

GUN ACCIDENT NEAR LIMERICK.

We very much regret to record an accident, culminating in a very serious result, which occurred on Sunday morning. It appears that Mr. Nestor, proprietor of the gun and fishing tackle warehouse, George Street, and his son, Mr. Augustus Nestor, a young man of 21 years of age or so, were out fishing on the Shannon. Young Nestor had a gun in the boat in anticipation of a chance shot. It would appear that they grounded the boat near the head of the canal. Young Nestor went along the bank for some distance with the gun across his arms, and in a short time, not having had a shot, he returned to the boat. He placed the gun, which was on full cock, near the seat where he was sitting, and, some how or other he seemed to have caught hold of the muzzle and the trigger catching in something caused the charge to go off, and it lodged in the poor fellow's left arm. He shouted out to his father that his arm was broken. Mr. Nestor, senior, bound up the injured hurt as best he could and conveyed the young fellow to Barrington's Hospital. The limb was found to be so desperately shattered that on consultation by the medical staff it was decided that amputation from the forearm was absolutely necessary. The operation was successfully carried out later on in the day by Dr. Holmes, Graham, Fogarty, and McGrath. The patient, we are glad to learn, is progressing favourably. The greatest sympathy is expressed with the poor young fellow and also with his parents in their sad trouble.

FUEL FUND CONCERT.

The grand concert in aid of the fuel fund to be held to-night in the Theatre Royal promises to be a great success. As already mentioned, the chorus and orchestra number 120, the latter including, in addition to several talented amateurs, some score of wind instruments from the band of the Yorkshire Light Infantry. The programme embraces some items rarely, if ever, heard in Limerick. Mr. Bellens has spared no effort to make the concert a musical treat of a high order, and the members of the chorus and orchestra have practised diligently, so that patrons of the Theatre Royal to-night will have good value for their money, besides taking part in the good work of helping to provide fuel for many a fireless hearth in this arctic weather. The concert will open with Wagner's splendid march from "Tannhauser." Amongst the concerted pieces will be Balfé's setting of the "The Young May Moon," and Moor's "weep on, Weep on," harmonised by Mr. Josef Pemen Bellens, who will conduct throughout. There will also be two quartettes from "The Yeoman of the Guard," "The Miller's Wooing"; by Eaton Fanning, and other items include an overture by Gurlitt.

ATHLUNKARD BOAT CLUB CONCERT.

The concert given on Sunday evening under the auspices of the popular Athlunkard Boat Club was a great success, both financially and musically. The Mayor (Mr. J. F. Barry), who has done so much in the interests of the Club, took part in the programme, and his fine rendering of "The Old Plaid Shawl" was received with the greatest enthusiasm, and the worthy singer had to respond. Mr. Ralph Nash, always a great favourite, sang "The Yeoman's Wedding" in his well-known artistic style, and was spontaneously encored. The singing of Mr. Joseph Sheahan was a treat, his magnificent rendering of the ballad, "Remember me no more," being particularly fine. Mr. Tierney also sang capably, and responded to enthusiastic *encores*. Miss Quaid gave a very pleasing and finished interpretation of "The Kerry Dance," and the pretty Irish air, "Bantry Bay," was admirably sung by Miss G. Brinn. The other items were successfully performed and included the songs:—"When a little while has flown," Miss McDonagh; "Oh, Song Divine," Miss Musgrave; "The Coolen," Miss Donovan; "Island of Dreams," Miss Fisher; "Green Isle of Erin," Miss Halpin; "The Pilgrim of Love," Mr. O'Donovan; Duet, "The moon has raised her lamp," Messrs. Tierney and Whelan; song, "Drinking," Mr. W. Brazier; and a humorous sketch, by Mr. J. G. Fogarty. The performance of the Mandoline Band of ladies and gentlemen added greatly to the entertainment. The accompaniments were played by Mr. Paul Bernard in his usual efficient style.

KILRUSH DISTRICT COUNCIL.

At the meeting on Saturday, Mr. Mescal, J. P.,

FUNERAL OF THE LATE DR. BARRY.

