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GREAT MUNSTER FAIR.

FIRST DAY.

The horse fair, which was held to-day, though, as is customary, a considerable amount of business was transacted yesterday evening, was fairly up to the average as regards the supply. The quality of the stock, however, was complained of by buyers, but the comparatively limited number of superior animals that were brought to the Fair Green found ready purchasers at remunerative prices, and some buyers were evidently disappointed that there was not more blood stock to be had. The class in which most business was done was in the tram and bus department, and horses suitable for these purposes were rather plentiful, and numerous transactions were effected. The prices which were paid for these animals do not call for any remark. The rule which has been in force for the past few years of confining the buying and selling to the Fair Green was generally observed. Buyers were in attendance from Dublin, Belfast, Cork, Waterford, Londonderry, and Clonmel, while English centres were represented as usual. The local veterinary surgeons were in attendance at the Fair Green. At the local repositories numerous sales were effected.

The following sales took place in the Fair Green — The Messrs Widger purchased two hunters from Mr Matthew Purcell, one for £160 and another for £110, and the same buyers bought another animal of the same class for £140. The Messrs Widger also purchased twenty five carriage horses from £50 to £80 each. Mr P Fitzgerald, Rosbrien, bought a three year old horse from Mr Ryan, Newport, at £35; Mr A McNamara, Ballycahane, bought a colt from Mr G Hartigan, Croom, for £40; The race horse "Naboclish," the property of Mr Roche-Kelly, was purchased by Mr Day for £100, and the same dealer also paid an average of £60 for a number of hunters; Mr Joseph Sheehy, Rathkeale, bought a cob and a hunter at a lump sum of £80 from Mr Murray, Alliston; Mr T Bennett sold a horse to the Messrs. Widger for £15; Mr Ed W Westropp, Ballynolan, bought a four year old hunter from Mr Coroner Frost for £50; Mr J Barry bought 20 tram horses for the agent of the Cardiff Tramway Company, at an average of £25 each. Mr Bourke, Tiermore, Shanagolden, sold a five year old colt by "Welcome Home," for £55 to Mr Atkinson, London.

DEATH OF THE REV. ARTHUR GOUGH GUBBINS, M.A.

We regret having to record the death of the Rev Arthur Gough Gubbins, M.A, son of the late Rev Chancellor Gubbins, rector of Kilpeacon which event occurred last Sunday, the 25th inst, at St Leonard's-on-Sea, Sussex. The rev gentleman had been suffering from an affection of the throat, and over a year ago an operation had been performed by skilled London surgeons. The operation brought no relief, and after a long illness, during which he was tenderly nursed by his two sisters, he finally passed away. The deceased gentleman graduated in T.C.D in 1875 having been ordained for the curacy of Cloona the previous year. He held various posts in the Irish Church, and, during the illness of his father, performed the pastoral duties of the parish of Kilpeacon. The Rev Mr Gubbins was highly esteemed as a clergyman, while in private life he was possessed of qualities which endeared him to all who knew him. His many friends in the county of Limerick will hear with regret of his premature decease which cut off a career of much promise and usefulness.

PROVINCIAL BANK OF IRELAND.

The half-yearly meeting of the Provincial Bank of Ireland was held yesterday at the Ancient Concert Rooms, under the presidency of Mr W T Brand, who, in moving the adoption of the directors' report, made a very favourable statement on the position of the bank. Mr Bradshaw asked the meeting to consider the advisability of giving a bonus to the staff in honour of the Diamond Jubilee. The suggestion was supported by several other speakers. The Chairman said the wish of the directors was in favour of it; but though it had the support of 180 shareholders, there were nearly 2,000 shareholders of the bank altogether, and he thought there should be the opinion of a majority before the suggestion could be adopted. He asked if it was the wish of the meeting that the directors should send out circulars inviting the opinion of the shareholders. Several voices responded in the affirmative, and a proposal to do so was carried by 12 votes to 3, several shareholders abstaining from voting. The directors' report was adopted, and the proceedings concluded with the re-election of retiring directors and the passing of votes of thanks.

LIMERICK PROTESTANT YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The tournament was continued to-day in beautiful weather. There was a large and fashionable attendance during the afternoon, and play was interesting.

GENT'S DOUBLES.
Semi-final.

R Gelston and J S Matterson beat S Robinson and W H Lee 6 to 0 and 6 to 3.

MIXED DOUBLES.
Third Round.

Mrs Buttonshaw and E G Brown beat Mrs Cleeve and F Cleeve 6 to 1, 0 to 6, 6 to 4.

GENT'S SINGLES.
Third Round.

A S Prosser beat S B Robinson—6 to 3, 12 to 10.

