

that this was the time to discuss it.

Mr. C. Johnson said that Mr. O'Brien was not in order, and asked for a ruling on the point.

The Mayor said Mr. O'Brien was distinctly out of order. The Council was summoned to elect a Mayor, and that was the subject before the meeting.

Mr. M. O'Brien proposed that it be an instruction to the incoming Mayor and the members of the Gas Committee that in future contracts for the supply of coal to the gas concern be made with colliery owners; and not with local contractors.

The Mayor—Who seconds that proposition?  
Mr. Dalton was understood to have seconded the motion.

The Mayor—I suppose it is adopted.

Mr. Walshe—Not at all, Mayor. I will move a direct negative, and I hold that local coal merchants who are caterers should be invited to tender for these contracts.

Mr. Dalton said if the coal was got from the pit mouth the workmen of Limerick would benefit, because what the local contractor received in profits could be applied to increasing the men's wages. (Hear, hear.)

The Mayor asked the opinion of the Law Adviser on the legality of the motion.

Mr. Dundon considered the resolution a proper one, and perfectly in order. It applied only to the Mayor at present.

The Mayor—Is the resolution seconded?

Mr. M. Gough—I will second it.

A show of hands was taken, when the amendment was defeated by 22 votes to 16, and the resolution was declared carried by the same voting.

The election of Mayor was then proceeded with, when the voting in the first poll was:—

For O'Donovan—Messrs. P. McNamara, P. J. O'Farrell, D. McNeice (Ald.), M. O'Brien, J. Gleeson, P. F. O'Donnell, P. O'Donovan (Ald.), M. O'Callaghan, D. Cantrell, J. Dalton, M. J. McDonnell (Ald.), R. Frost, F. Bourke, M. Griffin, and P. McDonogh (Ald.)—15.

For O'Brien—Messrs. J. O'Brien (Ald.), J. P. Lynch, M. Dooley, M. Foley, J. Hassett, T. Meany, D. Griffin, M. McInerney, D. Hannan, T. Prendergast (Ald.), C. Johnson, J. Slattery, P. Glynn, L. O'Donnell, and P. Walshe—15.

For Kenny—Messrs. P. Dillon (Ald.), P. O'Flynn, M. Gough, P. Kenny, J. Lalor, P. J. Henihan, and M. Leahy, J.P.—7.

The final division resulted thus:—

For O'Donovan—Messrs. P. McNamara, P. J. O'Farrell, D. McNeice (Ald.), M. O'Brien, J. Gleeson, P. F. O'Donnell, P. O'Donovan (Ald.), M. O'Callaghan, D. Cantrell, J. Dalton, M. J. McDonnell (Ald.), R. Frost, T. Bourke, M. Griffin, P. O'Flynn, P. Dillon (Ald.), P. McDonogh (Ald.), J. Lalor, P. J. Henihan, and M. Leahy—20.

For O'Brien—Messrs. J. O'Brien (Ald.), J. P. Lynch, M. Dooley, M. Foley, J. Hassett, T. Meany, D. Griffin, M. McInerney, D. Hannan, T. Prendergast (Ald.), C. Johnson, J. Slattery, P. Glynn, L. O'Donnell, and P. Walshe—15.

Did not vote—The Mayor, Messrs. J. Gilligan, M. Gough, and P. Kenny—4.

The Mayor declared Alderman O'Donovan elected amid applause, and invested him with the insignia of office.

Alderman O'Donovan then took the chair amid applause, and briefly thanked the Corporation for the honour conferred on him.

Alderman O'Brien also returned thanks to his supporters, especially to Councillor Dooley, who came all the way from London to support him. He gave his promise, and he stuck to it, unlike others who gave a promise but flew away from it. He (Alderman O'Brien) was promised by Alderman Joyce also, but he had a telegram from him that owing to important divisions in the House of Commons that day it was impossible for him to come over to Limerick to propose him. Well, they must be in a tight corner in the House of Commons. He (Alderman O'Brien) was not a University man; he was a dock labourer, and

a less degree in North-West Manchester, and other constituencies which are great centres of business, was pointed out by Mr. Balfour in his speech in the city.

Whips are being issued by Mr. Lief Jones and Mr. H. M'Laren to Liberal members in support of Sir Edward Grey's amendment to the Franchise Bill and Mr. Dickinson's amendment.

On the Unionist side whips are being similarly sent out in support of these two amendments, and also of the Conciliation Committee's amendment.

