

the globe were hitherto amongst the world's greatest grain producers. For some years to come they will not be able to supply even their own wants but will instead have to depend on other countries for their necessities in that respect. Corn and Flour will, therefore, in all probability, be enormously increased in prices during the next few years, and the farmers will be only acting in their own personal interest, as well as in that of the community in general, by sowing as much wheat as they can this season and making immediate preparations for tilling more of their land. An extension of tillage, in our opinion, will provide the only safeguard against enhanced if not prohibitive prices in food-stuffs for a considerable time to come and we fully agree with Mr. WALSH, of Cappamore, that it is the only practical solution of the problem of how to develop the Irish pig industry and make it really profitable.

THEATRE ROYAL

A magnificent programme, as will be seen from our advertising columns, is announced for the Theatre Royal for this week, beginning to-night. In addition to the usual pictures, which will be of more than ordinary interest this week, there will be two exceptionally good "turns," and the entertainment is sure to draw crowded houses each night.

BELGIAN REFUGEES

ARRIVAL IN GLENSTAL

A party of Belgian refugees, probably the first arrivals in this county, reached Glenstal on Thursday, and have been very thoughtfully provided with a cottage in the Park by Sir Charles and Lady Barrington. The visitors comprise husband and wife and two little children.

LIMERICK BOROUGH INSURANCE COMMITTEE

VOTE OF CONDOLENCE

At a meeting of the Limerick County Borough Insurance Committee held on Friday evening, the following resolution was proposed by Mr. J. Lawler, B.C., and adopted unanimously:—"That we tender to the relatives of the late Mr. Stephen M'Donagh, Foynes, our most sincere sympathy in their bereavement."

Copies of the resolution were ordered to be sent to Alderman M'Donagh and the widow of deceased.

The Secretary associated himself with the motion.

National Volunteers

CAVALRY CORPS FORMED IN LIMERICK

It will be interesting to the many citizens who have for months striven to secure the above that now the opportunity to partake practically in the National Volunteer Movement is at hand. The first assembly of the Mounted Corps will take place on Thursday next at the Pig Markets at 8 p.m. sharp. A further drill will be held on Saturday at the same hour, and on the old racecourse, Ballinacurra, on Sunday, at 8 p.m. Horsemen anxious to join are invited to be present.

NO. 9 BAND

BEHIND MR. REDMOND

FALSE RUMOUR SET AT REST

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK LEADER.

DEAR SIR—A rumour has gone the rounds of the city that we have become Sinn Feiners. We held a meeting in our rooms last evening, when the following resolution was proposed and carried unanimously:—"That we, the members of this band, stand to-day as regards our political views on the same lines as the band we formed for—to support and help Mr. John Redmond and the then nine-independent M.P.'s who were left to carry out the policy and principles of the late Charles Stewart Parnell, viz., Home Rule. We stood by them in the days of huge opposition, and we will stand by them until the doors of College Green are open once more, and Ireland be a nation once again."—Signed on behalf of the above band, J. CROIX, President.

According to a Stuttgart telegram to the *Berliner Tageblatt* three, not two, aeroplanes appeared over Friedrichshafen. The airmen probably ascended at Belfort, proceeding along the Rhine valley.

GERMAN PRISONERS ARRIVE AT TOKIO

And Are Presented With Chrysanthemums

Tokio, Monday.

Three hundred and fifty German prisoners arrived here from Tsingtau yesterday. Two Japanese ladies presented them with chrysanthemums. The prisoners were conveyed in trams to the Temple, where they were interned. No hostile demonstrations occurred.

Winter Quarters for Austrian and German Armies

Rome, Monday.

The Berlin newspaper, *Lokalanzeiger*, states that the Austrian and German armies have now established winter quarters in France, Flanders, Galicia, Poland and Prussia.

French Compliments to Belgian King

Paris, Monday.

A Parisian committee has been formed to receive subscriptions of ten centimes for the purpose of presenting to the King of the Belgians a sword of honour.

"Ridiculous Nonsense"

Toronto, Monday.

Colonel Hughes, Defence Minister, in an address, characterised the mobilisation of the Toronto garrison as ridiculous nonsense. The criticism aroused a storm of indignation, and Colonel Hughes' resignation is demanded.

LIMERICK MAJOR

KILLED AT THE FRONT

News has reached Limerick that Major Roche, who is brother of Mr. D. L. Roche, J.P., of this city, was killed in action at the front on Thursday last, 19th inst. Major Roche had been in command of the Wiltshire Regiment since the Colonel of the Regiment got wounded some time ago, and on Thursday last Lord Kitchener received the following wire from Sir J. French:—"The counter attack was gallantly led by Major Roche, Wiltshire Regiment, and I regret to say that he was killed."

