

LIMERICK QUARTER SESSIONS.
The Quarter Sessions for the city of Limerick were opened yesterday by County Court Judge Adams, who was accompanied on the bench by the Mayor and High Sheriff, attended by the assessors in their civic regalia.

Mr John Elford, Clerk of the Crown and Peace, called the Grand Jury as follows:—Messrs Thomas Conway (Foreman), Wm T Cope, James Kidd, Hugh Doyle, Matthew Caddy, Thomas F Baker, Francis Gaffney, John Hanley (seer), Richard Keating, John Larivette, James T Nelson, John H Parker, Richard Ray, H L Stewart, David Timmons, Richard F Walker.

His Honor thanked the Grand Jury for their attendance at the busy hour. He was happy to say the record of the criminality in the city of Limerick presented the appearance it had presented since he first came there—perfect peace and order prevailing in the city. There was only one case to go before them. It is a case in which some one is charged with having broken somebody else's head with a brick, and he supposed as long as corner stones and bricks existed in Limerick there would be heads broken. There appeared to be a prima facie case on the deposition, and the duty of the Grand Jury would be to find the bill, leaving to the defendant to make such defense as he could before his Honor and the petty jury, who he was sure would give it careful consideration. As there was not a full attendance of Grand Jurors, he should ask, owing to an absurd and obsolete provision in the law, that thirteen of them, should sign the bill, and having done that, he would be happy to discharge them.

The Grand Jury having retired to consider the bills.

His Honor took up the Licensing Applications.

The magistrates present were:—The Mayor, The City High Sheriff (Mr Quin, J.P.); Mr Hickson, R.M.; Mr John Geimane, and Mr W F O'Grady.

The following transfers were granted:—David Begley, 1 George street; Cornelius Devane, 16 and 17 Mungrist street; John Doyle, 6 Cathedral Place; Margaret McInery, 21 New Road, Thomondgate; Mary Anne Morton, Colloony street; Mary Anne O'Donoghue, 33 and 34 Nicholas street; Denis Quinlan, 66 and 65 Catherine street.

Mr John Ryan, solicitor, in the application of Mr Begley, asked that the license be limited to the shop, the other portion of the premises being out of off.

His Honor said he heard a good deal about those applications for reduction of license, but he did not object at all, because it is the first slice got out of the British Exchequer (laughter).

The application was granted.

DOCK LABOURER'S ASSAULT—SEVERE PUNALTY.

Michael Cunningham, a dock labourer, against whom the Grand Jury found a true bill, was indicted for a serious assault on Michael Danford, another dock labourer, on 17th November.

Mr Leahy, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the prisoner was undefended.

The Clerk of the Peace having read out the charge,

Cunningham pleaded guilty.

His Honor requested that the injured man should be put forward for examination, as he preferred to hear the facts than to gather them from reading a deposition.

Mr Leahy examined Danford, who stated he was a dock labourer and belonged to the society. There was some trouble between the society and non-society men about the discharge of a coal vessel. Witness and others worked for hours on it up to the 16th and 17th November, and on that evening himself and another were assaulted by the prisoner and another man, both of whom threw bricks at them, one of which struck witness on the head.

His Honor—Did you do anything to provoke him?

Witness—No.

Mr Leahy—Nothing except that he was a society man.

John Sullivan corroborated Danford's evidence.

Dr Hayes, Barrington's Hospital, stated Danford's wound was very bad; portion of the bone of the skull was depressed, and if he did not consent to an operation which he had refused, he would continue to suffer.

His Honor having read the calendar against the prisoner, said he was a professional corner boy. Since '77 he was co-assisted on no less than seventy-eight times, and spent most of the time in gaol for assaulting policemen, assaulting females, larceny, &c.

Prisoner—They were all simple drunks.

His Honor—Damaging houses, resisting the police, going from one district to another in order to obtain relief. Then whoever was making out the list seems to have got tired, because he summarises as follows: 57 times for drunkenness, disorderly behaviour, &c., with sentences from twenty-four hours to three months.

The Prisoner—it is easy to get them charged, through simple drinks.

