

should place on record their deepest regret at the loss of their colleague, Mr James Ledden, T.D., and to convey to his relatives the sympathy of the people of East Limerick. Messrs. R. O'Connell, T.D., and J. A. Smyth, P.C., associated themselves with the motion which was passed in silence.

Limerick No. 2 Branch N.U.R. voted sympathy with Mr John Ledden, Chief Clerk goods department, G.S.R., brother of the deceased.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT BALLYSIMON.

A man named Michael Foley, aged about 75, living near Singland Bridge with his son and daughter-in-law, was crossing the line about a couple hundred yards from his own house yesterday, when he was run down by a train due in Limerick from Ennis at 3.37, and was killed instantly. The body was removed by the Corporation Fire Brigade ambulance to Barrington's Hospital pending an inquest by the County Coroner.

HOCKEY.

The Church Lads' Brigade are travelling next Saturday to play Killinaule at their grounds for the North Munster Hockey Cup. The team is as follows—T. Tripp (goal), W. Smith and O. Roulston (full backs), J. Stockil, N. Cowpar, V. Stockil (half backs), C. Ormston, J. Ormston, D. Stockil, D. Smith, T. Christy (capt.), (forwards).

L.P.Y.M.A. v. Church Lads' Brigade.

Played at Farranshone grounds on Saturday last. Result:—

Limerick P.Y.M.A. 6 goals

Church Lads' Brigade 4 goals

The following scored for C.L.B.—D. Stockil (2), J. Ormston (1), W. Smith (1).

RUNAWAY HORSE.

On Tuesday evening a horse attached to a van, at the cross of William street, suddenly took flight, and would, no doubt, have caused damage to person or property but for the plucky action of Guard Joseph Kennedy, who took up the chase, and brought the runaway to a standstill.

CONDOLENCE.

At a meeting of the staff of the Technical Institute last night, Mr. Toomey, Principal, presiding, a vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. James McMahon, N.T., one of the teachers in the Institute, on the death of his wife.

Miss Nestor is now showing New Spring Goods including Costumes, Jumper Suits, Hats, Frocks, etc. 1 Patrick Street.

you replied to that?

Mr Davison—Yes.

The Inspector—Was preference given those men?

Mr Davison—Preference is a horn word, but there is such a thing as capable quarrymen, and the output of the Servicemen was not sufficient.

Proceeding, Mr Davison stated the reason why any of the roads was defective was due to a policy of economy by the Council. The assistant surveyors should, in his opinion, measure up, do a certain kind of design and estimate what the roads should cost one year compared with another year.

The Inspector—I put it to you that the supervision required for road work is very slight, when compared with the skill needed in the making and reconditioning of the roads?

The witness—I would say so.

The Inspector—Do you think it is part of the function of the County Council to provide work for the unemployed of the county?

The witness—I think it is my duty where a number of men are dependent on me, to try by every reasonable means to procure employment for them.

The County Surveyor for the western division, Mr T. F. Ryan, recalled, was examined by the Inspector regarding grants from the Road Board. At one time there was a difficulty about the wages stipulated by the Ministry being accepted. The workers refused to accept a wage of 28s a week, and some of the Council were of opinion it was too low. There was a lot of controversy, and ultimately the Ministry agreed to increase the wage to 30s a week, adding that if the workers and Council did not agree to this figure they would withhold the grant.

The Inspector mentioned that he had received a number of letters containing various complaints, and he had written such parties offering them facilities to attend the inquiry. If such parties did not come there and give evidence he could not take any notice of what they said in private letters to him.

Mr M. J. Hassett, secretary to the Board of Public Health and Assistance for County Limerick, was examined, and gave evidence of the procedure adopted in budgeting the two institutions under the control of those bodies—the County Hospital and County Home. The County Council pay such demands, though they might be a month or so behind the stipulated time in doing so. He could not say that such demands caused any inconvenience to the institutions mentioned. In respect of the demand for the County Hospital for 1926-27, amounting to £6,000, a sum of £4,500 was still due and out of the demand of £15,000 for the County Home for the same period a sum of £7,250 was still due.