J S Matterson beat F Cleeve—6 to 3, 6 to 4.

LADIES' SINGLES.

Miss Wickham beat Miss Taylor—6 to 4, 6 to 3.

CLUB SINGLES.

E S C Corrigan beat A O Smith—6 to 3, 4 to 6, 6 to 4.

E Taylor beat Vance—6 to 0, 6 to 3.

The finals will be played to-morrow.

Season tickets, which were made available until to-day, are extended for to-merrow, when the tournament will close.

CRICKET.

A cricket match will be played on Monday, the 2nd of August, between Castleconnell and Nenagh on the grounds of the former.

PRESENTATION TO A POLICE CONSTABLE.

An interesting presentation was made to Constable Daly, of the R. I. C., stationed at Adare, on Tuesday. Before the business of the court commenced, the presiding magistrate, Major Rolleston, R.M., called Constable Daly and said he had great pleasure in presenting him with a silver medal sent to him by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, in recognition of his services rendered in the prevention of ill-treatment of dumb animals and bringing to conviction twenty cases under the Act. From what he (Major Rolleston) saw of the constable he always found him to be energetic and arduous in the discharge of his duties. In addition to the medal, a certificate, signed by the Lord Lieutenant, was forwarded from the Society, thanking Constable Daly for the manner in which he discharged his duties.

Mr Wm Barry said he fully concurred with what Major Rolleston said.

Constable Daly said he was exceedingly obliged to the magistrates for the kindly remarks which they had made. He also begged to thank the society through the court for the presentation of the medal.

ENNIS DISPENSARY COMMITTEE—A meeting of this Committee was held yesterday, Mr M Glynn presiding, Messrs. R W Green and James Cahill being also present. Dr Jennings applied for a fortnight's sick leave of absence, and it was granted, Dr Mangan to do duty in the meantime at three guineas a week remuneration.

RIVER EXCURSION—On Monday, 2nd August (Bank Holiday), the S S "Shannon" will leave Limerick at 10 a.m. for Kilrush, where trains will be in waiting to take passengers to Kilkee, returning from Kilkee at 5.10 p.m., and from Kilrush at 6.0 p.m, arriving in Limerick about 9.30 p.m. Usual low fares. Sunday, 1st August, Excursion from Limerick to Kildysart, at 4.0 p.m., giving 1½ hours ashore.

CELLULAR, CELLULAR, CELLULAR.—More popular than ever—C. CONNELLS, Thomas street, is now showing all the latest novelties for the season. Cellular under vests, from 2s 6d; under pants, from 3s; day shirts, from 4s; night shirts, from 5s; cycling shirts, from 4s 6d; dress shirts, from 5s 9d; pyjamas, from 7s; scarfs, from 6½d each; caps, from 1s each; socks, from 1s 6d per pair; Cellular material, 30 inches wide, from 9d per yard; any length cut. Illustrated price list, giving full particulars of all garments manufactured by the Cellular Clothing Company, to be had free on application from C. CONNELLS, Thomas street, Limerick.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR WILLIAM SPILLANE, D.L.

The funeral obsequies of this deeply lamented gentleman took place yesterday, the remains being removed from the deceased's late residence 67 George street at 10 o'clock for interment in the family vault at St Laurence Cemetery. The cortege was of exceedingly large proportions, and its representative character afforded ample proof of the great respect in which the deceased gentleman was held by all classes of his fellow-citizens. While the procession was passing through the streets the principal establishments suspended business. The Chamber of Commerce and the Protestant Young Men's Association were closed. The city flag was at half mast over the Town Hall, and the same observation applies to the Limerick Boat Club and Shannon Rowing Club. A number of men of the Royal Irish Constabulary attended the funeral. The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer conducted the service at the grave.

The chief mourners were:—Mr John Spillane and Mr George Spillane, sons; Mr T. Phillips, son-in-law; Mr W. Hetreed, D I, Mr F. McDonnell, Mr C. McDonnell, and Mr C. Thompson, nephews; Mr L. O'B. Kelly, B L, and Mr M. F. Kelly, cousins; Mr Wm. McDonnell, senr, Mr Wm. McDonnell, junr.

The clergy present were:—His Lordship the Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, R. C. Bishop, the Ven. Archdeacon Flanagan, P P, V G, Adare; Very Rev De Moloney, P P, V G, Rathkeale; Rev Dr Shanahan, P P, V G, St Munchin's; Rev D Shanahan, P P, St Patrick's; Rev Father Maher, Rector Sacred Heart College; Rev Fr O'Keeffe, S J; Rev Fr Lynch, S J; Rev Fr Kelly, S J; Rev Fr Masterson, S J; Rev Fr O'Donnell, Adm. St Michael's; Rev Fr Lee, C C, do; Rev Fr Cregan, C C, do; Rev Fr Griffin, C C, St John's.

