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COUNTY LIMERICK HUNTING TRAGEDY.

Army Major's Death.

While hunting with the County Limerick hounds near Mount Brown, Rathkeale, on the 17th instant, Major Sikes in negotiating a stiff fence was thrown heavily from his horse which was killed. Major Sikes as a result of his fall sustained severe head injuries, and in addition received a dislocation of the left shoulder, a wound in the left thigh, and a fractured rib. He was removed in an unconscious condition to Barrington's Hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries yesterday morning.

The late Major Sikes, who was 48 years of age and married, was staying at the Dunraven Arms Hotel, Adare, for the hunting season, and his death has been learned with deep regret by the members of the Co Limerick Hunt, with whom he was very popular. He resided at Hailstones, Crickle-dale, Wiltshire, and belonged originally to Buttevant, Co. Cork. He served through the European War, and before joining up he was engaged in tea planting in China. Major Sikes was an intrepid rider to hounds and a successful competitor at point-to-point races.

ARTS AND CRAFTS.

Exhibition at Limerick Technical Institute.

An Exhibition will be held in the Municipal Technical Institute on the 24th, 25th, and 26th March. The Institute will be open to the public on each of these evenings from 7.30 to 10 p.m. The Exhibition is being arranged to give the general public an opportunity of seeing the work of the Institute and its connection with local and national affairs. There will be interesting demonstrations and experiments in the workshop and laboratories, and a comprehensive display of students' work. An effort will be made to illustrate the facilities and equipment available for instruction in the following departments:—Commerce, Mechanical and Motor Car Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Telegraphy, Building Construction, Carpentry and Joinery, Cabinet-making, Plumbing, Printing, Painting and Decorating, Chemistry, Domestic Economy, Pure and Applied Art. It is hoped that the

LIMERICK COUNTY LABOUR SCHEME.

More Scenes at Council Meeting

The disorderly scenes which characterised the meeting of the Limerick County Council three weeks ago, when the labourers, by their interruptions of the proceedings, caused the adjournment of the meeting, were renewed to-day.

The meeting was called to deal with, among other business, the question of adopting a new scheme of direct labour on the roads. Under the scheme it was proposed to dispense with foremen and surface men, and to employ gangers at 7s a day, in addition to the employment of whole-time deputy county surveyors.

Mr J. Bourke, Chairman, presided, and there was a full attendance of members.

When the findings of the Road Committee were presented, Mr J. McCormack proposed the adoption, which was seconded by Mr E. L. Lloyd.

Mr (George O'Callaghan ridiculed the Committee findings, and said the new scheme of direct labour as proposed meant the eviction of a large number of men.

Mr M. Quinlan suggested that the matter be adjourned until the Council had an opportunity of examining the financial provisions of the scheme.

Mr O'Callaghan concurred, and a new proposition was made by Mr G. C. Bennett to employ eight gangers on the roads.

Mr O'Callaghan protested, and said—"We are anxious for peace, but we will go the whole hog now." (Cheers.)

A little later in the discussion the labourers on the side the barrier became very demonstrative. Above the din expressions like "We will give the bullet again" could be heard, and the Chairman repeatedly called for order, which was denied him. He then threatened to have the chamber cleared by the Civic Guards outside the building, still he was denied a hearing. The booing and shouting became even fiercer, and when Mr O'Sullivan commenced to speak he was greeted with a regular tornado of abuse, as were other members of the Council.

Efforts to allay the storm were momentarily successful, and the Chairman again threatened to clear the chamber.

Eventually in a quieter atmosphere Mr O'Callaghan proposed the rejection of the Road Committee's report, which was seconded by Mr O'Connor, and on a poll the report was carried 15 to 13.

THE CHURCH.

Sunday Services.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.—2nd Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion at 11 a.m. Matins:—Processional H. 540; Venite, Ouseley in E; Psalm 132, Goss in One Lesson; Benedictus, Barnby in D; Litany, Barnby; Anthem (Air) and refrain to Hymn Kyrie-Credo, Garrett in D; Hymn, 566; Prea the Dean. Evensong, 3.30:—Psalm 137, Bhill, A minor; Service, Goss in A; Anthem and verse 1, Hymn 317; Hymns, 114 and