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THE STRIKE AT LIMERICK ASYLUM

There is no prospect of a settlement of the strike at the Limerick Lanasic Asylum, and probably no steps will be taken in that direction until the Committee of Management meets on Thursday next. The attendants, male and female, have now been out almost a week, and it can be readily conjectured the plight of the unfortunate inmates in the interim. Many of the officials have, under the most adverse corditions, been andeavouring to alleviate as best they can the sufferings of the patients, and have worked almost uninterruptedly in this respect for many days and nights. Owing to the tradesmen employed in the institution being called out, the bread supply was threatened, and the shorts go being reported more acute on Sunday. the men, at a meeting, decided in order to alleviste any hardship on the immates to allow the bakers. engineer, and firemen to resume work, and this they dilyester ay. The picket continues outsite the main entrines to the building, and the police. in order to cope with anything untoward that might arise, are on duty in the grounds.

A circular has been issued on behalf of the Limerick Branch of the Irish Asylum Workers' Union, explaining their position, and dealing with the circumstances leading up to the Fabruary meeting of the Committee of Management. A special sub-committee was appointed to report to that meeting. This sub-committee, the circular says, met, and, in consultation with the two to become a doctors and r presentatives of the staff; unani-. is is hoped, mously recommended a scheme by which -22 attendants, would be appointed. By a majority vote this scheme, however, was not adopted at the February meeting, and none of the appoint ments advertised were made." As a result of what is described as this flagrant what is described as this flagrant breach of faith" on the part of the Committee, the attendants had no other course open to them but to go on strike on the 12th inst, before the Com-mittee parted. However, sufficient attendants I the spirit in were allowed on duty to look after, the dangerous and hospital cases, and provision was made for aunched under on the lath instant, the Committee having in the ces, for while, meantime ample opportunity to redeem their there may be spledges. On the 14th instant, the attendants be methods of signified their willingness to resume work conditional to the significant of the significant position to the attendants would be appointed on the 26th F.b. which aims at rusry next, but this undertaking would not be

## Trades Council Resolution.

At a meeting of the Limerick United Trades unfolded last and Labour Council held last friday evening.
the condemnathe following resolution was passed unanimously— " That we, the members of the above Council, as representatives of organised trades and labour of the city, view with alarm the serious c. isis which has been precipitated at Limerick District Asylum by the deliberate flouting by the majority of the Board of Management of their promise to alleviate the grievance of the unnaturally long hours of the ettendants, which was made to a deputation of this Council on behalf of the Asylum attendants, and that we hereby demand from the Board the immediate redemption of their promise, with a view to having that care given to the insane which the Asylum Board was elected to ensure."

### CLARE ASYLUM CRUX.

Rev A Clancy, P.P. resigned the Chairmanship of the Committee of Management of the Clare Lunatic Asylum at its meeting last week, and declined to reconsider his decision. Mr Nagle, vice-chairman, who then took the chair, said. Father Claricy's action was due to the attendants. Father Clancy said he had not said so. Mr Nagle said he assumed that, for it was not fair of the attendants to force a spap division of the Comraises so many mittee. Father Claney said he did not want it nitude, that it is assumed that he resigned on account of the action of the attendants. Mr Nagle also resigned the vice-chairmanship. Mr Culloo said it was not a pressions created "snap" division; every member was notified. Mr
by the labours of Linnane agreed. The attendants had made up colleagues. But their mind to strike, and what could the Committee do? Suppose the lunatics walked into the lake or killed someone. Mr Healy said the action of the staff was outlandish. It was a enap" division. The Clerk read the minutes showing that the decision to give the attendants £1 war bonus was arrived at after Father Clancy had left the chair, and when Mr Linnane had taken, it.