His Honor—I gave you a full opportunity of speaking for yourself, and you didn't say so. This is a serious case. I will teach people of your class, if you think fit, to use your hand, and not to throw stones. You have inflicted injury on this man from which he may never recover. I have always inflicted the very lightest sentences on persons of good character, but there are a few very troublesome fellows in this city, who take every opportunity of committing disturbance and destroying property and taking life, imperilling human life. When any of those come before me they will receive the severest sentence. The order of the court is that you be kept in penal servitude for three years.

The hearing of undefended Civil Bills was then taken up.

CONCRETE AT KILLAHOR.

The utmost credit is due to the ladies and gentlemen who organised the concert given at Killaloe on Monday night, and the unqualified success which awaited their endeavours must be a source of the greatest gratification to them. The object was one which had the sympathy of all classes, and this fact combined with a well arranged and excellently carried out programme, brought together a large and enthusiastic audience, which filled the courthouse to overflowing. A talented number of amateur ladies and gentlemen kindly gave their assistance, and the manner in which the performers acquitted themselves reflects the greatest credit on everybody concerned. Particular mention must be made of Miss Hines, who took the largest share in the arrangements of the programme. The opening chorus, "Let Erin Remember," a very appropriate name, was exceedingly well harmonised. Miss Hines' singing of "Love's Old Sweet Song" delighted the audience, and the young lady received a well deserved encore, which was responded to. The comic items, which were rendered by Mr Dan Farrell in really clever style, elicited an unanimous demand on each other's appearance. Miss Louisa Reddan, who possesses a cultured voice of much sweet ness and power, sang "Love's Golden Dream" in splendid fashion, and was heartily cheered. Mr McCarthy's rendering of "The Arab's Farewell" deserved the greatest praise. Miss Courtney sang that well-known and delightful song, "Astoria," in a sympathetic and artistic style, and had to respond to the rapturous round of the audience. A comic song, "By the Sad Sea Waves," was interpreted in a manner which everybody was pleased with, and the duet, "Very Suspicous," between Miss McGeagh and the latter gentleman kept up the interest amongst the audience. That most popular song, "Moss," was rendered with great taste and expression by Mr Denis Flynn, who has got a sweet tenor, and evoked a hearty encore. Miss Reddan's interpretation of "Say, Ah Revoir," was one of the most successful items of the evening, and it is not necessary to add that the lady was warmly

KILBUSH BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

ELECTION OF RATE COLLECTOR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
At a special meeting of this Board on Saturday, convened for the purpose of electing a Rate Collector for the No. 2 District, in view of Mr Galvin, who has left the country, Mr Michael Mescal (Chairman) presided. The names of the guardians in attendance will be found in the subjoined division lists.

Mr E Bourke, Local Government Board Inspector; Rev B Scanlon, P.P. Cooperator; Rev Father Lynch, O.C. Kilfinan, and Dr John E Foley, Medical Officer, were also present.

The board-room was crowded to inconvenience by friends of candidates and supporters. It was with the greatest difficulty that the members of the Press who attended could discharge their duties, as not only was the table provided for their use appropriated by the visitors, but owing to the incessant talking during the proceedings by outsiders, the remarks of guardians to their voting could scarcely be gathered.

The Chairman read the advertisement applying for a suitable person to fill the vacant position. The nomination was 6d in the £ for all rates collected within the first four months after receiving the warrants; 4d for the second four months, and no per centage allowed for arrears judged after that period.

Mr Reeves, D.L., said he protested against the monstrous conduct of allowing a large mob to congregate and take up all the room in the Boardroom here to-day. He strongly objected to it, and would appeal to Mr Bourke, the Inspector, as to whether such an indecent state of things was permitted in any other Union. The Chairman should do his duty frankly and faithfully, and not allow this state of affairs to exist.

The Chairman—It has always been the practice here to allow ratapayers. I give you my word that perfect order will prevail. They are no mob at all.

Mr John Corry—Certainly. They are rate payers, or ratapayers sons, and have a perfect right to come in here.

Mr Easur—It amounts to actual intimidation.

The Chairman—There is no intimidation or anything like it (hear, hear).

Mr Culligan—Every guardian present had his mind made up before he came here.

The following were duly proposed and seconded for the office:—P. Magorran, Kilnihil; Jeremiah Kett, Farnhy, Kilkee; Francis Ryan, Kilnihil; A O'Donnell, Dunmore; Martin Galvin, Paterfick; J Chambers, Leitrim, and Martin Galvin, Paterfick.

