

at nine o'clock on Saturday night. The man was quite unaware of his condition, which, after he had walked about for some time, ended in his becoming unconscious; that being his state when admitted to Barrington's. He was for some hours after the accident, apparently sensible, and those who noticed him towards evening were told by Corbett he was waiting for a car to bring him home. He gradually, however, became dazed, and coma threatening the ambulance was sent for, as stated, and he was conveyed to hospital, continuing unconscious until he died.

The Inquest.

An inquest was held last evening at Barrington's hospital as to the cause of death. Acting Sergeant Crowley, Ballinacorney station, conducted the inquiry. After hearing the evidence the jury found that death resulted from the injuries accidentally sustained, on the occasion of the occurrence.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN HAYES.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. John Hayes, builder, which took place at his residence, Munster Terrace, Military Road, last night in his 68th year. The deceased gentleman had not been in the best of health for some time, and a couple of years ago he retired from business, which was taken over by his manager, Mr. M. Doyle. In addition to carrying out many extensive building schemes in the city and country, Mr. Hayes was in other ways associated with the commercial life of the city. He was a director of Messrs. F. Spaight & Sons, and up to the time of relinquishing the active duties of his business he was a member of the Harbour Board, where his sound judgment appertaining to the interests of the port was highly appreciated. He was also a member of the Corporation during the first years following the operation of the Local Government Act, and also a member of the Board of Guardians. In everything connected with the well-being of the community he took a deep interest, particularly in the direction of providing suitable houses for the working classes. By his demise a well-known and popular figure passes away, and the sympathy of the public will be extended to his wife and family in their bereavement.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock on Thursday from St. Michael's R.C. Church.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN AMBROSE, RATHKEALE.

The death occurred rather unexpectedly last night of Mr. John Ambrose, Pigott Arms Hotel, Rathkeale. Mr. Ambrose had been for a walk in the afternoon with his wife, and on returning felt ill. He retired to his room, and a little later his condition became worse, and he died before midnight. The deceased was a very popular figure in Rathkeale district, where he was highly esteemed by all classes. He was a member of the Town Commissioners, and up to three years ago he was one of the representatives of Rathkeale No. 1 District on the Poor Law Board, where he showed a thorough grasp of Poor Law affairs.

DEATH OF MRS. M. FITZPATRICK.

The death of Mrs. Maria Fitzpatrick, which occurred on Friday at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Kennedy O'Brien, D.C., Hartstoungestreet, at the advanced age of 76 years, has been heard of with regret by a wide circle of friends in Limerick, Clare, and Tipperary. She belonged to an old Limerick family, and was mother of Mr. James Fitzpatrick, William-street, and Mr. Michael Fitzpatrick, Killonan, at which place she resided until lately. The remains were removed to St. Michael's R.C. Church on Saturday night, and the funeral took place on Sunday for the family burial-place at Killonan. The cortege was of very large proportions, representative of the city and surrounding counties, and testifying to the esteem in which the deceased was held, and the sympathy expressed with her family and relatives.

The clergy present were—Rev. J. A. O'Connor, Adm., St. Michael's; Rev. R. Devane, C.C., do; Rev. T. Human, C.C., do; Rev. W. Dwane, C.C., do; Rev. D. O'Driscoll, P.P., St. Patrick's; Rev. D. Fitzpatrick, C.C., do; Rev. Father Hennessy, Prior, O.S.A.; Rev. Father Hunt, O.S.A.

