

...important question is, how far it is caused by economy in the State departments?—economy which the State citizen, the wage-earner, no matter what class, has had long since to exercise to the full. One state-which appears in Mr Lloyd George's speech is not very comforting, viewed in the light of the high cost of living—that the subsidy must disappear soon. When the place the price of bread will go to, partially, but the only consolation to derive is that the process of withdrawal, it is stated, be gradual, and the Government does not intend to give the fifty millions subsidy at once. Another question that will engage the attention of the House is the National Insurance, with regard to which it is expected the Government will go a little further than the State acquisition of the mines, and with a corresponding betterment of the social condition of the miners. The Irish question, though not least is the Irish question, which has recently once again been under the attention of the Cabinet, and as a result an official pronouncement in the House of Commons will doubtless soon be made. All things considered, the business of the House to re-open to-morrow is brim-full of interest and full of possibilities. The Central News political correspondent writes, "will be more real than any other" between February and the end of the year. The House has been handling the difficulties of the international situation and it is now for the first time being tested solely as an instrument for the re-organisation of domestic reorganisation."

**CURRENT COMMENT.**

**by Season,**  
 Participated in a former note, Limerick is a very active Rugby football, one of the most popular of our winter outdoor pastimes. At a meeting of the Garryowen Football Club last night the attendance of members was very large. The proceedings were characterised by the business. It is only in the natural course of things that Garryowen should continue to be a sport that has made the city famous. In the coming months we may hope to see the Club's colours again in the front. Having being elected, a good working committee was elected, and one that will see to it that as the city is concerned there will be no half-heartedness in the manner they intend to maintain the Club's reputation. In due course a list will be framed.

**the Stamp-Licking.**

draws my attention (says "A Londoner" in the "Evening Standard") to what is a matter of the Post Office service in relation to the phonetic chaos. "Why should each telegram have to look several sticky fingers passed over an insanitary counter? Why this waste of time, paper, and pati-

programme was presented, and the various artists gave a very pleasing interpretation of the items that appeared opposite their names. Premier position was assigned to the Irish soprano, Miss Mary Connolly, Mr Barney Armstrong's discovery. Miss Connolly, who was in splendid voice, sang with all her old-time sweetness and sympathetic feeling "I'm sitting on the style," and for an encore she rendered "The Belle of St Mary's" and "If they ask you what your name is." As instrumentalists, "Lynn and Lynda" were a delightful turn, their playing of "Home to our mountains" being received with cordiality, as was also "The Men of Harlech." Carney and Sharpe, comedians, were at the top of their form. They highly amused the audience by their quaint and refreshing humour, and installed themselves as prompt favourites. Miss Bridie Maloney, the gifted mezzo-soprano, sang with purity and expression the delectable ballad, "Because I love you so, machree," and for an encore she gave "Dreams of long ago." Larcine, described as the double-voiced vocalist, sang "Roses of Picardy" and "That old-fashioned mother"; while Eddie Aster, the dancing juggler, and Gaffney and Whelan, the expert Irish dancers, were valuable additions to a select and replete entertainment. The company is engaged for the week.

**DEATH OF MRS M RUSSELL.**

We regret to record the death of Mrs Margaret Russell, which occurred at her residence, 5 Mount Kennett Terrace, yesterday morning after a short illness. Deceased, who had reached an advanced age, was a highly respected citizen, kindly and benevolent to a degree, and as a business woman successfully conducted up to some years ago an extensive business at Mount Kennett Iron Works. Her demise is mourned by very many friends in town and country, who sympathise with her relatives in their bereavement. The remains will be removed at seven o'clock this evening to St Michael's Parochial Church, and the funeral takes place at two o'clock to-morrow for Mount St Laurence.

**THE LAWLOR FUND**

Mrs M J McDonnell, P.L.G., Chairman to above, presided at the weekly meeting. Arising out of the Secretary's report on the Roxboro Band Promenade, and the St Michael's Temperance Society's dramatic benefits, the Chairman said it was gratifying to hear so good a report. The kindness of the Rev Father O'Carroll, President St Michael's Temperance Society, and the Dramatic class attached, was deserving of the most grateful recognition, and the same compliment was due to the city bands. She would like, as Chairman, to thank the members of the Committee personally who were present for the foremost part taken in connection with the benefit play, and she thought it very good of Mr Rahilly to give the use of his grounds for the fete, and also the proceeds from his business that day towards the fund. In order to close the fund as soon as possible she would direct the kind attention of sympathisers to the appeal cards which were out in the city, the filling in of which would be most gratefully appreciated.

**OUT AND ABOUT.**

It is officially announced that the retail price of maize meal in Ireland from to-day will be 3s per stone.

Dr F Campbell was appointed house surgeon, Galway County Hospital, in succession to Capt A

very strong, and I must return the I will allow them out on bail—the and two sureties of \$50 each

**Death of Daniel Sh**

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 Daniel Sheehan, the elderly evidence as above, was taken in Hospital, Kilrush, on Saturday this morning.  
 The Coroner has been communic

**LIMERICK HARBOUR**

Mr J P Goodbody presided at the Limerick Harbour Commission. Also present—Alderman M Joyce Ryan, C.E.; J Dalton, B.C.; G E (Rockie, J.P., High Sheriff; and D. The officials in attendance were Power (Secretary), H V Meroay (J Fitzmaurice (Harbour Master).

**WAGES QUESTION.**

An application was read from the port Workers' Union for an increase in the lightkeepers of the Crawford Lights.

The Chairman—What do they want?  
 The Secretary—A hundred per cent war wages.

Mr Griffin handed in notice of increase for the men an increase of 100 per cent

A letter was read from Mr J Key and Mr T Waters, engineer, of applying for an increase in their wages.

The Chairman—How do they stand?  
 The Secretary—Mr Reynolds has before the war, which was raised

week, with 7s 6d a week subsistence and overtime, and Mr Waters was in a week, which was also raised to 7s 2d as well as subsistence allowance and

The Chairman—7s 6d a week wages.

The Engineer—That is what is paid.  
 Mr Griffin gave notice to increase the applicants by 17s 6d a week.

**SHIPPING.**

The Secretary reported that since two coasters, two ocean-going vessels and traders visited the port.  
 The meeting adjourned.

**GARRYOWEN FOOTBALL**

**General Meeting.**

A general meeting of above was held evening at Cruise's Royal Hotel. Dr presided, and there was a very large number. The proceedings through enthusiastic description, and anger future of the sport in Limerick. The Club are in a satisfactory condition prospects for a successful season are

At the conclusion of the routine of condolence was passed with the relatives of the late Mr John Begley, first meeting of the Club since his demise. Mr Begley was an ardent supporter of the F.C., and his demise, in the flower of his life, a severe loss to Rugby football in Limerick. The election of officers and committee as follows—President, Mr James Leamy; vice captain, Mr J Reid; Mr Ed McInerney, 2 Westland Terrace, Tone street; assistant hon. secretary