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Divine guidance, and he would now call upon the Secretary to read any correspondence he had received, and the annual report. (Applause).

Letters of apology for inability to attend the meeting were read from the Bishop of Killaloe, Mrs Gerald Goodbody, and Mrs Norman Goodbody, who stated they would be pleased to take a stall at a bazaar if it was decided to hold one, and from Mr W. Holliday, who enclosed a subscription, and added that as he could not attend the Committee meetings, he suggested that his son, Mr E. C. Holliday, should take his place on that body.

Rev. Treasurer Abbott, Secretary, read the report, and mentioned that that was his twenty-third annual report as Secretary. Since his appointment twenty-seven members, who were on the Committee had passed away.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The ninety-third annual report of the County Limerick Protestant Orphan Society shows that, though the Society is rapidly approaching its Centenary, yet, it is still as vigorous and energetic as ever in the work of relieving those who, through no fault of their own, have had to seek the assistance of the Society.

During the past year 8 children were removed from our care; one, we regret to say, by death, two were placed in situations, two were taken by their mother, as they were over age, and the mother was able to provide for them, one left Limerick, one was admitted to the Masonic School in Dublin, and, in another case the mother, having married again, was in a position to support her child without our aid.

Two children were admitted during the year, and the number under our charge in February, 1926, was 40. Four of these are serving their apprenticeships to different trades.

One of our orphan girls had to be sent to the Stewart Institution in Dublin, and we hereby tender our sincere thanks to all the subscribers to that institution who gave their votes on behalf of this girl. The Society is partly responsible for her support, but the County Limerick Board of Health have also undertaken to pay a certain amount per annum.

In looking back through the old reports it is interesting to note that in the early years of the Society, before the building of the Orphan Hall, the annual meetings were held in the Primitive Wesleyan Chapel in Bedford Row; then in the Philosophical Society's house in Glentworth-street, and in other years in the Music Hall, Henry-street, the Theatre of Arts, Henry-street, and for several years in the old Theatre Royal. All these places have either ceased to exist or else have changed their characters entirely, but the Orphan Society has continued on its course true to the original purpose of its founders.

Our accounts show that there has been a slight improvement in the state of our finances.

We began the year 1925 with a debit balance of £1,275 9s 9d, and after payment of all accounts due to date, we closed the year with a debit of £1,089 7s 1d.

The expenses for 1925, excluding the debit from 1924, amounted to £922 12s 2d, and the receipts amounted to £1,108 14s 10d.

The interest from endowments was larger than usual owing to the fact that we received one quarter's dividend on Consols and India Stock before the sale of these securities, and the full year's dividend on the stocks purchased.

At the last annual meeting it was decided not to hold a bazaar in 1925, and it was proposed that a special effort should be made to secure increased subscriptions in all the parishes in the county. This effort proved very successful, and the sum of £202 12s 2d was received from the

OBITUARY.

Mr. George Hare.

We regret to record the death of Mr. George Hare, which occurred at his residence, Ballinacurra Terrace, on Tuesday evening. Mr. Hare had been in delicate health for a considerable time past, but hopes were entertained for his ultimate recovery. He was a man of a most kindly, courteous, and retiring disposition, and was held in affectionate regard and esteem by a wide circle of friends in Limerick and Clare, and indeed far outside these counties, as his commercial pursuits brought him into personal touch with various parts of the south of Ireland. In his younger days he took a keen interest in sport, particularly in coursing, and he was one of the oldest members of the Limerick Coursing Club. A gloom has been cast over the Ballinacurra district at the demise of an old resident, one who was always ready to join in any scheme for the benefit of that locality. Deep sympathy is expressed with his widow and family in the loss of a loving husband and father. The remains were removed last evening at seven o'clock to St. Michael's Catholic Church, and despite the inclemency of the weather, there was a large and representative attendance. The coffin was strewn with beautiful wreaths, sent by the Coursing Club and many friends of the deceased. The funeral took place this afternoon to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated this morning at a quarter to ten o'clock. The celebrant was Rev. Fr. Fitzpatrick; deacon, Rev. Fr. Moriarty; sub-deacon, Rev. Fr. Aidan, O.F.M., Guardian, Athlone; master of ceremonies, Rev. Fr. Hannon, Adm., St. Michael's. In the choir—Very Rev. Canon Bourke, P.P., Clarecastle; Rev. P. Thornhill, St. Michael's; Rev. Fr. Harty, do.; Rev. M. McGrath.

The chief mourners were—Gerard, Vincent, Betty, and Aidan Hare (children of the deceased); Rev. M. McGrath (brother-in-law); Rev. Fr. Aidan, Mrs Hayes, Mrs Byrne, Mrs McGrath, Patrick Byrne, George Roberts, Dr. Roberts (cousins).

The clergy mentioned above were present at the funeral, which was large and representative.

Father Aidan Roberts officiated at the graveside.

Mr. Jack McDonogh.