The chief mourners were—Messrs H. Fitzpatrick, M. Fitzpatrick, Killonan, J. Fitzpatrick (sons), Mrs. K. O'Brien, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Bredin, Mrs. O'Leary (daughters); John McCormack, Pallas House (brother); Mrs. Devane, William street (sister); K. O'Brien, P.L.G., A. J. O'Leary, V.S., M. Hayes, Ballyneety (sons-in-law); Paddy O'Brien, Tim O'Brien, B. O'Brien, May O'Brien, James Fitzpatrick, Killonan, James Fitzpatrick, William street, John Fitzpatrick, Paddy Fitzpatrick, do., M. Fitzpatrick, do., Birdie and Nora Hayes, Ballyneety, Nancy O'Leary (grandchildren); Cornelius Devane (brother-in-law); Mrs. McCormack, Pallas House; Mrs. McCormack, Reask sisters-in-law; Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Killonan; Mrs. J. Fitzpatrick, William Street, (daughters-in-law) Dr. J. Devane, Rev. Father Hennessy, O.S.A.; Rev. Father Devane, C.C., St. Michael's, John McCormack, Keyana; John English, Dromkeen; Denis McCormack, Pallas House; Joseph and Thomas Burke, nephews; Mrs. P. Roughtan, Ennis; Mrs. T. Slattery, Pallas; Mrs. T. Slattery, Hospital; Mrs. Duggan, Patrick Street; Mrs. Bourke, Geraldine Villas, Mrs. Franklin, Reask, Mrs. Foley, Birdhill, Mrs. Ryan, Brittas, Mrs. Quinlan, Cluggin, Mrs. M. Quinlan, Reask (nieces); Michael Ryan, Brittas, James Foley, Birdhill, Thomas and Arthur Bourke (grand-nephews); Ciss and Bridget Foley (grand nieces); John McCormack, Ballyvalode, Denis McCormack, D.C., do., Michael Quinlan, J.P., Co.C., P. Roughtan, Ennis, D. Ryan, Castlefarm, Hospital,

formed. They had their premises put in good order, and thoroughly up-to-date. Even the terrible floods, which swamped almost every place two or three weeks ago spared them, and the Green Park Course was the driest and greenest spot he saw in the whole country. Then he could say, too, that the condition of their racecourse did the shareholders and directors every credit, because they might remember that when they first took up Greenpark—he would not say it was very bad; it was wet and not what it ought to be. Now it was thoroughly well drained, the sluices in proper order, with the result that it was perfectly marvellous to see the track and course absolutely dry when right down from Cooper Hill to Clarina, Coshagh, and Plassy, were all under water. The storm, of course, as usual, visited them a little, just before the Christmas or Boxing Day meeting, but he was glad to say that this time it treated them very gently, and did very little damage. A few fences were blown down, and some small things of that kind, but they got on very well indeed. They had to put up a very expensive ambulance room—they were obliged to do so by the Irish National Hunt—and very properly obliged to have some retired place on the course in which a jockey badly hurt at a meeting could be attended to. The National Hunt required that an ambulance room should be provided at all race meetings, and the one put up at Greenpark was very creditable to all concerned. The directors proposed at their next May meeting to give a £300 steeplechase, for which they had received 47 entries, and although he did not desire to anticipate, he thought the shareholders would have the event for almost nothing—at least it would cost them very little. They also proposed to have a hurdle race for £200, and the entries closed next Wednesday. If any of the shareholders had friends with horses he would ask to have them reminded of the race. The hay crop at Green Park last year was a fair average one, not at all a bad one, although they had better. But it was quite a good one, and along with that they had a good deal of grazing, so between the two, last year was quite an average year. With regard to the dividend the directors had decided on recommending a dividend of 10s. per share, free of income tax. It was a new way of putting things, but they would all understand what it meant perfectly. There was a certain gentleman in another place, whose name he would not mention, and this gentleman had his eye on any successful undertaking he could tax, and so the directors were nervous about having the sum appearing too prominently in print. Ten shillings per share was, however, a very handsome percentage for the shareholders of the Limerick Race Company. (Hear, hear.) There was a letter to him from Mr. Thomas O'Brien, one of the directors last appointed, regretting that he could not be at the meeting that day. He said he was very proud of the Race Company, as wherever he went in Ireland he always heard it praised. That was a very pleasant thing to learn. (Hear, hear.) He (the Chairman) hoped it would be always so, for in general success always followed popularity, and if they kept their meetings popular they would find people coming to them. (Hear, hear.) He (the Chairman) hoped and believed that in the present year they would do as well as they had done in the past one. (Hear, hear.) The directors deserved a great deal of credit for the manner in which they devoted their time, energy, and brains to the welfare of the Company. (Hear, hear.) He had to thank them for all they did, and he had now much pleasure in moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. (Applause.)

