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## Popular Inspector's Death

### Keenly Regretted in Rathkeale

REFERENCES AT DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

TRIBUTES TO THE LATE MR. COFFEY  
SUGGESTED MEMORIAL OVER HIS GRAVE

At Wednesday's meeting of the Rathkeale District Council, Mr John Fitzgibbon, J.P., Co. C., presiding,

The Clerk (Mr T B Naughton) said it was with the keenest regret he desired to remind the members of the recent tragic death of a very worthy and distinguished county man of theirs, the late Mr. John Coffey, Inspector of the Local Government Board. The deceased

connected with the suite, in at, a few years ago, had velvet; there, as they would cabinet, marked ability and impar-mantel, they all held the highest maboc Coffey in connection with the chair, so.

at on to say that Mr. Coffey a school teacher in his young days had, subsequently, proved of the appointment of secre of the Teachers' Association in Ireland. ally, through his ability and respect-character, obtained the high office or under the Local Government her, were few public officials in Ire-

land whose talent was so deservedly recognised; and, in this connection, his unwearying work and brilliant services on behalf of the National Teachers of Ireland at the recent Viceregal Inquiry should never be forgotten for him by the men, whose cause he had so ably advocated, and whose wrongs he did so much to remove (hear, hear). He (Mr. Naughton) entertained profound respect for any man who, when he had progressed in the world, did not forget his old pals (applause).

He spoke of Mr. Coffey, not so much as a kind and sympathetic official of local government in Ireland, as of one who, by his fine traits of character, splendid mental equipment, and yet very gentle and unassuming disposition, known especially to those who were acquainted with him as a private individual, and which had endeared him to all who had the pleasure and privilege of his acquaintance. He was a sincere, broad-minded Irishman, proud of and devoted to his country, without any petty political or religious bias, and was, therefore, as kindly regarded by those who knew him in the North of Ireland as he was in his own beloved South. His end had been painfully tragic. It only remained for those who esteemed him for his amiable qualities and his disinterested services to place some memorial above his grave as evidence of their respect for his memory. In this connection,

it was up to the National Teachers of Ireland to show the way, for the last months of Mr Coffey's life had been given to their cause, and many devoted friends outside that body would join with them in the kindly work of putting a cross over his resting place in Glasnevin (applause).

The Chairman said he endorsed everything that had been said by the clerk of the late Mr. Coffey, with whom he was personally acquainted, and whose sad death he regretted more than any words of his could express. He begged to propose the following resolution—

"Resolved—That we, the members of the Rathkeale District Council, express our deepest regret at the demise of Mr. John Coffey, L. G. B. Inspector, a native of this county, whose career in the service of his country has been so tragically brought to a close; that we convey to the afflicted family of deceased our sincere sympathy in their bereavement, and trust that a suitable memorial will be erected by grateful friends in the National Cemetery as a small tribute to his memory."

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## Limerick Town Tenants

### The City Executive

MEETING IN MECHANICS INSTITUTE

ORGANISING OF THE WARDS

IMPORTANT AND INTERESTING PROCEEDINGS

The City Executive of the Town Tenants' Organisation met on Sunday last, 15th inst., in the Mechanics' Institute. There was a full attendance of members. Mr J Davern, B. C., V. P., presided.

The Chairman said himself and their energetic General Secretary, Mr Ronayne, with Mr O'Connor and Mr Martin Ronan, were out that day to stir up the tenants in the Irish-town Ward. They had a splendid meeting of earnest men, who would do their utmost to work up the Ward. He was glad to say they

had elected a splendid working committee in the Ward. The Executive would hold meetings at suitable places and arouse all the tenants in all the wards to unite and help the City Executive in their fight for town tenants' rights (hear, hear). It was arranged that the members of the City Executive would go into the Castle Ward to reorganise the committee for that division. All interested in the movement would meet at the City Court-house at 4 o'clock sharp next Sunday, 22nd inst. and also in the evening of the same date a meeting would be held in the Town Hall at 8.30 o'clock sharp for the purpose of organising the Customhouse Ward, and a large attendance was expected. Other Wards would come on in rotation, and the dates of future meetings would be announced in the Press. He (the Chairman) saw that in the Press reference was made to those entitled to get the houses built under the Working Housing Act, 1908. He wanted to point out that a man earning more than 30s a week for the 52 weeks of the year constant was not eligible for houses. Anything above that debarked a man from getting these houses. A tradesman may earn £2 per week standing wages, but he may only have work for, perhaps, four or five months in the year, and such a man would be entitled to get a house, but he (the Chairman) objected to men earning 50s a week getting the houses; those men could pay a bigger rent.

A member said the people with young families should get preference, and especially those who would support the Town Tenants' League. The town tenants did a big share of the work in supplying information that was effective before the Local Government Inspector, and which the tenants contributed to (hear, hear).

The General Secretary, Mr. Ronayne, said he forwarded to the Corporation the resolution passed, as he was instructed, and it was before the Corporation at its last meeting. It was their duty and had always been the custom to have resolutions and matters affecting public interest before the public bodies, in order that they may exercise their duty and solve those problems put before them for the public good. Those matters are not personal ones, but public, and should be treated as such (hear, hear). There was an old saying that there was a certain place paved with good intentions. They wanted good deeds rather than pious intentions, and all those cases should be met with honest argument rather than personal attacks (hear, hear). Public opinion on those matters was pressing for something definite to be done. They knew that the overcrowding of the slums and rack-renting of the working classes was largely due to the unsound terminal leasehold system. As far as possible ownership and occupation should be linked together. If anyone desired to seek prosperity, it was to be found in the towns in which everyone was owner of his own house or place of business. Unfortunately, such was not the case in Limerick. Heavy rates and big rents had kept the city struggling for existence, and this subject must be agitated upon by the community at large. The security of tenure, compensation for improvements, the fixing of fair judicial rents in the cities of Ireland, and the abolition of slum pro-

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