Father Clancy, as Chairman of the Committee, said he would not sign any pay sheets, because he regarded the money as extorted by force and unfair advantage to the committee. Mr Lynch said there was no alternative to granting the demand. They would be in a worse predicament if any murder was committed. The Clerk said the last meeting was legal, as it had not been ad-journed when the motion was passed. Mr Linnane then took the chair and signed the documents re-

quiring signatures. A letter was then read from the subordinate attendants of the staff, members of the Ennis branch or the Asylum Workers' Union, in which a damand was made to have the war bonus made permanent, and the week reduced from 73 or 75 hours to 56 hours. Mr Lionane handed in notice of mo.ion to have the war bonus made permanens, and a sub-committee was appointed to go into the question of hours and report.

#### LAX WEIR FISHERMEN'S STRIKE.

The fishermen employed by the Lax Weir

FUNERAL OF REN RUSSELL,

Russeli, J.P, took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from his late residence, 8 Ballinscurra Terrace, for St Mary's Cathedral. The cortege was large and representative, testifying to the esteem and regard in which the deceased gentleman was held in city and county.

The chief mourners were-Mr John Norris Russell, Mr Edmund M Russell (cousins), and Major John Finch, Bloomfield, Newport (nephew-

The clergy present were—Very Rev Dean Hackett, Rev Chancellor Waller, Rev Treasurer Ross-Lewin, and Rev A R Hewetson. in law).

Amongst the general public were—Sir Charles
Barrington, Bart, DL; Col Massy-Westropp,
CMG; Mr SC Vansittart, JF; Col Williamson,
Rotal Munster Fusiliers; Mr Peter Fitzgerald.
JF; Colonel McCartney Filgate, RWF; Mr
Arthur White County High Share, Captain J Arthur White, County High Shenff; Captain J O'G Delmege, D L; Mr F C Cleeve, D L; Mr A Cleeve, Dr Kennedy, Mr George Morris, agent Bank of Ireland; Mr Courtney Croker, D L; Mr L Dodda colinities Mr A Blood Smoth colinitor. J Dodds, soliciter | Mr A Blood-Smyth, solicitor; Mr A E Bannatyne, Mr S Travers, Mr J A Place, Sir Vincent Nash, DL; Col Coates, RAMC; Mr J P Goodbody, Mr W B Fitt, Mr James Welply, Mr H B Alton, Mr J Grene-Barry, Mr Weiply, Mr H B Alton, Mr J Grene-Barry, Mr F Al Johnston, Mr A Browning, Mr V Perry, Mr D R O Brien, Mr Jack Hartigan, County Inspector Yates, Mr Howley, Rich Hill; Mr H Finch, Mr G E Farmer, Col Gubbins, Mr Wm Barrington, CE; Capt L B Barrington, Mr P J Kelly, R M; Mr M W Gavin, Mr W F N Donnell, Mr D W Hartnett, Mr E F Melville. Manager Provincial Bank: Mr Mr D W Hartnett, Mr E F
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J O'Sullivan, Mr E L Wickham, Mr T H Brett,
Manager Munster and Leinster bank; Mr V J
Turrier, Manager National Bank; Mr S Kidd,
Mr R Williams, Mr R Neazor, Mr James Quin,
JP, Mr Wm M Nolah, JP, Town Clerk; Mr F
Herriott, Mr W Harriott, Mr R Mulligan Mr W Herriott, Mr W Herriott, Mr R Mulligan, Mr W Mullen, Mr P Rindan, Mr R Barr, Mr R Heavenor, Mr J A Baldwin, Mr Geo Hare, Mr R Despard, MrPPunch, Mr D Nolan, MrP Nolan, Farm Steward, Mr Kennedy, Herdsman, and the members of the farm staff who attended to pay a last mark of respect to the memory of a kind and generous employer. The late Mr Russell's tenants

were also present.
Carriages were sent by Lord Clarina, Mrs
O'Brien, South Hill, and others.

The Dean and Key AE Hewetson officiated at

the service, which was partly choral. The hymns, 'Jesus Lover of my Soul" and "Peace, Perfect Peace," were sung, and the "Dead March in Saul" was played by Mr F Muspratt on the organ as the remains were being removed from the Church to their last resting place.

