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Guardians yesterday, the chair was occupied by Mr. John Garvey, Chairman.

The special business was the election of a Medical Officer for the Newmarket-on-Fergus Dispensary District in the place of Dr. Edward Frost, J.P., who resigned after a service of over forty years.

The Clerk (Miss E. M. Bennett) announced that there was but one application for the position from Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald, who had been acting as substitute for Dr. Frost during his illness.

Mr. M. O'Neill, speaking as one of the representatives of the district, said he had much pleasure in proposing that Dr. Fitzgerald be appointed. He knew the doctor but a short time, but he found him a gentleman of superior ability and honour.

Mr. Meade seconded the motion. He knew Dr. Fitzgerald since he was a schoolboy in Kildysart, and he was a member of a most respected family, one of the most talented families in Clare, or in fact in Ireland. (hear, hear).

Mr. Malone supported the resolution.

The Chairman declared Dr. Fitzgerald duly elected.

Dr. Fitzgerald thanked the Board sincerely for electing him to such an important position.

THE LATE MR. JEREMIAH FORREST.

It is proposed by the friends of the late Mr. Jeremiah Forrest to raise a fund for the benefit of his wife and children, who, owing to his extremely sudden death, have been left totally unprovided for. The undermentioned committee has been formed to receive subscriptions, and appeal with confidence to all sympathising friends to assist in making the fund a success. All who desire to help will kindly send amount to any of the following, which will be duly acknowledged in the Press—Committee—Chairman, Thomas J. Looney; John G. O'Brien, Peter Riordan, E. B. Bourke, Jos. Fitzell, S. G. Matthews, Thomas O'Neill, T. Duggan, M. Leahy, J.P., B.C.; P. G. Henihan, B.C.; John Kenny, W. J. South, John Duggan, John Hickey, John Coleman, John O'Connor, M. S. Hayes, James Murnane, James S. Lawler, H. J. Guinané, John Griffin, James Moynihan, Cork; Daniel Griffin, B.C.. Hon. Secs.—Edward O'Toole, and J. F. Bourke. Hon. Treasurer—Patrick Hurley, Co-operative Whole sale Society, Mulgrave street.

THE FIRE BRIGADE.

At the meeting of the Corporation Fire Brigade Committee last night, Alderman J. O'Brien, *locum tenens* Mayor, presiding, reference was made to the comments of the County Court Judge during the recent hearing of a compensation claim as to the practice of the Superintendent of the Brigade employing extra hands to cope with outbreaks of fire in the city. It was pointed out that the employment of extra hands during fires was usual with Brigades in all parts of the United Kingdom, and that the Limerick Fire Brigade were by no means exceptional in this respect. Mr. Griffin, on behalf of Mr. Halpin, High-street, thanked the Brigade for their prompt and efficient action in extinguishing a fire which recently broke out in his premises. Letters of thanks were also received from those rescued in the recent fire at Nelson-street. The Committee expressed their satisfaction at these testimonials, and commended the action of those citizens who, at considerable risk, lent their assistance to the Fire Brigade.

THE SWIVEL BRIDGE QUESTION.

A meeting of the Whole House Committee of the Corporation was held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, on Tuesday evening, Alderman McNeice presiding.

The Law Agent submitted for the consideration of the Committee draft case to be submitted to counsel re the question of the liability of the Corporation in reference to the proposed new fixed bridge which the Harbour Board, by the Bill they are promoting in Parliament, seek for power to erect, as to their liability in the event of a Bill being promoted for a new swivel bridge, and as to the liability of the Harbour Board in the event of their Bill being thrown out, and no new Bill for a swivel bridge being brought forward, etc.—this being in pursuance of the resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Council, on the motion of Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor O'Flynn.

The Committee, after full consideration, adopted the draft case, and the opinion of counsel will be considered at the meeting of the Council on Thursday, the 16th inst., when the appointment of Parliamentary agents to act for the Corporation in opposing the Harbour Commissioners' Bill will be considered.

DERRY ELECTION.

Mr. Tillie Withdraws.

A sensational feature of the Derry contest is the announcement made at three o'clock yesterday by Mr. Tillie that he is withdrawing from the contest.

Before noon he gave an interview to a Pressman expressing determination to proceed, but two hours later, after consultation with some citizens, he changed his plans, and now declares he will not go forward as a candidate.

CHARGE OF BURGLARY AT DROMCOLLOGHER.

A special court was held in the Police Station, Dromcollogher, before Mr. E. D. Daly, J.P., M.C.C., when James Leary, of Cools, Freemount, Co. Cork, labourer, and his wife were charged with burglary at a labourer's cottage at Moyne, Dromcollogher, occupied by Timothy Collins and his wife, both old age pensioners, and taking therefrom cash, variously stated to amount to between £20 and £30. They were remanded to Dromcollogher Petty Sessions, bail being refused. Their infant child was taken to Tralee Gaol with them.

THE INSURANCE ACT.

B.M.A. Scheme.

The British Medical Association yesterday adopted a scheme of conditions and terms of public medical service for insurance patients in London division. This stipulates the free choice of a doctor by the patient and of a patient by the doctor, an income limit of £104, or, if advisable, £160 in some areas; three months' notice of termination of arrangements on either side, and a capitation payment of 6s. 6d. for ordinary attendance, and 8s. 6d., including medicines and dressings for ordinary attendance.

The British Medical Association announces that