

tion of the reduction of armament, a very noteworthy and satisfactory move in sending a representative to the Conference. This is a hard step which will be welcomed as the solution of the problem, the success of which must, of course, depend on the support of the various Nations of the world. American action is, therefore, regarded as of the utmost importance, and so far as home affairs are concerned are engaging the attention of the Government. The Cabinet is considering the various Committees' Plans, and, doubtless, is in a position to place them before Parliament at an early date. Then there is the vexed question of unemployment, and the country will be more than interested to know what the Government's panacea for this social evil will be. The subject was considered by the late Government, and it is surmised that attention will be given by the new Administration to the completion of existing schemes, and the provision of more money to carry them out. The Government, evidently, has an ambitious programme, home and abroad, in hand, and the debate that will ensue thereon as soon as the Premier makes his statement on Tuesday is certain to be of special interest to Britain, and to Europe as well, in view of the developments that have already taken place in national policy.

URGENT COMMENT.

Post Office.
Complaint has frequently been made with reference to the congestion at the Limerick Post Office, and the public counter is concerned. The arrangements must be clearly understood, and must be clearly understood, are most kind and courteous in the discharge of their duties, but their number is inadequate to meet the demands upon them, and the result is that people, to whom time is precious, are often obliged to wait for an inordinate time before being served. In fact, at present there are rows of people waiting to be served. This is not as it should be in an important office like Limerick, and the only remedy

after passing the second stage of the Dail Loans Bill and the Court Officers' Bill, and completing the committee stage of the Coroners' Qualification Bill, the House resumed the debate on the committee stage of the Courts of Justice Bill. Dealing with Circuit Courts, an amendment proposing that instead of eight the number of Judges should be fixed at not more than ten, was lost by 27 votes to 18 for. President Cosgrave contended that as the Bill must be regarded for some time as an experiment, it was not possible to foresee what number of judges would be required, and until it was proved that eight judges could not do the work the Government could not agree to any increase in the number. An amendment was proposed suggesting that the retirement age of Circuit Judges be 75 years instead of 70, in order to equalise the conditions of Circuit and High Court Judges in this respect. A suggestion by the chairman that the age in both cases be 72 is to be considered on the report stage. A plea that a pension not exceeding one-sixth of the salary be given to judges retiring through infirmity with under five years' service was opposed and withdrawn.

OBITUARY.

Mrs H. Doherty.

Many old friends in Clare and Limerick will regret to learn of the death, which occurred in this city on Tuesday, of Harriette, widow of Mr Wm Doherty, West End, Kilkee, and mother of Mr W O Doherty and Mr J T Doherty, of that town. The deceased, who had attained the age of 78 years, was a native of Rathkeale, and was connected with some old Limerick families. She was of an unassuming and retiring disposition, and very highly esteemed by all who knew her. Sincere sympathy is expressed with her relatives in their bereavement. The remains were removed to Kilkee yesterday, and the funeral took place to-day for the family burial ground, Kilfiragh.

Dr Hennessy, Galbally.

We regret to observe the announcement of the death of Dr W Hennessy, Galbally, which took place on Tuesday. He was a very popular gentleman and his demise is deeply regretted throughout a wide district, where he was familiarly known for many years. The late Dr Hennessy was for a term a valued member of the Limerick County Council.

LIMERICK STREETS—A VISITOR'S IMPRESSIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

SIR—I would like, through the medium of your journal, to express my opinion to the ruling authorities of Limerick upon the condition of the public roads, which are, in my estimation, in an unsatisfactory condition. Given due consideration, that the inclement weather will always account for a certain amount of mud, there is no reasonable excuse for the gutters of this town to resemble miniature quack-sands. I write this complaint as a visitor, which, I hope, will not hinder its reception, and doubtless I express the opinions of many residents, who, perchance, have more reason for complaint than I. Surely, with the amount of unemployed persons that one sees daily, this undesirable mud could be satisfactorily reduced, thereby making for the walking public the satisfaction that they have a Council which considers that "cleanliness is next

Waltzaway
Top Price beat Ballymaurice.
Homespun beat Lenin. 2 to 1
Frankfield beat Cash In. 6 to 1

IRISH PLAT

For 16 dogs beaten second
Nonin Beag beat Divided Nat
Nonin Beag.
Godetia beat Spotted Hawk.
Hawk.
Murphy's Double beat Quest
Question.
Brave Show beat Guiding St
Brave Show.
Rock Lass II a b, e; Last Hope
Ballyourreen a bye; Guiding H
Sporting Lad beat Lady Melb.
Melb.
Nice Words beat Red Spinner
Words.

COUNTY LIMERICK ASSOCIATION

Interesting Matters

A general meeting of the Farmers' Association was held at O'Connell Street, Limerick, on 8 Hogan, T.D. (Chairman) presiding. Branches were represented: William Quilty and James O'Connell—Messrs B Laffan, John McCole, Leonard, Ballagran—Mr Tim V Carron—Messrs J H Taylor and Fedamore—Mr P Clifford. Mr Barry. Banogue—Mr John Cole, Mes: ram O'Hartigan, T Nir, and Castleconnell—Mr M O'Reilly, Fitzgerald, Murros—Mr B Ryan—Mr W Maher Knockea—Mr S more—Mr P Knox, Kildimo—Patrickswell—Mr Edward So Messrs John Butler and D Twomey—Mr T Mullins.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Ministry for Home Affairs, London, is in possession of a leading receipt of the county Limerick Association calling for the Malicious Injuries Act and suggesting for the compulsory assurance holdings and other property. Mr M. F. O'Hanlon, General Secretary of the Limerick Farmers' Union, Dublin, in a communication from the Ministry for Home Affairs acknowledging receipt of the Limerick Farmers' Association in question of National Health Insurance. The letter from the Limerick Association follows—"At a general meeting of the Limerick Farmers' Association held on Saturday arising out of a discussion on National Health Insurance, several members present stated that labourers employed by them had had their deductions made from their wages for National Health Insurance, and threatened that employers insist in doing so. The facts, and seeing that it was the wish of the agricultural community in any part of the country to be provided to ask the Government to amend the Act so far as agricultural labour is concerned, you will do your utmost to be satisfied with the legislation introduced—Yours, Secretary."

FOYNES HARBOUR

The General Secretary, Farmer Hogan, T.D.