

-Yes. And how can you rescind a contract that has been accepted? Madden said that the officers did their duty and he was merely looking at the financial case.

Madden said there was no hurry on the part of the contractor for chickens had not been accepted, and as he was purchasing from the old contractor, he asked what was to be done. Some of the members present at the next lowest tender got the contract and the other members did not. Madden stated that Mr. Kelleher had not signed in time.

Madden said that he had proposed that the lowest tender be accepted, it having been accepted by the Clerk and Master that the contractor should sign his bonds.

The Chairman spoke similarly, and the Clerk said that he prepared the bond on the evening, and intimated to Mr. Kelleher that the contract was accepted, and that he should attend at the office with his sureties to sign the bond. It was lying there on the following Saturday for him to do so.

Mr. O'Brien inquired had the new contractor (Mrs. Ryan) completed her bond.

The Clerk—She has. The contractor stated that on October 2nd he had signed his bond, but up to that time he had not got the contract.

Madden thought their present contractor would be answerable if they gave the contract to anyone else (hear, hear). Further discussion, Mr. Madden's motion was not pressed, and the matter dropped as the contractor's business was routine.

## PORT DUES.

### Practice and Custom.

The County Court Judge Shaw delivered judgment in the case which he heard last week, in which Messrs. McCowen and Sons brought an action for £50 against the Tralee and Fenit Harbour Commissioners for rebates on registered tonnage on their vessels on the schedule of the Tralee and Fenit Pier Act of 1880. The schedule was to the effect that the owners of vessels engaged in trade with the harbour should make a rebate in one year, from January to December, for more voyages, to or from the harbour entitled to a rebate in respect of dues on the schedule. The defendant had contended that in the ordinary custom of the port no dues were levied on outward bound vessels, and that the schedule was outward bound. It was held that even if it were held that the schedule should have been charged in respect of outward bound vessels, that of the eight outward bound voyages claimed by plaintiffs, four were not entitled to a rebate.

The defendant held that only 49 voyages were made and he consequently dismissed the claim.

**YOU A PRETTY GIRL**

League yesterday, the question of National Unity absorbed the greater part of the time allotted to the business on the agenda. The Rev. W. Casey, P.P., who presided, ridiculed the idea of dissension in the ranks of the Nationalist Party, and said unity had never a firmer hold in the country. They all wished to see Mr. W. O'Brien back amongst the leaders before long doing his share in the work of regenerating the country. Those who were now shouting about unity were of the landlord or Unionist class, men who had never done anything to uphold Nationality. He begged to remind those who took part in the proceedings at Tralee on Sunday that in 1904 and 1905 the County Limerick Executive had passed resolutions calling on Messrs Redmond, Dillon, Davitt and O'Brien to come together in conference and to serve the country in unity as of old. All favourably to the resolution, and in face of that he (Chairman) asked how could anyone sustain the proceedings at Tralee on Sunday. He had no faith in any but a fighting policy, and it was only when the country was on the eve of a revolution that they got anything.

Mr. S. P. Harris, hon. sec. of the meeting, read the replies of Messrs Redmond, Dillon and Davitt to the conference resolution of 1905, and which went to show that all were agreeable with the idea contained in it.

Mr. Coleman and others having spoken, the proceedings terminated.

## DEATH OF MR. MEADE.

The death is announced of Mr. Richard Meade, Bohard, Feenagh, at an advanced age. The deceased was connected by ties of friendship with the most respectable families throughout West Limerick, and was for a considerable number of years under agent to the late Sir Stephen De Vere, Adare.

## A DOCK LABOURER'S PLUCK.

When a man fell into the disused lockpit of Victoria Dock at Grimsby and was drowning, a coal trimmer named Taylor pluckily allowed himself to be lowered head downwards by two companions, who held his feet. He caught the drowning man, and with great difficulty succeeded in hauling him to the top of the quay.

## SERIOUS ACCIDENT NEAR CROOM.

A young man in the employ of Mr. Hartigan, Bettyville, Croom, while exercising a horse the property of his master, met with a rather serious accident. The horse shied at something and reared several times. Ultimately he fell right over on his back, the unfortunate rider coming under him, with the result that he was crushed so severely it was considered necessary by the local doctor to have the poor fellow removed at once to the Limerick County Hospital whence he was immediately conveyed on the Croom workhouse ambulance.

## REMARKABLE ACCIDENT.

### Liner Founders.

A serious disaster occurred off Lisbon late last night, the Hamburg American liner Borussia sinking in a few moments whilst taking on coal. The Borussia had just arrived

with us again, and they are able in the manner in which they come down on the back of the head in the manner of rolling the brim back of the front. These hats are of various colours—bottle green, claret red, and all tints of purple shade, and into the amethyst shade, however, into the violet of its first appearance. Hats may be trimmed with all the way of feathers, and still be in fashion, although the long sweep is the favourite trimming.

## WORKERS WHO WON.

One of the problems of the day, "Pearl" in the *Reader*, is that is something in the mind of a woman soon as she is released from the drudgery of household meals, flies in the air to try and tea, or buns and milk, and markable hours at which no thought of feeding, says by a woman who has her luncheon-hour time may escape her innate tenaciousness by force of circumstances often yields without a fight to the temptations of pork-pie and lemonade, or bath coffee, or a banana and a biscuit, worst economy in the world to the food. The head of an office says "Yes, we shall have to dismiss a good girl, but she is always having a headache, or fainting, and we have to substitute who does not understand. She will not eat wholesome food cannot afford to indulge in extravagance, this has a brutal aspect of view; where pennies are scarce, it is a temptation to save momentarily satisfying. It is two or three meals by the simple eating something that will disincumbent for some time. Apart from economic difficulty to eat in hot, crowded restaurants; but the working girl who food problem will soon find her career, suffering in consequence

## NEW BICYCLE SKIRT.

The divided skirt for cyclists, in its popularity, writes a Paris correspondent, tailors are now making a skirt of fitting lines of a riding-habit, arranged that it fits like a glove while giving an entire freedom of movement. It is neat, jaunty, and at the same time stylish. Experience has shown that Scotch tweeds are by far the best wear, the mixed weaves showing a tear of the road much less than linings or plain cloths. The very latest model made in brown tweed, with a fitting coat, ornamented with a same colour; it is open in front, smart shirt-front or silk or flannel models shew the comfortable nature while still another is the smart breasted coat built in tweed or this last being the best-approved hour for bicycle wear. The new skirt is made in such a manner well on as off the wheel. The advantage is effected by invisible stitching one is placed in front, and a dot in the centre of the back, both running bottom to the top, and passing through holes. These strings fasten catches concealed by lapels. In the skirt are small pockets for weight the skirt down. The skirt can be shortened at will, and off the wheel any ordinary walking skirt. It is suitable for golf, tennis, and travelling. It is in place naturally when mounted, no adjustment, fitting smoothly and sides. Any of the soft woollens—cheviot, tweed, or cloth can be used.