

BOUR BOARD.

SWIVEL BRIDGE.

stant Discussion.

resided at the meeting of the four Commissioners yesterday.

present—Messrs. J. E. Goodsell, L. Morley, Alderman John W. Holliday, J.P. (Highley), B.C., J. P. Goodbody, and

attendance were—Messrs. J. F. H. V. Morony, Engineer, and Harbour Master.

STATEMENT OF TENDERS.

the Contracts Committee, which inst., recommended the accepting tenders—Mr. W. Wallace, Messrs. Lindsay Bros. uniforms, and oil clothing.

motion of Mr. Ellis Goodbody, it was the recommendation.

SWIVEL BRIDGE.

read the minutes of the Bridge the 29th ult., relative to the re-Swivel Bridge.

was adopted on the motion of Goodbody:—"That the Harbour next meeting, be requested to committee as to whether the new swing bridge or a fixed one."

ing of the County Borough Council

ye, M.P., proposed the following copy of which was ordered to be the Harbour Board and the Board that the County Borough Council letter of Messrs. Martin McGuire

ril, 1911, are of opinion that no be made by the Harbour Board present Swivel Bridge into a per-

re, as such would close the navigable River Shannon as it hitherto in law and in fact; and that this representing the public, pledges itself legal proceedings as are in its t such an attempt, if any such de." Mr. M. O'Brien seconded which was adopted unanimously.

-Now, gentlemen, what do you

griff—That makes the matter final kind of bridge that is to be built. agree with the Corporation, we out.

Is there any letter from the Board subject, Mr. Secretary?

y.—No, sir.

Now you have the minutes of the ttee of the 29th January. The re you in the ordinary way.

Goodbody said the Corporation been in labour in connection with and to have brought nothing. d of nine months they had coner of Messrs. McGuire; and with layor, he should say that the efforts pal midwife had ended in the stillborn (laughter). The letter of re, as he had stated, had been ergotten until it was quite out of sution of the Council he regarded he Harbour Board. It suggested h Council alone were the proper he vested interests of Limerick

OBITUARY.

MR. F. ST. C. HOBSON.

We regret to record the death which occurred at his residence, Lamhorne, Corbally, at an early hour on Sunday morning, of Mr. Frederick St. Clair Hobson, a gentleman highly esteemed and well known in the city and surrounding counties. Mr. Hobson had been in failing health for some months back. His premature demise, at the age of 57 years, has been heard of with deep sorrow by a wide circle of friends, and has cast a gloom over social life in this district. The deceased gentleman filled the office of County Sub-Sheriff from 1881 to 1895 (when he resigned), and it fell to his lot in connection with that position to be associated with many stormy episodes during the height of the land agitation. He was the central figure at evictions, seizures, and sales for rent during these historic and eventful days, but strained and exciting as public feeling was, Mr. Hobson was personally most popular by reason of his courtesy and kindness of heart, while his efforts to "throw oil on troubled waters" were many a time and oft the means of amicably settling at the eleventh hour disputes of an agrarian character, and bringing peace and contentment to the districts affected. It was not surprising, therefore, that in official as in private life Mr. Hobson won for himself the best wishes of all classes and creeds in the community and that his demise should occasion widespread regret in city and county. Deep sympathy is expressed with Mrs. Hobson, his widow, and relatives in their poignant grief. The funeral will take place for St. Munchin's Church at twelve o'clock to-morrow.

MR. THOMAS J. FERGUSON.

We regret to announce the death which occurred in Dublin, on Sunday last, of a gentleman who for very many years was prominently associated with the mercantile life of Limerick, Mr. Thomas James Ferguson, managing director of Messrs. Francis Spaight and Sons. He retired from that position some seven years ago, and had since, with his family, been residing in Dublin. He had been in failing health for some time past, and his death, which occurred at the age of 69, has been heard of with sincere regret by many old friends in Limerick, where the greater portion of an active life was spent.

SIR HEFFERNAN CONSIDINE.

County Limerick people will learn with much regret of the death of Sir Heffernan Considine, late Assistant Inspector-General Royal Irish Constabulary, which occurred yesterday at his residence, Farnhill, Roebuck, Dundrum, after a painfully short illness.

Sir Heffernan Considine, who was eldest son of the late Mr. Heffernan Considine, D.L. of Do. k, Co Limerick, was born in 1846. He was educated at Stonehurst and Lincoln College, Oxford, in which he graduated B.A. He was High Sheriff of the County Limerick in 1881, and was appointed a Resident Magistrate in 1882, serving in Cork and Kerry during a troublous period in Irish history. In 1887 he was transferred to Kilkenny, and served there and in other counties until 1900.

THE COMING SESSION.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

When Parliament reassembles on Wednesday the Government will present the most important legislative programme for many years.

On the debate on the Address the Unionist leaders intend to inaugurate a vigorous attack on the Government. Various questions of a more or less personal character may be raised in the course of this debate, such as Mr McKenna's letter about Lord Charles Beresford, and Mr. Churchill's visit to Belfast. It is also certain that during the Speeches of both parties on Wednesday allusion will be made to the visit of Lord Haldane to Germany, and the Prime Minister is expected to make an important announcement in regard to it.

It is understood to be the Government's intention to introduce before Easter both the Home Rule and Welsh Church Disestablishment Bills. Old Parliamentary hands, however, doubt whether this will be found possible.

KILMALLOCK BOARD OF GUARDIANS

Mr. John Kearney presided at the meeting of the Kilmallock Board of Guardians.

There were also present Messrs. T. W. W. Bennett, J.P., Co. C.; W. Moloney, M. W. Clery, W. O'Shea, M. S. Carroll, J. G. Lynch, J. Harty, P. Hogan, J. Dunworth, T. O'Gorman, J. T. Walsh, P. T. Condon, M. Mitchell, J. O'Doherty, M. Ryan, A. Mee, L. Ryan, P. Russell, J. Canty, and D. Murphy with the officials.

HOUSE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The members of the House Committee reported that they had visited the institution that morning, and found everything in a satisfactory condition. The male lunatic wards and premises were in a clean condition. The windows and doors are being gradually repaired, and pending the organization of sanatoria under the National Insurance Act it was unnecessary to change the existing arrangements in the consumption and adjoining wards. The clothing had been regularly attended to, but the beef supply was tainted.

Mr. Murphy considered that [the tainting of the meat was due to the stuffy atmosphere of the store-room.

It was decided to place the report on the agenda for next meeting of the Board.

The House Committee's report of the 25th January with reference to the providing of apartments for the night nurses, and also recommending the enlargement of the porter's rooms was considered and approved.

ELECTION OF NURSE.

Sister M. B. Dineen was elected nurse in the infirmary in succession to Sister M. Philomen O'Brien, appointed head nurse.

Adjourned.

MISS GERTRUDE BACON.

First Lady Aviator.

The Lecture to be delivered next Friday evening on "Flying Machines, Balloons and Airships" by Miss Gertrude Bacon, at the Athenæum, promises to be an exceptionally attractive one. Miss Bacon is the daughter of the late Rev. J. B. Bacon, the celebrated aeronaut and lecturer; and is herself an aerial traveller of unique experience.