

any occasion, but one particularly trying when the grave difficulties of the situation should be set with on the merits, and the merits only. The trade in Ireland should not be worried unduly importing groundless statements into the consideration of what in this instance is a great national question, and one which should be ranged and satisfactorily settled without provoking any bitterness over its settlement. The Irish aders have borne their share of the difficulty with considerable readiness to do all that was required, in conjunction with the authorities, to confine the disease to the areas in which it was found to exist, and it is to be hoped that they will speedily find relief from all the annoyance and loss they have experienced since the disease first made its appearance in Dublin county. Foot-and-mouth disease has not, happily, spread to any extent, it is kept within very narrow limits so far, and all of us will confidently anticipate that the energetic action of the Irish Department will be speedily attended by its entire removal from the herds of the country.

A CITY SCHOOL OF MUSIC.

Time after time for a long period past surprise has been expressed at the absence of a school of music, a public school wherein the children of the working classes could receive a fair musical education, such as is available in other large centres of the Kingdom. Such an education, no doubt, is readily available in the city for those who are able to pay for it, at the principal public schools, and by means of private tuition, but for the class mentioned, the children of the working classes, the facilities do not exist. It has been regretted by many, by those who have music in them, and would like to see the taste and love of song and harmony diffused among the masses of the population, and the regret is all the keener in view of the undoubted fact that the talent and taste for music do but lie hid, that they exist amongst the people, and that they need but the calling forth to grow rapidly and flourish. This is admitted, and like good wine requires no bush to recommend it for approval. Accordingly it is very pleasant to find that a few well-wishers in the matter are moving with the object of formulating a project which should ultimately lead up to the establishment of a popular school of music in the city, available for the young people of the whole community. The initiatory steps have been already taken, and the City Technical Education Committee has had it brought under their notice, and have evinced much sympathy with the scheme, and given their hearty approval to the proposal to start classes for instruction in vocal and, one may presume, instrumental music. Those interested in the

OUT AND ABOUT.

Mrs. C. Savage has resigned the position of Sub-Postmistress of Thomondgate, after a period of twenty years' faithful service, and Miss L. Cahin has been appointed to the vacancy.

At the meeting of the Ennis Race Committee this week the 25th September was selected for this year's fixture.

The Mayor (Councillor T. Ryan) has left town, and appointed Alderman O'Brien as *locum tenens* during his absence.

A number of Waterford employers and employees have presented a gold albert, a sovereign purse, and other gifts to Mr. G. D. Spencer, manager of the Waterford Labour Exchange, on his promotion to the Limerick area.

An engagement has been arranged between John Hugh Lovett Poe, West India Regiment, only son of Captain James Hill Poe, J.P., D.L., of Riverston, Nenagh, and Frida Mary, elder daughter of Mr. Frederick Lees and Mrs. Lees, of Ashford Hall, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

The Fermoy Urban Council passed a resolution of condolence with the relatives of the late Col. Wm. Johnson, J.P., who recently died at Leeson Park, Dublin. Colonel Johnson for many years was a resident of Castlelyons, and was a member of the Poor-Law Board for that district.

Thomas and Patrick Lyddy, father and son, living at Kerry Bow, a portion of the Irishtown, were arrested on Thursday night by Constable Maher on a charge of stealing a watch, the property of Mrs. Tucker, Nelson-street. The accused were brought before Mr. P. J. Kelly, R.M., and remanded for eight days.

At the Clonmel Petty Sessions yesterday, Mr. A. Flynn, L.C.B., auditor, had summonses against Mr. O'Gorman, Chairman, and Messrs. Stokes and O'Ryan, members of the Council, to recover the amount of a surcharge in respect of a cablegram to Mr. John E. Redmond, M.P., while in America. It was stated that the amount, with £1 costs, had been paid by one of defendants, and the cases were marked "no appearance."

Amongst the awards for bravery in saving life which have been gazetted by the Royal Humane Society is a bronze medal and certificate to Wm. Hewitt, farmer, Athlone, for his gallant rescue from drowning of a man named Tansy in the Shannon on the night of the 22nd June. A testimonial has been granted to Dr. C. C. Hickey, son of Dr. Hickey, of Kilkee, for his gallantry, on July 11th in saving a youth named Herbert Graham, who had got into a dangerous position while bathing at Kilkee. The facts of the case appeared in the *Chronicle* at the time.

DEATH OF MISS BYRNES.

We regret to announce the death of Miss Mary Agnes Byrnes, stationer and newsagent, Sarfield-street, which occurred on Thursday evening in the County Infirmary. The deceased had only been ailing a week, and her death came as a great shock to her family and friends. She was a young lady of upright and winsome disposition, kind and sympathetic, qualities which endeared her to a wide circle of friends. The remains were transferred to St. John's Cathedral last evening, and the funeral which was largely attended took place this evening for interment in Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

Thomas Kilcommons, of Carriok was at Galway yesterday, remanded for having wilfully murdered M'Grorey, at Newcastle, between inst.

Mr. G. E. Heard, D.I., R.I.C., witness examined. He stated stained clothes which the prisoner at the time of his arrest, had been M'Weeney, analyst, in Dublin, and the results of his analysis and further investigations which the police are making, for a further remand of eight days enable him to arrive at the result of the investigations.

Mr. Kilbride—His clothes were blood?

Witness—Yes. The pockets of blood on them, and his clothes had blood.

The prisoner was also under the dock that all the inquiries in it not connect him with the charge.

Kilcommons was afterwards taken to way Jail.

NEWCASTLE COMMISSIONERS.

Housing of the Working

At the last meeting of the Town Commissioners, Mr. Thom that for the twenty-one houses but Commissioners they had nearly and he was aware that there were than any that applied, and their applying was that the rent fixed so he would now propose that application for £4,000 to build forty cottages let at a reasonable rent. He did Commissioners would not adopt inside, and a plain appearance outside. It was decided to apply to the Board to recommend the to advance a further sum of £4,000 additional cottages in the town.

ALLEGED FOREIGN

The Galway Co

On making inquiries to-day it that the man arrested yesterday being a spy in the pay of a foreign in the West of Ireland on more than His real name is Guexalet, and barrister. The police made an of his lodgings in Galway, and several documents will be produced hearing, which is fixed for Frida Mr. H. A. Murphy, solicitor, for the defence, and to-day he is convicted of his client's innocence. The evidence of several well taken to-day by the London the testimony of Mr. George L. the Fishery Conservators, in prisoner had rooms. The arrest has created a Galway.