#### DEATH OF MR S. HASTINGS. SOLICITOR.

The death, which we announce with deep regret, took place early on Sunday morning of Mr S ephen Hastings, solicitor at his residence, 89 George street. The deceased gentleman, who was about 70 years of age, atsended the funeral of Mr B Barrington, solicitor, on Saturday, but he was then far from well. He had been in indifferent health for some time past, and the cause of death was apoklexy. He was son of the late Mr Stephen Hastings, J.P., an ex-Mayor of Limorick, and who for many years carried on an extensive brush manufactory in the city. In 1885, Mr Hastings, who was a member of the Incorporated Law Society, was admitted a solicitor, and took up practice in his native city, where he enjoyed a large practice. He was a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society, and of the Corporation prior to the passing of the Local Government Act. He was solicitor to the local branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and held the position of Cruelty to Children, and held the position of Registrar to the late County Court Judge Browne during the time that gentleman was Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the County Kerry. The late Mr Hattings was in every respect an amiable citizen, a man of broad political views. and tolerant with those who different cal views, and tolerant with those who differed from him. He was extensively read, and as a practitioner was. Held in the highest respect and esteem amongst his colleagues, who in comm n with the citizens regret his demise, and extend their sympathy to his sisters in their bereave-

The remains will be removed to St Michael's Church, at 8 o'clock this evening, and the funeral bo-morrow after Requiem High Mass at ten o'clock

#### DEATH MR J A MCCUTCHEON.

We regret to annuages the death of Mr James Albert McCutcheon, youngest son of the late Mr John McCutcheen, of this city, and son-in-law of Mr A Ki g, 5 O'Connell Avenus, which took place last evening at his tesidence, 2 Vokes Villas. Ballinaqurra. Mr M Cutcheon had been ill for a fortnight or so, but it was hoped that in a short time he would be restored to health. The news of his death at the carry age of 34 years has, therefore, come as a great shock to his widow and relatives, and numerous friends in the city. Deceased was a prominent member of the Church Lade' Brigade, in which he held a commissioned rank: was also a member of the Protestant Young Men's Association, and actively identified with hoekey, having been for some time Secretary of the Club. He was of a very kindly and retiring disposition, and won the esteem of all who knew him, and who sincerely sympathise with his relatives in the bereavement which his premature demise has caused them. The funeral takes place at ben o'clock to morrow merning for S. John's. .....

## ABUSE OF THE UNEMPLOY- STOP PRESS MENT BENEFIT.

The faneral of the late Mr Richard M Norris County Court Judge Brown's Views

At Bailieborough Quarter Sessions, his Honor Judge Brown, K.C. said that there was a large amount of fraud going on at the present time in regard to people who get money through the unemployment beneat by leaving their employment.

A man was actually getting more money than he ever got in his life. A witness told him that it ever got in his life. A witness told him that it was not the custom for those people to look for employment. It seemed to him that it was demoralising ard scandalous, and if the people would simply convey the facts to Major Buge, head of the Employment Executive in Dublin, they would be doing a great benear to the nation at large by saving the public money. These people who qualify themselves wrongfully by leaving their employment left themselves open to prosecution for receiving money under false pretences.

#### Resident Magistrate's Comment.

During the hearing of a ease at the Ennis Petty Sessions, Mr G McElroy, R.M., who presided, said that the unemployment money was causing the greatest disturbance in the town as "those fellows were doing nothing but getting drunk, creating rows, and quarrely, instead of working for the farmers in the country, who could get no one to do the r work. The fellows were paid for doing nothing. This unemployment money is the greatest curse that had come to the country for many years."