The funeral of the late Dr. Robert Barry took place yesterday morning from his residence, The Crescent. The cortege was most representative, embracing all classes of citizens, and of very large proportions. Indeed, the regret at the death of one of the most generous-hearted, and at the same time, most brilliant medical men that ever adorned the profession was universal wherever he was known, and in particular in the city of Limerick. As the mournful procession passed through the streets towards the new cemetery, where the interment took place, most of the business houses had closed as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deeply-lamented doctor, and as a mark of sympathy with his widow and family.

The breast-plate of the massive oak coffin contained the inscription:—
ROBERT BARRY, M.D.,
 Died February 8th, 1902,
 Aged 52 years.
 R.I.P.

The chief mourners were:—Masters Robert and Edward Barry (sons), Mr. Maurice A. Hennessy, Architect, Cork (brother-in-law), Mr. Frank Guy and Mr. Joseph Guy, Cork (cousins).

The clergy in attendance were:—Rev. Father Cragan, Adm., St. Michael's; Rev. Dr. O'Riordan, C.C. do; Rev. Father Lee, C.C. do; Very Rev. Father Maher, Rector, S.J., The Crescent; Rev. Father Kelly, S.J.; Rev. Father O'Neill, S.J.; Rev. Father Gouldrick, O.P.

Following the chief mourners were:—The Mayor (Mr. J. F. Barry), and High Sheriff-elect Mr. V. Nash, J.P., the former carrying draped staff and being attended by the mace-bearers.

Amongst those present or who sent carriages were:—Sir Thomas Cleve, J.P.; W. L. Stokes, J.P.; Dr. Malone, Dr. Shanahan, Dr. G. O'Neill, Superintendent Lunatic Asylum; Dr. Kennedy, Dr. Gelston, Dr. Graham, Dr. O'Sullivan, Dr. Fogarty, Dr. McGrath, Resident Surgeon Barrington's Hospital; Dr. Myles, Dr. Mulcahy, Dr. Lee, Mrs. O'Brien (South Hill), Wm. M. Beauchamp, Clerk of the Crown and Peace; J. Clane, J.P.; J. Guinane, J.P., B.C.; Rev. J. Dowd, Archibald Murray, Andrew Murray, Wm. M. Nolan, Town Clerk; A. Killeen, Assistant do; Alderman Daly (ex-Mayor), Anthony Mackey (Castleconnell), John Clane, J.P.; James Quin, J.P.; C. Heaton-Armstrong, W. Woodhouse, Jeremiah Anglim, J. F. Gaffney, Solicitor; F. G. Kennedy, J.P.; Eugene O'Callaghan, James Hogan, J.P.; Patrick Tracey, P. E. Bourke, J.P.; P. Nunan (City Bakery), Samuel E. Lee, J.P.; P. Riordan, Gas Manager; F. E. Kearney LL.D.; Joseph Peacocke, City Surveyor; Mr. Purcell (the Crescent); Joseph O'Malley, C.E.; Michael O'Gorman, P. Herbert, B.C.; R. P. O'Connor, Joseph Bourke, J. H. Roche, J.P.; M. Cahill, Eugene J. Long, B.C.; P. J. O'Sullivan, solr.; M. Mydolett, John O'Donnell, J. Hanrahan, Mallow street; S. F. Dowling, J.P.; Jerome Dowling, Jerome Hanrahan, J. McNiece, Philip R. Toppin, Stephen Hastings, solr.; A. J. Eakins, W. Hunt, Ralph Nash, solr.; Peter Cronin, M. Egan, Patrick street; J. J. Browne, C. Cornille, W. Bassett, J. J. O'Callaghan, Thomas street; W. H. Owens, W. H. Thompson (Great Southern and Western Railway), M. Walsh, do; J. Shanahan, Station Master, Limerick Terminus, Ald. O'Mara, J. Flynn, J. Conyn, F. Hill, R. Fogarty, C.E.; Wm. B. Pitt, Dr. Donovan (Agent, Lady's Well Brewery), E. H. Poe Hosford, J.P., M. McCoy, solicitor; J. St. Laurence, E. G. Pitt, P. J. Rea, Samuel Myles, solicitor, Ald. P. McDonnell, A. DePrins, Hugh Coyle, Ald. McNeice, Patrick O'Malley, B.C.; Bryan O'Donnell, J.P., Ambrose Hall, J.P., Ed. Murray, J. A. Baldwin, William Holliday, Richard Ray, D. O'Callaghan, solicitor, John Dundon, solicitor, Captain Kimmitt, John Hardiman, W. McArthur (Todd and Co.), A. N. Barnett, J. Byrne (The Crescent), M. Slade, C.E., James Sheehy (Court, Kildimo), Wm. Nelson, William street; T. Dowling, (Manager Tyler and Co.); Wm. Lloyd, J. Laventine, Michael Ryan, late of High street; T. H. Kenny, solr.; Benjamin Barrington, solr.; J. T. C. Day, Patrick Kavanagh, H. R. Newson, Stephen Tubidy, M. McDonnell, Nicholas street; J. Morrow, Messrs Ebrill, Michael Cusack, W. Bourke, "Freemans Journal"; Augustus Nestor, T. Bradley (Cannock and Co.); Richard Lee, F. A. Johnston, Daniel Donovan, James W. Waugh, D. F. McNamara, J. Willis, T. O'Brien (O'Brien Bros.), James Goodwin, Richard Gleeson, J. Dalton, B.C.; James Dalton, Martin McGuire, W. McGuire, J. J. DeCourcey, George Hare, Thomas Conway, Robert Gibson, J. P. Hall, solicitor; Samuel Robinson, Michael Hayes, Captain Edwards, J. H. Moran, solicitor; J. Hardiman, Major Kenny, Ambrose Hall, junr., Alfred B. Baker, P. J. Baker, E. C. Winter, V.S.; Stephen McCarthy, P. Hartigan, George Hotel; J. Hassett, William Baker, D. Leonard M. D. Matthews, W. Byrne, J. E. Chamney.