The interest in the fate of Suffragette amendments grows, and the possibilities of the divisions on Monday and Tuesday almost monopolise talk in the lobby. Many estimates are being drawn up both in connection with the Grey amendment and Dickinson amendment, the one feature common to all being the narrowness of the majority shown on one side or other. An element which cannot be estimated is the number of abstentions by lukewarm, or even, it may be said, unwilling supporters of women's suffrage.

After the declarations made by Ministers during the debates, the occasion will be one on which not one or two only, but many votes may be affected by the speeches delivered, hence there is an unusual degree of uncertainty which adds to the anxiety of the situation.

## FATALITY IN THE SHANNON.

This evening Mr. James F. Barry, J.P., City Coroner, held an inquest respecting the death of an unknown man, apparently aged 70, whose body was recovered from the river, near Howley's Quay, by a fisherman named Robert Price. Dr. John McNamara deposed that death was due to drowning. The body appeared to have been in the water some two days, and the deceased had been suffering from cancer of the lower lip. There were no marks of violence on the body. Constable Flynn proved to have found a sum of 2s. 3d. and some small articles on deceased. The jury found in accordance with the medical testimony, and it was arranged to have a photograph taken, with a view to possible identification. The Coroner intimated that fines would be imposed on jurors who did not attend, and who were unable to give a satisfactory explanation of their absence.

members of the Council for their kind expressions. He did not intend to follow the line pursued by Councillor Griffin in this matter. He did not blame him, but there were a number of inaccuracies in his statement. As to what was said about his charity when in office he gave it and—well he would not go into that matter. (Applause).

## THE SHRIEVALTY.

The next business was the nomination of three candidates as fit to serve the office of City High Sheriff.

Mr. Walshe referred to the satisfactory manner in which the High Sheriff, Dr. McDonnell, had discharged the duties of the office, and moved that he be placed first on the list.

Mr. Slattery seconded the proposition. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. John Dalton, B.C., and Mr. P. Henihan, were placed second and third on the list, respectively.

The meeting then adjourned.

### Dublin.

Lord Mayor Sherlock was re-elected.

### Belfast.

Mr. McMordie was elected Lord Mayor of Belfast to-day.

### Cork.

At Cork, Alderman O'Shea was re-elected. No

which will be private, taking Grange Cemetery, Blackrock,

## Resolution of Limerick

At the Corporation to-day, Mr. O'Callaghan referred in to the death of the late C. Brown, and moved the adopt resolution:—Resolved:—"That our regret at the death of C. Daniel F. Brown, a distinguished citizen, and a man of the highest and personal worth, and that and condolence be tendered relatives, including Very Rev. S.J., late Rector of the Sacred Crescent."

The resolution was seconded

## References at Killarney Sessions.

On taking his seat in the Killarney on Wednesday morning, the A. Judge (Mr. P. D. Fleming, K.C. Bar, said—It is with a great have all heard of the distressing of his Honor Judge Browne, learned County Court Judge—loss. He was a cultured and lawyer, a conscientious judge, a gentleman. Under the shadow our country has sustained by only to offer to his widow and felt sympathy on their great loss.

Mr. D. Downing, B.L., said:—Bar, I desire to convey in a fe pathy on the death of Judge of deep gloom has overshadowed we heard of his sudden illness. was presiding at Listowel, and a for a slight cold, in the best of but in the short time that elap with a mortal illness, and the death claimed him as its own.

presided over these courts for and always formed a high and subordinated everything el court he was always calm, ev courtesy itself to all those who to appear before him. He heard

putes that came before him impartiality; he was devoid of of any kind, and had a wonderf and brought great legal eruditi them. He was, in a word, true and the Bar deemed it a privilege appear before him. Socially, Ju best of good fellows. I never her kind word of anyone. To know

while was to appreciate his regret his death much m feeble words can adequately c of the Bar I tender to Mrs. F our deepest sympathy in their be some consolation to them t grief is shared by others.

Mr. D. M. McTiarty, solicitor of the profession, I deeply de Judge Browne, and tender t family our sincere sympathy. the judge was here he displa ability and most wonderful and of law, and joined to this qu courtesy, and nothing more from any judge. I beg to join deepest sympathy to his family.

His Honor—I now propose Court, as a mark of respect to Friday morning at 11.30 a.m. The Court then adjourned.

## ENNIS QUARTER