Amongst the general public were—The Mayor (Mr M Cusack), attended by the mace and sword bearers; General Lord Clarina, C B; Very Rev Dean Bunbury, Ven Archdeacon Hamilton, Dr Gelston, Dr T Gelston Dr J Holmes, County Inspector Hayes, Mr S B Quin, City High Sheriff; Mr James Quin, J P; Mr John F Power, Mr John A Place, Mr J B Barrington, J P; Mr Edmund Russell, Milford House; Dr F O'Mara, Mr John Russell, Tivoli; Mr O Wallace, Mr James Wallace, Mr J Ellis Goodbody, Dr Kennedy, Dr J F Shanahan, Dr Myles, Dr R Barry, Dr E O'Neill, Resident Superintendent Lunatic Asylum; Dr Graham, Dr Mulcahy, Dr Humphreys, Dr Laird, Mr John Ellard, Clerk of the Crown and Peace; Mr John Morton, Manager Provincial Bank; Rev James Dowd, Mr James Frost, J P; Alderman Hall, J P; Mr G Gamble, D I; Mr Wm M Beauchamp, solicitor; Mr B Barrington, solicitor, Mr P J Denvir, Manager National Bank; Mr Murphy, Manager Bank of Ireland; Mr J V Golden, Manager Munster and Leinster Bank; Mr James Greene Barry, J P, Mr Wm M Nolan, Town Clerk; Mr Wm Leahy, Crown solr; Mr Stanley Deane, Manager National Bank, Rathkeale; Mr F Webster, D I, Rathkeale; Mr T E Russell, Mr T H Kenny, solr; Mr F E Kearney, solr; Mr James Doyle, solr; Mr J P Hall, solr; Mr J H Moran, solr; Mr James J J Browne, C E; Mr W E Counihan, solr; Mr Joseph Matterson, J P; Mr F Vaughan, Traffic Manager, W L & W R; Mr John Casey, Audit Department, do; Major Kenny, Mr John Ryan, solr; Mr R McNamara, solr; Mr D Leonard, solr; Mr F M Fitt, solr; Mr T A Ferguson, Mr F Cleeve, Mr W Lloyd, Mr S Matterson, Mr F Johnston, Mr Alex W Shaw, J P; Ald S O'Mara, Mr James Gaffney, solr; Mr Wm Fogerty, solr; Mr Lynch, C E; Mr John Horan, County Surveyor; Mr E H Poe Hosford, Mr A B Baker, Mr P Baker, C E; Mr E C Winter, V S; Mr Wm B Fitt, Mr F Finch, Mr S Hastings, solr; Mr Ralph Nash, solr; Mr C O'Donnell, solr; Mr McCoy, solr; Mr Philip J O'Sullivan, solr; Mr E Fogerty, C E; Mr Geo Ryan, C E; Mr Michael Egan, Mr A Murray, Mr Bruce Murray, Mr Peter Fitzgerald, J P; Mr White, George street; Mr John Boyd, Secretary Harbour Commissioners; Mr John Guinane, J P; Mr Henry O'Shea, Mr James Welply, Mr Michael Leahy and Mr Eugene Leahy, Newcastle West; Mr Ed Hunt and W Hunt, Mr H V Morony, B E, Harbour Engineer; Mr J Lavertine, Mr William Holliday, Manager J & G Boyd; Mr P R Toppin, Managing Director Cannock and Co.; Mr James Flynn, Cruise's Royal Hotel; Mr T Dowey, Postmaster; Mr W Beddoes, W L & W L; Mr Wm B Fitt, Mr M Geraghty, Dr F Counihan, Mr Brabazon, Mr John McBirney, Mr A N Barnett, Mr A J Eakins, Guy and Co; Alderman D Ryan, Mr John Clune, J P; Mr P E Bourke, J P; Mr Michael M'Donnell, T C; Mr P Herbert, T C; Mr R Plummer, Mr P Hartigan, George Hotel; Mr W L Hunt, Mr H Welply, Mr M O'Gorman, Mr D Landers, Mr W E Corbett, City Surveyor; Mr Vincent Nash, J.P; Mr J DeCourcy, C P S; Mr R F Hickson, R M; Mr Joseph O Malley, B E; Mr Patrick McDonnell, T C; Mr Joseph P Gaffney, T C; Mr F E O'Meehan, Mr Jaffery, Mr F G M Kennedy, J P; Mr George Gloster; Mr O D Coll, V S; Mr Andrew Egan, Mr Wm F O'Grady, J P; Mr H J Guinane, Clerk Limerick Union; Mr John McInerney, Chairman Limerick Board of Guardians; Mr S Dowling, J P; Ald Gaffney, JP; Mr Hugh Coyle, Mr Wm Christy, Mr Christy, junr, Mr Robert Fogerty, C E; Mr Edward Baker, Mr A T Wotzell, Mr O'Riordan, V S; Mr W Woodhouse, Mr T Geraghty, Mr G O'Dea, Mr John Egan, Mr David Tidmarsh, Mr E G Fitt, Mr S Lee, Mr R J Lee, Mr J C T Day, Mr E G Fitt, Alderman P Riordan, Mr David Begley, Mr W Switzer, Mr C Cross, Mr T Carmody, Mr P Franklin, Mr J Anglim, Mr A Blood-Smith, solicitor; Mr P Tracey, T C; Mr Michael Spain, T C; Mr George Clancy, Mr P O'Malley, T C; Mr A Hall, junr, Mr Peter Cronin, Mr Eugene O'Callaghan, Mr T. McSwiney, Mr John W DeCourcey, Mr F. Gaffney, Mr C. Corneille, Mr P. Kavanagh, Mr Morgan Fitzmaurice, Harbour Master; Head Constable Morrow, Mr Richard Smith, Mr Parker, Mr Goodwin, Mr G F Hare, Surgeon Dentist; Mr John Byrne, Mr R. L. Brown, J P; Mr D. F. McNamara, Mr Godfrey Gelston, Mr E Gelson, C E; Mr James Shine, JP; Mr M G Slade, CE; Mr H Blackall, solicitor; Mr Blennerhassett, Colonel Gloster, Mr Jackson Jones, Mr Richard Plummer, Mr David Nelson, T C; Mr John Donnellan, Dr Donnellan, Mr George Belshaw, Mr T E Bunting, Mr Forrest, High Constable; Mr D Donovan, Mr Edward Murray, Mr D Kennelly, T C; Mr Kendel Irwin, Mr James Delaney, Colonel Kirby, Mr James Butler, Bruff; Mr Egad, William-st; Mr George Baker, Mr James P Power, Rathmore; Mr James Bodkin, Mr Michael Cahill, Mr John Clune, Mr Edward O'Connell, Mr Wm O'Connell, T C; Mr T Gough, Mr H Sexton, Mr P Connolly, T C; Mr Samuel Power, Rathmore; Mr Bryan O'Donnell, J P; Mr Dodd, Mr Kearney, G S W R; Mr Lenihan, Mr Coogan, Surgeon Dentist; Mr Paul Eggers, Mr George Hare, Mr D Sheahan, &c.

