

# DEATH OF MR. RICHARD FRY.

We are sure that many of his old Limerick friends will learn with deep regret of the death of Mr. Richard Fry, who was the founder of the Merchants' Fire Brigade here in the years gone by, and whose warm interest in yachting matters was shown on so many occasions. Since his residence in Dublin, Mr. Fry had taken a most prominent place in Dublin Bay yachting circles, where his figure was well known and recognised on all important occasions. He was a member of the Royal Irish and Royal Alfred Yacht Clubs, and was also an original member and founder of the Dublin Bay Sailing Club, of which he was commodore for many years until the accession to that office of the present occupant, Captain Viscount Crichton. Mr. Fry afterwards for some years filled the post of vice-commodore, and only retired from the committee of the club in the present year. He was connected with the sailing committees of all the coast regattas, acting as officer of the day at Howth and Kingstown, and at Bray and Dalkey. He belonged to the old class of yachtsmen, and was ever ready to come in and give the younger men a hand. Popular on all hands, he was especially so amongst the fisherfolk. Mr. Fry was owner of the famous Truant, an American-built boat, which was, as old yachtsmen still tell, brought in the fifties of last century to the Solent, where she carried all before her and revolutionised the yachting world. His death occurred on Saturday evening at his residence, Elton Park, Sandycove, after an illness of fourteen days. Mr. Fry contracted pneumonia, and the attack, serious from the first, resisted every effort of the most unremitting care and skill of his medical attendant, Dr. Blake Knox, of Kingstown. Dr. Knox, who was an old friend of the deceased, did all in his power to ward off a fatal issue, and during the last four days was practically night and day at his bedside. At different times he called in the aid of Dr. W. M. Wright, Dr. Finny and Dr. Wallace Beatty, but despite their efforts the patient succumbed at 4.30 on Wednesday afternoon. The late Mr. Richard Fry was fifty years of age, and a partner in the firm of Messrs. O. and R. Fry, of Hawkins street, Dublin, with whom he entered into partnership some 16 years ago, having been up to that time manager for Messrs. Matterson here for a long period. The funeral took place this morning and was largely attended.

## ALLEGED ATTACK ON A MILITARY PATROL.

Three fishermen from Coonagh, named Michael McInerney, John Grimes, and Michael Bruce were arrested on Sunday evening in connection with an affray which arose between them and a military patrol from the Yorkshire Light Infantry, consisting of Sergeant Cudworth, Lance Corporal Greene, and two privates of the regiment. It appears that the patrol found it necessary to visit Hannan's Bar, Bedford Row, where the Coonagh men were drinking. Before leaving, the soldiers, as alleged were subject to some abuse from the civilians who appeared to have taken umbrage at their action. The dispute developed and a fight ensued, the lance-corporal being knocked down, while one of the privates received a blackened eye. The police were soon on the scene, and placed the three Coonagh men under arrest. The occurrence attracted a considerable crowd, but no further interference with the soldiers took place. The accused were brought before Mr. P. E. Bourke, J.P., and remanded to Petty Sessions.

## ALLEGED SERIOUS ASSAULT.

Dominic Burns, aged about twenty, labourer, was arrested on Saturday night charged with having inflicted severe injuries on a man named Michael Connery. The latter was admitted to Barrington's Hospital, and in a deposition stated that he worked at Messrs Bannatyne's, and on Saturday had an argument with the prisoner's father who is also employed by the same firm. As he was leaving the place he was either tripped or fell, and young Burns at once pounced upon him, beating him severely on the body and face, fracturing his right and left lower jaw. The prisoner was remanded in custody.

## EASTER MONDAY.

The constant day's rain marred to a great extent the Easter Monday holiday, and the city, which always bears a quiet aspect at this season, presented an appearance of dreariness. In spite of the prospects for a wet day, a large number left the city by the morning excursion train for Cork races, and the special trains which left in the afternoon for Killaloe and Castleconnell were well filled by pleasure-seekers. An excursion train from Cork to Killaloe arrived in Limerick during the afternoon, but many of the party doubtless disheartened by the disagreeable weather, proceeded no further than Limerick, where they whiled away the time in the best manner that offered until the return of the train, which conveyed them home.

## A BRUTAL SWEEP.

Mary Higgins, Newgate, was admitted to Barrington's Hospital on Sunday, suffering from in-

THE MAYOR—The citizens will be glad to learn that the Mayor has progressed a long way towards convalescence. His worship was able to leave his house yesterday.

BAZAAR AT LAUREL HILL.—A large and influential meeting was held at Laurel Hill this evening in furtherance of the forthcoming bazaar and festival in aid of the extension of their day-schools.

