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The special inspectors of the Board throughout the country have instructions to report at once any complaint of unreasonably withholding stocks from consumption; but up to the present all such complaints have on investigation, proved unjustified. In view of exaggerated statements as to the present level of prices, it may be pointed out the "Gazette" average price of wheat during December was lower than in July, 1899. In that year the average price for the four months May to August was 42s 7d, whereas for September to December, 1914, it was 39s 2d.

**THE PIG TRADE.**

Pig-killing in Ireland showed some improvement the first week of the year. The number (35,690) was 13,011 more than in the first week of 1914 and 2,000 above that in the corresponding week of 1913. There is a decrease of 1,000 below that in 1913, and of 1,600 below that in 1914, in the export of pigs from Irish ports, the number shipped last week being 6,358. There is a considerable increase in imports of foreign pig products into the Three Kingdoms, being 45 per cent over the imports of 1913 and 35 per cent above last year. Denmark slightly increased her pig-killing at the opening of the year.

**DEATH OF THE ARCHDEACON OF ARDFERT.**

We regret to announce the death of the Venerable Thomas Tuckey Hallaran, D.D., Archdeacon of Ardfert, which occurred on Sunday at the Rectory, Cahirciveen. Archdeacon Hallaran graduated at Trinity College, Dublin, in 1853. Ordained in the following year, he became Incumbent of Cahir, with Glenbeigh, in 1867, and remained in this position for the long period of thirty-three years. In 1890 he was appointed Incumbent of Cahir, in the Diocese of Ardfert Aghadoe. He was Rural Dean of Cahir from 1884 to 1909, was elected a Canon of St Mary's Cathedral, Limerick, in 1901, and Archdeacon of Ardfert in 1907.

**THE WORLD'S COPPER.**

**Sixty per Cent. of Total Product Comes from U.S.A.**

The United States is responsible for nearly 60 per cent. of the world's total production of copper. Japan, Mexico, Spain and Portugal, Australasia, Chile, Russia, Peru, Canada, Germany, Africa, Norway, Serbia, and Great Britain are the other sources of supply in order of importance. Of the 873,460 tons which represented the world's consumption in 1911, the U.S.A. produced 492,650 tons, Japan 55,000, Mexico 54,030, Spain and Portugal 52,045, and Australasia 41,840, the other copper-producing countries less than 30,000 tons between them. There have been developments since then in the producing capacity of Japan, Australasia, Russia, and South Africa, but though the world's production is estimated at the present time to reach 1,000,000 tons annually, the supremacy of the United States not only as the producing centre but the financial centre of the copper industry, remains unchallenged. The Mexican mine, too, are chiefly controlled by New York finance.

The Secretary of the War Office desires to warn the public against imposters, who are passing as wounded soldiers, stranded far from home, and who obtain loans of money for the purpose of paying their fares. These men are frequently dressed in uniforms

The following constables, in order of merit, have passed the "P" list for promotion:—J. Kelly, Wexford; J. Maguire, Belfast; P. Burke, Tipperary N.R.; P. Carty, Clare; R. Stafford, Belfast; S. I. Gibney, do.; T. O'Connell, do.; T. H. Maguire, Derry; P. Morrissey, Kilkenny; T. Duncan, Belfast; R. Brennan, do.; P. Sullivan, King's County; A. McAlister, Belfast; J. Palmer, do.; F. Connor, Galway E.R.; J. Doyle, Down; M. Mulvihill, Meath; F. Rock, Belfast; P. Shea, do.

**NEW HOUSING SCHEME.**

At the meeting of the Corporation Committees on Wednesday night, the Mayor presiding, a report was submitted by the Engineer, Mr. J. J. Peacocke, with reference to the erection of a number of workmen's dwellings near the Island Road, fronting the main entrance to St. Munchin's and leading to the King's Island. Mr. Peacocke proposed to erect 30 workmen's houses, at an estimated cost of £8,223. Sixteen of the houses would be provided with four rooms each, and fourteen houses with three rooms. The report was unanimously adopted, and it was agreed that it should be recommended to the Corporation, and a special meeting held during the ensuing week for approval and making arrangements to apply to the Local Government Board for a loan of the amount set out in Mr. Peacocke's report to complete the scheme.

**DEATH OF SURGEON-GENERAL MCNAMARA.**

Surgeon-General William H. McNamara, O.B., C.M.G., who died at Ealing on Saturday, was a native of Limerick, where he was born in 1846. Son of the late Mr. D. McNamara, Cobally, he was educated at Queen's College, Cork, and at Dublin. He entered the Army in '67, and saw active service, principally in Egypt and South Africa in 1899-1902, and was more than once mentioned in despatches, being in receipt of the Queen's medal with clasp and the King's medal with two clasps. He was brother of the late Mr. D. F. McNamara, and the late Mr. R. McNamara, solicitor, of this city.

**IRISH HORSES AT TATTERSALLS.**

At Tattersall's sale in London the following Irish-bred animals were disposed of:—Sour Grapes, g. by Red Prince II, bred in Meath and Carlow, 100 gns; Ohio Belle, m, by Dobbies, 100 gns; Majestic, g, by Beware, 40 gns; Father Mathew, g, by Desmond—Veneration II, 73 gns; Loch Stack, g, by Loch Ryan, 76 gns; Mallow, g, by Springlawn, 91 gns; Mac, g, by McMahon, 47 gns; Glenlon (1911), by Pouspoint, 36 gns; Callas (1906), winner of races, 81 gns; Ambros (late Abbot's Moir), by Friary, 70 gns; B, g (first foal), by Laud League—Sisco II, 52 gns. Hunters included Snowflake, the property of the late Captain the Hon W. R. Wyndham, which brought 66 gns; Jumper, 65 gns; and Monmouth, 41 gns.

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