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PEEPS INTO THE PAST.

Extracts from the "Limerick Chronicle" of that date.

The following are extracts from the LIMERICK CHRONICLE of December, 1814:—

Saturday, December 3.

MARQUIS OF WELLESLEY.

It is said that the Marquis of Wellesley has joined the Ministry, and that Mr. Huskisson is to succeed the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

PRICE OF PORTER REDUCED.

The Brewers of Clonmel and Waterford have reduced the price of porter in consequence of the reduction in grain.

PORTUGUESE ARMY REDUCED.

By accounts from Portugal we learn that on the reduction now taking place in the Portuguese Army, the service of a number of British officers have been dispensed with. All the British are retained who served in the army prior to 31st December, 1810.

EXCISE COMMISSIONER.

Thomas O'Dell, Esq, son of our County Representative, has succeeded to Mr Marsden as First Commissioner of Excise.

DISTURBERS OF THE PEACE.

Too much praise cannot be given to Captain Waller, and Thomas Davenport, Esq, Magistrates, and their corps, the Kerry Infantry, who on Tuesday night came up with a party of the disturbers in the neighbourhood of Kildimo. Scarcely a night passes that some outrage is not committed in that vicinity. The chief object of the disturbers is to obtain arms.

REQUEST FOR MILITARY.

In consequence of the number of outrages committed in the Barony of Kerry, the Magistrates have requested that Major General Barry may be pleased to order a military detachment to be stationed at Pallas.

HOUSE RAIDED.

On Tuesday night upwards of forty men on horseback, and some on foot, went to the house of William Murphy, near Cahircolumbk, and took a pistol from a person residing therein named Coleman.

CAPTAIN SEYMOUR.

Yesterday Captain Charles Seymour, of the 59th Regiment, who has been in the Commissariat department in the Peninsula for many years, arrived at his father's house, O'Brien's Bridge.

MARRIED.

By the Rev William Lewis, in John's Church, on Thursday, Thomas Dodd, Esq, of New Buckingham, Norkfolk, and Woodbrook, Queen's Co., to Harriet, youngest daughter of the late Vere Hunt, Esq, of Cappagh, Co. Tipperary.

MARKET PRICES.

Wheat, is 5d to 8d per stone; Barley, 9d to 10d; oats, 9d to 10d; rye, 2s to 2s 6d per bushel; pork, 3s to 3s 6d per cwt; flour, 22s to 25s per cwt; oatmeal, 13s to 14s 6d; beef, 4d to 5d per lb; mutton, 5d to 6d per lb; tallow, 12s 6d to 13s 6d per stone; potatoes, 2d to 2 1/2d per stone. Butter—Firkies, 12s. 12 1/2s, 11s 10s.

Wednesday, December 7.

LATE LT.-COLONEL LLOYD.

The monument ordered by the 84th Regiment to the memory of their much-beloved commanding officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Lloyd, has been this week erected in the Cathedral of this city, and it is the intention of the corps to attend a Divine Service there on Sunday next, the anniversary of his death.

STATE OF CANAL BANKS.

The citizens of Limerick have much to lament that since 1st June last when the property of that branch of the Canal between this city and Killaloe was purchased by the Directors General of Inland Navigation, none of the Directors ever visited Limerick. The bank of the Canal from the first lock to the head that joins the river Shannon is but one mile long, and would afford, at an expense less than £10, a healthful and delightful communication to the charming bank or track-way leading up to Plassy, making a walk of two miles in length. But the neglected state of the first bank renders this spot almost inaccessible in bad weather. The writer of this is satisfied that if any of the Directors General saw the beauties of their own navigation, now rendered almost impassable, that orders would be issued to repair it.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

Saturday evening, about half past four o'clock, Frederick Bevan, Esq, and Mrs Bevan, in a gig, returning from Dublin to this city, were stopped on the Curragh of Kildare by three armed men, who robbed Mr Bevan of his watch, chain, etc, and about eight pounds in cash. Within the last fortnight there have been four other persons robbed between Kildare and Monasterevan, supposed by the same gang.

BIRTH.

At his seat, Lifford, near this city, on Saturday, the lady of Maurice Fitz-Gerald, Esq, of a son. (To be Continued).

THE KING TO VISIT IRELAND.

