popular clergyman, and held several offices in connection with the Diocesan Synod. His death will be deeply regretted throughout the entire diocese. The funeral takes place to-morrow at Bradford at one o'clock.

#### DEATH OF THE REV. JOHN LOW, B.A.

We regret to record the death of a clergyman well-known to a Limerick audience, the Rev. John Low, B.A., T.C.D., Rector of Bansa, Co. Tipperary, which took place last week. The deceased gentleman, who was in his 68th year, graduated at Trinity College, was ordained in 1851, and became curate of Blackrock, Westmeath, and Queen's County before his appointment as incumbent of Templemore (Bansa) in the year 1874. He was possessed of marvellous powers as a pianist, and his brilliant performances at many amateur concerts were always listened to with the greatest pleasure. As a lecturer, too, chiefly upon the great masters of the musical world, and expositor of their different styles, he displayed a vivid, refined, and remarkable conversance with his subject. He was frequently heard by audiences in this city. The rev. gentleman had been in failing health for some time past, and his death was not unexpected. The interment took place in the graveyard at Bansa church, and the funeral cortege was large and representative.

#### DEATH OF A LIMERICK PRESSMAN.

The London correspondent of the *Freeman's Journal* says:—Yesterday at Forest Hill Cemetery Sydenham, the funeral took place of Mr. Roger K. Griffin, a well-known London Pressman, who for many years reported the proceedings at the Guild Hall Police Court. Mr. Griffin, who died in his 73rd year, was a native of Limerick, and a relative of Gerald Griffin. He commenced his journalistic career on the *Limerick Chronicle*, and subsequently became a member of the Parliamentary Staff of the now defunct *London Morning Chronicle*.

#### THE LATE SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL BANK.

The London correspondent of the *Freeman* says:—On Saturday last the remains of Mr. William Thomas Enright, Secretary of the National Bank, were interred in Kensal Green Cemetery. In accordance with the known wishes of the deceased the funeral was strictly private. Mrs. Dillon (sister) and Dr. Barrett (nephew) were the chief mourners, and the Rev. Father McKenna, of Corpus Christi Church, Maiden Lane, officiated. The grave is situated near that of Cardinal Manning, and it is intended to erect a marble headstone over it immediately. Mr. Enright, who was forty-seven years of age, was a native of Pallaskenry, Co. Limerick. He joined the staff of the National Bank in 1863, and during the 32 years he was connected with it had filled many important positions. Two years ago on the retirement of Mr. Sim from the secretaryship, Mr. Enright was selected to succeed him, and during the brief period he held that responsible position he discharged his duties with general satisfaction. On Friday last the directors of the bank, on the motion of the chairman, passed a vote of condolence with the relatives of the deceased, and the keenest regret is expressed by officials of every grade in the bank at the loss of such a valued colleague. The cause of death was failure of the heart's action consequent on a sharp lung attack, which terminated fatally in a week.

there is a nerve gust of passion then the towering rage which he endeavours to suppress while the ghost relates the murder of the King was a splendid piece of acting. A striking contrast to this was his gentleness and tenderness, even in his frenzy, which he displays towards Ophelia, who exclaims in her anguish, "O, what a noble mind is here o'erthrown." In the grave scene, Mr. Benson was also capital, especially where he comes face to face with "Larles," and need we refer to the final scene—the most pathetic in the entire play. We cannot speak too highly of Mrs. F. R. Benson's "Ophelia," a more graceful or truly expressive interpretation of which we have never seen. She completely fascinated the house in the scene where the poor, witless girl appears fantastically dressed and strewing around her favors of flowers and ivy. Mrs. Benson was heartily applauded at various intervals during the evening, and undoubtedly she thoroughly deserved any mark of distinction that could be conferred upon her. Mr. E. Lyall Swete as the meddlesome old "Polonius," was quite at home, and as "Horatio," Mr. W. Graham Brown displayed with great ability the strength of character and the true fidelity of "Hamlet's" friend. Mr. A. E. George as "Claudius, King of Denmark," supplied a very careful, and indeed clever, representation of the villain-monarch. Mr. Frank Rodney made a very capable "Larles." The humour of the play found full scope in the admirable performance of Mr. G. R. Weir as the "First Grave-digger." He seemed thoroughly at home as the callous fellow who sings at grave-digging, and as he takes Yorrick's skull in his hand, strikes it with the utmost unconcern, and observes, "A pestilence on him for a mad rogue; he poured a flagon of rhenish on my head once." Mr. Weir created roars of laughter by his exceedingly clever acting. Mr. O. B. Clarence as the "Second Grave-digger" was also very good. Mr. G. Fitzgerald took the part of the "Ghost," and interpreted the text excellently. As "Gertrude," the Queen, Miss Mona K. Oram was very good, particularly in the Chamber scene with Hamlet. Miss C. Robertson made an excellent "Player Queen." All the other parts were well filled. The staging was very effective.

To-night *The Taming of the Shrew*, and to-morrow *Othello* will be produced.

#### THE CITY HACKNEY CAR SYSTEM.

To-day a meeting of the Hackney Car Committee of the Corporation was held in the Town Hall, for the purpose of taking action, with a view to the improvement of the hackney car system in the city. There were present—The Mayor (Mr. B. O'Donnell) presiding, Messrs. E. Gleeson, M. Donnelly, T. Donnellan, Alderman Hall, J.P.; M. McDonnell, Ald. S. O'Mara, J. McMahon, and D. Kenneally. The question as to the granting of licenses was discussed at considerable length, there being about 110 applicants. A large number of these assembled at the Town Hall with their horses and cars, for inspection, and having considered each individual application, 65 licenses were granted, and each javey having paid his license money, 5s, received a badge similar to those in use in other cities, and also a book of rules. The remaining applications were adjourned until next Tuesday, when a further number of licenses will be granted, but only those who satisfy the committee as to competency and character will be accepted. It may, therefore, be expected that the new system about to be adopted will meet with general approbation.

