

# THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE TUESDAY

## Councillors Kidnapped.

### Annis Sensation.

Events marked a meeting of the District Council held on Saturday at 6 p.m. as read from Mr P. J. McNamara, of the Council, resigning his position as a member. A letter was also read from the Local Government accepting his resignation. It was stated that Mr McNamara's resignation had been accepted by the Council was defeated by a vote of 12 to 10.

J. T. Minihan, Termaclare, was proposed for the position, Mr John Roughan objected to his being proceeded with, on the ground that Mr Stephen Markham, a member of the Council, had been kidnapped.

It was stated that a revolver had been taken away in a motor-car. Mr Markham's breast, and by force had been taken away in a motor-car. Mr Higgins, vice-chairman, and several other members discussed the kidnapping.

Mr Grady proposed that the business be proceeded with and expressing his views.

Mr Mahon Lynch, solo, who appeared at the meeting, said another member had been kidnapped during the night, and an information was given by John Denis Moloney, Eonie, that Peter Monahan, Kilbricken, was kidnapped during the hours of midnight and 4 a.m. on the 27th, forcibly removed from his residence by unknown men, their object being to attend at the meeting.

Mr Higgins said one man had been kidnapped from the side, and it was as much one way as another. He proposed that the business be proceeded with.

The Council decided to co-opt a chairman. Some members objected to the co-option and election of a chairman, and the meeting was adjourned as a further protest. They considered to be illegal proceedings.

Mr Mahon Lynch was co-opted, and Mr M Higgins was elected chairman.

Mr Mahon Lynch was in Eonie at about noon on the 27th and was in the vicinity of the Council chamber while the meeting was in progress. However, he did not enter the Council chamber.

Mr Mahon Lynch was not released until late on the 27th.

## COUNTY LIMERICK MURDER.

### Old Man's Fate.

### Wounds Believed Inflicted with Spade.

"Wilful murder by some person or persons unknown," was the verdict returned at an inquest on Saturday evening concerning the death of John Brazill, aged about 88 years, who died on Saturday from the effects of wounds inflicted under mysterious circumstances on Thursday night at his residence, mid-way on the road between Killfinane and Kilmallock.

Brazill carried on a trade in groceries and sundries, and was last seen alive when attending to his business towards 9 p.m. on Thursday.

At ten o'clock, when a customer called for bread, he found the old man lying unconscious, with five wounds in the head. The yard attached to the out-offices was sprinkled with blood, and a little fowl-house or store-house presented the appearance of a shambler.

A spade, with which it is believed the wounds were inflicted, were found bearing traces of blood.

The victim never recovered consciousness, and succumbed to his injuries on Saturday.

Little light was thrown on the tragedy at the inquest. From the evidence it appears that no person was seen about Brazill's residence at the time the murder must have been committed.

The medical evidence showed that the old man's injuries could have been inflicted with the spade found at his residence.

The Coroner, Dr O'Leary, Hospital, expressed the hope that the perpetrators would be traced. It was very sad, he said, that such a crime should be committed in a civilized country.

The jury added a rider to their verdict expressing the hope that the people would aid the authorities to find the guilty party.

Superintendent Maguire, Limerick, Inspector Fleming, and the Civil Guard force are pursuing inquiries into the affair.

Suspicion exists that the deed was committed by a man of the tramp class.

## THE BOUNDARY

### TO-DAY'S EMERGENCY SESSION AT WESTMINSTER

### Meeting of Cabinet

London, Monday—The Cabinet met in Downing street this morning to consider the general procedure to follow at the emergency session to-morrow of the emergency session to deal with the Irish Boundary Bill. It was also understood the Ministers had had the outline of the speech which the Prime Minister will make in moving the second reading of the Bill. Mr Ramsay MacDonald presided at the Cabinet.

Writing on the situation last night the News Political Correspondent says:—

An interesting possibility is now being considered with reference to proceedings after the Bill has received the Royal assent. A movement is being shadowed to submit the Act as it will be passed to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council for the purpose of getting a definition of the purpose of the Boundary Commission. This proposal, if adopted, would arm the Government with the highest judicial opinion concerning the extent and limitations of the Commission's powers.

The brief session, which begins to-morrow afternoon, is for the sole purpose of dealing with the Irish Bill. It is, however, expected that the Speaker will to-morrow ask questions to be asked by private notice.

General legislation, apart from the Bill, will be dealt with until the emergency session which is fixed to open on October 28th.

## IRISH NATIONAL PILGRIMS TO LOURDES.

Between four and five thousand pilgrims from Ireland yesterday for Lourdes. Among several hundred invalids from all parts of the country who sailed by special steamer for Bordeaux.

The contingent of pilgrims from Limerick and county left en route for their destination.

## CLARE COUNTY COUNCIL.