

Chairman—I can sympathise with you because you had not the money when you came in, but what was the deficit?

Mr. Davison mentioned the figures given in his report.

Mr. Moloney—Since we gave the estimate for three years the cost of material has gone up, therefore you have a deficit. The increased cost of material has come in at the end of the estimate.

Mr. Davison—Yes.

Mr. Bennett said it was obvious that this state of affairs would occur. Could not the County Surveyor make a less demand? The present would be a great increase in the rate in one year. The cause of the increase was the bad state of the roads and the extra material that had to be put out and the extra cost of labour which went up 15 or 16 per cent.

Mr. Davison—I can't see how I can do anything.

Mr. Bennett said the County Surveyor suggested in one of his first reports that he would only use the best material. Was he in Kilmallock using the best material? They should not be a party to strike a rate if they were to have inferior material put on their roads.

Mr. Davison said in connection with one quarry the top was not very good, but they say they are down to good hard stuff.

Mr. Bennett—Are you satisfied they are down to it?

Mr. Davison—What I saw was a great improvement.

Mr. Bennett criticised the quality of material put out near Kilmallock, and said the late County Surveyor told him the stones were an abomination, yet they were put out. But, said Mr. Bennett, I believe you are determined to put on good stuff.

Mr. Jones referred to the £1,800.

Mr. Carroll—And maybe when that is spent you won't have good roads.

Mr. Bennett—We ought insist on having good material put on the roads. The amount collected was not sufficient; the cost of the roads must go up—everything is going up.

Mr. Davison said good material would prove the most economic in the finish.

Mr. Bennett—I don't consider it economic to use mud.

Mr. Davison—I did not use mud.

Mr. Bennett said he saw stone put out at Kilmallock and in two days it was mud; that could not be good.

Mr. Davison—No, it could not.

A Member—If you could manage with £1,000 at present.

Mr. Davison—No, I could not.

Mr. Carroll—It will look terrible in print.

Chairman—What will we do?

Mr. Bennett—We will give £1,500.

Mr. Moloney seconded.

Mr. Davison—I ask for £1,800, and I want it. How am I going to make up the deficiency, which does not belong to my term of office?

Chairman—We are giving you £600 increase in the estimate.

Mr. Davison—That will be required where the roads were starved.

Mr. Moloney—You will find a great saving by putting on good material.

Mr. Davison—But I will have to pay for it.

Chairman—£1,500, I suppose.

Mr. Davison—No.

Mr. Cauty—I propose that you reduce it to £1,000.

Chairman—It is a bad thing to tie the County Surveyor's hands.

Mr. Davison—I am closed down, I will not take it.

Mr. Bennett—Considering he only came into the position recently we ought to treat leniently with him.

Chairman—The ratepayers have a great cause of complaint, because you are asking for £1,800 in consequence of the deficit last March, for they have no benefit derived from the expenditure in the past. The roads are not better, but getting worse, and now you will be asking to put 6d. in the £ on the rates for the coming year. If you went on with the £1,500, and next September if you found you were not able to get on with it the Council would not tie your hands.

Mr. Davison—Will you put it officially down for me? I'll be coming, and when I ask for a certain amount I would not like to come again.

Mr. Bennett—I would like to state that I hope no inferior material will be used on our roads.

Chairman—And that next March we will see a great improvement in them.

made in connection therewith.

Complaint About a Bakery

Letter to Kilrush Urban Council

A MATTER FOR CIVIL ACTION

At the last meeting of the Kilrush Urban Council the L. G. Board forwarded a letter they had received from Mrs. Madigan, of Henry street, Kilrush, complaining of the fumes and smells from a bakery near her house which, she said, was poisoning herself and her children. That it had already been before the Council on the report of the Medical Officer of Health, and that neither the Council nor the owner of the bakery had taken any action in the matter.

The Clerk explained the action of a deputation of the Council that visited the bakery in question, accompanied by Dr. Conliffe and the solicitors on both sides, who recommended the raising of the chimney and a cementing of the walls, and several other slight alterations. These were not, it seems, carried out. The place is kept in a proper sanitary condition.

Mr. Conliffe—This is a matter in which the Council should not interfere. It could be tried by civil action.

The Council acted on the advice of their solicitor.

Irish Ambulance Train

EQUIPPED BY G. S. AND W. R. COMPANY

An ambulance train has just been completed and equipped at their Inchicore works by the Great Southern and Western Railway Company to meet the possibility of wounded soldiers being landed in the South of Ireland for conveyance to hospitals in other parts of the country. The train is composed of nine bogie coaches taken from the main line traffic and altered to suit the requirements of the War Office, at whose disposal it is placed. The main part of the train consists of five wards, each fitted with twenty cots in two tiers. The various compartments are reached from a corridor wide enough to accommodate a stretcher. The ward cars have gangway communication, and there is sleeping and dining accommodation for the medical, nursing, and ambulance staff. At the other end of the train is a side corridor coach fitted out as a stores car. Ventilation, lighting, heating, lavatory and sanitary arrangements are ample. Including a 30ft. guard's van at the rear the total length of the train is 550ft.

Acknowledgment

Mr. Maurice Quilty, Lisnagry, wishes, through the columns of this paper to thank those who sent him messages of sympathy and condolence on the death of his mother, as he would be unable to reply to all individually.

