

Barrington's, and its claims on a charitable public.

The question of the training of probationers for the nursing profession was alluded to at the meeting, and as one that at the moment calls for more than passing notice. The newly-formed Irish Nursing Council has drawn up regulations which require all such probationers to be trained in hospitals with a prescribed number of beds. Under the regulation Limerick hospitals are debarred in future from continuing this training, and especially Barrington's Hospital. This, as was pointed out yesterday, will entail a great hardship on the hospital, and the Governors have passed a resolution stating that the hospital will suffer great damage in the loss of its nursing school. The meaning of the regulation is that in future no probationer can be trained in the institution, and, financially, this will have an adverse effect on Limerick. The Governors have grasped the whole situation, and it is to be hoped that the representations about to be made to the Nursing Council will result in the Limerick hospitals being allowed to enjoy the privileges which have existed for very many years.

FUNERAL OF MR. T. WORRALL.

The remains of the late Mr Thomas Worrall, who passed away at his residence, South Circular Road, on Friday, after a protracted illness, took place on Sunday afternoon from St Michael's Catholic Church for Mount St Lawrence Cemetery, and was very large and representative. The deceased was an old member of the Typographical Society, and the whole of his business career was spent in the firm of Messrs. G. McKern & Sons, where he served his apprenticeship. He was highly esteemed by his employers, his fellow-craftsmen, and all who knew him, for his excellent traits of character and amiable disposition, and there is deep sympathy with his widow and relatives in their bereavement. In addition to a full attendance of the Typographical Society, the Ancient Order of Foresters (Court Sarsfield), of which he was a member for 30 years, were equally represented.

The clergy present were—Rev Father O'Carroll, Adm, St Michael's, and the Rev Father Harty, C.C., do.

The chief mourners were—Mrs Worrall (wife), Miss L. Worrall (daughter), Messrs Raymond, Pierce and Charles Worrall (sons), Pierce O'Sullivan and John Neville (brothers-in-law), and W. Butler (nephew).

The Dean seconded the motion, and said report was satisfactory. Expenditure had been greatly reduced, and everyone would concede that the hospital had been very well run. They were very capable medical, surgical, and nursing staff and their thanks were due to Dr Fogerty for the great interest he took in the hospital. A question of the training of probationer nurses was a very serious one, and it might be possible to establish co-operation with St John's in order that Limerick might be recognised as a centre for training nurses.

The Right Rev Dr White, in supporting the resolution, said that the care and attention bestowed by the staffs of the hospital were greatly appreciated. He thought a strong appeal should be made to the citizens for more generous support for the hospital.

Mr Murray said he should like to join in the welcome extended to the Most Rev Dr Keane, and trusted that they would always have the benefit of his advice and counsel at the Committee meetings. (Hear, hear.) The training of nurses was a most important question, and should be looked into very closely.

The Bishop, in putting the motion, which was passed, said the report generally was very satisfactory, there being only a difference of £40 in income and expenditure. He understood that there was a round-table conference with regard to the possibility of amalgamation of the Hospitals on the question of training probationer nurses.

On the motion of the Dean, Sir Charles Barrington and Dr Fogerty were re-elected hon. secretaries.

The outgoing Committee were unanimously re-appointed.

The following resolution was passed, on the motion of Mr Ryan:—"We request the Managing Committee to bring under the notice of the Irish Nursing Council the great damage resulting to the Hospital that the loss of a nursing school will entail."

Mr Murray was moved to the second chair, and on the proposition of Dr Fogerty, seconded by the Dean, a warm vote of thanks was tendered to the Most Rev Dr Keane for coming there to preside and for the interest he evinced in the working of the Hospital.

The meeting then separated.

COUNTY HEALTH APPOINTMENT.

At the meeting of the County Board of Health, Mr B. Laffan, Co. C. Chairman, presiding, a letter was read from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning the appointment of Mr Sean Clifford, Fedamsre, as Superintendent of Home Assistance Officers, at a salary of £300 a year on probation for a period of twelve months. Mr Clifford was unanimously selected to the position by the Health Board some time ago after it having been re-advertised owing to an informality.