

THE WAR.

GALLANTRY OF THE MUNSTERS.

Major-General's Tribute.

A non-commissioned officer, writing home to a wounded officer, gives the following account of the part played by the 2nd Battalion in the action of 21st May 1916, when for the third time since August the Battalion again suffered heavy casualties in the trenches and in the open.

The Battalion had to march about eight miles to the trench line, and to dig trenches with Major Rickard at the head, and was delighted with the men as they were in the trenches.

It is a sad story, which started the bombardment, which lasted half an hour, to cut the wire in front of the Germans. The 2nd Battalion went forward to the attack, the Welsh Regiment and parts being the assaulting force.

Major-General Haining, Commanding the 1st Division, expressing his appreciation of the splendid conduct of the Battalion in the following terms:

The G.O.C.—Infantry Brigade.

I wish you also to convey to the commanding officer, 2nd Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers, my appreciation of the fine example set to the division by the successful assault of part of the leading line; a feat of arms which the Battalion must always be proud of, as that Battalion was the only one in the Brigade which succeeded in storming the enemy's breastworks.

For great gallantry and leading I think Captain Dick, Second Lieutenants Phay and Horsfall, also the non-commissioned officers and men that followed them, deserve the greatest distinction going; also if anyone earned a V.C., Sergeant Gunn (Machine Gun Sergeant) and Private 10192 Barry did.

The total casualties are as follows:—All ranks killed, 46; wounded, 205; missing, 128; total, 379.

POST-MASTER-GENERAL AT THE FRONT.

THE LATE LIEUTENANT J. O.G. DELMEGE.

Memorial Service at St Munchin's.

A memorial service for the late Lieutenant J. O.G. Delmège, 4th Royal Irish Dragoon Guards who died recently from the effects of German gas poisoning, was held on Sunday morning at St Munchin's Church. The service was very touching and impressive, and was conducted by the Rector, Rev Canon Robertson.

Canon Robertson who preached the sermon, took his text from the 42nd psalm and the 11th verse—"Why art thou cast down, O my Soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God." In the course of an impressive discourse, and one very appropriate to the solemn occasion, the Rev gentleman alluded to the war, and observed that these were indeed dark days.

At the close of the Service, the "Dead March in Saul" was played, the congregation remaining standing, and then the Benediction was pronounced by the Rector.

Condolence from Volunteers Committee.

At the last meeting of the Committee of the Limerick City Regiment of National Volunteers—Mr F. McNamara, President, in the chair—Sergeant-Major Canty proposed, and Mr P. J. O'Sullivan, solicitor, seconded, the following resolution of sympathy:—"That we, the Committee of the Limerick City Regiment of National Volunteers, place on record an expression of our regret at the death in France of the late Lieut. Delmège, who was a victim of poisoning by German gas, and tender to his father, James O'Grady Delmège, Esq., D.L., Castle Park, Limerick, our sincere sympathy in his bereavement."

LIMERICK HARBOUR BOARD.

Shortage of Labour at the Quays.

Coal Merchants' Complaint.

Mr J. P. Goodbody presided at the meeting of the Limerick Harbour Board yesterday. There were also present:—Messrs G. E. Goodbody, F. C. Clevee, D.L.; F. J. Clevee, W. Holliday, J. P.; J. Dalton, B.C.; Alderman O'Brien, G. R. Ryan, D. Griffin, B.C.; J. H. Roche, J. P.; J. N. Russell.

THE NEW SWING BRIDGE.

The Secretary read the minutes of the Whole House Committee of the 9th June called to consider a letter from the Board of Trade enclosing copy of a letter to the Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Company in reference to the postponement of the construction of the new swing bridge.

On the motion of Mr Ryan seconded by Mr. Holliday the Secretary was directed to reply to the Board of Trade that with a view to carrying out its wishes to postpone the construction of the new swing bridge the Commissioners were prepared to pay the contractors the first instalment although the work specified in the clause under the contract was not complete inasmuch as some of the material had not arrived and the old bridge not removed.

SHORTAGE OF LABOUR.

The Committee had also under consideration the views of a deputation representing the coal merchants with reference to the shortage of labour at the port. It was pointed out that as a result of coasting steamers coming to Limerick were subject to undue delay, and freights were as a consequence unduly increased, and the coal trade diverted to Dublin, Cork, and Waterford.

A FRIENDLY.

In the Town Court, J the last defendant, was a disorderly behaviour Sergeant Brien said Road, where he saw the self in a disorderly way, 100 or 150. Defendant mother and some boys, a Burns, and they struck Pat Burns, the boy in summoned, said they between themselves.

Big Recruits: Dul

There were over 4,000 the Coliseum Theatre of under the auspices of Dublin Recruiting Coma referred to the fact that the young men of Dublin to the call which is being their duty to their King.

"NO RETREAT"

"Remember, the hero, men, You stand" Such was Campbell, on Oct saw the Russian attack the most British lines. The retreat; their guns hands—nothing a

ENNIS PETTY

Ennis Petty Sessions

Mr M. S. Gibbon (in the chair) and P. Kenneally, Schoolmaster. There was an adjournment for failing to court order.

Mr Minihan, Secretary said the case was adjourned send the child to school. Attendance Officer said about two days a week.

Mr McElroy said the regard for the Education with too leniently. The defendant would be fined Mr Kenneally asked not do.

Mr McElroy said the wrong to their children. The Committee the Education dead letter.

Similar fines were imposed and Michael Guerin.

A BUSY John Murphy, of Cort named Frederick Dilger, maker, long resident in K. threatening and abusive.

Complainant said he who was riding a bicycle ran over the children of his son and nephew whose father was the Front. For saying expressions. Since the defendant was irritating his son was killed in action.

Pat Timmons gave him Mr McElroy asked w subject.

Defendant replied that Complainant—He should Defendant—I wanted it would not be taken.

Mr McElroy—Was it wished to John?—No, sir Mr Kenneally said the very decent woman.

Mr McElroy—Is she in the District Inspector to the defendant was rejected.

Defendant having applied to conduct himself and case was adjourned for a week.

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In reply to Mr Kenneally Mahony and Dilger both asked him was he able to work. On that day, a struck Dilger. Later D him. It was all over a case.

Sergeant Brien said I had. Only for he came work.

The bench imposed a fine.