Many wreaths were sent and numerous letters of sympathy received by the deceased gentleman's family. The Rev. Father Cragan, Adm. officiated at the cemetery.

COMMITTEE ON BETTING.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

PROPOSED NEW DEPARTURES.

The first meeting of the Technical Education Committee as newly constituted was held yesterday evening in the Athenæum. The Mayor presided, and the other members present were Miss Doyle, Very Rev. Andrew Murphy, Rev. Brother Nolan, Messrs Benjamin Barrington, P. J. Lynch, T. H. Kenny, W. Ebrill, John Guinane, E. J. Long, T. Donnellan, M. McInerney, R. P. O'Connor, W. Joyce, B.A.; M. Donnelly, Ald. M'Niece.

THE ASSISTANT ARTS MASTER.

The Department of Technical Instruction wrote with reference to the increase of salary voted to the Assistant Arts Master, Mr. Clarke, asking for particulars as to the increased duties he is required to perform, and whether he devotes all his time to technical instruction.

Mr. Jelfcoat said he had drafted a reply stating that Mr. Clark had applied for an increase on account of extra work in supervising and giving lessons at the Mechanics' Institute. He had also taken over charge of the evening arts classes in the Athenæum, and in addition was appointed to instruct a new lace-designing class about to be formed.

Mr. Lynch said he saw no reason why the lace-designing class should not have been in operation.

Mr. Jelfcoat said final arrangements had not been made by the committee, and owing to the Christmas holidays the committee had not met.

Miss Doyle said with regard to the pupils she had visited the heads of the monster drapery houses to ascertain if they would allow a number of their eligible girls to attend. They were not prepared to send pupils at present, but they fully approved of the proposal to have such a class, and they would probably send pupils later on. Mrs. Vere O'Brien would make arrangements immediately to send twelve pupils from her school, and a larger number at a later stage.