#### FIRE AT THE MALLOW MILK FACTORY.

A fire which threatened serious consequences, but fortunately did not result in very extensive damage, broke out at the Mallow Milk Factory, the property of Messrs. Cleave, early on Saturday morning. A large rick of hay under shed in the yard was discovered on fire, and the flames spread rapidly with the result that, notwithstanding the efforts of the fire brigade of the King's Royal Rifles, and the assistance of the employees of the firm, the hay and a large zinc shed were completely destroyed. It is certain that more damage would have been done but for the successful efforts that had been made to check the progress of the "fiery element." The rick contained over 50 tons of hay and straw, and the shed was a very valuable one, and it is believed damage to the extent of over £300 was done. It is unknown how the fire originated.

#### THE WRECK AT LAHINCH.

The vessel "Elizabeth M'Lee" which had taken in a cargo of slates at Liscaunor, and during one of the late storms was driven ashore at Lahinch near the Sandhills, was completely smashed up, by the violence of Sunday night's tide. The vessel had been firmly embedded in the sand, and it was hoped that the hull could in the coming season be improvised as a sort of bathing shed for men, a convenience that is sadly wanted. However, the angry sea of Sunday night has put an effectual stopper on this idea, for it severed the upper from the lower part of the vessel, and scattered the wreckage in all directions. Nothing now remains of her but what is embedded in the sand. Fortunately the captain of the vessel had a day or two previously taken all the available gear out

the word necessary had a technical meaning which he should guard against.

On a poll being taken the application was rejected by one vote.

An application was made by Patrick McGrath and Patrick Fitzgerald, to make a new line of road from Ballingarde to Fedamore road, between the main road from Limerick to Bruff, and the road between Carane and Fanningstown, in the baronies of Small County and Clanwilliam.

Mr. James Doyle, solicitor, appeared to sustain the application. He said that there was a large number of inhabitants along this road, who, owing to its present condition, were greatly inconvenienced. The application had the unanimous support of the people of the locality, and was also recommended by both the Protestant and Catholic clergy of the parish. Mr. Horan recommended the making of the road, and Mr. Croker spoke strongly in favour of the work, which he regarded as being absolutely necessary. The parish priest attended to support the application, which was passed by a large majority, the sum to be laid out being £164. Very much local interest was evinced in the application, and the people in court loudly applauded Mr. Croker and the parish priest for the support which they had given.

#### THE BLACKBOY PIKE.

There was a presentment by Daniel Ryan and John McCarty to improve and repair the road, and build footpaths thereon, at Greenhills, from Borough bounds to Blackboy Pike. Mr. John Ryan, solicitor, appeared to support the application. He said the road extended from the Blackboy Pike, to Garryowen. It was in a most disgraceful condition, and complaints had frequently been made by the residents of the locality about the unsanitary condition of the place. This application had the support of the entire inhabitants, and was strongly recommended by the respected Administrator of the district, the Rev. Father Lee, and the Sub-sanitary Officer of the district, who was present, would describe the dreadful condition of the place.

Mr. Coffey, R.O., said he had been frequently called upon to have the road put in a sanitary condition, and very many complainants had been made. The Sanitary Board did not desire to insist in prosecutions until the inhabitants had something done to enable them to keep the place in a clean state. No more necessary application had ever been made.

Mr. John McCarthy corroborated these statements, and the County Surveyor concurred, stating that the work was a most necessary one.

Mr. Gabbett said the sum applied for—£160—was a very heavy item on one Barony. He quite agreed as to the great need for the work being done.

Mr. Barry suggested that this should be made a county-at-large charge, but it was found that the Presentment Sessions had no power to make such an order.

Mr. Croker suggested that each barony should bear an equal proportion of the amount, and he would propose that the work be passed, £12 to be levied off each barony.

Mr. Ryan said he was afraid that could not be done. If the Presentment Sessions passed the application he would attend before the Grand Jury with the view of having the charge made a county one.

Mr. Gabbett asked would it take the entire amount to do the work?

Mr. Horan said the whole amount would be necessary if the road were properly repaired.

Mr. Ryan remarked that the presentment had been passed at a previous Road Sessions, but the amount allowed was too small, and no contractor could be got to do the work.

After some discussion, the Sessions passed the work, for which they allowed £80.

An application, which was also supported by Mr. John Ryan, solr, and the Rev. Father Lee, was made by the same applicants to flag 80 perches of footpath on the road from the borough bounds to Blackboy, from opposite the Asylum gate to the Fair Green—£300. Mr. John Ryan said this also was a work of absolute necessity. The footpath from the Asylum to the Fair Green was in a wretchedly bad condition. The Corporation had passed a resolution unanimously, recommending the work, and had decided to flag the portion within the boundary, from Higgins' corner to the Asylum gate.

Rev. Fr. Lee said on account of the great traffic occurring in this part, the work was of great necessity. People attending funerals to the New Cemetery were put to very great inconvenience owing to the state of the footpath.

The Chairman asked was anyone in favour of the application, and there being no response, the presentment fell through, a suggestion being made by one of the magistrates that when the Corporation had flagged their portion, the application could be renewed.

The remaining presentments were uninteresting.

#### MALICIOUS INJURIES.

Owen Cahill sought £30 compensation for a mare, his property, which was maliciously and wantonly injured at Lower Doonville, on the morning of Tuesday, the 26th July last. Mr. Boyle, solicitor, appeared for the applicant, who gave evidence that the animal while in the field had received a wound on the left shoulder, which deprived it having a foal for the