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suggested that the matter to the Ladies Committee of action.

tleman suggested that the rish might be asked to request take the collection of sub-

out that certain parishes that to the Home had not sub- very little.

further discussion.

at Mrs. Russell had suggested plied with twenty copies of d send them to some of the

d he would be glad to do so. er of making arrangements for umerick and the adjoining in the hands of the Secretary Ladies' Committee.

se with respect to the debit .7d. referred to in the Trea- a comparison of the balance t there was a diminution in a last year as compared with

emarked that there had been a the expenses, but the income 1.

Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Gerald ided to the list of lady visitors

on of Rev. Mr. Adderley, osford, a vote of thanks was . Semple for presiding. closed with prayer.

CIAL FAILURES.

Temp's Mercantile Gazette," the e recorded in Ireland during the ch 2nd, was 13, viz.:—New ings, published in the "Dublin of Arrangement filed as the Bills he respective numbers in the e last year were: Bankruptcies, ngement, 3—total, 7; being a rruptcies of 4, and a net increase ement in 1907, to date, of 15.

ills of Sale published in Ireland was 4. The number in the cor- of last year was 10, showing a ; net a decrease in 1907, to date

bonds and Judgments published March 2nd was 53, of which 20 s, and 33 against Farmers and umbers in the corresponding week against Traders, and 47 against raders, showing a decrease of 9 d a decrease of 14 against Farmers eing a net increase in 1907, to

nd charges (Debentures) regis- ompanies in Ireland during the 2nd, amounted to £50,000, t registered in 1907, to the same (in addition to the issues in

in excess of the previous year (appraise).

The outgoing committee were re-elected, viz— Messrs. W. Dunworth, W. A. McArthur, T. P. Harnett, and S. Ambrose.

The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to the Chairman, Hon. Treasurer (Mr. James Hewson), and the Honorary Secretary.

MECHANIC'S TRAGIC END.

The Inquest.

Mr. DeCourcy, City Coroner, held an inquest at Barrington's Hospital yesterday into the circumstances connected with the death of Thomas Ryan, pattern maker, who died in the hospital on Sunday, as the result of a wound on the throat, self-inflicted the day previous.

Head Constable Moore conducted the inquiry, and the following were sworn on the jury— John Ormston, Patrick Manus, Cornelius Kenneally, Patrick Rhinners, John Dowd, Francis Carr, Michael Madden, Michael Foley, William Wall, Patrick Kelly, Terence Griffin, and Wm Clifford.

The first witness examined was Mary Ryan, Carey's Road, wife of deceased. She deposed that her husband was 57 years of age, and was employed at the Great Southern and Western Railway. For the last three years he had been out of his health, and did no work for the past twelve months. He suffered from asthma to a great extent, and frequently wished he was out of the world. He was bed-ridden.

Head Constable Moore—Did you ever hear him say he would do anything to end the pain?

Witness—No.

Head Constable Moore—Do you remember leaving the house on Saturday?

Witness—Yes; I left at ten o'clock, and returned at twenty minutes to twelve. When I returned he was in bed and his head was covered with the clothes. Hot water and a mug were alongside him, and in reply to her question he said he tried to shave but was unable to do so. When she pulled the clothes from his head she saw bloodmarks on the clothes, and immediately sent for Father Devane, who sent for his brother, Dr. Devane.

Head Constable Moore—No one went into the house from the time you left until you returned?

Witness—No, not one.

The Coroner—Did you notice anything strange in his manner lately?

Witness—No, nothing; if I did I'd be prepared for it.

Dr. Devane stated he attended Ryan's house at a little after twelve o'clock on Saturday. He found the deceased lying in bed partly unconscious, with a large wound on the neck, it penetrated the windpipe, which was divided. Having treated him, he sent him to hospital at once. He attributed death to shock, as the result of hemorrhage. The wound appeared to be self-inflicted, and likely to be caused by a razor.

There was no further evidence submitted, and the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony, adding that the wound was self-inflicted.

AMERICAN BISHOP DEAD

The death has occurred at Hot Springs, Arkansas, U.S.A., of Right Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, Bishop of Little Rock Diocese. His Lordship was a native of Limerick, where he was born in 1833, and went to America when he was sixteen years old. He was Bishop of Little Rock since

His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin written to the Very Rev. Dean O'Brien him to thank the Church Lads' Brigade forming a guard of honour at the station on the occasion of his visit to the city last Wednesday. His Grace also thanks the bell ringers for giving a peal of welcome, an honour which is much appreciated as a recognition of the fact that he has the honour to hold.

FEBRUARY WEATHER

The weather report at Hurdlestown, Co. Clare, for February, shows the rainfall for the month was 2.21 inches, being 1.21 inch above the February average here for the years.

The number of rainy days was 15, being 1.5 under the average for the same time.

The total amount of cloud (0, to 10) at Hurdlestown was 198.

The average temperature (night and day) was 37.3 degs.

Warmest day—50 deg. on the 14th.

Coldest day—32 deg. on the 5th and 6th.

Warmest night—46 deg. on the 14th.

Coldest night—24 deg. on the 7th.

At, or under 32 deg. on 15 nights. Fair weather during the month.

Total rainfall this year so far is only 3.21 inches, against 8.23 in. in the same time last year.

Unless we get a good lot of rain during the next two months, water will run very short in many places next summer.

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