

philosophical soul, he made the best of matters, and adopted the motto, "Let us eat, drink, and be merry, for to-morrow we die." Most people who eat, drink, and are merry do die, however healthy they may have been at the start, but this man's constitution played him a treacherous trick, and he woke up one morning and found himself penniless, but still alive. So he forged a cheque for £8 8s. Result: Six months' hard labour, imposed at Bow street yesterday.

THE CITY DEATH RATE.

The death rate of the city for the four weeks ending July 7th was 13.0, the rates for the four weeks being—June 16th, 20.5; June 23rd, 10.9; June 30th, 10.9; July 7th, 9.6. The average death rate for the four weeks in the 22 to n districts registered was 16.5. The highest death rates were at Newtownards, 24.3, and Queenstown, 21.4, the lowest death rates being at Dundalk, 8.0, and Clonmel, 9.0.

MUNSTER-CONNACHT EXHIBITION

At the Sweet Pea Show on Friday, the table decoration prize was accredited to Mrs. W. F. McNamara, of Ballinacurra, and the second and third prizes respectively to Miss L. E. Shaw, and Miss E. Stephenson for the exhibits of that delightful flower. Honourable merit was awarded to Mrs. Gerald Goodbody, and Miss Ina Kennedy. Lord Fermoy visited the Exhibition on Thursday, minutely examined everything, and expressed himself delighted with what had been done.

LIMERICK NO. 2 DISTRICT COUNCIL

In accordance with the resolution passed at a recent Board, a meeting of Limerick No. 2 District Council (Clare) was convened for 11 o'clock to-day. The only member who attended to-day was Captain O'Brien, with the Clerk, Mr. H. J. Guinane, and a quorum not being present, no business was transacted. The hour, heretofore, of meeting was 12 o'clock, and after the adjournment to-day several members attended to find that they were late.

SALE OF THE "MUNSTER NEWS."

This morning at 12 o'clock the sale of the "Munster News" was effected by Mr. W. Fitt, auctioneer. After some local and other bidding Dr. J. Cunnihan (a member of the founder's family) was declared the purchaser at £650. The lot included the house held under a rent of £5, lease 61 years from April, 1874; the stock-in-trade, printing machines and type, gas engine, etc., and goodwill of the newspaper.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

"Irish Irelander" sends a long letter referring to the Exhibition, but it is couched in such terms that we are unable to print it. Why will not correspondents criticise without calling names?

P. Hayes—Your "news" appeared in our issue of Thursday night.

much missed by many friends. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, and was of a most representative character. A number of Limerick friends were present.

LIMERICK LADY'S BEQUEST.

In the Rolls Court yesterday arguments were begun in the suit of Anne Reid, against the Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, to have it declared that a sum of £800 (being portion of a sum of £1,660 given by a Miss Bridget O'Grady to the rev. defendant for charitable purposes was subject to the trusts of the will of one Jerh. O'Grady, deceased. The Bishop having failed to satisfy the contentions of the several parties allowed the matter to go into Court, and submitted his rights to the jurisdiction of the Court. The case is at hearing.

Mr. O'Connor, K.C., and Mr. Corvan (instructed by Mr. R. A. McNamara) appeared for the plaintiff. Messrs. D. F. Browne, K.J., and P. Kelly (instructed by Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan, solicitor, Limerick), appeared for the Bishop of Limerick, and Very Rev. A. Murphy; and Messrs. H. Wilson, K.C., and E. Lynch (instructed by Mr. S. Hastings, solicitor, Limerick) appeared for Mrs. O'Grady, the administratrix of W. F. O'Grady, deceased.

RATHKEALE SUB-POSTMISTRESS.

Mrs. Howard, wife of Mr. A. Howard, G.P.O., has been appointed sub-Postmistress of Rathkeale on the retirement of Mr. H. Boyle.

THE SIX-MILE LIMIT.

The suburban licensed traders through the medium of Mr. Rahilly, Roxborough, presented a petition to the Limerick Co. Council to-day, requesting that they would pass a resolution condemnatory of the proposed six-mile limit. Mr. Clancy proposed a resolution in acquiescence with the petition, which Mr. Naughton seconded. The motion was strenuously opposed by Mr. Coleman, and on a division was carried by one.

THE RECENT SHANNON FATALITY

A meeting of the Committee engaged in the collection of funds for the families of the five men recently drowned in the Shannon was held yesterday at the Town Hall, the Mayor presiding. It was stated that a sum of £200 was subscribed, and arrangements were made to close the collection on the 1st instant. Pending the allocation of the fund, it was decided to make a grant of £10 to each of the families.

THE LABOURERS' BILL

Mr. Halpin, member for West Clare, has given notice of an amendment to the Labourers' Bill to the effect that an agricultural labourer, who is tenant to a District Council of a cottage and plot or an allotment under the Labourers' Acts, shall be deemed for purposes of turbary to be an occupier of land on the estate of which the plot or allotment formed part prior to its acquisition by the District Council.

SAFE IN PORT.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO-DAY).

The Union Castle liner Briton arrived at Southampton to-day with over half a million from the Cape.

Bank had agreed with him to of £20,000 to the 29th September.

Mr. Hayes protested against the Finance Committee taking Mr. Coleman had done, of appointment and making arrangements draft.

Mr. Coleman said it was general that he should see Mr. Brett. pure and simple of facilitating the county.

Lord Dunraven enquired with the National Bank stood Mr. Roche said in the general was a credit of £469; subsidiary of £902; salaries a credit of £ of £345.

Lord Dunraven—That leave Mr. Roche—I understand been lodged by the collectors

Lord Dunraven said if the the Munster and Leinster Bank in the same difficulty as the National they had none of the moneys their disposal. He was of opinion should create a Reserve Fund necessity of continually approaching for an advance. His lordship's present position did not arise but having to meet the demands bodies quarterly when the rate What the Council had a right a sufficient sum of money to put on a proper footing—that was working balance, and to avoid drafts. It was proposed in National a rate of twopence in the pound for the next three years to meet but it was out of the power Council to pledge itself in the had borrowing powers the pro difficulty would be to borrow had not those powers, and could without an Act of Parliament Order. He suggested that the a specific purpose a sum of with £11,000 railway mortgage credit would create a reserve come the difficulty.

Lord Dunraven proposed that Leinster Bank be approached of the Finance Committee as were prepared to act as treasurer Mr. O'Neill seconded, and expressed himself in accordance

Mr. Feheny proposed, and nery seconded as an amendment be advertised for.

On a division the voting was For the amendment—Messrs. Feheny, M. Naughton, M. J. and J. Fitzgibbon—5.

Against—Lord Dunraven, M. J. O'Neill, D. Clancy, J. B. Bar J. Coleman, and the Chairman

The amendment was declared Harrington, as chairman of the mittee, immediately proceeded and Leinster Bank where he manager, who attended before committee) and discussed terms

THE ELCHO CHALLENGE

The Elcho Challenge Shot with the match rifle at 300, 900 by teams of eight representing and Scotland, was won by the aggregate of 1,658. Ireland 1,602, and Scotland tied with 1,585.