Mr. Brockly seconded the proposition, which was unanimously adopted. On the motion of Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Nolan, the retiring directors—Messrs. David Begley, Michael Cahill, James Quin, J.P., James H. Roche, J.P., and Thomas Buckley—were unanimously re-elected.

On the proposition of Mr. Begley, seconded by Mr. Buckley, Mr. C. W. Metcalfe was unanimously re-elected auditor. Mr. Begley having been moved to the second chair.

Mr. Roche proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman of the Company, Mr. Delmege. It was unnecessary for him to say overmuch regarding their Chairman, because the balance-sheet was of itself sufficient to prove how well he was attending to the duties. He had made the Limerick meet one of the most popular meetings in Ireland, and he thought they would all agree with him that it was largely due to the hospitality of their popular Chairman. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. O'Dea seconded the proposition. The hospitality, attention, courtesy, and ability of their chairman had made the meetings most successful since he took office, and they were all very proud to have Mr. Delmege as their chairman. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Begley, in putting the proposition, which was unanimously agreed to, said he had very great pleasure in endorsing all that had been said with regard to their chairman.

Mr. Delmege in acknowledging the compliment said he thought they were all praising him too much. (no, no.) They were now long together that they ought to know one another pretty well. There was one matter, however, for which he thanked them very much, that was the allusion to his promoting the interests of the Company. They might be quite sure he always did his best to forward the interests of the shareholders and of the Company, and in doing so he thought he was forwarding the interests of Limerick (hear, hear). People might laugh at the whole thing, but their races had brought Limerick into prominence in places where the city was not heard of before. (hear, hear.) It was the fashion to cavil at races, and to talk of the iniquity of betting, but what was said about racing would apply to the Stock Exchange, to the merchant buying a cargo of wheat, and to every business in the world; all being, more or less, games of chance. And as long as races were conducted properly and honestly he did not see why it was not as fair and good a business as any other. Racing circulated money, improved the breed of horses, and brought people together to see their friends. He thought there was one very important matter which he should have suggested—that was to pass a vote of thanks to their painstaking secretary, who left nothing undone to forward the interests of the Company.

TRAGIC OCCURRENCE IN CO. LIMERICK.

We regret to record a very sad accident with fatal result, which occurred last evening in the County. It appears that yesterday afternoon, at 4.40, Mr. James J. Hewson, of Hollywood, Adare went out rabbit shooting, taking with him for the purpose a 38 bore rook rifle. Mr. Hewson, not returning, a search party went in quest of him without result. This morning the search was resumed by his brother, Mr. Henry George Hewson, and some of the employees, and the body of the unfortunate gentleman found close to a wall, which he was apparently crossing, when the rifle accidentally exploded, and the bullet entered the left ear of the deceased, passing out at the top of his head. It is supposed that the hammer of the rifle struck the wall, causing the charge to explode, and that in this way death was caused. Mr. Hewson was a District Councillor, 56, and unmarried. He was the son of the late Mr. George J. Hewson, M.A.T.C.D. F.R.S.A.I., the well known antiquary. The deceased was an expert rifleman, and spent some 18 years in Canada, where he won a number of gold medals for rifle shooting. He was always very careful with firearms, and the sad occurrence that terminated his life is greatly regretted in the locality, where he was very highly esteemed by all classes and creeds. Deep sympathy is expressed with his relatives in their bereavement.

TO-DAY'S MARKETS.

BREADSTUFFS—Retail patents, 34 0d per sack; Bakers' patents, 34 6d per sack; Whites, 31s 0d per sack; Specials, 32s 6d per sack; Fines, 30s 0d per sack; Wholemeal, 31s 0d per sack; Oaten-meal, 33s 6d per sack; Oaten Flake Meal, 14s 0d per cwt; Flake Bran, £8 10s per ton; W. Bran £7 10s per ton; special Bran, £6 10s; W. Pollard, 17 10s per ton; Indian Meal (coarse), £7 0s per ton; Do. (fine), 7 4s per ton; Barley Meal, £8 15s.

