be heard of them in this county. He appealed to those in the body of the court, as well as the Grand Jury, to encourage public opinion, to step in and take their own part to suppress this cowardly crime of firing at, and put down this brutal and dastardly form of offence committed by a few people. A few despicable blackguards were able to do these crimes, and were able to intimidate and disgrace the county; and it was for the people themselves to assist the law in suppressing them.

HIBERNIAN ORDER

Oola Division

CONFIDENCE IN THE IRISH PARTY

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE

The monthly meeting of the Oola Division of the AOH was held on Sunday, 12th April, Bro Denis M'Cormack, D C, President, in the chair. There was a large number of members present. After correspondence had been dealt with,

it was proposed by Bro Thomas Ryan and seconded by Bro M Breen-" That the Rev P Byren, C.C. Solohead, be elected chaplain to the division.

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A vote of sympathy was proposed by Bro Thomas Ryan and seconded by Bro James English, to Bro Patrick Tierney, of Oola, and Bro Michael Tierney, of Dublin, on the death of their uncle, Mr John Murphy, of Nicker, County Limerick. One new member was proposed and se-

conded for initiation at next meeting.

The following resolution was proposed by Bro Denis M Cormack, D C, President, and seconded by Bro Edward Mansfield-" That we, the Oola Division A O H, hereby declare our utmost confidence in Messrs Redmond, Dillon and Devlin in the present momentous crisis in our National history, and that we firmly believe that they will do all that is possible to preserve intact the Irish nation. That we note with extreme pleasure the attendance to his duties, and in the various divisions in Parliament, of our local member, Mr Thomas Lundon, to whom we hereby send our congratulations and promises of our cordial support. That copies of this resolution be sent to Messrs John E Redmond, John Dillon, Joseph Devlin, our National president; Thomas Luhdon, and the Press."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

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sop of hay left there? Yes.

Did you tell me I could take what hay was there ! Yes, but I said I should lock the gate and give up the key; I did not care how much you took afterwards. The deposition was then read over, to the

witness and signed by him.

Dr. John Bouchier-Hayes deposed that he

was medical officer of the Rathkeale Dispensary district; on the previous evening between 6.30 and 7 o'clock he received an urgent message, and as a result he motored to Blossombill to attend Michael O'Grady; he found O'tirady lying on the kitchen floor of his house in a collapsed condition; on examination he found the injured man was suffering from gunshot injuries on the back, head, and neck; witness having treated O'Grady brought him to hospital; he examined him there and extracted two grains of shot (produced); on examination that morning he found 64 wounds caused by shot-27 on the back and 37 on the head and neck; O'Grady was unable to use his right arm, which was due to the gunshot injuries or a fall; witness considered O'Grady's life in danger. Accused did not cross-examine.

Head-Constable Price was the next witness,

and he deposed that about 7.15 p.m. on the previous evening Hogan came to the barrack and said "there was shooting out there" witness, in consequence of something he had heard previously, arrested the accused and charged him with firing at Michael O'Grady with intent to wound; on being cautioned the prisoner said, "There was a dispute about hay I was bringing down from Ryan's; there was a bit of a scuffle and the gun went off"; I made further inquiries, went on the Head-Constable, and as a result I further charged the accused at 10 p.m. with shooting at Michael O'Grady and Thomas Sheehy; I again cautioned him and he said " I know nothing about this ; where was Sheehy I said in the garden with O'Grady and the prisoner then said, "That is the first I heard of it; there is more in this than you know; did he tell you he knocked me down, kicked me and broke my thumb ; look at my ear; what a nice stake I was for him, an old man of sixty the Head-Constable continuing said the accused had a small cut on his left ear; he asked for a remand for eight days to complete his in-Mr. Whelan said on the evidence given he

would remand the accused for eight days. The prisoner was subsequently removed

under police escort to Limerick prison.

Constable O'Hara, who visited the accused's house, subsequently took possession of three shot guns, two powder flasks, two shot bags and a canister of caps.

LIMERICK MAN'S DEATH ABROAD

The death is reported from Cape Town of a highly-respected South African Rallway Pioneer. Mr. Michael M'Namara, a native of Newcastle West, Co. Limerick, at the age of 75. Mr. M'Namara used to be on the Waterford and Limerick Railway before going out to South Africa in 1862. He had the distinction of having been the first fireman on the South African Railways, and he "fired" for Driver Dabbs when he took the first engine on the old 4ft 8in gauge line from Cape Town to Wellington, when it was the terminus of a line of railway that now extends as far as the Victoria Falls. When the 3ft 6in gauge was substituted for the 4ft Slin gauge on the Cape Town-Wellington line, the late Mr. M'Namara drove the first engine to Wellington, the capital. When the deceased gentleman retired capital. When the deceased gentleman retired from the railway service twelve years ago he occupied the position of steam-shed foreman at Cape Town. Mr. M'Namara was a man of exceptionally fine presence. He was 6ft 4in. in height, and, almost to the last, he was of commanding and erect carriage. A man of the strictest integrity and honour, Mr. M'Namara was beloved and held in the greatest respect by his fellow-railwaymen. Dropsy was the cause of death, which occurred at his residence, Bronrwell House, Woodstock, on March 6th. Bronrwell House, Woodstock, on March 6th. The deceased gentleman has left two daughters and four sons, one of whom has held the office of Mayor of Woodstock. The funeral took place at Maitland. The members of the Irish National Foresters Society attended the funeral,

length with the aims and objects of the National Volunteers and said Castleconnell was always in the forefront of any National movement. He referred to Grattan's Volunteers and their disbanding by consent and went on to say that the Volunteers of 1782 were a menace to the British Government (hear, hear). He asked if it were fair that the Government should allow the Ulster men to drill and arm and then issue a proclamation when the Irish Volunteers were started, prohibiting the importation of arms into Ireland. Mr. Mackey then, amidst applause, presented Mr. Joe Magee with a service riffle, a rifle that, he said, was used in the Boer war (cheers). Mr. Magee, in reply, thanked Mr. Mackey for

his kind presentation. They would cherish that ritle coming from Mr. Mackey, who, as they all knew, was a sterling Nationalist and took an active interest in the welfare of the That was the first Volunteers (hear, hear). rifle that any Volunteer Corps in the county had been presented with and they all appreciated Mr. Mackey's kindness in presenting it to their corps (applause). He again thanked the generous donor for his admirable and useful presentation.



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