

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS In consequence of the earlier departure of the evening train from Limerick, and the curtailment of the hour for posting to the General Post Office, it has been found necessary to issue the editions of the Chronicle at an earlier hour than hitherto. Advertisers will, therefore, please note that the latest hour at which advertisements can be received at this office on issue days is 3.30 p.m. Publication of any notices received after that hour cannot be guaranteed on that day.

THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE (ESTABLISHED 1766) TUESDAY DECEMBER 5, 1922.

CANADIAN CATTLE.

It looks as if the Bill to remove the embargo on the importation of Canadian cattle will come in for much criticism in the British House of Commons. It is understood that the Bill stipulates that shipment of cattle shall be direct from a port of the producing Dominion to a port in Great Britain, and here they will be inspected by representative of the Ministry of Agriculture. They will be compelled to remain in some kind of quarantine for a period of six days, after which they will be permitted to be sent to their destination. This question of great importance to the trade in Ireland. Quite recently, it will be recalled, a strong protest against existing restrictions was made at a meeting of the Trade in Dublin, at which not alone Irish representatives but some from across the Channel were present. The main cause of complaint was as to the six days detention of cattle at the port of arrival. This, however, is only a temporary arrangement, due to outbreaks of cattle disease, though this country has been absolutely immune from disease for a long time past, and, as a natural result, the Irish Minister of Agriculture took the matter up timely and energetically, with a view to having these and other harassing restrictions on the side removed. The new Bill proposes to renege the six days' quarantine, and the measure applies to all the Dominions, including, presumably, the Irish Free State, may be taken for granted that the Irish Government will follow up the line of action already taken. So far as the North concerned, members representing the Six Counties are protesting against the perpetuation of the six days' quarantine for the cattle landed in England, the intention being to raise the question at the second reading of the Bill tomorrow. In England the possible effects of the admission of Canadian cattle causing uneasiness in the farming districts. And the position is clearly put by J. Donaldson, President of the National Farmers' Union, in a letter to the "Times," pointing out that the "pledge" to Canada given in 1917, but in the previous year the country was pledged to safeguard British agriculture together with other industries. Donaldson asks "what does the Government intend to do about the pledge given to British agriculture in 1916? The question is how critical is the present position of the cultural industry and of all who live by the land, and it is the clear duty of the Government's representatives in Parliament to set upon a clear answer being given to the question before the Bill to fulfil the pledge becomes law." The Bill is, therefore, likely to be vigorously debated at the point of view of British agriculture. And as Irish interests are also vitally concerned, our Government, we feel assured, will lose no time in making urgent representations to the British Cabinet with a view to the removal so far as Ireland is concerned, of the six days quarantine which, if permanent, would impose a totally unnecessary and vexatious restriction on the cattle trade. Even as a temporary measure, it is, as stated, strongly complained of. How much more so if it is to be perpetuated? There is now a strong party in the British House of Commons for the protection of agricultural interests, and this leads to the view that the Bill will be amended in accordance with the wishes and requirements of home agriculture, especially in the straggling time.

MR T. M. HEALY, K.C.

Appointed Governor-General.

Yesterday's "Irish Times" says:—Mr T. M. Healy, K.C., has been appointed first Governor-General of the Irish Free State. His occupancy of the office will begin on Wednesday. Last Saturday night he crossed to London to arrange the details. The British Government, it is understood, suggested Lord Grandeur for the office, but this did not meet with the views of the Provisional Government. The latter put forward the name of the eminent Irish K.C., who, when approached, expressed his willingness to serve. Mr Healy had a long interview last Friday night at Leinster House with the members of the Irish Government, whom he met again at Government House, Upper Merrion street, last Saturday morning. The duties and responsibilities of the position will be identical with those exercised by the Governor-General of Canada.

New Hopes.

In a leading article, assuming that Mr T. M. Healy, K.C., will be the first Governor-General of the Irish Free State, the "Daily Express" says:—Mr Healy's appointment will be well received in Ireland and in this country. We found it on genuine hopes of a much brighter future for Ireland, and we believe that "Tim" Healy will succeed where others have failed, and will bring at last to his country the peace and stability she needs so sorely. His remarkable abilities have never been in question. The new Governor-General will begin a tremendous task, with the confidence of Irishmen and the goodwill of England.

ENCOUNTER AT DOONASS.

An encounter took place between National troops and irregulars at Doonass on Sunday evening. Troops from Castleconnell were engaged searching unoccupied mansions at the Clare side of the river. The outward incident occurred when the troops arrived at Meany's Hotel, when intense fire was opened on the small party of troops. A rapid exchange ensued, the irregulars making good their escape. The troops captured three rifles and two revolvers in the kitchen of the hotel. It is believed that the well-known local irregular Sean Carroll was in the hotel during the encounter.

