

OUTRAGE IN CO. LIMERICK.

It is reported that on Sunday night, between 11 and 12 o'clock, a party of men, numbering about thirty, attacked the house of a man named Daniel Kelly, who lives at Dohors, Banogue, in the Croom Division. Stones were thrown and a shot was discharged from a revolver, but fortunately no damage, personal or otherwise, was done. The party then proceeded along the road till they came opposite the house of James Connor where they began to shout and groan, and from the cries that were raised it is evident that the affair has connection with the recent County Council election for the division, as both Kelly and Connor are supporters of Lord Dunraven. The police are actively inquiring into the matter, but no arrests have so far been made.

DUBLIN SOCIETY'S SPRING SHOW.

ROYAL VISIT.

(BY TELEGRAPH FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

Dublin, Tuesday evening.

The Show opened to-day at Ballbridge under auspicious circumstances. The Show was by far the largest ever held by the Society, the entries in cattle alone exceeding by two hundred last year's. During the afternoon the Duke and Duchess of York, who earlier in the day had visited Guinness' Brewery, attended, accompanied by the Lord Lieutenant. Amongst the judges, Mr John Coleman, Limerick, adjudicated the breeding swine exhibits. There were a large number of exhibits from the south of Ireland, and many prizes were secured by them. Major Kemmis Mountmellick, took third in the Hereford heifers, and George Cardan, Templemore, who was a large exhibitor, secured first for an Aberdeen Angus bull. The Marquis of Waterford took second for a Clydesdale brood mare.

"SWISS ALPINE SINGERS."

Last evening the Meier family of Swiss Alpine Singers commenced a brief engagement at the Athenaeum, and it is rarely indeed that a Limerick audience have had placed before them so delightful a treat, or one so varied and brilliant in every sense of the word. It is a matter of much regret that a far larger house had not assembled, but now that we have had experience of the extraordinary talent which the performers possess, there is little doubt that much more liberal support will be given to the remaining entertainments—viz: this evening; a matinee to-morrow at three o'clock, and the concluding performance to-morrow evening. No one with a taste for music should miss hearing the Meier family, seven in number, who appear in the picturesque Swiss dress, and sing some of their most beautiful yodels in their native dialect, and by way of variety give charming musical sketches and ballads in English. Of the instrumental selections too much could not be said by way of praise, for as regards brilliancy of execution, quality, and tone, it would be hard to excel them. There was not a dull moment from start to finish of the programme, on the contrary the encores of a very critical audience, were the rule not the exception. The performance opened with a very crisp overture, "Zampa," for piano and string quartet, followed by a part song, "Fadh Morgens," by the Meier family. Next came a duet for two Zithers, entitled "Song without words." Miss Alice Meier sang very expressively "Put my little shoes away," and responded to an encore. M. Eugen Meier, whose violin solos were a treat in themselves, first selected "Nocturne," by Chopin, and his brilliant and exceptionally finished execution brought down the house. A most attractive item was an Angl-Tyrolean Yodeling Song, by Frankl, which, in the hands of Miss Emma Meier, who is gifted with a very fresh and full voice, was done full justice to. "The Broken Melodie," a charming cello solo, was rendered by Herr Emile Meier, and was no less popular than his previous selection. Miss Myra, who possesses an excellently trained soprano, and whose style is a model of taste and expression, sang Gounod's "Ave Maria," with violin obligato, and had to respond to a vociferous encore. The selection on the glass orchestra by the Meier family was a truly marvellous performance, and would in itself be worth going to hear. The same may be said of the varieties on the Xylophone by Miss Emma Meier, and the selections on the Wood Harp by Miss Alice Meier, all of which displayed exceptional talent. A violin solo, the "Nightingale's Trill," by M. Eugen Meier was a charming item, and he gave a selection from *Faust* in reply to an encore. The Cuckoo solo by Miss Myra was highly appreciated, as was also an Echo song by Miss Myra and Miss Emma Meier. There were other brilliant items, and a most enjoyable evening closed with the Austrian Hymn, with variations, which was rendered with full expression. There will be a complete change of programme

SAD FATALITY AT THE CONDENSED MILK FACTORY

THE INQUEST.