The following amongst others sent carriages:—General Lord Clarina, the Mayor (Mr M Cusack), the Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, Mr James Fitzgerald Bannatyne, D L, County High Sheriff; Very Rev Dean Bunbury, Ald Hall, Mr Peter Fitzgerald, Mrs O'Brien, South Hill, Mr S B Quin, J P, City High Sheriff; Mr F G Kennedy, Mr E Russell, Milford House; Dr Shanahan, Dr Gelston, Mr R De Ros Roche, J P; Mr James Quin, Mr A Murray, Mrs E O'Callaghan, George-street; Dr Holmes, Mrs White, George-street; Mr T O'Brien, Mr P Connolly, T C; Mr O Wallace, Mr S F Dowling, Mr P R Bourke, County Inspector Hayes, Mr J Russell, Tivoli; Mr M W Barrington, C E; Mr F M Fitt, solicitor; Mr James Shine, J P; Mr J F Power, Mr M D Carr, Mr T H Cleeve, Mr W L Stokes, Ald Carr, Mrs Harris, Mr T A Ferguson, Mr James Greene Barry, Mr D Tidmarsh, Mr J G Kelly, J P, Fedamore; Mr Michael Spain, Mr James Barry, Mr Wm B Fitt, Mr Michael Egan, Mr H Blackall, solicitor, &c.

Wreaths were sent by the deceased gentleman's widow and children, Mrs O'Brien, South Hill; Mr and Mrs Augustus Blennerhassett, Mr and Mrs Brodie, Mr P J Baker, Mr A Baker, Mrs Connolly, Mr and Mrs Herbert Delamer, Mrs Doyle, the Misses Doyle, Dr T Gelston, Mr Gough, Mr and Mrs J M Kelly, Little Company of Mary; Mr and Mrs W McDonnell, Mr and Mrs C McDonnell, the Misses McDonnell, Miss Mulquin, Mrs. Macardle, Mrs O'Callaghan, Mrs Eugene O'Callaghan, Dr and Mrs O'Neill, Mr and Mrs John Power, Mr and Mrs S B Quin, Mrs P Spillane, Mr and Mrs Tidmarsh, Mr C Thompson, the employees of the Gas Works.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs McCarthy and Sons, George street. The remains were enclosed in a suite of coffins, the inner being a mahogany shell, then a lead coffin, and the outer casket was of polished oak with ebony panels and handsome brass mountings.