FISH—Whiting, 6d per lb; herrings, 1s per doz.; mackerel, 8d per lb; haddock, 6d per lb; finneys, 6d per lb; hake, 5d per lb; ling, 6d per lb; sole, 1s 6d per lb; plaice, 2d per lb; turbot, 1s 8d per lb; falibut, 1s 0d per lb; lemon sole, 10d per lb; brill, 1s 0d per lb; whitebait, 6d per lb; lobsters, 6d per lb; salmon, 2s 3d per lb.

MEAT—Roasting beef, 10d per lb; steaks and sheeps, 10d per lb; hind quarters of mutton, 9d per lb; fore quarters of mutton, 7d per lb; boiling beef, 7d per lb; corned beef, 7d per lb; soup beef, 9d per lb.

EGGS—Hen eggs, 1s. 0d. to 1s. 1d. per dozen; Duck eggs, 1s. to 1s. 3d. per dozen.

BUTTER—1s. 2d. to 1s. 3d. per lb. HAY and STRAW.—Fair supply. Rye hay from 35s. 0d. to 64s. 0d. per ton; upland, 40s. 0d. to 50s. 0d.; coarss, 20s. 0d. to 35s. 0d.; oat straw, 35s. 0d. to 45s. 0d.; wheaten reed, 105s.

CORN.—A fair supply in market to-day. White oats (round), 10 1/2d to 11 1/2d per stone; black oats, 10d. to 10 1/2d.

PIGS. The following are to-day's prices:—Suitable Pigs (1 cwt. 1 qr. 0 lb. to 1 cwt. 2 qrs. 14 lbs.), 65s. per cwt; Stout (1 cwt 2 qrs. 15 lbs. to 1 cwt. 2 qrs.), 63s. per cwt; Overweight (1 cwt. 3 qrs. 1 lb. to 1 cwt. 3 qrs. 14 lbs.), 61s. per cwt.; Heavy Overweight (over 1 cwt. 3 qrs. 14 lbs.), 57s. per cwt; Unfinished, special price; Berkshire (about 5 stone), 62s. per cwt; "Six s" (Jacon pigs under 10 stone), 62s.

BUTTER—TO-DAY. CORK MARKET.—Firsts, 118s; Seconds, 102s.; Thirds, 89s.; A, 115s.; Centrifugal Creamery, 126s. to 124s.; Factories, 106s. to 91s. Supply medium; demand brisk. Weather stormy.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR MARKET. FEBRUARY 20. Official Report:—Market closed with a good business done at firm prices to 1/4d. advance; for the week prices are from 1/4d. to 3d. dearer. Private Report:—Good business done at firm prices to 1/4d. advance.

FEBRUARY 24. Official Report:—Market opens firm; fair business done. Private Report:—Fair business done at firm prices.

LAND SALES. Ebrill Bros. Auctioneers. On Saturday last Messrs. Ebrill Bros. Auctioneers, held a sale of two farms & co. at the sales mart, The Agricultural Hall, Limerick. There was an unusually large attendance and keen competition. Lot 1. was a plot of Accommodation Land containing about 20 Acres 2 Roods 0 Perches Statute, held under judicial tenancy at a rent of £25 12s. 6d, P. L. Valuation £30 10s. 0d. This land is of very good quality and conveniently situated, and after keen bidding was knocked down to Mr. E. Coffey Solicitor, in trust, for £300 0s. 0d. Messrs. J. Dundon & Son, Solicitors, had carriage of the sale.

Lot 2. A holding situate at Lisnalty, Limerick containing about 45 Acres 1 Rood 16 Perches held under judicial tenancy at a rent of £26 5s. 0d, P. L. Valuation £45 10s 0d, with thatched dwelling house and outoffices. The land is good sound upland of nice quality, and owing to its situation the farm attracted many buyers, and it was eventually knocked down at £800 0s. 0d. to Mr. J. Power; Mr. P. E. O'Donnell Solicitor,

SPURTING. Windsor Meeting.

Curfew Maiden Hurdle—Bill Bang, 1; Tweedledum, 2; Willaura, 3. Also ran—Rath Hurley, Stargrove, Linesman, Predominant. Betting—11 to 8 on Tweedledum, 15 to 8 agst Willaura, 100 to 8 agst Bill Bang, 20 to 1 others.

River Selling—Upstart, 1; Heather Lad, 2; Treasure Seeker, 3. Betting—5 to 4 agst Heather Lad, 2 to 1 Upstart, 9 to 4 Treasure Seeker.

