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CURRENT COMMENT.

May Election.

As generally anticipated, Mr Myers, candidate, has been elected, with a vote of 11,962, defeating Sir John Simon, Liberal, by 1,718. Colonel Fairfax on candidate, polled but 8,131, which is a defeat of Sir T. P. Whittaker's (Coalition) at the General Election by 2,530. Mr Myers was hailed with great enthusiasm by supporters, who, both men and women, carried the "Red Flag." The swing of the pendulum in the by-elections has been in favour of the National candidates. Where their nominees have not been elected they have in most cases put up increased votes. On the other hand the Aquinian have been unable to make any headway. Sir John Simon was an especially strong candidate in the Valley. The lesson to be learned from the by-elections results is that the National Liberal, instead of girding at the Government, and especially the Liberal section, should follow the latter's example, unless he is to see "The Red Flag" in the

Milk Crisis.

The new milk service does not appear to be very judiciously handled. The Department of Agriculture, when moved to action, issued a decree fixing the maximum price of milk to consumers at 2s per gallon, the most other Irish cities and towns being 1s 6d. The result of the official Order was that the milkmen in the Fermoy district ceased to deliver milk for the greater part of last week and the towns were left without supplies. On Saturday a conference was held with a view to ending the present situation. The Urban Council, the Milk Producers' Association, and the Department of Agriculture were present. Following a two hours' conference, however, no compromise was reached, the milkmen persisting in their refusal to sell milk at 2s 8d a gallon. Meanwhile the Order at a lower price is in force, and the town is left without milk at any price.

ORK POLICE BARRACKS ATTACKED.

County Cork police barracks were attacked during Saturday night. Just before ten o'clock a party of armed men attacked the Carrigtwohill barracks. The sergeant and five constables in occupation returned the fire, and a fusillade was kept up for three hours. The attackers then blew up the end of the barracks, and rushed in through the breach so made, took the police by surprise and handcuffed them. The raiders then looted the entire place, and took away rifles, revolvers, and accoutrements. Kilmurry, Carrigtwohill, Killumney and Inchigeela barracks were also attacked. At Inchigeela a constable was killed, but not seriously, it is believed. This is the first personal injury reported.

several cloth caps at the scene. When the attack had just ceased, Dr D J Keane, J.P., Ennistymon, came up in his motor car on a visit to a patient in the locality. Evidently misunderstanding the signals of the police, he did not halt when hailed by them, and was fired upon, two bullets passing through one arm, which, it is stated, has been broken. It was stated that he left for Dublin on Sunday.

DEATH OF MR F. W. CONYERS.

The death, which we announce with regret, took place in Barrington's Hospital on Sunday of Mr Frederick William Conyers, in his forty-eighth year. The deceased, who was never over strong, had been ailing for the past six weeks, and the end came peacefully on Sunday. He was youngest son of the late Captain Conyers, Gortree, in this county, and among a wide circle of friends his demise will be learned with sorrow. The interment took place to-day in the family burial place, Ballingarry, the funeral being large and representative.

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED LARCENY.

Early yesterday morning a goods wagon on the permanent way near the Limerick goods depot was broken into and an attempt, as alleged, made to commit a larceny therefrom. The night watchman observed some men at the wagon, and promptly gave the alarm, with the result that two young fellows named Quin and Shortt were apprehended. Yesterday they were brought before Mr. H. Craffie, J.P., and remanded.

THE LATE MR M A TRACEY.

Yesterday morning the death took place at St Camillus Hospital of Mr M A Tracey, after a brief illness. The deceased, who was seventy years of age, was a member of the Limerick Typographical Society. He was during his life a prominent trades unionist, and occupied the position of President of the local branch of the Typographical Society for a term. He was a self-respecting and intelligent citizen, and his death has been learned with keen regret by a large number of friends and acquaintances.

FIT EXPLOSION.

26 Men Perish.

Christiania Sunday—A telegram received from Avarø Bay by the Norwegian Coal Co operating in Spitzbergen, reports that 26 men perished in a pit explosion yesterday. Thirteen bodies have been recovered. The cause of the explosion has not yet been ascertained.

The telegram adds that the victims are probably all Norwegians.—Reuter.

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, LTD

The Directors of the Munster and Leinster Bank Limited, announce a dividend for the half-year ended 31st December, 1919, at the rate of 20 per cent per annum, less income tax; the transfer of £15,000 to Reserve Fund, the placing of £15,000 in Staff Pension Fund, the application of £5,000 in reduction of Bank Premises Account, and the carrying forward of £24,234.

Five o'clock this evening was the last of the candidates nominated for the music to withdraw their nominations. At three o'clock of the eighty papers handed in were withdrawn. These were by Mr Tho was nominated for the Customhouse Wards; Mr John J Dalton, who was nominated for the Irishtown Ward, and 3 nominated for the Abbey and Castle

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK
Limerick, J

DEAR SIR,—In consequence of the candidates which have been circulated to the music to withdraw their nominations with the intention of the National candidates going to the Irishtown Ward, I beg to inform you of Limerick that I have withdrawn and wish the National candidates to be elected.
Yours truly
Jo

Ennis

Yesterday nominations for Ennistymon were lodged with the Town Clerk. The candidates were nominated for the twelve wards into which the town is divided. There are 9 Sinn Fein candidates, 3 independent candidates, and 3 retiring and six seek re-election. The Chairman, Mr Moroney, will be elected.

A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL

At the recent examinations held by the Society of Arts and Commerce, pupils of the Courtenay National School, Newcastle West, obtained first class honours in typewriting—Laurence O'Sullivan, Patrick J Sheehan, John J Guiry, Daniel J O'Keefe, Willie Thomas M Marton. This creditable long list of successes already obtained by pupils of this school during the past year, the National Board of Education has awarded the pupils of the Seventh Standard a grade certificate, thirty-seven obtained in Science and Mathematics, thirty Irish Certificates of having successfully completed a four years' course in Irish, twenty certificates in Rural Science (including Agriculture) under the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction. National Examining Institute of two obtained first class honours in addition to the foregoing, prizes in and successes at College entrance secured.

RAID AT SCARIF

Last night the residence of Mr J.P. Woodpark, Scariff, was raided. Shots were fired into it, and a man wounded. Mr Hibbert returned home, is said, wounded one of the attackers. Subsequently the police arrested a man. Details are lacking.

LOCAL PETROL SUPPLY

Owing to Limerick petrol shortage, it is anticipated, the local stock will not be sufficient for Thursday.