Mr. Jelfcoat read a letter from the Secretary of the Department stating that "a report had been received from the Department's Lace and Crochet Inspector regarding some special opportunities afforded to her when on a recent visit to Limerick, of observing the relation between art and industry in so far as it relates to lace making in Limerick. The Inspector reports 'that with few exceptions the lace-workers, whom she had the opportunity of seeing, possess no knowledge of drawing, and that, as a matter of fact, only two lace-workers were in attendance at the School of Art. On further enquiry the Inspector ascertained that about two years ago a drawing class at the School of Art was attended by lace-makers; at first the workers thought they were securing substantial advantages by their attendance at the class, but that later on the character of the instruction appeared to them to become so completely dissociated from the industry by which they earned a living, that they came to the conclusion that the time devoted to the drawing class was wasted, and consequently they ceased to attend.' The report adds that the workers are fully aware of the imperfections in their work due to their want of a knowledge of drawing, and that a drawing class specially devoted to the study of ornament and design as applied to lace would, if now organised, be well attended. In view of this report the Department learned with satisfaction of the proposed endeavour on the part of the Technical Instruction Committee to resuscitate the class, and in giving instructions in connection with the opening of this class, the Department hoped that the Committee would have full regard to certain regulations which they specified.

After discussion the Committee decided that the lace-designing class should be formed forthwith, a committee being appointed for that purpose, and that Mr. Jelfcoat reply to the Department's queries as to the increase of the Clark's salary, should be forwarded to the Department.

PROPOSED NEW SCHEME.

Questions having been raised as to what position the city was in with regard to a scheme for technical instruction, Mr. Lynch pointed out that they had no regular scheme. Two schemes had been submitted to the Department, but for various reasons had not been sanctioned, and consequently the grant which they were entitled to had been withheld. But the Department were allowing money to carry on the work which the schools were doing, and the remainder would stand to their credit.

Mr. Barrington said it was proposed to reconstruct the Athenæum premises, as the existing building was incapable of accommodating the classes. The Inspectors of the Department would not recommend such a scheme, and suggested the erection of a more central building. His (Mr. Barrington's) idea would be to join the Free Library Committee in an effort to avail themselves of Mr. Carnegie's offer, and to have one central school, combining Free Library with Technical Schools. One of the conditions attached to the grant was that they should raise £350 per annum. If they could get the Department to sanction a grant of £3,000, and then pay the rest of the new building, the present income of the Free Library taken with the saving

THIS DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

TROOPS FOR THE FRONT.

Every available man of the 2nd Dragoons, 2nd Dragoon Guards, 7th Hussars, and the 18th Hussars, at Aldershot, has been ordered to be prepared for embarkation for South Africa on March 21st.

THE KING'S LEVEE.

BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

The King held his first levee at St. James Palace this morning. The function, which was brilliant one, attracted a great concourse of people to the Pall Mall and the Wall. H. Majesty was loudly cheered as he passed into the Mall. The Prince of Wales was amongst the distinguished assemblage, which included practically the whole of the Foreign Diplomats, a number of ex-Cabinet Ministers, Officers of the Household, and Naval and Military Officers.

The levee lasted until 1.40, and the King was again cheered on returning to Marlboro'.

ESCAPE OF STEAM.

TWO MEN KILLED.

Two men named Rosbuck and Booth were accidentally killed this morning at the Clare Cotton Mills, Staleybridge, by the escaping steam.

THE LIVERPOOL BANK FRAUDS.

TRUE BILLS RETURNED.

The Grand Jury at the Old Bailey to-day turned true bills against all the Liverpool Bank fraud prisoners.

THE JOHANNESBURG GOLD MINES.

JANUARY'S OUTPUT.

The Press Association states that a cable from the Transvaal Chamber of Mines, Johannesburg, contains the information that the gold put for January, 1902, of the mines which so far restarted working on the Witwaters amounting to 70,340 ounces of fine gold. The put for the month of December was 52,897 oz.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S SON.

The condition of President Roosevelt's son is apparently very serious. It is believed the patient is delirious.

Washington, Tuesday. There is no improvement in the condition of the President's son. A little pleurisy has developed in one lung.

ARREST OF MR. FRANK ANDREWS

Mr. Frank Andrews, Vice-President of the Savings Bank, was arrested last night, accused largely overdrawn account and with some over one million dollars, without giving security and without the knowledge of the other directors. The accused was held to bail in ten thousand dollars.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Heng Kong, Tuesday. It is reported that between four and five hundred shops were destroyed by fire in the western part of Canton.

LORD DUFFERIN'S CONDITION.