

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Correspondents sending in letters or reports for publication in Saturday's "Chronicle," and these should be brief, are requested to let us have them on Fridays, where at all possible. Otherwise insertion in Saturday's issue cannot, owing to pressure of space, be guaranteed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers will kindly send in all substitutes or standing advertisements on Friday morning. We cannot guarantee to insert in Saturday's issue any advertisement received after 2 p.m. on that day.

THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

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RE-AFFORESTATION.

The subject of re-afforestation is an oft-recurring one, so far as schemes of reconstruction in Ireland are concerned, but judging by a circular which has just been issued by the Free State Department of Lands and Agriculture, the Government has embarked on a forward policy which will meet with general approval. As everyone knows the European War largely denuded the country of its timber, leaving large and bare areas, which are of no practical use for any other purpose except that of tree-planting. And, again, there are wastes along the mountain side which, by afforestation, could be turned into a valuable asset, as well as enhancing the beauties and the amenities of the surroundings. All this has been said again and again in support of re-afforestation, which, besides its utilitarian, has its aesthetic side. Therefore, the renewal of our woodlands is a matter that cannot but be beneficial to the individual as well as to the State. The circular from the Forestry Section states the Department is prepared to acquire by purchase or lease lands of low agricultural value, or rough mountain grazing land for tree-planting. It is pointed out that only compact blocks of land are capable of being worked economically, and an area of some 300 acres in each take is suggested. The letter was read at the meeting of the Rathdown Rural District Council this week. It was observed by Dr. Neary that all the famous health resorts of the world seem to find them-

TWO MOTOR CYCLISTS
INJURED.

Collision With Motor Van.

A collision occurred on the trunk road between Annacotty and Lisnagry on Thursday night, in which a motor cyclist named Francis Fitzgerald, Queen Street, Nenagh, and his passenger Alphonsus Hussey, Barrack Street, Nenagh, sustained injuries. They were returning home from the city at six o'clock, after attending a football match, when they collided with a Dublin commercial van travelling in the opposite direction. In the impact the cycle and combination car were smashed, and Fitzgerald received serious internal injuries, while his companion escaped with injuries of a less serious character. Both were removed to Barrington's Hospital, where they were detained by the House Surgeon. Enquiry made yesterday showed that Fitzgerald's condition was critical, and that Hussey has practically recovered.

A Fatal Result.

Mr Fitzgerald succumbed to his injuries last night.

The Inquest.

An inquest was opened in the boardroom of Barrington's to-day by Mr J. S. McNeice, City Coroner, and a jury, into the circumstances under which deceased met his death.

Superintendent Tobin, Pallas, conducted the enquiry. Mr J. O'Brien, solicitor, Nenagh, represented the next of kin of the deceased.

Mr J. S. Gaffney, solicitor, appeared for the driver of the motor van.

Evidence of identification was given by Michael Flannery, Nenagh, who stated that deceased was 29 years of age, and married. He had three children, and no occupation.

The Coroner said that was all the evidence that would be given for the present, in view of the proceedings which, he understood, were pending against the driver of the van. Dr. Dundon, House Surgeon, Barrington's Hospital, had informed him as well that it was necessary to have a post-mortem on the body in order to ascertain the exact cause of death. Accordingly he (Coroner) had directed a post-mortem examination to be made.

Mr O'Brien—To what date will you adjourn the inquest?

The Coroner—That will depend on when the legal proceedings will take place.

Superintendent Tobin said the case against the driver—a charge of manslaughter—would come before the District Justice at the next Liberties Court, the second Wednesday in November.

The Coroner—That being so, I will adjourn this inquest for a month, and the jurors will be notified when their attendance is required.

MR DE VALERA AS
ANNUITIES QUESTIONS

Mr W. H. Harland, Trust Agent in Ireland of the "Fin" in a message from Dublin says

I have just received from Mr De Valera replies to the questions put to him for the reassurance of investors regarding the attitude of himself and his Government (Fianna Fail) towards the financial obligations of the Government. The questions are given in full below.

Question—Would you recognize the existing National Loan, and would you loan to be floated by the Government?

Answer—Yes.

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Answer: (a)—Yes; (b)—No. These annuities will have to be paid.

LIMERICK ATHLETIC AND
CLUB.

Harrier Section.

At a largely attended meeting of the Harrier section of above Club, were made for the opening country season in Limerick.

The following officials were elected for the coming season—Captain, P. Ryan; Hon. Vice-Captain, P. Ryan; Hon. Secretary, P. Kelly.

The first "run" will take place next, October 23rd, at 11 a.m. from the gate of the Limerick Ennis Road, over the Meelick. The run will take place every Sunday at the same time and at the same place.

All members and intending members are requested to be present on Sunday, October 23rd, at 10.45 a.m., so that the "Pack" may be away at the appointed hour.

CHARGE OF STROKE-HAUL
SALMON.

At Croom District Session, Mr O'Donohue, District Justice, fined Michael Liston five guineas and two guineas for, as alleged, illegal haul on the river Maigue, at the purpose of killing salmon. The prosecution was at the instance of the Limerick Board of Fishery for whom Mr A. Blood-Sr appeared, and the evidence of the defendant was that on the 27th of October he was using the instrument