#### IRISH GRAIN PROBLEM. Guaranteed Prices For 1919 Crops.

The following correspondence has passed between Lieutenant Colonel Loftus Bryan and Mr H T Barrie, Vice President of the Department of Agriculture:-February 7th, 1919

Dear Mr Barrie, On behalf of the deputation from the Irish Farmers Union, of which I was asked to act as chairman, may I be allowed to tender to you our thanks for your assistance in obtaining for us an interview with the Royal-Wheat Commission? The promised action as announced in the 'Isish Times' on last Saturday, being in accordance with our request, is most satisfactory. The second part of the Irish grain problem, in connection with which our deputation was appointed-viz the definite promise of a fair price and comprehensive market for the 1919 crop -still remains in an indefinite and unsatisfactory condition. The promises which were made to English corn growers have not yet been publicly extended to Ireland Aprominent corn merchant well known to your Department, recently informed me that the Government profits on Irish oats for the past season are estimated, in well-informed trade circles, to have amounted to at least £200.000 I am sure that you, an I the Department officials also are doing all that is officially possible to secure fair play for Irish interests. But, in view of the rear approach of the time when farmers must make a final decision as to this season's cropping, it would, I think, be appropriate for some immediate infor mation to be given as to the present state and future prospects of this important question. The farmers want to know "where they are." Thanking you in anticipation of an early reply. Yours

very truly. (Signed) LOTTUS BRYAN, Lieut. -Col. Mr Barrie's reply is as follows:-February 8th, 1919

DEAR SIR, -I am desired by Mr Barrie to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date conveying the thanks of the deputation from the Irish Farmers Union for his assistance in connection with their recent interview with the Royal Commission on Wheat Supplies, and -xpressing satisfaction with the arrangement which has been made for the purchase of a further quantity of the surplus 1918 oats crop. As regards the question of guaranteed prices for the 1919 grain crops, I am desired by Mr Barrie to inform you that he is crossing to London next week, accompanied by the Secretary and Mr Campbell, in connection with this matter - am, yours faithfully.

(Signed) J T LENYON.

#### PRESENTATION TO MR J. J. O'SULLIVAN. Manager, Employment Exchange

A very pleasant unetien took place at the Employment Exchange on Sunday night, when the members of the staff availed shemselves of the occasion of Mr O'Sullavan's marriage to make him the recipient of a valuable presentation (which has been on view at Mesers McCar'h) a Furniture Warehouse' as a mark of their appreciation of his kindly disposition towards the staff on all peca-sions. The attendance slone was an index of the

high esteem in which Mr O'Sullivan is regarded.
Mr Harvey, Staff Officer, was moved to the chair, and voiced the feelings and sestiments of shose present. After briefly dwelling on his long association with the Manager, he formally made the presentation.

Mr John Riordan also alluded to his several years' close association with Mr O'Sullivan, and wished to join with Mr Harvey in all the good wishes expressed regarding Mr and Mrs O Sullivan's future happiness

Good wishes were also conveyed by the following.—Misses N Gayer and L Kavanagh (on behalf of the Ladies' Section, Messrs W Hallider, J. Treby, P Siundon, and M O'Comior, Treby, P Siundon, and M o'Comior,

INDIAN LADY'S DEATH

Mrs A Sinha, Lord Sigha's daugh died to day as the result of injuries car clothing accidentally catching fire.

#### DYNAMITE EXPLOSIO

Saveral Lives Lost

A truck of dynamite exploded last Kambove, Congo. I sent death whites, twenty natives.

## GERMAN ELECTIONS

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#### LATE SIR WILFRID LA

The remains of the late Siz William to lie in State in the House of Com ment in Notre Dame cemetery. H a State funeral.

# SPORTING

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TEDDINGTON HURI Heartless Maud (McLeed) Golden Square (Strickland)

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Percy, 7 to 1 Ophion. Won by eight lengths. WALTON 'CHAS Loch Allen [J Kelly] Ballinacarroona [Owner] ..

Mark Back [Avila] Also ran—Shaun Spadah [St [Anthony], Herod's Daughter ] tine, Maher [Rees]. The Turk Bucephalus [Hulme].

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RICHMOND HUE

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10 to 1 others. HAMPTON HUI Rock Aboy Orosstree Golden Daisy

Also ran-Theodosius, Ayrı Waltz, Chinaman, Beaucourt, land.

Betting -11 to 8 aget Cross Ahoy, 5 to 1 Golden Daisy, 10 to 8 others.

# NEW ARMIS

## Germany Accep

The following official comme date has been received from P: "The Subrame War Counc