Arms Captured.

In a round up by National troops in the Clarina district yesterday morning seven arrests were effected. Two of the prisoners named Hanrahan and Dunne are all got to have been in possession at the time of arrest of two rifles and 90 rounds of .303 ammunition. The other five prisoners, namely—S Coffey, John Blake, P Costello, J Nihill, and C Hayes, were unarmed.

Prisoner Escapes.

Some twenty-five prisoners were removed from Ennis to Limerick Gaol yesterday. While at Limerick Terminus one of the prisoners named J J Clohesy, of Ennis, made good his escape.

CITY ARRESTS.

Three young fellows, stated to be belonging to the irregular forces, who have been undergoing treatment in St John's Hospital for wounds received in the fighting in the city in July last, were arrested on Sunday. Their names are Sean Hayes, Bandon; Thomas O'Donnor, Trales; and Lawrence Curtin, Newcastle West.

BIG KERRY SWEEP.

77 Prisoners Taken. A big drive by the troops in the disturbed areas of Co Kerry has, so far, resulted in the capture of 77 prisoners.

WEEK-END OUTRAGES.

A private of the National Army was killed and a lieutenant severely wounded by a land mine explosion which wrecked a Leyland lorry on its way to Wexford during the week-end. All the occupants of the lorry were blown some distance from it. Armed men on Friday night destroyed by fire the signal cabin at the Great Southern and Western Railway Company's Waterford station. A Red Cross ambulance was attacked by armed men on Friday between Macroom and Ballyvourney. The driver was wounded, and Dr Kelly was fired on when attending to him, and so severely wounded that he is critically ill in hospital.

ATTACK ON A PAROCHIAL HOUSE.

A number of armed men approached the residence of Canon Coughlan, P.P., Milford, Co. Limerick, and demanded a shot gun which was in the house, and had been in use for sporting purposes. The door was answered by the Rev. James Coughlan, C.C., brother of the Canon, who has been ill for some time, and is virtually bedridden. On hearing the demand of the armed men, Father Coughlan closed the door and retired to his room. Some time afterwards a volley of shots was fired through one of the windows of the Parochial House, some of the bullets ricocheting off the bars of the bed on which the sick Canon lay. The attackers shortly afterwards withdrew shouting: "Up, Charleville!"

CINEMAS AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE. DEAR SIR—I wish to draw your attention to a glaring and uncalled for nuisance which is nightly inflicted on the picture going public of this city. I refer to the recent innovation of the proprietors of some of our cinema theatres in projecting on the screen, prior to the commencement of the performance, coloured slides advertising the commodities of various city establishments. This undesirable and unwarrantable exhibition is in my opinion "taking a mean advantage of the general public." Most people wish to take their evening's amusement in an atmosphere which will make them oblivious of the worries connected with their daily toil and business adventures, and it is extremely annoying to have right after night these uninteresting advertisements thrust before their unwilling gaze. There is a time and place for everything, and the proprietors of these slides could more advantageously benefit themselves by advertising more liberally in the columns of the city papers.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN J. FITZMAURICE.

Harbour Master.

The death, which we announce with great regret, took place on Sunday in St Vincent's Hospital, Dublin, of Captain John Fitzmaurice, Harbour Master of Limerick, after a brief illness. The deceased left Limerick a fortnight ago to undergo an operation, which was performed this day week. The patient came through the ordeal well, and was apparently making progress towards recovery when he suddenly collapsed on Friday. Since then he never rallied, and death ensued on Sunday at 2 o'clock. The late Captain Fitzmaurice was in his fifty-eighth year, and was son of Mr John Fitzmaurice, master of the river steamer "Vandeleur," belonging to the old Waterford Steamship Company. On the death of his father, Captain Fitzmaurice was appointed master of the "Vandeleur," and was subsequently transferred to the captaincy of the SS "Shannon," a position which he held up to his appointment as Harbour Master, just twenty years ago, on the retirement of his uncle, the late Captain Morgan Fitzmaurice. In the discharge of the duties of Harbour Master, the deceased brought a ripe nautical experience to bear, and was a trusted and loyal servant of the Harbour Board. He was a very affable, courteous, and obliging public official, and his premature death has been mourned with keen regret in the city, and deep sympathy is expressed with his relatives in their bereavement.

Harbour Commissioners' Tribute.

A Painsstaking and Capable Official. Mr P A O'Brien, Deputy Mayor, presided at the meeting of the Limerick Harbour Board yesterday, which was adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Harbour Master, Captain John Fitzmaurice.