Bracknell Handicap—Blind Hokey, 1; Miss Niek, 2; Thadens and Cornob head best. Betting—Evens Blind Hokey, 100 to 8 Miss Niek; 100 to 30 Thadens; 3 to 1 Cornob.

Falstaff Handicap—Blockade Runner, 1; Durrain, 2; Spinning Coin, 3. Also ran—Uncle Sam. Betting—9 to 4 Blockade Runner, 6 to 4 Durrain, 7 to 2 Spinning Coin, 10 to 1 Uncle Sam.

Tuesday Selling—Greator, 1; Cyclet, 2; Iman, 3. Also ran—Little Mac. Betting—7 to 4 Greator, 3 to 1 Iman, 13 to 8 Cyclet, 20 to 1 Little Mac.

Burnham Steeplechase—Dysart, 1; Ally Sloper, 2. 100 to 12 on winner.

HUNTING COUNTY LIMERICK HOUNDS.

will meet:— FEBRUARY. Wednesday, 26th.....Cappagh (11.30) Friday, 28th.....Maine Hour—11 o'clock.

TIPPERARY FOXHOUNDS FEBRUARY. Wednesday, 26th.....Modeshill Thursday, 27th.....Silverfort Cross Hour—11.30 o'clock.

CLARE HOUNDS. FEBRUARY. Friday, 28th.....Streamstown Hour—12 o'clock.

SCARTEEN BLACK & TANS FEBRUARY. Friday, 28th.....Knocksauvoher 1 o'clock.

MELLON HARRIERS. FEBRUARY. Thursday, 27th.....Clarina Police Barrack Hour—12 o'clock.

DROMIN HARRIERS. MARCH. Saturday, 1st.....Knocksney Hour—11 30 o'clock.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

The Gaiety. A fetching picture programme was submitted to visitors to the Gaiety Theatre last night. At the head of the bill figured the striking feature drama "Rip Van Winkle," Washington Irwin's great creation. For more than half an hour this interesting subject was on view, depicting every incident relating to the story, and closing amid the hearty plaudits of the audience. A view entitled "In the Year 2,000," showed the possibilities of the future in many directions, while travel picture designated "A Tour in the Land of Prince Charles," was a very fine piece of portraiture. Among the other items on a nicely diversified programme were a dramatic subject, "The Opium Smugglers," and "Contagious Music." To-night the management present a new feature film, "The Wheel of Destruction."

Theatre Royal. The programme at the Theatre Royal this week comprises a series of highly entertaining pictures, one more attractive than the other. Last night the audience was taken through a bill of fare of exceptional merit, and only in keeping with the enterprise displayed by the management of this popular house. In the realm of drama and comedy, the views were all that the most fastidious could desire, and from the interest evinced it was quite obvious that the catering was appreciated.

The Rink. Mr. Frank Land, the eminent vocalist, continues his popular engagement at the Rink, his selections from various operas being interpreted with wondrous artistic taste and skill. To-night he will sing "The Heart Bow'd Down," and "Though Fortunes Darkly O'er Me Frown"; On Wednesday, "Foreador," and "Now, My Courage," and on Thursday selections from "The Lily of Killarney." The pictures include the special feature film "Monte Cristo," which has proved a great success, and will be repeated to-night. There were many other interesting pictures last evening, including "Tweedledum as a Commercial Traveller," a very comic piece, while the topical budget gave the international football match, Ireland v. England, and other important public events, all of which afforded much pleasure and entertainment to a large audience.

The Athenæum. At the Athenæum last night a bill of fare at once attractive and novel was presented. The romance of "Monte Cristo" was shown in all its vividness of detail in three parts. "The Manufacture of Steel" was a subject of more than average interest. The picture depicted the process employed in the making of the metal, and from an industrial point of view the subject was a powerful educator. The other subjects thrown on the screen comprised comic episodes, highly humorous, and vividly reproduced.

DEATH FROM BURNS. Yesterday Mr. Robert Frost, Deputy Coroner for East Clare, held an inquest at Newmarket-on-Fergus into the circumstances attending the death of an 18 months old child named Patrick