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CURRENT COMMENT.

A Standing Menace.

We have received letters from citizens complaining of the inaction of the Corporation in failing to remove what one correspondent describes as "a menace to pedestrians who use the Corkanree Bank as a promenade." At the entrance to the bank, close to St. Michael's Boathouse, there is a stagnant pool of water, from which emanates a dangerous odour. This nuisance has been allowed to remain there for a considerable time, and should be removed. It would be quite easy for the Corporation to fill in this pool with road refuse, and do away with what constitutes a danger to the health of the people who frequent this enjoyable promenade.

IRISH JOCKEY'S TRAGIC END.

A shocking fatality occurred at Limerick Junction on Thursday night. The dead body of John Burns, the well-known Irish jockey, was found on the line near the station. The head was severed from the trunk, and lay three yards away.

Deceased was apparently making his way to the station to join the night mail train to Dublin, when the fatality occurred, during shunting operations. A deep pool of blood marked the spot where he was killed.

Dr Morrissey, Coroner, held an inquest to-day at the Limerick Junction into the circumstances connected with the death of the deceased.

Evidence was given that deceased was 37 years, married, and a native of Kildare. He was last seen alive at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, and his decapitated remains discovered on the line at 11.50 p.m.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

PRESENTATION TO CITY JOURNALIST.

A pleasant function drew a large attendance of members of the Limerick Press Club on Saturday night, the occasion being the presentation of a testimonial, which took the form of a wallet, to Mr J J Mulqueen, "Limerick Echo," on the occasion of his marriage.

Mr W S Burke, President, in making the presentation spoke of Mr Mulqueen's many good qualities, as did also Mr J A Baldwin, Mr O O'Sullivan, Mr O O'Creghan, and others.

A pleasant musical reunion followed, songs being contributed by Messrs J Shannon, J A O'Sullivan, J Whelan, M Nestor, T Moloney, Ciaran O'Kelly, and W S Burke.

THE PADDOCKS ANNUAL SHEEP SALE

Mr Wm B Fitt held his annual sheep sale on last Tuesday, the entries being heavier than last year—348 lambs, 161 ewes, 65 rams, and 291 stores. There was a good attendance and trade worked out at market values, on an even basis. Best lots drew competition. Top lambs, 70s to 88s average; useful, 50s to 60s; maiden ewes, best, £4 to £4 16s; two and three-

Mr O'Sullivan stated that defendant got much as two hundred gallons a day from one the biggest and most respectable farmers in the locality, and the farmers would not supply milk if she were to insist on a guarantee. She supplied the milk as she got it.

A fine of 5s was imposed.

Another milk vendor, named O'Sullivan, was also fined 5s for exposing milk for sale which was deprived of 10 per cent. of its fat.

Denis Goggin, Henry street, prosecuted Thomas Dunbar, Secretary of the City Branch of the Insurance Agents Association for intimidation, besetting, and persistent following and threatening in connection with the picketing operations a consequence of the existing dispute between the Britannic Assurance Company and its employees.

Mr J B Gaffney, solicitor, appeared for complainant and Mr O E Brill, solicitor, for defendant.

Mr Flood said with the consent of the defendant he could deal with the case summarily. It was one under the Conspiracy Act.

Defendant agreed to accept the jurisdiction of the Court.

Mr Gaffney stated the case for the complainant at length, and said it arose out of the dispute which obtained at present and for some time past between the Britannic Assurance Company and some of their agents. The picketers in the course of such disputes were allowed a certain latitude to carry out picketing, and they were bound to do so within the law, which was that they were not to use violence or threats, or intimidation, of any sort to persons or individuals, or do injury to property. They were allowed privileges, among which were the use of peaceful persuasion and obtaining useful information. The defendant in this case, an agent named Harrison, exceeded the limits of the law in this dispute, and the complainant, who had to attend daily at his office, was followed by defendants on bicycles, he being on a bicycle himself. They rode on each side of him ringing bells, and Dunbar used the expressions "blackleg" and "blackleg" and threatened "to do in" the complainant. They kept up this practice at intervals during the day, and persistently followed and beset Mr Goggin.

Complainant and his wife bore out Mr Gaffney's statements.

The defence was that the picketing was carried on in an illegal manner, and was just by the fact that the complainant was collecting premiums from clients of the Company.

Mr Goggin said he only received money in the form of a premium, and in which there was a possibility of the lapse of the premium.

The accused was fined 40s and costs for besetting, and 20s and costs for intimidation and persistent following.

MR DE VALERA.

Mr De Valera will arrive in Limerick on Monday night on his way to Foynes, where he is to speak to-morrow. He has intimated that it is his wish that there should be nothing in the nature of a demonstration at Limerick, as he is only anxious to see the Mayor and a few friends.

Limerick County Council and Mr De Valera.

At a special meeting of the Limerick County Council to-day, Mr B Laffan, Chairman, presided. The other members present were:—Messrs Mackey, J Blackwell, David Naughton, J J Liam Wall, Patrick Ryan, John O'Michael Ryan, T Dillane, P J O'Connell, and Crawitch.

In accordance with notice of motion. Mr J