VOTES OF CONDOLENCE.

LIMERICK UNION.

At the meeting of the Limerick Board of Guardians yesterday the following resolution was passed on the proposition of the Chairman, Mr Thomas Bourke, seconded by Mr Thomas Donnellan:—"That we, the Limerick Board of Guardians, have learned with the deepest regret of the death of Mr William Spillane, D.L, who was for many years a highly valued and respected member of this Board, and whose efforts in behalf of the poor, as well as in the interests of the ratepayers, were universally recognised. We beg to convey to his widow and family our sincere sympathy in the sad and heavy loss they have sustained, and we now adjourn the business of the Board as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased."

THE MARKETS TRUSTEES.

A meeting of the Markets Trustees was held yesterday—Mr James Quin, J P, in the chair. Also present—Mr J G Barry, J P; Mr P Tracey, T C; Mr Michael Spain, T C, and Mr John Boyd, with Mr Blackall, solicitor to the Board, and Mr John Hardiman, secretary.

After the finance business was disposed of, Mr Spain proposed the adjournment of further business as a mark of respect to the memory of Mr Spillane, an old member of the Board, and that a vote of condolence be passed to his widow and family. He said that in any question which cropped up Mr Spillane gave his opinion in a clear and logical manner, which always carried with it the greatest weight and respect. His presence had always been most beneficial and advantageous to the Trust, and his loss would be irreparable. Matters in connection with it were now assuming a financial success, and had Mr Spillane lived he would have been proud to see such a state of things a reality. He was sure all the Trustees deeply regretted the demise of an old and energetic colleague, and he begged to propose the adjournment of the Board as a mark of respect to his memory.

The resolution was seconded unanimously.

The Chairman cordially supported the proposition. Having been associated with Mr Spillane at some public boards, he knew what his sound business capacity was, and that there was none more competent than the deceased gentleman to give an opinion on matters that might come on for discussion.

The motion was passed unanimously, and a copy of the vote of condolence ordered to be forwarded to Mrs Spillane.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the Technical Education Committee, held this afternoon in the Athenæum, a vote of condolence with the family of the late Mr Spillane, D L, who was an active member of the Committee, was passed on the motion of Ald Hall, seconded by Mr B Barrington, solr, and the Secretary was requested to forward the Committees expression of deep sympathy with the deceased's relatives on their great bereavement.

THE GAS MANAGERSHIP.

A meeting of the Gas Committee of the Corporation will be held on Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of making arrangements for the appointment of manager, in room of the late Mr William Spillane. There are several candidates mentioned, but the probabilities are that eventually the number going forward will not be more than three. A difference of opinion exists amongst authorities on Municipal affairs, as to whether the gas committee have the absolute power of making the appointment, or whether the Town Council, as a body, have a vote on the matter. This point, it is reasonable to suppose, will give rise to developments in the Corporation, or outside it, later on.

ELECTION OF GAS MANAGER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR—In your last issue there is a paragraph stating the election for Gas Manager is in the hands of the Gas Committee.

That is an error. In my opinion, which is based on strong grounds, the power of appointment lies with the Corporation.

Yours, etc.,
AMBROSE HALL.

July 28th, 1897.

THE POSTAL SERVICE OF WEST CLARE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

At the special meeting of the Kilrush Town Commissioners on Monday night, Mr O'Brien, Chairman of the Board presiding, the Town Clerk read the following letter from Major Jameson, M P, to the Duke of Norfolk, the Postmaster-General, in reference to the West Clare Postal service:—

"23rd July, 1897.

"His Grace the Duke of Norfolk, K.G, Postmaster-General, London.

"MY LORD DUKE—In reference to my former applications, and the interviews I had the honour of having with your Grace, I write to say I hear with deep regret that the Post Office cannot see their way to give a subsidy of £1000 a year to the West and South Clare Railways, in order to allow a special morning train to be run, and an efficient service for the delivery of the mails in West Clare, so that letters may be delivered in Kilrush at 8.30 a.m, instead of 11 a.m (when punctual) as at present.

