

in a sound position financially, could, if anything like the one in Cork were applied here, double its revenue, and gone within the distance of financing a dock scheme without applying for a discussion at the Cork Board one rather incisive, if not disparaging pass about Limerick. Captain

Commissioner in question, is stating that more ships entered Cork in three months than went back in twelve months; that there were none in Limerick but "an old dock" ships went up the river there to lay in the mud waiting for the tide." The moral, it may be taken, from the Captain's strictures is that Limerick is in need of an up-to-date dock with the overseas trade, and can only be procured by the Board in unison, and giving effect to the recommendation of the Extension Committee. Limerick requires all the sea-borne trade in command, and from her position she made a great centre of distribution to the south and west.

LIMERICK P.Y.M.A.

Recitals of Sacred Music will, as may be seen by advertisement, be held in the hall of the P.Y.M.A. on Thursday evening, at 3.30 and 8 p.m. They are similar to the successful recitals in the same building early this year, and will be a complete change of programmes of which may be had notice from the Librarian. Several soloists and gentlemen vocalists and instrumentalists will take part.

ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS.

Electricity Contracts for Limerick and District.

It has been informed that the well-known firm of Messrs D. Thompson & Sons, Limerick and Dublin, have been selected as contractors for the complete electrical installation at the New Barracks, Limerick. They are also carrying out a similar extensive electrical installation at the Barracks, Enniskillen.

B. FITT'S PROPERTY SALES.

On Monday, at the Salesrooms, 46 O'Connell Street, Limerick, Mr. Wm. B. Fitt conducted his usual sale of property, and the following

Ireland Swept by the Gale.

Reports from various parts of Ireland indicate that the gale swept over a wide area and caused enormous damage. Several houses were blown down and roads and railways were blocked by the trunks of trees that were felled by the fury of the wind.

At one period the velocity of the wind was eighty miles an hour.

Dublin was virtually isolated by last night's gale. Telegraph and telephone wires were blown down, and it was impossible to communicate with Belfast, Cork or the West.

Touch was maintained with Great Britain by a single telegraph wire, which, however, was quite incapable of dealing speedily with the hundreds of urgent messages that were handed in for despatch.

DEATH OF A NUN.

The death took place in St. Mary's Mercy Convent on Thursday night of Mother M. Austin Dore after a somewhat protracted illness. The late religieuse, who had attained the ripe age of eighty years, was a native of Newcastle West, and some years ago celebrated the golden jubilee of her religious profession, when she was the recipient of numerous congratulations. Mother Austin was a remarkable lady in many respects, and was a great organiser, and possessed of great business abilities. She was Mother Provincial of the Order for several years, and in that capacity took over the charge of Mary Immaculate Training College for Girls, on the completion of the building in 1903.

COMBINED PURCHASING.

The Free State Minister for Local Government and Public Health has approved of the appointment of Mr J. C. Foley, F.A.A., 5 Fernhurst avenue, Cork, to be a member of the Local Supplies Advisory Committee established under the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, in room of Mr Edward McArdle, Drogheda, who has resigned his membership of the Committee.

P.Y.M.A. LITERARY CLASS.

The P.Y.M.A. Literary Class will open the first half of its session, 1927-28, on next Friday night at eight o'clock, when the President, Rev A. W. Neill, M.A., will give his presidential address, "My Lady Poverty," a Sept-Centennial tribute to St Francis of Assisi. Admission free, and ladies invited. The programme before Xmas includes lectures by the following—Very Rev the Dean of Limerick, D.D., "Thoughts from Charles Kingsley"; Professor Swain, B.A., A.R.C.Sc.L., M.R.I.A., "Irish Scenery and its Geographical Interpretation" (illustrated); Mr Leslie Enright "A Trip to

received a notice requesting him to bring weights and measures down to the house for inspection. Subsequently he called on witness and he paid him 11s

William Dynan said he was in the employment of Messrs Suttons, coal merchant, Kilmallock. He remembered taking a number of weights to be inspected by Sergeant Sharpe at the Courthouse.

Witness was a tinsmith present at the time, and had to lead all the weights. Witness received a small slip of paper on which was written 19s 4d. Subsequently he gave Sharpe a note and received eight pence change in receipt. The receipt was signed by Sergeant Sharpe.

Jeremiah O'Sullivan stated that he was employed by Mr O'Brien, shopkeeper, Limerick, for whom he took weight measures to Kilfinane, for inspection by Sergeant Sharpe. He asked the prisoner what the charge was and received the answer that it was 10s 4d. Witness paid the amount to Sharpe and 2s to the tinsmith.

Mrs M. O'Mahony, shopkeeper, Athlone, stated that the prisoner charged her for inspecting the weights and measures. She gave him four shillings, but never received change or a receipt.

Miss Higgins, shopkeeper, Bruff, stated that she was charged 7s 6d, which she considered was too high a price.

Supt. P. Glennon, Bruff, stated that the prisoner had been an inspector of weights and measures in his district, and was supplied with verification and receipt books. On an inspection the Inspector must hand the amounts he received to him. The charges are laid down in the required form. The prisoner had to get authority from the County Council for adjusting the receipt should correspond with the counterfoil. In the case of Messrs Suttons receipt and counterfoil did not correspond, and in the case of L. Costelloe 2s 1d was marked in the receipt, but there was no entry in the counterfoil.

Giving evidence, the accused stated in the matter of adjusting weights and measures he had to requisition the services of a tinsmith, and had also to do the work himself. All the payments received were given to the tinsmith, and did not benefit a penny by any of the accused's actions. He had submitted his account to the Superintendent, and which were approved, and at the time of his arrest a complaint was made to him of overcharges having been made.

The jury found the accused guilty, and he was allowed out on personal bail of £100, on condition of good behaviour for two years.

THE REVISED PRAYER BOOK.

Motion in London Courts.

The New Prayer Book controversy has reached the Law Courts yesterday in London, when the Lord Chief Justice, Mr