MACHINIST WANTED.—The Newcastle West Guardians have decided to appoint a machinist for the house, as the matron is unable, unassisted, to supply all the garments required by the inmates.

NEW FAIR.—Buyers of pigs, cattle, sheep, and horses, will be interested to learn that a new fair is to be held at Roundstone, Connemara, on Thursday, 1st May, and Friday 2nd May. Particulars in our advertising columns.

The Secretary of the Protestant Orphan Society thankfully acknowledges from Abington and Doon Branch, per Rev. H. W. Davidson, £11 10s 6d; Adare Branch, per Rev. Canon O'Brien, £19 3s 4d; Trinity Church Branch, per Rev. J. T. Waller, £18; Cahinarry Branch, per Rev. Canon Luther, £15 7s 10d.

THE SHANNON WARD VACANCY.—The polling for the election of a Councillor for the Shannon Ward will take place to-morrow, the polling booth being in the Athenæum. The candidates are—Messrs. O'Shaughnessy, Bateman, Kelly, and Moran. The votes will be counted to-morrow night.

HUNT THEATRICALS.—For the convenience of those anxious to attend the matinee performance of the Hunt Theatricals on Saturday next, the Great Southern and Western Railway will run a special train from Newcastle West, leaving at noon and stopping at Rathkeale, Ballingrane, Adare and Patrickswell.

DEATH OF MRS MASSY HEWSON.—We deeply regret to announce the death of Mrs Massy Hewson which took place after a long and patiently borne illness, at her residence, Clarina, this morning. We tender our warmest sympathies to the bereaved husband and relatives, which we feel sure will be shared in by all who had the privilege of knowing the deceased lady.

ZENANA MISSION.—We desire to call attention to the sale of work which will be held in the commodious lecture hall attached to the Presbyterian Church, Mallow street, on Saturday afternoon next at 2 o'clock. It is in aid of the Zenana Mission, and the hall will be nicely decorated and the stalls laden with a variety of fancy and useful articles, some of them exquisitely beautiful. Refreshments will be provided at a special stall.

P.Y.M.A. LITERARY CLASS.—The result of the prize competitions are as follows:—President's medal awarded to best speaker at discussions and debates, won by Mr W. E. Calcutt. Dr. Fogerty's medal for best paper written by a member under 21 years, won by the Secretary. Mr T. Grubb's prize for the best paper written by a member under 22 years "The Ideal Young Man" was won by Mr J. E. Galbraith and the Secretary. These two essays were so equal in merit that Mr Grubb has most generously doubled his offer and has given the same prize to each.

## THE LATE MR. PATRICK MORTISHED.

The funeral of this old and highly-esteemed citizen took place yesterday morning, the remains being removed from his late residence, Rutland-street at 11 o'clock, for interment at St Mary's Cathedral. The late Mr. Mortished held the position of sub-Postmaster at the Rutland-street branch for a period of twenty-five years, and in his public as well as his private capacity, enjoyed the esteem and good-will of everyone who had the privilege of his acquaintance. For over forty years Mr. Mortished filled an important, though subordinate position in St. Mary's Cathedral, and carried out the duties with the utmost zeal and integrity. The Lord Bishop, in his sermon at the Cathedral on Good Friday, paid an eloquent tribute to the services rendered by the deceased. He said the late Mr. Mortished had for forty-five years filled a useful office in connection with the services of that Cathedral, which was very dear to his heart. During that time he had performed the duties with a simple earnestness of faith as a Christian, and which endeared his memory to the congregation, and all who knew him. His Lordship felt sure that the sympathy of those to whom the deceased verger was known for so many years, would go out to the family in their sad affliction, and they could all feel that he had exchanged his earthly duties in the service of Almighty God for the award which awaited a faithful servant.

The funeral yesterday was of very large proportions, testifying to the respect in which the deceased was held. The chief mourners were his three sons, James, John, and Patrick Mortished. The attendance included—The Lord Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Bunbury; Rev. E. W. P. Archdall, Succentor; Rev. H. Orpen, Mr. Beauchamp, Clerk of the Crown and Peace; Mr. Richard Lee, Mr. S. E. Lee, J.P.; Mr. R. Evans, Mr. Fogerty, solicitor; Mr. T. Rice, Mr. W. Bookby, Mr. J. J. Blake, Mr. W. Nelson, Mr. J. Hartman, Mr. M. Caffrey, Mr. A. Jordan, Mr. T. Bernard, Mr. J. Hall, Mr. R. Morehead, Mr. W. Beckley, Mr. T. Myles, Mr. F. Tierney, Mr. J. Kelly, Mr. S. Hewson, Mr. A. Benn, Mr. E. Ashe, Messrs. McNamara and Lynch, Post Office, etc.