"May I point out to your Grace that it is difficult to understand, that, as the Government already subsidies the West and South Clare Railways to the extent of 8 per cent on £283,000, that an efficient Postal service should be refused to the district for the sake of £150 per annum, which is the difference between what I understand the Post Office offer, and the £1000 per annum, which is the lowest that the West Clare Railway find they could carry the mails for without heavy loss.

"I would therefore point out to your Grace that in helping the West Clare Railway, by giving them a subsidy of £1,000 a year to ensure an efficient service, the Government would be helping themselves, enabling the Railway which they now so heavily subsidize to prosper, and also helping the Tourist Development Company, which they likewise subsidize, to be a success.

"I will ask for your Grace's kind consideration again in this matter, and I trust it will appear to your Grace as it does to me, that as a mere matter of business it would pay the post office to give this subsidy of £1,000 a year to the West Clare Railway, that being the lowest sum for which they could secure an efficient mail service.—I have the honour to be, My Lord Duke, faithfully yours, J EUSTUCE JAMESON, M P for West Clare."

The Board decided to leave the matter in the hands of Major Jameson.

ADARE PETTY SESSIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

These sessions were held on Tuesday, before Major Rolleston, R M (presiding), and Mr Wm Barry.

THROWING STONES AT THE TELEGRAPH WIRES.

Three young fellows, named William O'Halloran, John Cronin, and James Creagh, were prosecuted by the Queen, at the suit of the Postmaster General, for that they did, at Islandee, in the county of Limerick, unlawfully and maliciously, by throwing missiles thereat, injure part of the electric telegraph, the property of the Postmaster-General, on the 20th June.

Mr P T Liston, solr, Rathkeale, appeared to prosecute, and Mr M J McDonnell appeared for the defendants.

Mr Liston, in opening the case, said the magistrates were bound to deal in an exemplary manner with the defendants. The facts of the case were as follows. On Sunday, the 20th June, Constable Daly was going in the direction of the railway station on duty. He saw the defendants pick up stones off the road and throw them at the telegraph wires; when the defendants saw the Constable they fled and hid on the bank of the river, where the Constable found them and charged them with throwing stones at the telegraph wires. This case was brought under the Malicious Injury Act.

Constable Daly gave evidence in support of this statement.

Cross-examined—There was a crowd of young fellows on the footpath, but the defendants went on the middle of the road; the boys on the footpath did not run when they saw witness, but the defendants did.

Mr Michael Treacy deposed that he saw the telegraph pole spoken of by the constable; the insulator had been broken about a month.

Mr McDonnell then addressed the bench, and said a crowd of boys went down to the railway station to see an excursion party, and some of the crowd threw stones at the wires, but no injury was done. He asked the magistrates to dismiss the case.

Chairman—What are these boys characters?

Head Constable Doolen—They were never up before, sir.

Chairman—Well, taking into consideration the boys' character, we will only fine them 1s each and costs.

HEAVY FIGHTING AT MALAKANA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

Simla, Thursday.

Communication with Malakana is now reopened. Heavy fighting occurred on the 27th and 28th instant, in which thirteen of the British force were killed and 43 wounded. Sergeant Byrne, of the Madras Sappers, was among the killed. Lieutenant Costello, of the 22nd Punjab Infantry, was drowned.

Open on Sunday from 12 to 2 and 7 to 9 o'clock for the sale of medicines and medical necessaries.—J. LILLED & Co., Chemists, 118, George-street, Limerick. [July 22

B. I. C. (LIMERICK) ATHLETIC AND CYCLING CLUB SPORTS.

(Under the Laws of the I. A. A. A. and I. C. A.)

Patrons.—Sir Andrew Reed, K C B, Inspector-General, R I C; H Thyne, Esq. C B, Deputy Inspector-General, R I C; T Wheelan, Esq, Assistant Inspector-General, R I C; T Singleton, Esq, A I G, and Commandant, R I C; Captain Stokes, C B, Divisional Commissioner; the Right Worshipful the Mayor of Limerick; S B Quin, J P, High Sheriff; the Earl of Dunraven, Lord Lieutenant of County Limerick; James Bannatyne, D L, High Sheriff of County Limerick; Sir Charles Barrington, Bart, J P, D L; Sir David Roche, Bart, J P, D L; J B Barrington, J P; R de Ros Rose, J P; Alderman A Hall, J P; A Murray, W Leahy, C S. President.—Mr T Hayes, County Inspector, J P. Vice-Presidents.—Messrs. A Bain, D I; J R Sharpe, D I; W P C Hetreed, D I; W J McCauley, D I; E F Hickson, R M; H Toppin, D I; J Webster, D I; T E Gamble, D I; C B Rutledge, D I; J P Shanahan, M D. Officials—Referees—County Inspectors Hayes and Foley. Starter—J McNamara. Judges—Athletics W L Stokes, J O'Grady Delmege, R Nash, F W Kennedy, A W Shaw, and Captain Bain, D I. Cycling—P Fitzgerald, B Plummer, W B Smith, T E G Gamble, and H Toppin. Weights and Jumping—G R Ryan, C E; B O'Donnell, Dr Shanahan, R Fogerty, C E. Handicappers—E Walsh, C W Frith. Field Officer—A J Eakins. Timekeepers—J D Cusack, Major Kenny. Lapkeepers—J S Gaffney, H S Laird, J S Matterson, G E Goodbody, J F Power. Marksmen—G R Ryan, E Kinmonth, O D Coll. Stewards—W De Courcey, J Webster, W J McCauley, M White, J P Hall, Head Constable Feeney, J P Gaffney, J H Moran, solicitor. Call Stewards—Head Constables Morrow, Fitzgralds, Sergeants Fitzgibbon, Keating, Wilson, Brennan, and Beatty. Telegraphists—Sergeants McGovern, Bane, and Fitzgerald. Hon. Secretaries—W P C Hetreed, D I, and Sergeant P Walsh.