The other members present were—Messrs M Griffin, B.C.; F J Cleve, F J Herriott, G R Ryan, C.E.; A Cleve, J H Rooke, D Griffin, B.C., and S J K Roycroft. Mr J F Power, Secretary, said he desired to announce with regret the death of Captain Fitzmaurice, who had been Harbour Master for nearly a quarter of a century. He had always carried out his duties in a most efficient manner. His interest in his work was such that it led to the successful way in which he handled the increasing shipping of the port. Although his predecessors were good and capable men they had never the responsibility thrust upon them that the late Captain Fitzmaurice had in consequence of the larger type of vessel that was entering the port. These ships required the greatest skill in manoeuvring them successfully, and that skill the late Harbour Master possessed. Personally he (Secretary) should say that he found it at all times pleasant and agreeable to work with him, for his one desire was to do what was right to all concerned. On behalf of the officials and himself he desired to offer his sympathy with the family of the deceased.

Mr Ryan said he regretted the occasion had arisen for the proposal of a resolution of sympathy on the death of Captain Fitzmaurice. It was certainly necessary to add anything to what had been said by Mr Power, for during his association with the Board he (Mr Ryan) had found Captain Fitzmaurice a most capable and courteous official. He had held for twenty years one of the most responsible and onerous positions under the Board—one in which the slightest accident would have been fraught with possibly serious consequences to the port and city. He discharged his duty faithfully and honestly, and he was afraid the Board would find it difficult to fill the position. He moved—"That the Board express their deep regret at the death of Captain Fitzmaurice, who held the position of Harbour Master for the past twenty years. He carried out his responsible and onerous duties with the greatest success and to the great advantage of the Board. The members offer their sincere sympathy with his family in their grief, and adjourn as a mark of respect to his memory."

Mr Roycroft, in seconding the resolution, said the late Captain Fitzmaurice was a most painstaking and conscientious official who served the Board well and faithfully. He was for some years connected with the Limerick Steamship Company before taking over the position of Harbour Master, and his services to that Company were greatly appreciated.

Mr D Griffin associated himself with the vote of sympathy, as did Mr Herriott who said he had known Captain Fitzmaurice for a long number of years and always found him to be a capable and trustworthy servant of the Board.

Mr F J Cleve speaking for himself and his firm said he could not speak too highly of Captain Fitzmaurice. He was always willing and anxious to help them in anything they wanted done, and he regretted the occasion should arise for the resolution of sympathy with his family.

Mr M Griffin said the late Harbour Master was a man of retiring disposition, and kept himself to his business. He was one whom it was a pleasure for anyone to know.

Mr Rooke desired to be associated with the tribute paid to the memory of the late Harbour Master.

The Deputy Mayor, in paying in the tribute to the late Captain Fitzmaurice, said the manner in which he carried out his duties was most successful. He was a careful and most efficient officer, who was always at his post.

The resolution was then put, and carried unanimously.

The Funeral.

Last night the remains of the late Captain J Fitzmaurice arrived in the city from Dublin, and were taken to St Michael's Church, where they rested overnight. This morning Requiem Mass was celebrated for the repose of the soul of the deceased, and at 2 o'clock the funeral took place for Killeely Cemetery. The cortege was of large and representative proportions, and was a fitting tribute of the respect and esteem in which the deceased was held in the city, and the sympathy extended to his family in their sorrow. The mercantile and professional classes were largely represented, as well as the public bodies, such as the Harbour Board, Corporation, and Chamber of Commerce, while the harbour employees, pilots, and trade labour bodies were also included in the cortege. The chief mourners were—Mr John Fitzmaurice, son; Mrs T O'Neill; Mrs Vera Fitzmaurice, Miss Dorothy Fitzmaurice; Miss May Fitzmaurice, daughters; Mr T O'Neill, son-in-law; Messrs J Reynolds, P Hartney (Dublin), and Edward Hartney, brothers-in-law; Messrs Gerard, Edward, and Michael Hartney, nephews. The clergy present were—Rev Fr Dwane, Adm, St Michael's; Rev Fr Thornhill, C.C. do; Rev Fr Treacy, C.C. do; and Rev Fr Fitzpatrick, C.C. Rev Fr Dwane officiated at the graveside.

CONSTITUTIONAL PAPERS STOP PRESS NEWS

The Irish Free State Constitution and Constitutional Provisions Bills were read a third time in the House of Lords yesterday.

The Irish Bills receive the Royal Assent to-day.

Ireland's Future.

The American Ambassador declares that once the Free State has a stable Government any of the big Trust Companies in the United States will be prepared to finance the country.

