

Damaging Insulators.

Corporation Protest.

The Corporation, at Thursday night's meeting, passed a resolution, on the motion of Mr J. Dalton, B.C., protesting against the decision of the District Justice at Abbeyfeale District Sessions sending two boys to a Reformatory and three to an Industrial School for five and three years, respectively, for damaging insulators at Templeathea on the 12th January, the property of the contractors of the Shannon Power Scheme.

Mr De Valera raised the matter yesterday in the Dail, and the Minister, in the course of his reply, said—"If those interested in these young offenders think a case could be made at any time for their absolute or conditional discharge, the proper course for them was to present a petition to the Minister for Education."

DEATH OF VERY REV. CANON RUSSELL, P.P.

The death took place in St. John's Hospital, Limerick, on Wednesday night, of Very Rev. Canon Russell, P.P., after an illness of some duration. Canon Russell was born in Rock-hill, Brureo, in 1848, and had thus reached his eightieth year. He studied in the Irish College, Rome, and was ordained more than half a century ago. Subsequent to his ordination he returned to his native diocese, where he held curacies in many parishes before being appointed Parish Priest of Parteen, where he ministered up to a few years ago, before retiring from active participation in the sacred ministry.

COUNTY LIMERICK SCHOLARSHIPS.

Motion to Abolish Rejected.

At to-day's meeting of Limerick Co. Council, Mr W. Condon proposed that the scheme or schemes of future scholarships be abolished on the ground that they entailed no benefit to the county, inasmuch as they could not get a boy to take up an agricultural scholarship last year. Furthermore, the poor man's son did not benefit.

Mr McCormack seconded the motion.

Mr G. C. Bennett proposed a direct negative on the ground that these scholarships were a great benefit to the children of the County, especially those of poor parents.

Mr Madden seconded the negative motion.

On a division the abolition motion was rejected by fourteen votes to seven.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

Weekly Cattle and Sheep Market.

Wednesday, Feb. 29th—A much heavier market than last week; entries were of a mixed class; a plainer show; scarcity of beef, for which there was a firmer and freer trade. Enquiry for useful stores, the right class made as much money as last week, and in some cases a bit more. The generally healthier disposition recently ruling was well maintained; the routine of business was active for useful drafts, and lots with condition, for which there was appreciable competition, at a ready

Mexico, and gave details of the campaign of persecution carried on by the Calles soldiery in that country against the Catholic population—the Hierarchy, the priests, and the people. He recounted the circumstances which gave Calles power—minority rule with the aid of the gun, Calles, he remarked, being himself a noted killer. By means of a beautiful set of lantern slides, the lecturer brought into relief the ferocity with which the persecution was being waged, and gave instances of the wonderful constancy of the Mexican Catholics, many of whom, he said in conclusion, were undoubtedly real martyrs for the Catholic faith.

On the motion of Alderman P. Donnellan, seconded by Mr W. S. Burke, a vote of thanks was tendered to Captain McCullagh for his instructive lecture, and he suitably replied.

Captain McCullagh delivered lectures to-day to the Juvenile students at Mount St. Alphonsus Monastery and to the pupils at Laurel Hill Convent.

PROJECTED BEET SUGAR FACTORY FOR LIMERICK.

A meeting of the city and county interests concerned in the project for establishing a beet sugar factory in Limerick will be held in the County Council Chamber at noon on Monday next. It is expected that the representatives of the constituency in the Dail and Senate will attend.

A representative of the Franco-Irish Enterprises will be present on behalf of this firm, who are prepared to invest £400,000 in the Limerick project.

THE CATTLE TRADE.

For the second week since the embargo came into operation, except for fat cattle intended for immediate slaughter, there were no shipments of cattle of any kind from Limerick either to Glasgow or Birkenhead last night.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

Special Weekly Dairy Market.

Tuesday, Feb. 28th—Entries numbered something over average seasonable supply. The market was favoured with nice bright spring weather which gave a touch of colour and richness to the "coats" of the heifers; in addition class was of an evener grade than last week, with a larger proportion of good heifers; numerous buyers, some attending from the counties of Cork and Kerry, the result being that the choice heifers were keenly competed for, prices marking a decided advance, up to £2 per head according to quality. There was a firm healthy tone in business, which was the quickest and best of the season, values working out on an even basis, demand strong throughout the day, given a good heifer—a good price easily obtainable. A number of heifers were in calf to pure bred shorthorn and dairy bulls, which adds to their value for dairy proprietors who are building up a herd of cows in co-operation with Cow Testing Associations. Clients attending from a distance were well satisfied with their purchases, and pleased that they were not disappointed; same class of entries expected for next Tuesday. The Earl of Dunraven topped the market with a beautifully brought out and typical dairy heifer at £29 10s. Choice heifers, £26 to £29 10s; promising,