This meeting was held yesterday in the Market Field and its success is one of which the Executive and the Limerick Constabulary in general may well feel proud. It was quite a new venture and we believe originated in the first instance with the popular County Inspector, Mr Hayes, and, of course, was the natural outcome of the Constabulary Athletic and Cycling Club which was established here last year. The sports were worked up by a most energetic committee, who had the cordial assistance of several of the most experienced members of the L A A & B C, and as a result the arrangements were most satisfactorily carried out, especially for a new venture, such as this was, but which we believe has come to stay. One element, and only one, which threatened to interfere with the success of the gathering was the weather. The Royal Irish Constabulary Band performed in the Lansdowne ground on Tuesday evening in a merciless downpour of rain, and yesterday forenoon the prospect was again depressing, but fortunately the clerk of the weather proved himself in a better mood than had been anticipated, for with the exception of some intermittent showers, there was not much to complain of. On the contrary, having regard to the unsettled state of the weather, we had a great deal to be thankful for. The interest taken in the sports by the general public was evidenced by the very big attendance, the grand stand being crowded, while the enclosures were thickly fringed with people. The R.I.C. were lavish in their hospitality, and it may here be added that luncheon was excellently catered for by Mr and Mrs Hanratty. The day's proceedings were greatly enhanced by the presence of the splendid band of the Constabulary, which was specially brought down for the occasion, and played a beautiful selection of music under the baton of Mr Van Maanen. The Industrial School Band, under the conductorship of Mr Brady, also performed selections at intervals.

Sport was of a very interesting character, a most exhaustive programme being submitted, and brought out a very big company of competitors both in the cycling and flat events. The former, of course, were the most attractive, and they were remarkable for very good form all round. A E Kennelly, the well-known rider, who at the sports in June accounted for himself with marked success, added to his laurels in the Three Miles (Open) event, and also in the Five Mile Race. T G Wilson, R I C, a veteran cyclist, rode well during the day, and carried off the Two Miles' Bicycle Race Handicap (Club), which he won easily, and also the Three Miles Club event. The One Mile Bicycle Handicap Novices (Open) was won by T R Carroll, Queenstown C C, after an exciting race, and J G Whitney, Portarlington, accounted for the One Mile Bicycle Handicap (open); J O'Mara, who was second was in very good form during the day and looks a coming man. The Tug-of-War between Kerry, Nenagh, and Limerick, was a very exciting event, and resulted in Kerry attesting their superiority. The various flat events were well contested, and the programme, considering its almost inordinate length, was got through in good time. All the officials were most active in the discharge of their duties, and reference must be specially made to District Inspectors Hetreed, Gamble and Bain, Head Constables Feeney, Morrow, and Fitzgerald, Sergeants Walshe, M'Govern, Bane, and Fitzgerald, Mr A J Eakins, Mr J D Cusack (who was Timekeeper), Mr Wm Stokes, and Mr J M'Namara. County Inspectors Hayes and Foley were the Referees, and took a most kindly interest in the the sports. Details:—

220 Yards Handicap (Club).—First Heat—Cornelius Crean, 5 yds, 1; C W Wilson, 7 yds, 2. Also competed—James Sullivan, 6 yds; Joseph Kerins, 7 yds. Won by about 6 yds; time, 27 secs. Second Heat—John Patterson, 7 yds, 1; Joseph Neiland, 7 yds, 2. Also competed—James J Clancy, 6 yds; M Brown, 7 yds; time 26 secs. Third Heat—D Lacy, 5 yds, 1; E M Tanney, scratch, 2. Also competed—P J McArdle, 5 yds; John Claxton, 6 yds; time, 24 secs. Won by a yard. Fourth Heat—R St George, 6 yds, 1; T Phelan, 5 yds, 2. Also competed—M O'Connor, 5 yds; C McDermott, 6 yds; W Reid, 6 yds; J J Hayes, 7 yds. Won easily; time, 27½ secs. Final Heat—D Lacey, 1; John Patterson, 2; Cornelius Crean, 3. Won on the tape; a good third; time, 26 4-5 secs.