Testimonials as to character were produced by each candidate.

Rev B Scanlon strongly appealed to the guardians to take into consideration the case of Martin Galvin, father of the late collector. On two occasions this poor man suffered heavily for his kind disposition, and the way he was treated should, he thought, excite their sympathy, and be taken into account.

Mr Doherty thought the guardians should give him, under the circumstances, the vacant position.

The Chairman—This poor man has now paid £80 within a fortnight of his son's defalcations, and he would of course, in law, be a security, have to pay the balance. He also suffered on a former occasion for another person.

Mr Eager—This is caustic.

The Chairman—It is not, sir. Withdraw that.

Mr Eager—It is using undue influence.

The Assistant Clerk said, in reply to a guardian, that only £40 more had to be paid of the defalcations in Galvin's district according to the books, but he had received letters from parties saying that they had paid their rates and had receipt but did not get credit for the payment. This amounted to £30 more.

A scene at this stage seemed between the Clerk (Mr Warren) and Mr Cullinan, over the taking of a sheet of paper by the latter from the desk, and which the Clerk claimed as his private property.

In the first poll Galvin received 8 votes, Kett 7, Ryan 6, O'Donnell 5, Donnellan 3, and Martin 3.

A poll was taken between the two latter which again resulted in a tie, but it having transpired that Martin was under 21 years of age, the Inspector said he could not, if elected, be sanctioned under the circumstances. This candidate withdrew.

In the third poll Kett obtained 8 votes, Galvin 7, Ryan 6, O'Donnell 5, Donnellan 4.

In the poll taken between the two latter, O'Donnell was defeated by 10 votes to 11, and consequently retired.

Mr Eager said before they went any further it would simplify matters much and shorten the proceedings if they ascertained what was the case that one of the candidates, Mr Ryan, kept a publichouse in Kilnihil. He understood that if he got the position he could not keep the publichouse.

Ryan said that was the case, but he would transfer the business to his wife or father-in-law.

The Inspector—I could not, nor would the Local Government Board recognise that transaction as bona-fide. Before you qualify for this position you must sell your interest in the place, and produce before the Local Government Board the deed of assignment to their satisfaction.

Mr Reeves—I was to refer to Ryan, but what good is that when it appears now that he is not qualified. The election would be upset by him.

Mr Crotty—What is all this talk for? Ryan is not elected at all yet (hear, hear). You are assuming too much. Go on with the election.

In the fifth poll Kett obtained 12 votes, Galvin 8, Ryan 6, and Donnellan 4.

The latter retired.

In the sixth poll, Kett obtained 13 votes, Galvin 9, and Ryan 7. The latter withdrew.

The final poll resulted as follows:—

For Kett—Messrs Hickman, J.P.; E. W. C. Reeves, D.L.; F. Eager, J.P.; W. G. Cox, J.P.; J. Hassett, J.P.; W. E. Reeves, J.P.; F. O'Doherty, J.P.; J. McCarthy, W. Doherty, J. Corry, J. McNamee, M. Carmody, M. Behan, D. Collins, J. Burke, P. Crotty, S. Kett, D. Conidine, A. McNamee, M. Corry—20.

For Galvin—Messrs Little, J.P.; J. Callinan, F. Corry, M. Callinan, M. Griffin, M. Murrihy, J. Bourke, John Mangan—10.

The Chairman declared Mr Kett duly elected.

The successful candidate having briefly returned thanks, the Board adjourned.

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WHAT TO EAT, DRINK, AND AVOID.

BY A MEDICAL MAN.