## A QUESTION OF WEIGHT.

gives. This was a ceremony which was of frequent recurrence in that court, and he was sure it was a source of very great pleasure to his Honor, as Chairman of the city and county of Limerick, to find that the district over which he presides was in such a crimeless condition. He (the High Sheriff) could only hope that this happy state of things may last, and that on his next visit he might have the same pleasing function to perform.

His Honor, in reply, said he had to thank the Sheriff for this traditional gift to celebrate a crimeless calendar. He had been coming there for eight years—these Sessions would complete eight years' service as Chairman of the Quarter Sessions and County Court Judge for the city and county—and during the whole of that time his Honor thought it right to say that he had found the city and county in a state of almost absolute crimelessness and tranquillity. Certainly the city might at times exhibit a little popular turbulence and excitement, but the majority of the people were as innocent, as crimeless, and as industrious a population as any that existed in this island. In that unfortunate national vice of intemperance the people, under the influence of their devoted clergy, had enormously improved since he had come to their city. To-morrow the same ceremony would be gone through of presenting him with white gloves for the county, where the same spirit of innocence and crimelessness prevails. The wealth of the county consisted in its cattle, which were value for tens of thousands and perhaps for hundreds of thousands of pounds. The cattle were out every night upon the green fields of their county, separated only from the public road by a little ditch, and during these eight years he had only one case of cattle stealing to investigate, and this offence had been equally scarce at the Assizes. The young girls of the county in the duty cast upon them by the creamery system were on the roads in the early morning and again at night, often after dark, and he had never heard during that long period of a single case in which a young girl had ever been offered insult.

Sir Knight, I feel not the least alarm, No son of Erin will offer me harm; For though they love woman and golden store, Sir Knight, they love honour and virtue more.

Continuing, his Honor said he was merely stating what he felt and believed. He drew no inference and made no conclusions, but he repeated that there was not within the dominions of their good lord the King a city or county more free from serious crime than the city and county of Limerick (applause in court).

LICENSING BUSINESS. The following transfers were granted, there being no objection by the police:—Michael Collins, 42 Roche's street, represented by Mr J. P. Hall, solicitor; William J. Cooney, 30 Queen street, represented by Mr John Ryan, solicitor; Thomas Hannon, 23 Upper Gerald Griffin street, represented by Mr P. E. O'Donnell; Emma McCarthy, 22 William street, for whom Mr Dundon appeared, and Joseph O'Malley, 11 Lower Gerald Griffin street, represented by Mr Leahy, junr.

NEW LICENSE REFUSED. Mr. Dundon applied on behalf of Jeremiah Davern for a new license for the premises, 3 Queen-street. He explained that up to a few months ago this house had been licensed and was occupied by Miss Norah O'Callaghan. Owing to convictions against the premises the renewal of the license had been refused. The present applicant was married to a sister of the former holder of the license, and his wife, who had wide experience in the business, would practically have control of the place.

Mrs. Davern was examined and stated that her sisters would have no connection whatever with the business.

District Inspector O'Hara objected on the ground that the license was not required.

Mr. Hall, J.P., was opposed to granting any new licenses.

His Honor said he would leave the matter in the hands of the magistrates. Of course there was no question as to the respectability of the applicant and his wife.

Mr. Dundon referred to the fact that the house belonged to Messrs Murphy, and the refusal of the license would be a loss to them.

A poll was taken when there voted.

For granting the license—Mr. Guinane, Mr. Bourke, and Mr. Stokes—3.

Against—Mr. Hall, Mr. Poole Gabbett, Mr. Lee, and Mr. Roche—4.

His Honor: The license is therefore refused.

Mr. Dundon asked if Mr. Hickson who had just entered would vote.

Mr. Hickson: No. I know nothing about the case.

LICENSE RIGHTS OF LANDLORDS.

Mr J. P. Hall applied for a transfer of the license on behalf of William O'Brien, for the house 8 Upper William street. The former holder, Miss Toomey, had been evicted, and he contended that the landlord then became the owner of the license.

Mr Gaffney opposed on behalf of Miss Toomey, arguing that the license could not be transferred with her endorsement. He quoted the decision in the case of O'Brien v. the Justices of Tipperary.

His Honor held with Mr. Gaffney.

Mr. Gaffney said he would advise his client to make the necessary assignment if she were allowed £5 as against her interest in the premises.

Mr. Hall consented to pay this sum, and the transfer was granted.

CRIMINAL APPEAL.

An adjourned appeal case was called in which the defendant was a "bill-poster" named Edward Fleming, who had been convicted by the magistrates and sentenced to six weeks imprisonment for assaulting Constable Gargan when some excitement existed towards Dr Long.

His Honor asked what was the existing state of affairs with reference to Dr. Long, or was he still in Limerick.

