

True, he has not arrived at that conclusion himself, but is acting on the advice of a board of technical financial advisers. So he stated at the conference at which he spoke at the Town Hall. The Secretary of the Harbour Board, who must be considered as an authority, holds a contrary view, and specifically averred at yesterday's meeting that the Harbour Board had shown its ability to meet future indebtedness, both in relation to the railway and docks extension. However, the question is still in the melting pot, and that being the case, it is only to be hoped that this indispensable adjunct to the future greatness of the port of Limerick will be carried through.

## LIMERICK FATALITIES

### City Labourer Killed.

A distressing fatality occurred at the docks this morning, the victim being Francis Hogan, aged 25 years, and stated to be a married man, resident in Thomondgate. The deceased was employed by Messrs Siemens Bauunion, contractors of the Shannon Power Scheme, and at a short time after eight o'clock he was engaged in loading a heavy lorry with trailer attached at the north side of the dock basin. He was in the act of lifting a piece of timber when he was struck by the trailer and knocked down, one of the wheels passing over the head, causing practically instantaneous death. A priest and doctor were quickly on the scene, but the unfortunate man was then beyond human aid. The body was later removed in the Fire Brigade ambulance to the morgue of Barrington's Hospital, pending an inquest being held.

### Another Labourer Killed.

Another shocking accident occurred in the city to-day, when a labourer named Michael Mulcahy, Watergate, lost his life. The deceased, it appears, was riding in a motor lorry to which was attached a trailer, and at the Crescent he jumped off and fell, with the result that one of the wheels of the trailer passed over him. When taken up it was found that he was seriously injured, and having been spiritually attended to, he was removed in the Fire Brigade ambulance to Barrington's Hospital, where he succumbed soon after admission. The deceased was 35 years of age, and leaves a wife and children to mourn his tragic end.

were found fishing during the weekly close season by Guard Whyte. They used a wire netting for the purpose, and were in the river when seen by the Guard, who pursued and overhauled them.

## DEATH OF MR. R. T. ORPEN.

The death, which we announce with regret, took place on Sunday last in the Barbadoes, West Indies, of Mr Richard Theodore Orpen at the early age of fifty-six years. The deceased gentleman was barrister-at-law, and occupied the position of Chief Justice of the Barbadoes, to which he was appointed some years ago. He was eldest son of the Right Rev Dr Orpen, former Bishop of Limerick and Ardfer, and brother of the Rev Canon Orpen, Adare, to whom and the other members of the family sincere sympathy will be extended in their sorrow.

## CITY'S POPULATION INCREASED.

It is understood that the census returns taken in the Saorstat this year will be published in the course of a few weeks. While nothing in the way of an official statement is yet available, it is learned that the returns will show an increase in the population of the City of Limerick, as well as in the County, particularly in the liberties. The population of the city according to the 1911 census was returned at 38,518, which has now been increased to a figure that brings the population up to, if not exceeding, 40,000. In 1911 Limerick was one of the few places that had an increase of something in the region of 500 or so.

## MR. DE VALERA IN LIMERICK.

### Fianna Fail.

Mr De Valera held a conference in Limerick on Saturday afternoon, in Geary's Hotel, of his supporters representing the areas of Bruff, Kilmallock, Castleconnell, and other centres in East Limerick. As he entered the hall, Mr De Valera was enthusiastically received by the large number of delegates present.

The proceedings were conducted in private, but later a statement was issued stating that Mr De Valera had explained the policy of Fianna Fail and answered a number of questions relating thereto. The conference decided the representatives present should in their own areas on their return organise and arrange for a conference of delegates at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 28th August, at Geary's Hotel, to put the organisation on a permanent footing.

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