DAIL EIREANN TRUST FUNDS.

Action Against Mr De Valera and Others.

In the Chancery Division yesterday, before Mr Justice Pim (sitting for Mr Justice Power), in the action of the Most Rev. Michael Fogarty, Esq.; Richard McLoahy, of Portobello Barnacks, Rathmines; Richard Hayes, of Windgar House, South Circular Road, described in the writ as trustees of Dail Eireann; Liam T Mac Cosgair, of Upper Merrion street, Dublin; Minister of Finance, Dail Eireann; and John Collins, of 89 Botanic road, Dublin, gentleman, versus Dail Eireann, of 3 King Edward's Terrace, Grace Park Road, Drumcondra; Eamonn de Valera, of Craig Liath, Greystones, Co Wicklow, Professor, and Stephen M O'Mara, of Limerick.

Mr John O'Byrne (instructed by Messrs James O'Connor and Co.) applied on behalf of the plaintiffs for an order that service of the writ on Eamonn de Valera be effected by advertisement. The plaintiffs in the action seek the writ and costs or a declaration that a sum of 10,000 dollars given by the late Michael O'Connell, Minister of Finance of Dail Eireann, to the defendant, Dail Eireann, and lodged by the latter in the hands of the Minister of Finance, Dublin, constitutes part of the funds of Dail Eireann. 2. An account of all other securities and moneys received by the said defendants from the Trustees of Dail Eireann, or the Minister of Finance of Dail Eireann. 3. An order for the transfer or payment of the said securities and moneys. 4. Further or other relief. 5. Costs.

The plaintiff, the Most Rev. Michael Fogarty, sues as one of the original Trustees of Dail Eireann.

The plaintiffs, the said Most Rev. Michael Fogarty, Richard McLoahy, and Richard Hayes, sue as the present Trustees of Dail Eireann, and the plaintiff, John Collins, sues as personal representative of the said Michael O'Connell, deceased, former Minister of Finance of Dail Eireann. The defendants, Eamonn de Valera and Stephen M O'Mara, are sued as two of the original Ministers of Dail Eireann, and because they refuse to join the plaintiffs in this action.

Mr O'Byrne moved on the affidavit of Mr James O'Connor, of 71 Dame street, Dublin, one of the firm of Messrs James O'Connor and Co, who stated that the writ was issued on the 15th November, 1922, that the defendant Dail Eireann was served personally on the 16th November, that he had not entered an appearance; that the writ was served on the defendant Stephen M O'Mara on the 28th November, 1922, and that he had not yet appeared.

"Service of the said writ," the affidavit proceeded, "has not been effected on the defendant Eamonn de Valera, for the reason that the whereabouts of the said Eamonn de Valera are not known to me or to the plaintiffs; and I am informed and believe that he is not now living at Craig Liath, Greystones, in the County of Wicklow, his last known address."

Mr Justice Pim asked was anybody living at Craig Liath?

Mr O'Byrne—I think Mrs de Valera is living there.

Mr Justice Pim directed that a copy of the writ be left at Mr de Valera's last known place of residence.

Mr O'Byrne—Perhaps it would be better to direct that a copy be posted to him at his last known address.

Mr Justice Pim asked in what papers did Mr O'Byrne suggest that advertisements be inserted?

Mr O'Byrne—I would suggest the three principal papers—the "Freeman's Journal," the "Independent," and the "Irish Times."

Mr Justice Pim asked would Mr O'Byrne suggest Cork or Limerick paper?

Mr O'Byrne—The "Cork Examiner."

Mr Justice Pim directed service of the writ should be effected by inserting an advertisement in the "Irish Times," the "Freeman's Journal," the "Irish Independent," and the "Cork Examiner," on different days, two days to elapse between each insertion, and by sending to Craig Liath by post two copies on different days.

LETTERKENNY HABEAS CORPUS APPEAL DISMISSED.

The Court of Appeal yesterday, by a majority, which included Lord Justice O'Connor and Mr Justice Pim, dismissed with costs, the appeal of Mrs and Miss Johnstone, of Letterkenny, against the decision of the King's Bench Division refusing a writ of Habeas Corpus applied for on their behalf.

RELEASE OF DONEGAL LADIES.

Notwithstanding the fact that the High Court in Dublin yesterday refused the appeal in connection with the writ of Habeas Corpus on behalf of Mrs and Miss Johnstone, the two Donegal ladies who are under detention by the Provisional Government authorities in Donegal, both ladies (says a Londonderry Correspondent) were released by the Free State forces in Banorans yesterday.

AMBUSH IN DUBLIN.