There is some prospect, according to the Sunday Times, that the King will pay a visit to Ireland in the early spring. The suggestion is that His Majesty should spend a few days at Dublin Castle, and make flying visits to several of the training camps for the New Army. At present it is not intended that the Queen should accompany him. But the whole matter has not been finally decided.

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NEWCASTLE WEST RAILWAY FATALITY.

The Inquest.

At Newcastle West Union, on Saturday, Dr J. Ambrose, Coroner, and a jury, of which Mr R. Nash was foreman, held an inquest on the remains of Patrick Meany, cattle dealer, Quin, Co. Clare, who met his death on the previous evening at the railway station.

Head Constable Galvin represented the authorities, and Mr J. Condon, solicitor, appeared for the Great Southern and Western Railway Company.

John Meany identified the remains as those of his brother, Patrick Meany, of Quin, Co. Clare. He last saw him alive on Wednesday at Limerick, when he was in good health, and stated his intention of going to the Newcastle West Fair.

James McElligott deposed that he was an engine driver on the Great Southern and Western Railway. He was engaged on Friday, at about 1.45 p.m., shunting cattle wagons into the cattle bank at Newcastle West Railway Station, and when he had shunted about half the wagons alongside the cattle bank he was stopped by the inspector, Patrick Cullinane, the head porter, Patrick Naughton, and the shunter, Cornelius Greany. From his position in the engine he had a view of the line down along, but not of the cattle bank. He could not see a man that would have fallen between the cattle wagons and the cattle bank. He was shunting at the rate of three or four miles an hour (regulation speed five miles an hour).

Michael Eggleton was his fireman. About five minutes after stopping a man—Thomas Casey, signaller, Newcastle West—communicated to him that a man had fallen down between the cattle wagons and the cattle bank. From the time he was signalled to stop until he stopped, he could not have shunted more than one wagon further on along the siding. After he stopped the train the Head Porter, Patrick Naughton hooked off some wagons, and sent him ahead for a waggon's length, when he then ascertained that a man had fallen between the wagons and the bank. He afterwards saw the injured man in the platform on a stretcher. When shunting into the bank the fireman, Michael Eggleton, was on the right hand side of the engine, and he was on the left; the brake was at the side, and he had his hand on it, and could stop the engine in a distance of three or four yards at the rate he was travelling.

Michael Eggleton, fireman, corroborated. John McCarthy deposed he was a loading porter in the employment of the Great Southern and Western Railway, and was engaged at the Newcastle West Railway Station on Friday loading cattle. He saw Driver McElligott shunting in a number of empty cattle wagons into the cattle bank at about 1.45 p.m. He was on the cattle bank at the time. There were about nine wagons on the cattle bank at the time. The wagons were shunting in to the cattle bank at the rate of about three miles an hour, and when about nine wagons were shunted into the bank he saw a number of persons catch on to the wagons. He pulled away a boy who was trying to catch on to a cattle waggon, and as he had done so he turned round and saw the deceased hanging on to the side of a waggon, apparently in difficulties. When he saw this he tried to get to the east side of the cattle bank to make a signal, but could not get through owing to the crush of cattle and people. He had no view of the engine driver at that particular moment. He put up his hands and shouted as a signal to stop. When he turned around the deceased had dropped down. Until the train stopped two seconds could have elapsed. Before the train stopped, about one waggon passed over the body of the deceased. He disconnected the wagons from the one that was over the deceased. When he saw the deceased on the line his feet were towards the engine. There would be a space between the wagons and the embankment into which a person could fall. There were only two railway officials—himself and John Keaveney—on the bank at the time.

Thomas Moore, Newcastle West, deposed he was a miller employed by the Great Southern and Western Railway, and on Friday, about 1.45 p.m., he was working at Newcastle West Railway Station boring rails about thirty yards from the leading bank, of which he had a clear view. The wagons were shunted at about the rate of three miles an hour, and as the wagons were shunted beside the cattle bank he saw a man clutch the handle of about the sixth waggon and hold on to it until such time as he met the cattle and people that were on the bank at the time. He was then hit by the crowd. He tried to hold on to the cattle bank and the railway wagons. Before the man dropped down the train jerked. He was at the right hand side of the engine. After the deceased dropped the engine stopped in about three seconds. He was then about twenty yards from the engine.

