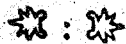


ity having to pay seventy per cent of total cost it is held that it ought to be about a quarter of the aggregate amount. Not only do the relations between Imperial and the municipal exchequer readjustment, but the present system of local rating is unfair. It takes much from the farmer, who never knows in our certain climate what the result of the farmer's toil may be. This inequality checks the development of local enterprise, and forces hardships upon the individual and community, a state of things which makes the reform of local taxation one of the most urgent problems which politicians have to solve.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

### The Barn-door Pheasant.

New York Customs inspectors have accepted Sydney Cheylesmore's plea that the pheasant is a domestic fowl. The argument and its acceptance are fraught with earth-shaking consequences, marks the London *Evening Standard*. On the one hand, it dubs all sportsmen who amuse themselves by shooting pheasants as killers of barn-door fowls. They are reduced, in fact, to the level of Mrs. Bond in the nursery rhyme, who is likened to the ducks, "Come and be killed." On the other hand, it will assuage the vehemence of the crusade against pheasant-rearing, for if the bird is not a game bird, but a domestic fowl, its rearing becomes not part of a sport but an industry—an industry not only because it brings forth a delicious food to the table, but to the hat makers ministering to the self-respect of the wearer.



### The Railway Commission.

The Royal Commission on Railways, which shortly begins its inquiry at Winchester House, will be busily engaged for many months to come as it hears all the evidence that interested parties are desirous of laying before it. The terms of its reference are so wide, excluding as they do only the questions of safe working and industrial disputes, that the investigation in respect of the numerous matters involved might occupy the time and energies of three such bodies. Efforts are now being made for the grievances of railway passengers to be brought before the Commission. Such complaints, as might be expected, are numerous, and there is no doubt that it is only right that the interests of a large

on each day from 1 to 6 and 7.30 to 10. Mrs. de Vere has kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony on Friday at 2.30, and it is hoped that as many as possible will attend the opening. There will be luncheons and teas each day. There will be Tableaux Vivants at intervals and also short concerts. In addition to lunch and tea stalls there will be stalls for the sale of country produce, flowers and fruit, baskets, pottery, toys and other general goods, cakes and sweets. By kind permission of the Colonel and officers the band of the 2nd Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment will perform on both days. The prices of admission will be afternoons, 1s, evenings, 6d, two-day tickets, 1s 6d.

## MILITARY MEMS.

Lieut. Emerson, who has just given up the adjutancy of the 4th Reserve Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers (the old South Cork Militia) at Kin-a-le, has joined the 2nd battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers at Aldershot.

Lieut. Lees, of the 1st battalion Shropshire L. I. at Tipperary, has been appointed to the Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier force.

The following are taken from *The Tiger and the Rose* (a journal of the York and Lancaster Regiment):—

Lieut-Colonel E. C. Cobbold is on leave from Limerick till the end of the year.

The following officers are on leave from Limerick till the end of November:—Major Bayley, Captains Robertson and Burdett, Lieutenants Boucher and Sim, 2nd Lieuts. Holmes and Lethbridge.

2nd Lieut. Norris joined at Limerick, on first appointment, on 15th October.

## DEATH OF A LIMERICK MAN IN NEW YORK.

His numerous friends in Limerick and the South of Ireland will sincerely regret to hear of the death of Mr John Daly Cusack, which took place at his residence in New York, on October 24th, after a long and painful illness. He was the eldest son of the late Mr Michael Cusack, ex-Mayor of Limerick, and a few years ago married Miss Lily Hurley, Sunday's Well, Cork. Mr Cusack was a very popular member of the Garryowen Rugby Football Club, and also took a keen interest in many other kinds of sport, especially rowing. In her great grief, the deepest sympathy will be felt for Mrs Cusack by her wide circle of friends in Cork.

## THE GAIETY THEATRE.

Two well-filled houses patronized the Gaiety Theatre last night, when an excellent programme of pictures was presented. The feature film at both performances was "The Gold Cross," a theme, pathetic without being morbid, characterized by high artistic merit. A dramatic subject entitled "What Happened to Mary" was brimful of fascinating incidents, while the Imp comic trick designated "All For Luck," was a fetching film, and highly enjoyed. The remainder of the menu consisted of an interesting study, "Our Servants and Our Friends," "Seeing Double" a mirth provoking view, and "The Living Doll." It was on the whole a taking

## THE JOSEPH O' MARA COMPANY.

We are informed that the O'Mara Opera Company next week already consisting of distinguished personages their seats for the opening week. The Railway Company facilities to carry Theatre districts after the performance. Judging by the number of the Opera Company it is quite his artistes Mr. Joseph O'Mara foreign country, but does not encourage native talent, as note that his latest recruit known in Limerick circles, Costillo. Mr. O'Mara recently in London, and with his voice that he advised to work, and hopes that one name for himself in the opening standing that he has only the company, he will appear during their visit to Limerick.

## THE ATHLETIC

Visitors to the Athenaeum mirably catered for in the by the management. They were extremely well patronized pictures shown were very entitled "Broncho Bill," situations as thrilling as the two-part subject, "We is remarkably well conceived titled "O'Hara helps Ch ingredients which go to make while the cycling policemen a film of downright merry "Study" showed the habit bird, and supplied any or audience with plenty of tion of an interesting brat

## RACING IN

Flemington, Tuesday. Result—Posinatus, 1st Isle, 3rd.

The Co. Tipperary B motion of Mr. John O' Arnold Power, has passed relating Mr. Richard Bourke marriage.

At Miltown Malbay P Tobin had Ethel O'Connor up at a Children's Court. licensed premises for the intoxicating liquor. The against a girl named Dow were bound over in sums

On Saturday a water O'Connor was brought to Barrack, charged with his shots at his wife with O'Connor said that she Listowel to purchase some sell a jennet. They so arriving home the accused and struck her a blow in