

RAILWAY RATES AND FARES

presented in the House of Commons on the subject of the railway fares and rates, Mr Neal would be no undue delay in informing the House when the increase would be imposed. It is hoped that the report of the Advisory Committee would be received during the next few days.

CONTROL OF CANALS.

The Ministry of Transport on Thursday issued a statement relative to the control of canals, and the possession of these when the period of the war shall cease on 31st August. The Minister then proposes to provide machinery for the regulation of tolls and charges. The proposal was discussed by representatives of the canals at a meeting on Thursday morning, at which it was stated that although it was impossible that the charges could be increased from the date of the war, an effort will be made to enable the canals to increase charges, and resume operation on an economic basis at the earliest possible date. The canal representatives pointed out the difficulty of carrying on the undertaking without financial assistance before the increased tolls are authorised. The meeting was informed that the Government desired to maintain canals as effective transport agencies they favourably consider the application for authority to meet the working expenses until the authority to increase rates is obtained.

MARCH FOR GENERAL LUCAS.

Mr. Greenwood said that all possible steps had been taken to ascertain the whereabouts of General Lucas, but up to the present no clue had been obtained.

Under Viscount Curzon—What steps have been taken to find out where he is?
 Mr. Greenwood—If I gave what steps have been taken the chance of securing General Lucas would be still more remote.

R.I.C. PETROL SEIZED.

Quantities of petrol consigned to the Loughrea railway were seized on arrival at Loughrea railway and taken away.

ANY AND THE PEACE TERMS.

Mr. Simons, German Foreign Minister, in a speech has stated that Germany will do her utmost to carry out the peace terms, but that some of the Allies believe, the Allies will modify when they see that their fulfilment is impossible.

PROVISION FOR THE BLIND.

The Select Committee of the House of Commons concluded its consideration of the Blind Bill. A new sub-section was inserted in the Bill imposing on county and borough councils the duty of making arrangements for promoting the education of blind persons within their area, and directing the education authorities the making of arrangements for the technical education of the

asked in the circumstances to have the case dismissed.

The magistrates dismissed the prosecution with costs.

LICENSING ACT.

A publican named Margaret Ryan was prosecuted for a breach of the Licensing Laws on the 15th June.

On the occasion two men were found by Sergeant Horan on the licensed premises after hours, and being non-*bona-fides* were unable to account for their presence in the place.

A fine of 20s was imposed on the publican, and 10s on the men found on the premises.

Thomas O'Neill, publican, Ballyneety, was charged with a similar offence on the same date.

According to the evidence of Sergeant Horan when he entered the premises at 11 o'clock on the night in question twelve men were found there.

Lieut.-Colonel Williamson asked for the record and the Clerk said it was burned.

The Bench inflicted a penalty of 10s, and the men found on the premises were ordered to pay a fine of 2s 6d each.

DEATH OF MR D F O'CONNELL.

A wide circle of friends in the County of Limerick will learn with very sincere regret of the death of Mr Daniel Francis O'Donnell, youngest son of Mr D S O'Connell, of Grange, Kilmallock, which took place this morning at the family residence. He was but 22 years of age, and had been studying for the Church, having spent five years at Castleknock College, from which he proceeded to St Joseph's, Blackrock. Although in delicate health for some time past, his death, which took place after some ten days illness, was rather unexpected. Deep sympathy is expressed with Mr O'Connell and his family, who are so highly esteemed and respected, in their bereavement. Funeral on Monday at 1 o'clock (new time) from Grange Church.

IRISHMEN AS JUDGES IN EGYPT.

Three Irish barristers have been appointed to, and have accepted, positions as second-grade judges under the Egyptian Government—viz., Mr Hugh Oliver Holmes, of the North-West Circuit, counsel to His Majesty's Attorney-General in Ireland; Mr James H Monroe, North-East Circuit, Secretary to the Bar Council of Ireland; and Mr Henry Webb, of the Connaught Circuit, an official reporter to the Master of the Rolls. They will leave for Egypt in September.

SERGEANT SHOT DEAD

In Co. Mayo.

Sergeant Armstrong, R.I.C., was shot dead in Ballina on Thursday morning, and Constable Regan was dangerously wounded. Accompanied by Constables Nagle and Barnes, they were returning from patrol duty shortly after midnight, when masked and armed men in Knockstreet called upon them to put up their hands. Constable Barnes, it is stated, drew his revolver and fired at the men. A volley of revolver shots rang out in reply, and Sergeant Armstrong fell mortally wounded, expiring in a few minutes.

10 to 1 Artillery, 8 to 1 H. others.

Won by three parts of a length.

REDBURN PLATE

Roscopy (Crisp) ...
 The Bailie (McGuigan) ...
 Ruby Queen (Taylor) ...

Also ran—Miss Mary colt, Sp Capoletto.

Betting—Evens Capoletto, 5 to 1 colt, 4 to 1 Roscopy, 100 to 8 others.
 Won by five lengths.

APPRENTICE PLATE—
 (Harris), 1; Wildwood (Claxton), 7 to 2 on Phantom Bold, who won.

AMERICA CUP

Resolute Wins Fourth

Resolute won the fourth race. The line at 3 mins 18 secs less than and won by 9 mins 58 secs. 10 times;—

Resolute
 Shamrock

CORK ASSIZES.

£7,525 in Fines Imposed on Absentees.

The jurors of all grades who came to the criminal business of the Assizes yesterday, and the adjourned trials, with the prisoners put back for the next Assizes, were fined in the total less than £7,525. A negligible amount were excused on various grounds, reduce this total.

Lively scenes are expected when the law is enforced.

EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS.

At the recent matriculation examination of the National University, Ambassador's son of Mr and Mrs Ambrose Hall, Terrace, Limerick, passed with honours. He congratulated the young student on his success. It may be added that he spent the last year at Clongowes Wood College.

TWO MEN SHOT DEAD IN CORR.

A Mitchelstown telegram states that a shooting affair took place at Corran Wednesday night. It is stated that two labourers, Daniel McGrath (18) and McDonnell (27), were standing at the number of boys and girls when a man passed by. Shots were fired, and the two mentioned fell dead. No other were struck.

MAJOR HACKETT, D.

Major J D Hackett, 32nd Lar Commissioner, Burma, has been awarded for services in the Kuki and Chin