

LIMERICK UNION.

weekly meeting of the Guardians of this was held yesterday, Mr. Patrick Bourke, Chairman presiding. Also present—Missington, Captain O'Brien, J. Hassett, J. P. J. O.G. Delmege, J. H. Ryan, T. Coffey, Tierney (Lock Quay), P. Mulcahy, R. Frost, O'Donoghue, J. Fitzgerald, J. Keane, M. Curry, Humphreys, B. Laffan, G. Gleeson, T. Lalor, Grady, O. O'Callaghan, J. Madden, R. Nix, Burke, Ald. McDonnell, Ald. Prendergast, J. Mara, J. Lane.

DEARTH OF EMPLOYMENT.

able-bodied men applied for admission to the workhouse. The Chairman said there was a decrease in the number of patients at the hospital and an increase of 98 on the year of the healthy portion of the house. That spoke badly for the times, and it was a most serious state of affairs, attributable of course to the great want of employment in the city at the present time.

Lynch—Could you not find work for these men in the house?

Hassett endorsed the Chairman's statement.

Madden—Are there not plenty of stones to be taken in the institution?

Mulcahy—If these men are admitted they will be made work.

Chairman—One of them is always employed.

Lynch—If the other man could get work it would not come here.

Mulqueen said there was lots of work in the country, but they would not stir out of the workhouse.

men were admitted.

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL.

The Local Government Board wrote that they had received from the Relieving Officers' reports and school attendance certificates for the month of December respecting the children boarded in the workhouse. The Board pointed out that Michael Kirby was absent on thirteen out of the 21 days on which the school was during the month, and they requested the Guardians to warn the foster parent to send the child more regularly to school in future. The matter was referred to the Boarding-out Committee.

APPROVED.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board acknowledging receipt of the resolution of the Guardians proposing that in future the relieving officer should attend at Broadford dispensary on Mondays, the Bridgetown dispensary on Wednesdays, and at Clohlara on Fridays fixed hours in each case for his attendance from 10 o'clock a.m. to 12 noon—and the L.G.B. that they have approved of the proposed arrangements, provided that they were notified in writing throughout the district, and that the boards affixed to the dispensary are done accordingly.

An order to this effect was made.

SANCTION.

The Local Government Board wrote sanctioning the payment of remuneration of £3 3s a week to Dr. Mulcahy as temporary substitute for Dr. ...

FUNERAL OF DR. G. PIERCE, NEWCASTLE WEST.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The death of this esteemed and respected gentleman is very sincerely regretted by the people of this town and district amongst whom he labored professionally for the past 50 years. He was an M.D. of the Royal College of Surgeons and Physicians, Dublin, and Medical Officer of Newcastle West Workhouse and Dispensary for the greater portion of that period, and had attained a high reputation in the world of medicine and surgery. He took the keenest interest and devoted much of his time to the careful treatment of the sick poor who all mourn the loss of their great benefactor and friend. His charity and desire to assuage the sorrow of the poor, has been a distinguishing trait in the family for generations, a full measure descending to him, which he used without ostentation, but effectively to relieve the pangs of the suffering. Hundreds of people of all classes visited the chamber of death to take a last affectionate look at one they held in such high esteem. The funeral cortege was large and representative, the interment taking place at the family vault, Churchtown. The sincerest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Pierce and the members of the family by the people of the town and district.

The chief mourners were—Dr. Frank Pierce, Hoyle, Birkenhead, (brother); Thomas E. Lloyd, Heathfield; Edward Lloyd, do; George Lloyd, Listowel; Maurice Ahern, J.P., Herinbrook; Dr. Edward L. Ahern, do (cousins).

The clergy present were—Very Rev. Canon Vance, Rathronan; Rev. Mr. Fry, Ballybunion; Very Rev. Canon Dickson, Killeady.

Very Rev. Canon Vance officiated, and in the reading of the prayers at the graveside was much affected.

Amongst the general public were—Right Rev. Monsignor Hallinan, D.D., P.P., V.G.; Thomas Hurley, J.P., Chairman District Council and Guardians; Daniel Leonard, D.C., Chairman Town Commissioners; Dr. Richard P. Condon, J. D. Leahy, C.E., Captain R. Curling, J.P., P. O'Shaughnessy, J.P., Michael G. Barry, J.P., Robert Cussen, solr., Richard Nash, jr., R. Nash, senr., Mathew O'Mahony, John O'Mahony, Dublin; Dr. Moloney, Ballingarry; Richard Leonard, Ringwood; John Leonard, Daniel Quinn, E. J. Baird, Manager Provincial Bank; E. O'F. Nugent, Manager National Bank; H. Fraser, do.; John Condon, solr., J. P. Lavan, solr., C. C. Harnett, John P. O'Conner; J. Brouder, W. A. Roehe, J. P. O'Gahan, David McGoy, T.O., Jeremiah Clifford, T.C., George Latchford, T.O., Gideon Riedy, T.C., James O'Mahony, Cullina; John D. Moylan, Thomas G. Ambrose, Master Workhouse; John Byrnes, Clerk Union; A. J. Byrnes, Clerk District Council; Dr. Guest, E. Forde, Michael Murphy, T.C., J. D. Musgrave, Courtenay Schools; John McDonnell, W. Phelan, S. Ambrose, Michael Scanlan.

WRECKS ON THE CLARE COAST.

A COLUMN FOLLOWS CULLED FROM ALL

A COMING PIANIST.

Among the most brilliant pianists of the day is Miss I. ... though only nineteen years of age, she has already made her reputation in London and she should go much further. ... and she should go much further. ... does not, like so many musicians, confine herself to her art, since she confesses to a taste for literature. She began to study music at the age of six, and first appeared in public at the age of sixteen, since which she has worked her way up. She was married to Ada Crossley in August last, and she is to fulfil an engagement at Leeds.

A WOMAN ON ...

If I were a man, writes Do ... known American writer, I would not be a woman, no matter what virtues she possessed, unless she should know that if I were a man, I would set me down to overdone bread, and by the side of my hearth, I should be miserable as beautiful as Venus, as witty and tumultuously loving as a heroine, and so amiable that she would melt in her mouth. The woman always to say the agreeable thing, and to say the disagreeable thing in a way that will smooth down the roughness and make it easy travel.

JOHN STRANGE WINTER.

Opening an artistic dress on the other day, Mrs. Stannard better known as "John Strange" she could not be considered a dress, as she had neither the make it a study. She liked to be different, but her ambition soon her opinion there was need of all classes of dress. She thought sense might prevail, more women, and then they would be satisfied with husbands of their own dress. In conclusion, she said "Thank God, I see no reason to be pleased to find that such a woman could help to put a sacrifice of life, and in her life toward a humanitarian movement she declined to know a woman."

ACTRESSES IN FA ...

Sada Yacco is in Paris with Kawakami. Her idea, says she, was to found a conservatoire for women of the French National Opera, and to put a woman upon the stage in London upon as an impious monster absolutely forbidden by all the Eastern drama. Clean-shaven rôles, and spoke in falsetto, Yacco, breaking through the