This afternoon Mr Coroner DeCourcy held an inquest at the City Courthouse into the circumstances of the death of Michael Frawley, aged 15, who was employed at the Condensed Milk Factory at Lansdowne, and who sustained fatal injuries by getting entangled in machinery the previous evening. Dr Fogarty was soon in attendance at the factory, and had the boy removed to Barrington's Hospital where he died in about two hours after admission, the severe nature of his injuries placing him beyond all hope of recovery.

The following were the jury—Messrs. Joseph Fanning (foreman), Edward Moriarty, John Ormston, Patrick Franklin, Thomas Bolster, Henry Bassett, Peter Quilligan, James Ryan, Patrick Kelly, Edward White, Stephen Hannan, Roger Moloney, and John Foley.

Mr Hetreed, D.I., assisted by Sergeant Lloyd, Thomondgate, conducted the inquiry.

Mr Wm M Beauchamp, solr, watched the proceedings on behalf of the Condensed Milk Company.

Mr W E Counihan, solr, represented the next-of-kin.

Mr J W Neely, Factory Inspector, Dublin, assisted in the inquiry.

Michael Frawley, High Road, Thomondgate, deposed that the deceased, Michael Frawley, was his son, and was employed at the Condensed Milk Factory. Deceased was about 15 years of age, and had worked in the factory for about 11 months. He had seen his son being conveyed to hospital after the accident.

Michael Collins deposed—I am employed at Messrs. Cleeve's factory and have charge of the machinery in the room where the accident occurred. The duty of the deceased was to carry sheet tin to the workmen who make the tins. In the room where the accident took place there are a number of machines worked by leather bands from the principal line shaft. One of these machines was not in working order, the belt being off the pulley. The foreman, Mr. Tully, drew my attention to its being detached, and told me to try and get it on. I brought a ladder for that purpose. I did not see the deceased at the machinery at this time. I had my back to the ladder and when I turned round I saw the deceased on the ladder. I told him to come down, and he replied "let us get the tin cut." This particular machine was cutting the tin. I then saw him caught by the sleeve of his coat in the pulley, and I shouted for help, and one of the machinists immediately disconnected the belts and stopped the machinery; I saw the deceased entangled in the machinery; it was not part of the deceased's duty to go near the machinery; there is a strict order against boys interfering with the machinery; it is a written order, and is to the effect that we are not to allow any boys to go near the machinery or belting; I was going to connect the belt myself.

Mr Hetreed—Can you give any explanation as to the statement made by the boy, that he wanted to get the tin cut.

Witness stated that the men working at the machines would blame the boys if they did not keep them going with the tins; the men were paid by the amount of work they do, and if they were not supplied with the tin they would be idle.

In reply to Mr Neely, witness stated that he was in the factory for about four years; it was the duty of witness to look after the machinery; the tin was cut at the machines by girls; the foreman called his attention to the gear being out of order, and he went immediately to adjust it; the men work at a long bench which is about fifteen feet from the machinery; he did not see where the boy came from; he shouted at the boy to come down; it was not the first time the deceased had tried to do this, contrary to orders; he did not see how the deceased got caught in the machinery.

Mr Neely—Have you received orders from the Messrs Cleeve that no person is to meddle with the belts or machinery?

Witness—Yes, and I have always tried to carry out these orders. Continuing witness said it was contrary to the rule for any boy to interfere with the belts or machinery; the boy was not paid by results, and it did not affect him whether the men were idle or not.

Cross-examined by Mr Counihan—It would be untrue to say that I sent him up the ladder.

Would it be a lie if this poor boy said so before he died? I did not send him up the ladder, but I told him to come down.

Mr Hetreed—Are you going to produce evidence about that matter?

Mr Counihan—I am.

In further cross-examination, witness said the foreman called his attention to this machine, which he called the "guillotine," and asked witness to set it right; witness said certainly, and he immediately went to get the ladder; the boys might try to put on these belts behind his back, but he would not allow it if he was aware of it.

Mr Counihan—Have you ever been abused for not having these belts in order and leaving them

if necessary, as to the accuracy of the testimony of Mr Howard; he had a clear recollection of what occurred.

The Coroner did not consider that any further evidence was necessary as regards that inquiry. He then reviewed the evidence, which, he said, went to show that the occurrence was accidental.

The jury retired, and having consulted for a few minutes, returned a verdict that the deceased met his death as the result of injuries accidentally received. They added a rider expressing the opinion that more supervision should be exercised over these factories.