Head Constable McAree—He is, your worship, but matters are quite peaceable.

His Honor said this old man appeared to have got excited on the occasion. He was glad to hear that things had assumed their normal quietness, and it appeared to him that the Limerick people did get flashes of common sense. He was always of opinion that the Limerick people made the greatest mistake they could possibly make by interference with this gentleman. In the present

notion that with regard to the churches there was a turn out and a turn in. At the Reformation everything remained as it had been. Every Archbishop, and all the Bishops, except two, and all the clergy, held their Cathedrals, Churches, Sees, and Glebe houses, as before, with this difference. They read the Service in English instead of Latin, cast off their allegiance to a foreign power, and returned to the doctrines of the primitive Catholic Church of Ireland, founded by St. Patrick. True the people deserted the churches, but this was owing to the blundering incapacity of the English Government which would not permit the service in Irish, which the people understood and loved, but in English, the badge of the hated Saxon.

Then commenced that Italian mission to the people of Ireland which has been eminently successful, and from which the Church of Rome in Ireland dates her origin.

The alienation of so many of our people from their ancient national church was a loss which we ever deplored, but considering the circumstances it was more their misfortune than their fault.

Truly yours,  
J. VANCE.

Ardagh, March 31st, 1902.

## WANTED—A BRIDGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

Limerick, March 31st, 1902.

DEAR SIR—Your readers may recollect that some short time ago the bridge which spanned the stream below Corbally mills was removed. The bridge served as a connection between two banks—which so connected permitted one to walk from Athlunkard bridge to Corbally bridge—one of the pleasantest walks formerly that the public enjoyed. Now, I have nothing to remark about the justice or injustice displayed by the authorities who had the bridge removed. But there is a danger in the shape of a one plank, non-railed structure which spans the stream a few yards below the spot where the bridge stood. It was not put as a substitute, but parties walking on the bank use it as such. The slender props that support it appear to me to be nearly rotten. I was near the spot a few evenings ago, and whilst there several persons passed over the plank, not without a little hesitation, however, for the stream is deep and swift at the point. I noticed a few young chaps were rather timid to venture, but were urged on by their bolder companions. Two of them were nearly having a pugilistic engagement passing over. I write with a self-disinterested motive when I suggest to the authorities the importance of having a proper crossing fixed, or removing the present sorry affair, which, as it stands, is an enticement to danger to the young and reckless. I may add in conclusion that I am not a disciple of Sir Isaac Walton; indeed, the knights of the rod who wend thitherward seem singularly reticent about the matter so far. I mention the foregoing facts solely because I deem it a duty to draw attention to what is undoubtedly a grave danger, and in doing so, I feel free from any further personal concern in regard to it.—Yours, etc.,

"ROVER."

## KILRUSH PETTY SESSIONS.

MONDAY.

(Before Mr Harpur, R.M., Chairman, Mr. F. J. O'Doherty, Mr. John Culligan, and Mr. J. O'Mahony).

MILK ADULTERATION.—SHARP PENALTY.

A milk contractor named Mary Williams was charged with selling milk deprived of 10 per cent of its fats to the workhouse according to fact stated at the meeting of the Board of Guardians who directed the prosecution.

Mr. M. J. Byrne (Hilliard and Byrne, solrs. prosecuted, and Mr Thomas Kelly defended.

The certificate of Sir Charles Cameron was put in declaring that the milk had been deprived of 10 per cent of fats, and was therefore a debase article.

Mr. Kelly held that the prosecution failed unless it was shown that Williams debase this article.

Mr. Byrne argued that all that was necessary for his case was to show that defendant sold debase article whether she knew it or not.

The Chairman said defendant was bound by her contract, and must take the consequences.

A fine of £5 and 12s 6d costs was imposed. A appeal was lodged.

A BAD CASE.

An inmate of the workhouse named John Russell was sent to gaol for one month for giving a running kick at a little boy in the institution on the 24th March.

Another case was adjourned for five weeks for the attendance of a witness.

SERIOUS ASSAULT.

Information was taken against a man named Martin Clancy for striking and knocking down soldier named Ryan the previous night at a street corner, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

## PUBLICATIONS.

BLACKWOOD.

Blackwood is specially interesting this month one of the best articles being the one entitled "Light and Shade in Ireland." Mr. Broderic and Army Reform will be read with great interest, as will also the able articles "On the Bee of De Wet," of which the 4th appears in this number, telling the story of the first ebel "Dogs I have known and loved" is charming and sympathetically written, and will appeal to all the lovers of the friend of man. "My Or Accomplishment" is an excellent story, an "Musings without Method" as usual hit hard and tell home truths with regard to "Stat Trials," which are in the author's happiest style.

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