LIMERICK MAN DROWNED IN AMERICA

An American exchange says:—Mr. John J. M'Grath, son of Mr. John T. and Catherine M'Grath, a native of Bruff, Co. Limerick, was drowned recently while bathing off Oriental Point, Long Island, New York. Mr. M'Grath lived in Brooklyn, and is survived by his parents and two sisters. The body was recovered and the interment took place in Cavalry Cemetery, Laurel Hill, Long Island, N. Y.

Mr. Bennett—I think you will. The sum of £1,500 was then agreed to, and the report and estimate were adopted. Referring to the question of steam-rolling, Mr. Bennett said they did not intend to strike a rate for that purpose, only to borrow the money.

A resolution was then adopted asking the County Council to immediately arrange for a loan for 7 years to enable the steam-rolling of some of the roads scheduled in the rural district to be proceeded with as was agreed to two years since; the ordinary maintenance money of the roads to be used for repayment of interest and capital.

private, and only relatives and a few friends were present. The chief mourners were Mr. Torlough O'Brien and Mr. James O'Brien (nephews), and Mr. Robert Daniell. The Lord Lieutenant was represented by Colonel Lyster-Smythe. The service at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. Father Gossan, P.P., Donnybrook.

Cumann na mBan

First Aid Classes

The second class, under Dr. M'Grath, will be held in the Pianna h-Bireann Hall, Little Barrington street, at 8.15 p.m., on Wednesday next. The first class, under Dr. M'Donnell, will be held as usual, at St. Ita's Hall. Members are asked to attend 10 minutes before the time stated, so that the classes may be started punctually.

Meeting of Glin Branch

The Hon. Mary Spring-Rice was present at a special meeting of the Cumann na mBan at Glin, presided over by Venerable Archdeacon Roche, P.P., and delivered an interesting discourse on the methods to be adopted by the members so that they may one and all become useful in first aid and in hygiene and emergency nursing. She also treated of ambulance work. A warm vote of thanks, on the motion of Mr. M'Donnell, vice-president, was accorded the distinguished lecturer (who suitably acknowledged it) and the Venerable Archdeacon for presiding.

MARKET INTELLIGENCE

LIMERICK MARKETS—SEPTEMBER 12.

BREADSTUFFS—Retail patents, 10s 6d per sack; Bakers' patents, 11s 0d per do; Whites, 8s per sack; Specials, 30s per sack; Wholemeal, 38s 0d per sack; Oatmeal, 43s 6d per sack; Oaten Flake Meal, 18s 6d per cwt; Flake Bran, £9 10s per ton; White Bran, £8 10s per ton; Special Bran, £7 10s per ton; W Pollard, £8 10s per ton; Indian Meal (coarse), £8 10s per ton; do (fine), £8 14s per ton; Barley Meal, £8 15s per ton.

HAY AND STRAW—There were 52 loads of hay, 15 of oaten straw, and 1 load of rye reed in market. Rye hay, 67s 6d to 75s 0d per ton; upland, 58s 0d to 66s 0d per ton; coreass, 38s 0d to 55s 0d per ton; oaten straw, 30s 0d to 45s 0d per ton; rye reed, 80s per ton.

CORN—There were 400 barrels of oats in market. White oats, from 10d to 11d per stone; black oats, from 9d to 10d per stone.

FRUIT—Pears, 2s 6d to 3s 6d per basket; baking apples, 1s 6d to 2s 6d per basket; eating apples, 1s 3d to 3s 0d per basket.

FOWL—Chickens from 2s 0d to 3s 6d per pair, Young ducks, 2s 3d to 3s 3d per pair.

EGGS—Hen eggs, 1s 2d to 1s 3d per dozen; duck eggs, 1s 2d to 1s 3d per doz.

MEAT—Roasting beef, 10d per lb; steaks and chops, 10d per lb; hind quarters of mutton, 9d per lb; fore quarters of mutton, 7d per lb; boiling beef, 7d per lb; corning beef, 7d per lb; soup beef, 6d per lb.

WOOL—A fair supply of lambs', 10d per lb.

PLANTS—Early York, 4d to 5d, Common cabbage, 3d to 4d per 100.

POTATOES—100 loads new potatoes, 4d to 5d per stone.

SATURDAY'S WEEKLY CATTLE MARKET—There were 4 cows and 54 calves in market; they sold at from—Milch cows, £14 to £18 10s; calves, 25s 0d to 52s 6d each.

AMERICAN BACON—Short rib middles, 84s to 88s per cwt; short rib backs, 78s to 82s per cwt; long clear middles, 74s per cwt; clear backs, 74s to 79s per cwt.

THE PIG MARKET—This day's prices—Salt-able pigs, 1cwt 1qr 0lb to 1cwt 2qrs 7lb, 62s per cwt; stout, 1cwt 2qrs 8lb to 1cwt 3qrs 0lb, 62s per cwt; overweight, 1cwt 3qrs 1lb to 1cwt 3qrs 14lb, 60s per cwt; heavy overweight, over 1cwt 3qrs 14lb, 58s per cwt; heavy overweight, 2cwt 0qrs 0lbs, 58s per cwt; Berwicks (about 8st), 58s per cwt; "sixes" (bacon pigs under 10 stone), 58s per cwt.

DEATH.

BYRNE—At her residence, 19, Glentworth street, Georgina, youngest daughter of Mrs. Jaffe and the late John Byrne, Limerick. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Michael's R. C. Church to-night at 8 o'clock. Funeral to Mount St. Lawrence to-morrow (Tuesday) at 3 o'clock.