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LIMERICK PROTESTANT ORPHAN SOCIETY.

Annual Bazaar.

The Bazaar in aid of the above Society will be held in the Protestant Orphan Hall to-morrow (Friday) and Saturday. The stalls will be as follows:—

Refreshment Stall (Lunch, Tea, and Supper)—Mrs. L. H. O'Brien, The Deanery; Mrs. Dermot O'Brien, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Hardy, and Miss Orpen.

Basket Stall—The Hon. Mrs. Baring.
 Cake and Sweet Stall—The Hon. Mrs. Vanittart.

Toys and Work Stall—Miss Dyas and Mrs. Mitebell.

County Produce, Flowers, and Fruit Stall—Mrs. McClean and Mrs. Clarke.

Pottery Stall—Mrs. Verschoyle.

St. Michael's Stall—Braun Pie—Mrs. C. H. Fitt.

There will be duologues by Mr George Caulfield and Miss Langbridge.

Electric fish ponds, shooting gallery, Indian ball game, racing frogs, and hoop la. will also be amongst the attractions.

By kind permission of the Colonel and Officers the Band of the 2nd Batt York and Lancaster Regiment will perform on both days.

The Bazaar will be open on each day from 1 to 6 and 7.30 to 10. The Lord Bishop of Killaloe will formally open the Bazaar on Friday at 3 p.m. The prices of admission will be—afternoon, 1s.; evening, 6d.; children, half price; two day tickets, 1s. 6d.

DUCHESS IN A MOTOR ACCIDENT.

Motoring from church on Sunday forenoon, the car in which was seated the Duchess of St. Albans while on its way to her residence near Clonmel, collided with a motor belonging to Mr. Patrick Mulcahy, Cahir, which was coming from Clonmel. Such was the impact that Mr. Mulcahy's car, which was struck almost at right angles, was forced back towards the Newtown Anner Gate, but fortunately it did not overturn. Both motors were considerably damaged, but their occupants escaped injury.

DEATH OF MR. J. J. BLAKE.

We regret to record the unexpected demise of Mr. J. J. Blake, late of H.M. Customs Department, which took place on Tuesday evening at his residence, 3, Victoria Terrace, after a brief illness. The news of his demise came as a great surprise in the city, as he was apparently in the best of health a few days since. He was an old and highly esteemed citizen, and his demise is much regretted by many friends. Some years ago he retired from the Customs Service on the full pension of his rank.

The Funeral.

The funeral of the late Mr. J. J. Blake, whose death on Tuesday evening is so much regretted by his fellow citizens, took place this evening from St. Michael's R.C. Church, where the remains rested overnight. There was a large gathering of all classes of the fellow citizens of the lamented deceased in the procession to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, where the interment followed.

LAND PURCHASE IN IRELAND.

In a letter to *The Times* yesterday, Lord Dunraven writes:—The political status of Ireland, whatever it may be, cannot absolve Great Britain from responsibility in regard to land purchase. There is but one condition that can be honestly and honourably imposed upon the completion of land purchase. The security must be good. The present bill, however faulty it may be, is not

irresponsible youth; and this has been shown since Monday night, when the Theatre was re-opened after a lapse of ten days. The presence of the police in considerable numbers outside the premises has been deemed desirable through the ordeal which is naturally distressing to the proprietor, as well as to the citizens, who should like to patronise the amusement, but this they cannot do without incurring personal risk or the hostility of those who think it right to prolong their fatuous policy.

TRADES DISPUTES ACT.

Case in the House of Lords.

The House of Lords to-day considered an important case affecting the operations of the Trades Disputes Act. Messrs Vacher and Sons, London printers, sued the London Society of Compositors for libel in sending a letter to their customers stating that their firms could not be recognised as conforming to Trade Union principles. This they alleged lost them business. The Appeal Court decided under the Trades Disputes Act the Society could not be sued against. Messrs Vacher appealed to the Lords. Proceeding.

THE INSURANCE ACT.

Mr. Lloyd George and the Doctors.

Additional Grant.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Lloyd George said it was proposed to add to the amount already available for medical benefit a further sum equivalent to 2s 6d per insured person per annum. This would enable provision for medical benefit to be raised to 8s 6d for each insured person, with a small additional sum reserved for extra drugs required at times of exceptional sickness. This meant that an additional annual sum of £1,650,000 would be paid under such conditions as to secure enhanced efficiency of medical service for the industrial population, the doctors to give such certificates as were necessary for sickness and disablement benefits and to keep such simple records of disease as might be required.

DEATH OF MR. PETER MAGUIRE.

Mr. Peter Maguire, hay and straw merchant, and a former member of the Limerick Corporation, died somewhat suddenly to-day at his residence, Patrick street, where he resided for some time back. He had, it appears, been complaining yesterday, but was not seriously ill. The late Mr. Maguire had reached his seventh year, and was a kindly, unassuming gentleman.

NEW BATTLESHIP LAUNCHED.

Mr. Churchill Present.

Mr. Churchill arrived at Devonport to-day aboard the Admiralty yacht *Enchantress* for the launch of the battleship *Marlborough* this afternoon by Lady Gwendoline Spencer Churchill.

At Devonport to-day, Mrs. Winston Churchill privately laid the keel plate of a new unnamed light armour cruiser.

DEATH OF LADY LAKING.

Eleanor Mary Lady Laking, wife of Sir Francis Laking, Bart., the King's physician, died suddenly on Tuesday morning at her residence in London.

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