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Bartholomew Collins (Abbeyfeale).
Lord Montegale (Askeaton).
T D Atkinson, J P (Ballinagarry).
M P Condon (Ballylanders).
T B Mitchell (Bruff).
R Coll (Bruree).
Patrick Duggan (Cappamore).
A Mackay (CastlecConnell).
Lord Dunraven (Croom).
John Geary (Droucolliher).
Patrick O'Shaughnessy (Glin).
Edward Mitchell (Hospital).
Maurice Conneely, M D (Kilfinane).
William Gubbins (Kilmallock).
Patrick O'Shaughnessy (Newcastle).
Edward Sheehy (Monogay).
John McGrath (Oola).
Lord Emly (Patrickswell).
Michael Naughton (Rathkeale).
D T Clancy (Roxboro').

MEMBERS APPOINTED BY GRAND JURY.

Sir David Roche.
William Waller.
James O'Grady Dalmege.

CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICT COUNCILS.

Patrick Raleigh, J P, Mitchelstown No. 2 District.
John O'Neill, Tipperary No 2 District.
Thomas Hurley, Newcastle District.
Daniel Moloney, Kilmallock District.
R Pigott, Rathkeale District.
W Nunan, Limerick District.
John Coleman, Croom District.
David Ruddle, Glin District.
The County Council will co-opt two Councillors on Saturday, and the total membership will thus stand at 33.

GLIN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The first meeting of the Glin District Council took place on Saturday, for the purpose of electing three ex-officio, three other persons, and for the election of Chairman. There were present—Messrs. O'Shaughnessy, T. Costello, P. O'Shaughnessy, J. Mangan, D. Ruddle, J. O'Brien, T. Scanlan, P. Sullivan.

Mr Scanlan was appointed temporary chairman.

The first business was the co-optation of three magistrates who had acted as ex-officio guardians within the past three years.

The Knight of Glin, Major Kiggell, Francis Fitzgibbon, and Stephen Pegum were proposed and seconded, and the last three were, after a poll, declared elected.

In compliance with clause 23 of the Local Government Act, a poll was taken for the selection of three persons as additional District Councillors. Messrs P. Normile, T. O'Brien, M. Conneely and T. Culhane were proposed and seconded, and on a vote being taken, the first three were declared elected. Those selected having complied with the necessary formalities, the election of a Chairman of the new Board was proceeded with, when Mr David Ruddle was unanimously elected.

LISTOWEL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The first meeting of the Listowel Rural District Council was held on Saturday for the purpose of selecting a Chairman, who shall be an additional member and a magistrate for the district during his term of office of the County Council of Kerry, and also for the co-opting of three magistrates and three other persons as additional District Councillors.

Mr Thomas O'Connell was unanimously elected Chairman of the Board, and Messrs M J Nolan, J P, Gerald McElligott, J P, and Mr Saadee, J P, were chosen, the first two unanimously.

Messrs Wm McMahon, Ed Walsh, and J Keane, were also co-opted.

The Chairman, Mr P O'Shaughnessy, Mr W E Staak, and Mr D Kelly, were after a pretty exhaustive poll selected to represent the Listowel Union on the Glin District School Board.—Con.

CLARE.

At the first meeting of the Corofin District Council, on Saturday, Mr John Arkins, an old guardian, was elected chairman of the Council by 15 votes to 8 for Mr M Griffey. The ex-officio co-opted were Major C W Studdert, J P, Thomas Crowe, D L, and T de Blacquiere, J P; and the ratepayers co-opted were Messrs C Hogan, J Keane, and J O'Halloran.

"MAY"

LETTERS FROM

With reference to that the coal merchant which he claims had done with a view to have it distributed the deserving poor additional correspondence.

"John Daly, Limerick Office."

"DEAR SIR—With reference to the coal merchant which he claims had done with a view to have it distributed the deserving poor of Limerick, I have to inform you that the coal merchant lost the freight and the invoice price of the coal, but will remove more than 5 cwt at a time."

"We."

"F."

"John Daly, F."

"DEAR SIR—In reply to your communication of 11th inst. regarding the coal dues, we will, as you are entitled to, ensure us they are not being paid, but we are doing our best to get a quarter ton. If the vessel we would coal, whereas by del cost and freight. I to you, as the object, as you desire."

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