

O'Hanlon's application for an increase of salary was granted, and it was decided on a poll to increase it from £104 to £125 a year.

BALLINGARRY PETTY SESSIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The justices who attended the Ballingarry Petty Sessions on Wednesday were Hon. J. Lynch, B.M., Messrs. W. L. Scanlan, D. G. Myers, and Clonel Draw, and the cases adjudicated on by their worships were not of much public interest.

NEW COUNTY COURT JUDGE.

The "Dublin Gazette" states that the Lord Lieutenant has been pleased by warrant under the hand bearing date the 8th day of November, 1897, to appoint Mathias M'Donnell Beckin, K.C., to be County Court Judge and Chairman of Quarter Sessions of and for the County of Wick.

COUNTY RATES.

At the meeting of the Limerick County Council to-day, Mr. Roche, Secretary, stated that the rates collected to date amounted to £69, and that there was a balance of £45,266. After paying balance of quarterly instalment there would have £100 left. The bank balance on credit was £13,052, and against that there were paid cheques to the amount of £1,781, and from that sum was also to be deducted £11,402 paid to the public bodies on the previous day. The Chairman said that out of twenty-four lecturers only nine had made lodgments. One lodged £10, another £70, and so on. It was decided to write the rate collectors and insist on their making lodgments.

RATHKEALE LIBRARY IN DIFFICULTIES.

The Rathkeale District Council have refused the request of the Carnegie Library Committee to grant £35 a year for the upkeep of the library. The general feeling was that if the library is properly appreciated, the people themselves would find the money, and concerts and lectures are suggested as a suitable means. It was stated by the Clerk that including the rates and subscriptions the income was £145, and the expenses £130, leaving only £15 a year for the purchase of books to be distributed among nine libraries, and ten National Schools. £1,000 has been spent on the library, and the Clerk plainly told the Council that if local energies are not played, the library system will go to ruin.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

These are merely reminders and intended to draw the reader's attention to advertisements of forthcoming events which appear in our columns daily.

To-Night.

GUARDING THE OULLINAN.

The famous Oullinan diamond arrived at Sandringham this afternoon, in charge of Sir Richard Solomon, Sir Francis Hopwood, and two other gentlemen, for presentation to the King. Wolferton Station was guarded by detectives and members of the Norfolk County Police.

Detectives were then stationed at intervals all along the route to Sandringham, and the diamond was presented in the drawing room at Sandringham.

New York, Saturday.—The stock market opened heavy to-day.

GRAIN DESTROYED.

Superior, Wisconsin, Saturday.—A fire has destroyed the Great Northern Railroad elevator, containing 700,000 bushels of grain. Forty houses and 3 mills destroyed. Loss, 3,000,000 dols.

BUCKINGHAM PLATE.

Bruges	1
Asian	2
Sevatio	3
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Betting—Evans agst winner.

TWO MEN SHOT IN THE CITY.

FATAL RESULT

About half-past 5 o'clock this afternoon a serious affray took place between city coach-builders.

From the meagre particulars we are able to obtain it seems that John Carroll, a coachbuilder, of Upper William Street, presented a six-chambered revolver at John Reidy and Michael Reidy, father and son.

One of the Reidy's was killed on the spot, and the other was conveyed in a dangerous condition to the hospital.

After firing the shots, Carroll, it is said, went to his home and locked and barricaded his door, and up to the time of going to Press had succeeded in keeping the police at bay, it being well known that he is in possession of a loaded 8-chamber revolver.

Needless to say there is intense excitement over the affair, and the arrest of the assailant is only a matter of time.

LATER.

It is since stated that it is a man named Whitehead, a step-son of Reidy's, and not Reidy's son, who has been killed.

Michael Reidy is the injured man. The police are engaged in trying to effect an entrance to the house, but had not succeeded at 6 o'clock.

Adelaide, Saturday.—The commenced the second match against South Australia. first, and at the close of play five wickets.

TERRIFIC EARTHQUAKE.

San Francisco, Friday.—A whaler which has arrived from a terrific earthquake occurred in Uralaska last month, and which was created by an earthquake and towered three thousand feet level, has dwindled almost to nothing.

A NEW PRINCE.

Potsdam, Saturday.—The birth to a son this morning.

ROYAL MOURNING.

Paris, Saturday.—The King is in mourning for London.

PRINCE OF MONTE-CARLO.

Paris, Saturday.—Prince Albert arrived from Cannes during the day for London.

PROMINENT LEGAL ADVOCATE.

The death occurred at the residence of Halfner, a prominent member of the party.

THE DREADNAUGHT TRIUMPH.

The battleship Dreadnaught fitted with new propellers and steering gear left Portsmouth for a further extensive series of trials to Portsmouth at Christmas.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

King Edward's birthday celebrated at Sandringham. The King received an overwhelming number of congratulations, both personally and through His Majesty was the recipient of many magnificent gifts.

Kingly Congratulations.

Rome, Saturday.—King has telegraphed his most cordial greetings.

Troops in Egypt.

Cairo, Saturday.—The British troops arrived in presence of the King.

LORD MAYOR'S VISIT.