

... for since yesterday the weather bright and calm, and the temperature above normal for this time of the forecast is that the storm centre pass northwards, leaving in its wake weather. It is to be hoped such will speedily set in as will have of drying up the lands, and a farmer to prepare for Spring from the point of gales and floods our weeks constitute a "record."

ER & LEINSTER BANK REPORT.

Increasing Prosperity

Fourth page appears the report and of the Munster and Leinster Bank, presented to the shareholders at a general meeting to be held in Cork instant. They afford ample evidence of the position which the institution has long held, many years past has been well maintained. Deposits and credit balances £23,504,070, as compared with £23,504,070 on 31st December, 1923, and on the 30th December, 1924. The during the last six months of the year, and it is not unreasonable to say that the greater part of the increase between the figures of December, 1923, and December, 1924, represents withdrawal of liquid assets to the National Bank, the present figure being 51.48 per cent. of deposits. The total of advances and loans has increased by £190,770 during the year—a fact which has not the clients of the bank have had to deal with generously during the past year. The net earnings during the year ending June, 1924, bring the profit to £141,742. Out of this sum have been transferred £50,000 to reserve for contingencies. The usual dividend at the rate of 20 per annum, less income tax, is recommended to be £37,708, leaving a balance of £103,033 to be carried to the next account. The reserve fund is the satisfactory total of £600,000, which exceeds the paid-up capital of the bank, have been opened at Queen's County and St. Patrick's County. The office, Skerries, Co. Dublin, and sub-branches have been opened at Ballinakill, Queen's County; County Cork, and Drumlish, County

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large house at the Coliseum each evening, the splendid performance by the Dramatic Society of "David Garrick" in a Pair of Spectacles. No one could have enjoyed an evening, and there is no doubt of seeing these plays up to next week. There was a matinee today at

children.

Sergeant J. Reidy, Castleconnell, deposed to searching the house of the accused on the 22nd November, and finding wearing apparel and books. He charged the accused, who made no statement, and took him into custody.

The accused was returned for trial to next Circuit Court in bails of £50, and two sureties of £25 each.

CORPORATION SHED RAIDED.

High Explosives Taken.

A shed at Lemo field Quarry, the property of the Limerick Corporation, was raided on Tuesday night, and 270 lbs of gelignite, 26 detonators, a tester and cable, stolen. The matter was reported to the Civil Guard Station, William street, yesterday, and enquiries are being made with a view to making the raiders amenable. Up to the present no arrests have been effected.

CITY SUDDEN DEATH.

A woman named Susan McGrath, of New Road, Thomondgate, was found dead in her house last evening. The deceased was seventy years of age and had been it is stated suffering from heart trouble. The Civil Guards at Mary street were acquainted with the circumstances, and as a result he did not consider it necessary to hold an enquiry.

DEATH OF MRS A LAFFAN.

The death, which we announce with regret, took place at her residence, Killonan, last night, of Mrs. Alice Laffan at an advanced age. The deceased lady was widow of the late Mr B Laffan, and mother of Mr Bartholomew Laffan, Chairman of the Limerick County Council. She was a very kindly and charitable lady, who enjoyed the friendship of a large number of friends in the city and county, and who will extend heartfelt sympathy to her son and the other members of her family in their sorrow. The funeral will take place from Monaleen Church after Requiem High Mass, on Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock, for Mount St. Laurence.

DEATH OF MRS D. MURPHY, TRALEE.

A Tralee correspondent writes—General regret is expressed in the district at the lamented death of Mrs. Murphy, relict of the late Mr Denis Murphy, of the Kerries, Tralee, who passed away this morning at the fine old age of 93 years. The deceased lady was held in the highest esteem by every member of the community, amongst which she spent her long and honoured life, and was endeared to all who knew her for her kindly and generous disposition, and her unbounded charity. The regret and sympathy of all classes are expressed with the surviving relatives of Mrs. Murphy, including her daughters who are members of religious orders, and those who are married to prominent residents in Tralee, Limerick, and elsewhere.

CONDOLENCE.

At the meeting of Kilkee Town Commissioners, the following resolution, proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr W. C. Doherty, was unanimously passed:—"Resolved—That we have heard with the greatest regret of the recent sad occurrence, whereby Mrs. A. H. Prossor lost his two daughters, who died within a few days of each other, and we respectfully tender Mr Doherty's

... that of Brures. The report also collection in the Kilmallock and B a very bad way.

A member—What will we say? Chairman—That the Council are doing their best to collect the rents are prevented by the District Justice not giving an opportunity to the Council.

After some further observations endorsement was made—"The District Justice not giving the Council officials an opportunity of collecting the rents by refusing to consider that the officials are doing so that tenants would be forced to should pay the rents of the cottages collect under the circumstances. A permanent collector for the Hospital in his resignation at once."

TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOUS PATIENTS.

Suggested City and County Scheme.

At a meeting of the Corporation Committee last night, a discussion relative to the establishment of a sanatorium in the city, as outlined in a recently submitted by Dr M. S. McGee, the Intendant Medical Officer of Health. The Committee decided to get into touch with the Limerick County Council with a view to formulating a joint scheme for the treatment of patients suffering from tuberculosis in the city and county.

LIMERICK FISHERY BOARD DEPUTATION FROM ALL FISHERMEN.

Dr. Scates presided at the meeting of the Limerick Board of Fishery Conservators yesterday. There were also present—Captain Mackey, A. Blood-Smyth, M.P., W. F. Pike, W. Forde, G. Hewson, and with H. Bindon Alton, secretary.

A deputation, consisting of Mr A. H. Scates and Captain Whitehead, was appointed to represent the Board at the forthcoming meeting to be held at Mallow, with a view to the proposals for embodiment in the new Fisheries Bill. A letter was read from the Deputation stating that no change could be made in the close season for fishing in the Shannon, as the Board could not take effect during the present year.

A deputation attended on behalf of the net fishermen stating that in consequence of employment in the city the greater number of their members did not earn a week's wages during the last fishing season. They requested that the same privilege be extended to net fishermen that is enjoyed by the other net fishermen that they be allowed to fish on the Letting. Mr Blood-Smyth said the Board had to accede to the request of the deputation suggested that the Minister of Fisheries be requested, under the powers vested in him, to comply with the application of the deputation for the reasons mentioned, pending the inquiry by the Board in its resolution of September, 1924.

Mr Mackey proposed, and Captain V. seconded, that the application be sent forward to the Ministry for sanction.