Slinging 56lbs without follow (Championship of Munster).—William A Martin, Galbally, 1; Laurence Roche, Kilmallock Athletic Club, 2. Also competed—S Brennan, R I C, L A C C; P O'Brien, Waterford; J R Hayes, Athenlow; James O'Brien, R I C L A C C. The distance of the first man's throw was 25 ft 2 in, the second being 24 ft 10 in.

Three Mile Bicycle Race Handicap (open), for the "Quin" Cup—First Heat—Wm Gayer, C Y M S C C, 110 yds, 1; T E Carroll, Queenstown C C, 270 yds, 2; T G Keane, Lansdowne C C, 160 yds, 3; T G Wilson, R I C L A C C, 200 yds, 0; William Dillon, N O D C C, 240 yds, 0; J J Condon, L C C, 300 yds, 0; W J Halpin, Newmarket-on-Fergus B C, 320 yds, 0; Joseph O'Mara, L A A B C, 320 yds, 0. The first mile was traversed without a material change in the order of the handicap. Dillon retired about a mile from home, and at the bell Gayer came out and won rather easily; a length between second and third. Time, 9 mins 4 secs. Second Heat—A E Kennedy, Newmarket-on-Fergus, 85 yds, 1; George M'Donald, Broadford, 275 yds, 2; E Lesgear, Adare C C, 280 yds, 3. Also competed—E T Stephens, Ennis, 220 yds; J Twamley, R I C L A C C, 220 yds; G B Donald, L A A B C, 270 yds; J F Halvey, L C C, 275 yds; J Walsh, L A A B C, 300 yds. Won a good race coming down the straight by a length; same between second and third. Time, 8 mins 20 4-5 secs. Final Heat—A E Kennedy, 1; Wm Gayer, 2; T E Carroll, 3. Won an exciting race by half a wheel. Time, 8 mins 17 2-5 secs.

Long Jump Open Handicap—P Leahy, Charleville, scratch, 21ft 6in, 1; Denis Lucy, R I C L A C C, 1ft 6ins, 21ft 3in, 2; P Harding, Carrick-on-Suir, 6ins, 20ft 3½in, 3.

One Mile Handicap (Open)—D Christopher, K W A C, 80 yds, 1; T G Coghlan, T C A A H C, 75 yds, 2. Also competed—M O'Neill, R A C, 25 yds; Thomas Quirke, Bansha, 90 yds; E Dalton, Limerick, 95 yds; Wm Eals, Barracks, Limerick, 100 yds; M Conway, Limerick, 100 yds; John Barker, R F C, 120 yds. Won easily; a bad third. Time, 4 min 28 secs.

High Jump (Handicap, Open)—P Leahy, Charleville, scratch, 5ft 5½in, 1; C Leahy, Charleville, 3in, 5ft 1½in. Also competed—M Morrissey, Bansha, 3in; Denis Hayes, Cappamore, 3in.

Putting 16lbs Shot (handicap open)—James O'Shea, Tralee R I C, 2ft, 40ft, 1st; James O'Brien R I C, L A C C, 1ft, 37ft, 8in, 2nd. Also competed—S Brennan, R I C, L A C C, scratch Lawrence Roche, K A C, scratch; P O'Regan Waterford, 1ft; Wm R Martin, Galbally, 2ft.

Five Miles Bicycle Race (handicap open)—A E Kennelly, Newmarket-on-Fergus, 120yds, 1st; T G Wilson, R I C, L A C C, 310yds, 2nd; J J Whitney, Portarlington, 300yds, 3rd. Also competed: W E Gayer, C Y M S C C, 160yds; T G Keane, L C C, 240yds; J J Twamley, R I C, L A C C, 240yds; J Eggleston, R I C, L A C C, 360yds; W Dillon, N O D C C, 375 yds; J F Halvey, L C C 400yds; G M'Donald, Broadford, 400yds; James Walsh, L A A B C, 450yds. For the first two miles the race was rather uninteresting, the pacing lying for the most part between the limit men. Going the last mile Kennelly got through his mes, and going the last lap won a hard race by