Funeral of Mr. M. Lane, Firhill, Parteen

Extreme regret has been occasioned by the lamented death of the above deceased gentleman, who was a most popular figure in the locality, and was much esteemed and respected for his many fine traits of character. High Mass was offered up for the repose of his soul at Parteen R. C. Church on Saturday, the celebrant being Rev J. Madden, nephew of deceased. The deacon was Rev Father Russel, P. P., Parteen; sub-deacon, Rev T. O'Connor, C. C., and the master of ceremonies, Rev J. T. Lane, C. C., also a cousin of the deceased. Rev M. Murphy, P. P., St. Patrick's, and Rev Father Moloney, C. C., Parteen, also assisted. The remains were immediately removed for interment in the family burial ground. The chief mourners were—Mrs Lane (wife), Mrs Partill, Mrs Stevens, Katie, Norah, Alice and Evileen Lane (daughters), Michael, Jack, James, and Frank (sons). The funeral cortege was the largest seen in the district for a long time, and bore eloquent and ample testimony to the widespread regard and esteem in which the deceased was held.

POPULAR KILRUSH MAN'S DEATH

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The passing away rather unexpectedly at his residence, Moore-street, Kilrush, of Mr. John M'Donnell, merchant tailor, which sad event took place on Wednesday, caused a painful shock in the town. The deceased, who was most popular, took a leading part in the national movement in the old days of the Land agitation, and was one of the prominent members of the local Brass and Reed Band. The funeral from the Catholic church on Thursday to the family burial ground was largely attended, and the utmost sympathy is expressed to the deceased's widow and family in their hour of sorrow.

tended, viz:—The Right Worshipful Ald. P. O'Donovan, Mayor, in the chair; Ald. M'Neice, Councillors Cusack, Dalton, Donnellan, Duggan, Gleeson, Greaney, Johnson, Lynch, M'Donnell, O'Brien and O'Flynn. The officials in attendance were—The Assistant Town Clerk, the Borough Electrical Engineer, Mr Coffey, collector and canvasser; Mr. Dalton, Clerk, and Mr R. W. De Courcy, C. E.

The principal business transacted was the consideration of the engineer's report on the tenders received for the supply of the new Diesel Engine Dynamo and other accessories.

After full discussion, the Committee unanimously approved of the engineer's recommendation, and decided to recommend the Council to apply for a loan of £5,000 for the purpose of providing the new machinery, etc, required.

This recommendation will come before the next meeting of the Council on the 3rd proximo. Some departmental business having been transacted, the meeting then adjourned.

Fatal Accident at Kilrush

OLD WOMAN KNOCKED DOWN BY CART

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

At the Boardroom of the Kilrush Workhouse on Saturday last, Mr. Thomas Lillis, Coroner for West Clare, held an inquest on the remains of an unmarried old age pensioner named Margaret Culligan, who was accidentally knocked down on Thursday, by a dray cart to which was attached a horse. She received such serious injuries that she succumbed in the workhouse hospital on Saturday morning.

At the inquest medical evidence was given as to the nature of the wounds. The jury after a short consultation found that the deceased died from the effects of the injuries received by the collision, but they attached no blame to any party.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE

Prosecutions Threatened

FOR ANNOYANCE TO READERS

Alderman T. Prendergast presided at the above, and the other members present were—Rev Precentor Adderley, M. A.; Councillors T. Duggan, C. Johnson, J. Lawler, Messrs Michael Larkin and J. O'Connell, with the Director.

VOTES OF CONDOLENCE.

Votes of condolence with Alderman M'Donagh and Councillor Lynch on the recent bereavements in their families were proposed by Mr. O'Connell and Mr. Larkin, respectively, and passed unanimously.

TENDERS FOR PAINTING.

On the motion of Councillor Lawler, seconded by Mr. O'Connell, the tender of Messrs. P. Gilligan and Sons, for painting work, being the lowest, was accepted.

PROSECUTIONS THREATENED.

The Committee had under discussion the cases of certain individuals who cause annoyance to other readers in the News Room, and who are under observation by the officials.

It was decided that these persons be warned that if they come into the Library again they will be prosecuted without further notice.

PRESENTATIONS TO LIBRARY.

The following presentations of books, etc, to the Library were gratefully acknowledged:—Parliamentary Debates, Commons, vol 66; Lords, vol 16; Blue Books, etc, from Alderman Joyce, M. P.; "Dunbeg to Kilkee" (Archaeological), Part II, by Mr T. J. Westropp, M. R. I. A., from the author; Register of Voters, 1914, from Mr W. M. Nolan, J. P., Town Clerk; Reports on Rates of Wages and Strikes and Lock-outs, from the Board of Trade (Department of Labour Statistics); "Journal and Report on Imports and Exports at Irish Ports," from Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland; "Nineteenth Century and After," from Dr. G. Fogerty, R. N.; "Journal of Waterford and S. E. Ireland Archaeological Society," from N. Munster Archaeological Society, per Dr. G. Fogerty.

SUDDEN DEATH IN THE CITY

An old man named Michael Murphy, a shoemaker, aged 80 years, resident of William-street, died in St. John's Hospital on yesterday. It appears that he went into St. Michael's Church to say some prayers and after being inside a short time he got a weakness. One of the local priests was summoned and the old man, having been anointed, was removed to St. John's Hospital where, on his arrival, life was pronounced to be extinct. The Coroner did not deem an inquest necessary, as the cause of death is stated to be heart failure.