Dr William Maloney deposed he was acting Dispensary Doctor on this day. Assisted by Dr Bouchier Hayes, of Rathkeale, he made a post mortem examination on the body of Patrick Meany. He found the right leg mangled up to the back of the knee; the right arm from about two inches below the shoulder joint mangled. The organs of the thorax, abdomen, and brain cavity were healthy. There was an incised wound on the left eyebrow, and a lacerated wound on crown of head. The lobe of the left ear was lacerated. The cause of death was shock and collapse due to the injuries received.

Dr John Bouchier Hayes, Rathkeale, corroborated. The jury returned the following verdict:—"The deceased, Patrick Meany, bachelor, aged about 56 years, cattle dealer, died at Newcastle West Railway Station, on Thursday, the 10th December 1914, from shock and collapse from injuries accidentally received by a train passing over him."

Rev J. A. O'Connor, Adm., St Michael's, Limerick.

NATIONAL RELIEF FUND. LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE.

COUNTY OF LIMERICK. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the directions of the Local Government Board for Ireland in their circular letter of 10th August, 1914, that W. R. Gubbins, Esquire, Chairman of the County Council of the County of Limerick, has established a Local Committee for the County of Limerick to act, in conjunction with the Committee of the Cabinet, appointed to deal with any distress that may arise in consequence of the war. It is the duty of this Committee to consider the needs of the localities and co-ordinate the distribution of such relief as may be required. The distribution in the County of Limerick of the sums made available from the National Relief Fund, established by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, shall be entrusted to this Committee. It is of great importance, with a view to enabling the Committee to discriminate readily between the applicants for aid, and in order to prevent overlapping, that there should be close co-operation between this Committee and the Poor Law Authorities, as well as all other local agencies affording relief in any form. Therefore, in case any relief shall have been given by any agency within the limits of the County of Limerick, such agency is hereby requested to notify the undersigned of the name of the person or persons in receipt of such aid and the nature thereof. Dated this 28th day of September, 1914.

Signed by order, J. J. QUAIL, Secretary to the said Committee, 82 and 83 O'Connell Street.

In the Matter of IRWIN BROS., HEWSON AND MEREDITH, LTD., LIMERICK.

At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at 7 William Street, Limerick, on the 12th day of December, 1914, the following extraordinary resolution was duly passed:—"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily."

And at the same meeting Matthew Slater, of Bedford Chambers, Limerick, Esq., as liquidator, was appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up. Dated this 12th day of December, 1914.

ROBERT F. HEWSON, Chairman. F. M. FITZ & CO., Solicitors, 38 Dame Street, Dublin, and Limerick.

LIMERICK UNION.

THE Guardians of this Union will, at their meeting to be held on WEDNESDAY, 23rd DECEMBER, 1914, receive tenders for supplying the Workhouse from 1st January, 1915, to 31st March, 1915, with Special Flour, unbleached (Irish manufacture), at — per sack; Best Ghricka, at — per sack (250lbs net); Oatmeal, at — per sack; Rice Flour, at per sack. Parties tendering must make an allowance of so much per sack for each empty sack returned to contractor. Price to be shown on face of tender. A deposit of £3 must be lodged in Clerk's office with tender, which shall be forfeited to the guardians for due fulfilment of contract he signed within five days from acceptance thereof. Tenders with names of two solvent sureties, to be sent by post to the Presiding Chairman, before 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, 23rd December, marked on outside 'Flour, &c,' as the case may be. The lowest or any tender need not be accepted.

By order, H. J. GUINANE, Clerk of the Union.

INDIAN MEAL.

THE Board of Guardians will, at their meeting on Wednesday, 23rd DECEMBER, 1914, receive tenders for supplying the Workhouse from 1st January, 1915, to 31st March, 1915, with Indian Meal (fine cut) at per sack; no oil to be extracted from the article to be supplied. Parties tendering must make an allowance of so much per sack for each empty sack returned to contractor. Price to be shown on face of tender. A deposit of £3 must be lodged in Clerk's office with tender, which shall be forfeited to the guardians for due fulfilment of contract he signed within five days from acceptance thereof. Tenders with names of two solvent sureties, to be sent by post to the Presiding Chairman, before 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, 23rd December, marked on outside 'Flour, &c,' as the case may be. The lowest or any tender need not be accepted.

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