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ADS' BRIGADE.

ut forty membars of the left Limerick by the 9.15 sh. Co Antrim, where an Cadets will be held, comthinist. This is the first o be held since 1913, which Co Down. The officers of the are Majar T Grubb, Rev A E haplain; Rav J R Colthurst, G Morrow, W Sicokil, and

ERS TY ELECTION.

KC, KBB, D Se having ideration to the request body of electors that the vacant sear in Dublined that he will not invite a st occasion, and has notified effect. The only candidate, y in the field is Mr William

IRISH SOLDIERS' VALOUR.

The Marquis of Hartington opened the Comrades of War Club at Lismore. He said he had been side by side with the 10th Division, and was "ever the top" with them in some of the great purbes. He paid a high tribute to the Irish soldier, "Some may equal, but there was none to beat them." Cel. R. H. Keane, who has also "done his bit" in the war, concurred.

BANK OF IRELAND.

The Directors at their meeting on Tuesday, recommended that a dividend at the rate of 12 percent per annulo, less income tax, be declared for the half-year ending 30th June, that £50,000 be added to the "rest;" that £75,000 be appropriated out of the half-year's profits to provide for depreciation in invistments, and that about £42,000, be carried forward to the next half-year. The dividend compares with 10 per cent. in July, last year, and 12 per cent in January last. when £100,000 was transferred to the "rest" and £41,347 carried forward.

THE HOUSING BILL.

The Irish Housing Bill passed through Standing Committee yesterday and was ordered to be reported to the House. The fin noisi arrangement, especially relating to Dublin and Belfast were the subject of much discussion.

DEATH OF MR JOHN PHILLIPS.

The death, which we amounce with regret, took place at 33 Patrick street on Tuesday of Mr John Phillips at a rather advanced age. He had been ailing for the past month, and by his demise the family circle is deprived of a devoted husband and father. For some years past the deceased was engaged in the business of glass and china merchant in Patrick street. He was held in high catem by a wide circle of friends, who regret his death. The funeral leaves his residence at 10 a m to morrow for the Wesley Chapel. George street, and the funeral, after the service, will leave by the 11,30 a.m train for interment at Ballingrane

PRICE OF TOBACCO.

In the Mouse of Commons on Tuesday,
Major Hend ron asked the President of the
Board of Trade whether he is aware that tobacco
manufacturers propose shirtly to increase the
prices of all kinds of tobacco, owing to the
alleged increased cost of materials and the advance in wages, and whether in view of the fact
that tobacco is consumed by all classes of the
community, that its sale in this country is largely
in the hands of a Trust, and that the last published report of the Impurial Tobacco C. Ltd,
showed trading profits for the year approaching
four millions, he is prepared to have an inquiry
made as to whather such increases are justified

Mr Bridgen an writes—I have seen certain statements in the Press as to the possibility of increases in the price of manufacturing of tebacco, and should increases be made I will consider the decirability of adopting the suggestion made by my hon friend:

SWANSEA POLLING.

Polling opened at Swansen East to day. The

ard Hunt [plus 1]-0-6, 6-2, and 6 4

Ward and H Heaton beat Weldon and Comp Smyth-60 and 6.3 O'Rielly and St J Considing [minus 152] v

Gubbins and Werchington [misus 15] scratoned William and Kirkby [plus 1] beat Wallis an

Considine [minus 3] -6-4 and 8 6

F Cleave and A Cleave (plus 4) beat Graham

Powell [plus 4] -7-5 and 6 4
Welnis and Cottroll hear Caleton and Published

Welply and Cottrell beat Gelston and Pride -46, 64 and I-5

LADIES DOUBLES

FIRST ROUND

Mrs Meldon and Miss Meldon [minus 3] b Mrs Blood-Smyth and Mrs Ievers [plus 3] -6 6 4, and 9.7.

Mrs Day and Miss Welsh [plus 15] walked ov Miss Pierson and Miss H Blood Smith scratch

SECOND ROUND

Miss Muspratt and Miss Harding [plus 15] be Miss Hawkins and Miss E Vansittart [ser] -668, and 6.2.

Mrs MacGillyeuddy and Miss E Studd [minus 3] beat Miss Welply and Miss Gubb [minus 3] -0.6, 61 and 63.

Miss Lynch and Mrs Gillespie [plus 3] beat M Moran and Miss E O'Brien [misu 3] -6 2 and 6 Mrs Meldon and Miss Meldon walked ov Miss A M C O'Leary and Miss Purcell [minus

scratched.

Miss B Cleeve and Miss Convers [plus 3] b

Mrs Day and Miss Walsh—0 6, \$\mathcal{e}\tau_0\), and 6 2

Mrs Henderson and Miss Considing [mir us beat Mrs Townsend and Miss Lloyd [plus 15 3] 6-2 and 6.2

Miss Barry and Miss M Blood-Smyth [plus] beat Mrs Robertson and Miss M Vanoittart—064, 1-6, and 61.

Miss R Kelly and Miss Watson [ser] beat M Barrington and Mrs Ward [ser] - 6.1 and 6.4

CLARE SUMMER A SIZES.

Criminal Business.

Before Lord Justice O'Connor, at the Ch.

Mr R M Hennessy, K.C (instructed by Mr F Callinan, Crown Solicitor, Clare), applied to he the case of Wm Cansidine, charged with stabbility Carmody, Rate Collector and Relievi Officer, sent to next Assizes, as Carmody, who we the principal witness, was yet ill in bed, sufferifrom a bad wound.

The application was acceded to.

The case of Edward Mills, Killaloe, charg with intimidation, was also adjourned on affidavit by County Inspector Gelaton, that in t present circumstances a fair and impartial troof the case could not be had in Co Clare.

This ended the Crown business.

MR SERJEANT SULLIVAN, K.C.

In connection with the changes in the Irish L. Officer-hips consequent upon the promotion of Justice Samuels, we are, says the Daily Majin a position to atte that the position of Solicit General was officed to Serjeaut A.M. Julivan, K. On receiving this offer Serjeaut A.M. Julivan, K. On receiving this offer Serjeaut Sullivan plains views on this matter before the Governme and stated that he could not accept office in the present state of the administration of the Government of Iraland, as he did not see how he could of any effective service to the country. If therefore found himself unable to accept the responsibility for a share in the Irish administration, under present conditions, which would he been his were he to become Solicitor-General, a the accordingly declined the offer.