One woman was shot dead, and two women and a man were wounded in an ambush of National troops last night in Harcourt-street, Dublin. The killed and wounded all were passengers on the top deck of a tramway car, and are supposed to have been shot by men who fired from the housetops.

SPORTING.

LEICESTER MEETING.

WIGSTON HURDLE. Three (Speck) ... 1. Ferdinand (E Ward) ... 2. Knight of the Mint (Mr Blair) ... 3. A soron—Good Mover, George D, Tommy Long, Kinsalton, Lively Night, Rosemount. (Winner trained by Woodcock.) Betting—5 to 4 ag t'Taree, 3 to 1 Tommy Long, 5 to 1 Graceful Mover, 10 to 1 others. Won by two lengths.

OADBY HURDLE.

King's Solitude (J Anthony) ... 1. Joseph the First (L Rees) ... 2. Butterthwaite (J Casey) ... 3. Also ran—Dangaroo, Fozzomint, Templecooby, Ardous, Buensuertes, Wise Pilots, C Rybant, Gladear, Wrangle, and Redstart. (Winner trained by Hastings.) Betting—7 to 4 on King's Solitude, 5 to 1 ag t Joseph the First, 8 to 1 Redstart, 10 to 8 Templecooby, 10 to 7 others. Won by a length.

LEICESTER HURDLE.

Hadu (M Howard) ... 1. Love Letter (Woodton) ... 2. Royal Bank (F Rees) ... 3. Also ran—Frasino, Lady Caroline, Bright Orb, Waterford Grass, Squire Brigh, Gilded Spars, and Ullewater. (Winner trained by Coultwaite.) Betting—2 to 1 ag t Bright Orb, 9 to 4 Love Letter, 3 to 1 Royal Bank, 10 to 1 Frasino, 10 to 8 others. Won by half a length.

GLEN CHASE.

Nitric (F Rees) ... 1. Typical (S Tidy) ... 2. Turbine Secundus (Mahoney) ... 3. Also ran—St Frederick, Steady Bill, Manister Rustle. (Winner trained privately.) Betting—11 to 10 ag t Nitric, 9 to 4 Turbine Secundus, 7 to 1 others. Won by half a length.

SILBEY CHASE.

Fuzewarred (J Anthony) ... 1. Luke varm (Blotter) ... 2. Sobidles (Leitroge) ... 3. Also ran—Newlands and Shrewsbury. (Winner trained by Hastings.) Betting—11 to 10 on Sobidles, 5 to 2 ag t Fuzewarred, 8 to 1 Newlands, 7 to 1 Lukevarm 10 to 1 Shrewsbury. Won by 2 lengths.

HUNT CHASE.

One (Capt Bennett) ... 1. Wavertree (Blotter) ... 2. Mountain Pass (Foster) ... 3. Also ran—Istap With, Upoar, and Noble Guard. (Trained by Blair.) Betting—11 to 8 on Wavertree, 4 to 1 ag t One and Mountain Pass, 10 to 1 others. Won by 2 lengths.

CAHERDAVIN COURSING CLUB.

Mr John Whelan presided at the annual meeting of the members of the Caherdivin Coursing Club at Fox's Hotel last night. There was a large attendance of members.

Mr J P Frost, Hon Sec, submitted the annual reports, and the Treasurer, Mr M Kennedy, reported that the financial position of the Club was very sound, a substantial balance being on hand. Many improvements had been carried out to the coursing grounds, including the provision of a shed for dogs. Suitable arrangements had been made also to improve the view of the coursing for visitors.

The Chairman said the reports were most satisfactory and were a good augury for the Club's future. The Managing Committee deserved the congratulations of the members.

Messrs M Kelly, V.S, J Gleeson, and M O'Brien joined in the Chairman's congratulations. It was decided to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, 27th December. Draw will take place on Friday, 22nd December, at Fox's Hotel. An order was made that all dogs must run in owner's name.

Mr Frost said he regretted to have to report that this year he would not have the invaluable services of Mr P J Graham, who had been acting with him as joint hon. sec.

The Chairman said they would all feel the loss of Mr Graham in the secretarial work, but yet they would have him a member of the Club. (Hear, hear.) Any time they wanted his expert knowledge of coursing it would be at their disposal. He wished to propose the Club's warmest appreciation of Mr Graham for his past services to the Club and the sport in general.

Mr Lane seconded the motion, which was passed with acclamation.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

The County Limerick Hounds.

The County Limerick Hounds will meet as follows:—

Table with columns for date and location: Wednesday, 6th, Killybeg; Friday, 8th, Frankford; Monday, 11th, Shearins Cross; Wednesday, 13th, Newbridge.

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