

representative attendance at the meeting held in the Town Hall yesterday afternoon, under the presidency of Dr Fogerty, for the purpose of taking steps to form a Public Utility Society in Limerick with a view to the erection of houses for the working classes. The fact that 2,000 so called dwellings in the city have been condemned as unfit for human habitation, leaves nothing to be said, or what has been said again and again, as to the great and urgent need for remedying the evil so long existing in our midst, one that constitutes a menace to the public health and the upbringing of the rising generation. The Government has offered £100 grant per house with a view to speeding up building construction, and it is to be hoped it will be found possible to avail of it in Limerick, as is being done in other centres where Utility Societies are accomplishing really good work for the country. Of course the economic aspect of the problem has to be carefully considered—the cost of construction, the rent that can be paid, and such like matters, before a definite scheme can be evolved. These points were elucidated and discussed in a practical manner at yesterday's meeting, and further developments will be awaited with keen interest by the citizens. Meanwhile the meeting is to be congratulated on starting a movement which must strongly appeal to the hearty sympathy and support of the local public.

## FUNERAL OF MRS K. de COURCY.

The remains of the late Mrs Kathleen de Courcy were interred this morning in Mount St Lawrence Cemetery after Requiem Mass in St Michael's Church at 10 o'clock. The funeral was of a large and representative character, and was a fitting testimony to the respect in which the deceased lady was held in the city, and manifested the sympathy felt for her family in their sorrow.

The chief mourners were—Miss de Courcy (daughter); Mr Robert W. de Courcy, C.E., Mayor of Limerick; Mr M. J. de Courcy, Dublin; and Mr John S de Courcy, Sligo (sons); Dr A. A. Green, Resident Medical Superintendent, Civil Mental Hospital (nephew); Mr E Lloyd (son-in-law); Mr John de Courcy, senior, Mr John de Courcy, junior, Mr L Lawless, C.E., Dublin, Mr W M Nolan, Town Clerk, Limerick, Miss Allen and Mr W Allen, C.E., Ennis (relatives).

The officiating clergy were the Rev Fr Hannon, O.C., St Michael's, and Rev Dr Cooper, O.C., do.

The City Sword Bearer and Sergeants at-Mace marched in the funeral, as well as members of the Corporation and the municipal officials.

### Corporation Committee's Sympathy.

Mr John Cronin presided at the meeting of the Cleansing and Repairing Committee last night, which were adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mrs K de Courcy, mother of the Mayor (Councillor R W de Courcy), to whom a vote of condolence was passed in his bereavement.

Similar action (as reported in another column) was taken at the meeting of the Limerick Mental Hospital Committee yesterday.

Eventually the following resolution, proposed by Mr J Davern, and seconded by Ald Casey, was adopted:—"Resolved, that this representative meeting of Limerick citizens unanimously recommend the formation of a Public Utility Society, so as to take full advantage of the free grant of £100 per house offered by the Government, and we herewith appoint the following sub-committee—Dr Fogerty, Messrs Stevenson, Loughrey, Molloy, Sheehan, O'Connell, and Cronin, to consider all the aspects of the scheme and report to next meeting."

## ROSCREA BANK ROBBERY.

### Three Men Charged and Remanded.

At Roscrea District Court on Monday, before District Justice Meagher, the men Peters, McCarthy, and O'Brien were again remanded, in custody, in connection with the robbery of £10,672 from the Roscrea branch of the Bank of Ireland, for eight days, after the deposition of the driver of the motor-car and the bank officials had been taken.

Joseph Power, driver of the car, identified Michael O'Brien and John McCarthy as two of the three men he drove from Maryboro to Roscrea on the date of the robbery.

After the court the prisoners were conveyed under a heavy military escort to Limerick jail.

## THE GAILETY.

"Live Sparks," a shock-a-minute romance of a human dynamo, featuring Warren Kerrigan and Fritz Brunette, is a romantic story of the Texas oilfields, full of excitement, humour, and thrills. This picture is showing at the Galety on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and should not be missed.

On Monday next "This Woman," the story that made New York's Society tremble for its reputation, will be screened. A prima donna literally plucked up out of the gutter sounds like wild romance. Actually this represents the amazing history of "This Woman." Don't miss it.

"Only 38," an inspiring picture of mingled comedy and pathos of a mother who thought herself too old to heed the call of romance, is billed for Thursday and following days. The complications which arise from her many endeavours to find happiness furnish the situations of the story.

Watch the "Chronicle" every Thursday for coming pictures, with short synopsis. It will repay you.

## DEARER MOTOR TYRES.

### Increased Price of Raw Rubber.

The price of all Dunlop motor tyres will be increased to-day by a figure averaging 10 per cent on the prices ruling yesterday, while the price of inner tubes will be raised a little more than 10 per cent, says "The Times," of Wednesday.

This decision has been come to, it is stated, owing to the steady increase of the price of raw rubber, which has been creeping upward for a long period. The last variation in the price of Dunlop tyres was over a year ago, and then took the form of a reduction. The price of raw rubber was then 11d a pound, it was stated, and it has now touched 2s 5d a pound. The price of tyres on the Continent has been increased twice within the period since the last reduction, and the chairman of another rubber tyre company ex-

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