Dix.—Under this head we will consider what is the best. Every man or woman must be a law unto themselves as to what to eat, drink, and avoid. The saying "One man's meat is another man's poison" is very true, and the time of year and the climatic surroundings have much to say in the matter. In the Arctic regions you can eat and relish fat or fat mixtures much as would be fatal to you in the tropics. Why do our countrymen suffer so much from liver complaint? It is because our insular training in the British Isles has induced a love for roast beef, spirits and strong beer, and we indulge in these with one result, liver complaint. Were we only rational creatures, we would, and was heartily encouraged. Mr. Moloney's rendering of "The Arab's Farewell" deserves the greatest praise. Miss Courtney sang that well-known and delightful song, "Astoria," in a sympathetic and artistic style, and had to respond to the rapturous round of the audience. A comic song, "By the Sad Sea Waves," was interpreted in a manner which everybody was pleased with, and the duet, "Very Suspicous," between Miss McGeagh and the latter gentleman kept up the interest amongst the audience. That most popular song, "Moss," was rendered with great taste and expression by Mr Denis Flynn, who has got a sweet tenor, and evoked a hearty encore. Miss Reddan's interpretation of "Say, Ah Revoir," was one of the most successful items of the evening, and it is not necessary to add that the lady was warmly

THE LATE SIR GEORGE BOLSTER OWENS, M.D., J.P.

The Irish Times of the 30th December gives the following memoir of the late Sir George B. Owens, who was a native of Limerick, having been born in 1808 at the New Barracks where his father was for many years, Barrack Master, before and after the battle of Waterloo. We regret to announce the death of a most worthy Dublin citizen, who for over fifty years was a well-known figure in our public life. He was a man of great personal worth, having long been known to all lovers of the Daly Cup. These Teas never vary, but are always of a high uniform standard, and the utmost reliance may be placed upon them for

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December 21st.

Commencing with last August the following advertisement appeared in a Dublin weekly newspaper for three months:—

Heirs Wanted—John Tucker, deceased, born in County Tipperary about 65 years ago; mother's maiden name, Hanagh Sullivan; left considerable estate. Heirs should write immediately to J. J. Dwyer, Mill Building, San Francisco, California, U.S.A.

This advertisement happened to come under the notice of Mrs James Quigley, an Irishwoman residing in New Bedford, and she recognised in the John Tucker referred to the cousin of her deceased mother, Mrs Ann Egan, of Birr, King's County. Mrs Quigley wrote to a friend in San Francisco the facts of the relationship, and that friend handed the letter to Judge Cooley of the court, who advised the Quigleys as to what course to pursue. He was satisfied that they were the rightful heirs. The Quigleys took legal advice, and the necessary papers were drawn up for proving the claim and making Mrs Quigley the sole party to deal in the matter. Mrs Egan, of Birr, the nearest relative to John Tucker, is a woman 86 years of age, and feeble in health. As a preliminary step, lest anything should happen to the old lady before she could get the matter settled, a deposition was taken as to the relationship, and also a power of attorney making Mrs Quigley her sole agent. These documents were taken before Mr Richard Harding, a Commissioner of Oaths at Birr, and were certified before the United States Consul, Mr Newton B. Ashby, on October 17th. Mrs Quigley's sister in Chicago and her brother in Birr signed releases in consideration of future settlement.

Mr Tucker was a bachelor, and accumulated money rapidly, his investments being such that his property is likely to be considerably enhanced in value before it is divided. The administrator has been for a considerable period looking for heirs, and under the common law of the State of California Mrs Quigley is the sole legatee. Her claims, as stated above, which are considered beyond question, are now in possession of the Probate Court in San Francisco. The estate is not yet inventoried, but is known to exceed 100,000 dollars by a respectable figure. It is now considered certain that within a few weeks the heirs, who have been in comparative poverty, will find themselves in more than comfortable circumstances.

Amidst the public who attended were:—The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Lord Ardilaun, Sir Francis W. Brady, Bart.; Sir William Porter, Bart.; Sir Frederick Pilkington, Recorder of Dublin; Sir Andrew Reed, C.B.; Sir William Kaye, C.B.; Sir Robert Foster, Sir Robert Jackson, C.B.; Sir Philip Savile, Sir Henry Cockayne, D.L., J.P.; Sir Robert Seton, D.L., J.P.; the Dean of the Chapel Royal, Sir Francis Craven, M.D.; the Dean of St Patrick's, the Speaker Geoghegan, M.P.; Sir Wm Stokoe, Sir Charles Cameron, Sir George Moyers, J.P., D.L.; and numerous other influential citizens.

The burial service of the Church of Ireland was conducted by the Very Rev. the Dean of the Chapel Royal, who, in the Mortuary Chapel, delivered an address in the course