

industry. That is generally known and admitted, but it will be new to many people to learn that of our total exports last year, amounting to forty-three millions sterling, agricultural products alone accounted for no less than thirty-two millions of that colossal sum. So that Mr Hogan's conclusions, after a careful study of the problem, are of the greatest importance to the welfare of our leading National industry.

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## SAILOR DROWNED

### In Limerick Docks.

Abraham Van Denochvend, a Dutch sailor, was drowned in the Docks basin on Sunday evening while bathing. It appears that the deceased and two others of the crew of the "Bellatrix," plunged into the water about seven o'clock, the weather being warm at the time. The deceased, unlike the others, went off the steps leading down to the water, and after diving he did not reappear. His comrades became alarmed, and a search was made, but it was half an hour later when the lifeless body came to the surface. It is presumed that in diving deceased must have struck his head against some submerged object. The deceased was a native of Rotterdam, and thirty-five years of age.

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### The Inquest.

An inquest was held last evening by Coroner McNeice. Sergeant J. Rabbit conducted the proceedings.

Cornelius Spuy, Master of the "Bellatrix," identified the remains. Deceased was 34, and was a married man.

Dr W. P. Dundon, Resident Surgeon, Barrington's Hospital, deposed that death was due to asphyxia, caused by drowning.

Thomas Hassett deposed to observing two members of the crew dive from the deck of the vessel. A third member attempted to dive, but did not do so; deceased then went to the slip, and suddenly toppled into the water. Witness heard a thud as if deceased had struck against a small vessel adjacent to his. The body did not come to the surface until forty minutes later, when it floated. The other two members of the crew did everything possible to save deceased.

A verdict in accordance with the medical evidence was returned.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

EARL OF DUNRAVEN, THE FOLLOWING in silence:—"We beg to tender to Ardee and other members of the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of our worthy patron, the Earl of It is to him we owe our gratitude ing and giving to us this beautiful which goes to show how deeply his lordship was in the welfare employes and the inhabitants of general. Words fail to express we mourn his loss, as his kin generosity to us can never be forg

The Committee of the Limerick Free Library and Museum has following:—"That we desire to record our deepest regret at the death of the Earl of Dunraven, K.P., who was benefactor to this institution, and tender our heartfelt sympathy to his and the other relatives of the nobleman."

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### The Funeral.

At half-past three to-day the late lamented Earl of Dunraven's funeral took place from the Chapel of St. Adare. Throughout the forenoon numbers of people from the surrounding villages began to assemble in the village square for the last sad rites, and were supplemented as time approached for the removal of the remains by residents of the city and county. A representative public men from several parts of Ireland. In Adare, which has been in mourning since the passing away of the late Earl and benefactor, the day was observed by general mourning. Every house had its blinds drawn as a token of respect. A void created by the death of the late Earl was self-evident in the demeanour of the people. It was a sorrowful day, and the note of sadness that pervaded the locality was accentuated by the intermittent knelling of the church bells. All this was only fitting and appropriate, and it exemplified the sorrow felt at the death of a distinguished figure, and a nobleman. Punctual to time the funeral cortege were borne out of the Manor and Chapel of St. Adare farm bogey float, drawn by a pair of horses. This was the same vehicle utilized some years ago to convey the remains of the late Countess to their final resting place. The coffin had not been in use since, and in the afternoon it was conceived to the fullest the simplicity of the late Peer. The funeral procession formed up, and reached the church at half past four.

At the entrance they were met by the officiating clergy—the Bishop of Down, Right Rev. Dr. White; the Chancellor Swain, the Bishop's Secretary, and Rev. Canon Orpen, Rector of St. Adare. As the coffin, on which was