The death, which we announce with sincere regret, of Mr Jack McDonogh, took place yesterday at 17 Barrington-street, after an illness of some duration. He was the fifth son of the late Mr Patrick McDonogh, proprietor of the Henry street Posting Establishment, and he himself took part in the motor section of the business. He was a keen follower of hounds, and his amiable and courteous disposition made him most popular with all who knew him. Cut off in the bloom of youth at the age of 21 years, his demise is deeply mourned, and deep sympathy is extended to his mother and relatives in their keen sorrow. The funeral arrangements appear in the obituary notice elsewhere in our columns.

Captain R. S. Connolly.

We regret to record the death, which occurred rather unexpectedly yesterday at Newbridge, where he had been on a visit to his sisters, of Captain R. S. Connolly, Commander R.N.R., of the merchant service. He had been home from Rangoon. He was a son of the Rev. R. J. C. Connolly, for many years Rector of Shanagolden and Loughill, and with whom and the other relatives the sympathy of many friends will be extended. The interment, it is stated, will take place at Shanagolden to-morrow.

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Won by 3 lengths.

BRANDON 3-Y-O H'CAP.

Karra (Elliott) ... 1
Willow Stream (Childs) ... 2
Bel Respero (E. Roberts) ... 3
Also ran—Sonatina, Donnina, Bucene, Urgent, Pamperer, Longest, Golden Broom, Hey Presto, Bachelor's Fun, Tide, Glen Tree, Bloodhound and Justinian.
Winner trained by J. Jarvis.
Betting—9 to 2 agst Donnina, 5 to 1 Hey Presto and Karra, 6 to 1 Pamperer, Willow Pattern, Urgent, 10 to 1 Sonatina, 100 to 7 others.
Won by half a length.

CRAVEN STAKES.

Harpagon (Elliott) ... 1
Booklet (R. Jones) ... 2
Gay Lothario (Thwaites) ... 3
Also ran—Comedy King, Pharan, Sunny View, Obdurate, Right Angle, Onward, Battle Line, and Grassmoor.
Winner trained by J. Jarvis.
Betting—11 to 8 agst Booklet, 3 to 1 Harpagon, 11 to 2 Gay Lothario, 7 to 1 Comedy King, 100 to 8 Pharan, Grassmoor, 20 to 1 others.
Won by half a length.

MAIDEN 2-Y-O STAKES.

Endowment (J. Childs) ... 1
Ninon (J. Leach) ... 2
Private Property (Jelliss) ... 3
Also ran—Star of Dawn, Summer Sea, Lemin, Tickletoe, Phœbus Apollo, Golden Prospect, Blencathra, Merchant's Elag, Bybrook, Ca' Canny, Bell Rock, Olive Dun, Hush Money, and Father Holt.
Winner trained by F. Darling.
Betting—13 to 8 agst Endowment, 9 to 2 Bell Rock, 5 to 1 Tickletoe, 8 to 1 Private Property, 10 to 1 Ninon, Golden Prospect, 100 to 7 others.
Won by 2 lengths.

APRIL STAKES.

Darya Mahal (Dempsey) ... 1
Brian Water (H. Leach) ... 2
Spontoon (R. Stokes) ... 3
Also ran—Nice Child, Gum Dragon, and The Miller.
Winner trained by R. Dawson.
Betting—2 to 1 agst Spontoon and Brian Water, 5 to 1 Darya Mahal, 6 to 1 The Miller, 100 to 8 others.
Won by 3 lengths.

CHELTENHAM MEETING.

SOUTHAM HURDLE.

Merry Lad (Speck) ... 1
Herod Philip (J. Hogan) ... 2
Beyrob (W. Parvin) ... 3
Also ran—Ilderton, Furious, Verneuil II, Master of Arts, Lord Offaly, Babu, and Anniversary.
Winner trained by owner.
Betting—7 to 2 Lord Offaly, 4 to 1 Herod Philip, 9 to 2 Merry Lad, 11 to 2 Ilderton, 6 to 1 Beyrob and Verneuil, 100 to 7 others.
Won by 2 lengths.

SWINDON CHASE.

Coxhill (J. Maher) ... 1
Pride of Manister (Rayson) ... 2
Ellaton (F. Gurney) ... 3
Also ran—Glass Island, Limerick Lad, Prudhomme, Charlwash, Suitus.
Winner trained by owner.
Betting—7 to 4 Prudhomme, 4 to 1 Charlwash, 5 to 1 Glass Island and Ellaton, 7 to 1 Coxhill, 10 to 1 others.
Won by ten lengths.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE HURDLE.

Tamasha (J. Hogan) ... 1
Mizzen Mast (Burford) ... 2
Sea Scout (T. Leader) ... 3
Also ran—Soulector, Le Vertige.
Winner trained by Bennett.
Betting—6 to 4 Tamasha, 3 to 1 Sea Scout, 4 to 1 Mizzen Mast and Soulector, 100 to 8 Le Vertige.
Won by 6 lengths.