

Election of Fishery Conservators.

Scenes of Disorder at Killaloe.

Chairman Assaulted.

Scenes of violence, confusion, and disorder characterised the election of three Fishery Conservators for the Killaloe district in the townhouse, Killaloe, yesterday. The situation became so menacing towards the close of voting that the Civic Guards on duty were powerless to quell the disturbance, and the arrival of Superintendent Mooney was of no avail in the pandemonium created. At 12 o'clock the proceedings were timed to commence, when there was a large number of voters in attendance.

Mr A. E. Bannatyne was elected by a majority to preside at the election, and having taken the chair, he outlined the procedure, adding that he would at the close of the poll, 3 o'clock, hear objections and retain the licence papers until then. Everything proceeded quite orderly until twenty minutes to three, when 225 votes were recorded, and it was then seen that the majority had voted for Messrs Gleeson, Madden, and Johnson, their opponents on the panel being Messrs Sean Carroll, ex-T.D.; McKeogh, junior, and Dr H. V. McKeogh.

Twenty minutes before the close of the poll Mr A. Mackey, accompanied by a number of others, arrived and protested against what he described as an irregularity in connection with a vote, and handing in the licence paper declared that he intended to alter his vote for Dr McKeogh, Messrs Carroll, and J. McKeogh, junior. When the chairman was in the act of filing his licence, Mr A. Mackey objected, but the chairman declined to give way, adding that he could observe the procedure in this respect that applied to every other voter.

Mr Mackey is alleged to have snatched the paper, and Mr J. S. Caffney, auditor, who was present on behalf of the candidature of Messrs Gleeson, Madden, and Johnson, as well as being a voter, intervened. He explained to Mr Mackey the procedure that had been adopted when the poll was opened, and with which everybody was in agreement.

Mr Mackey declined any overtures, and handing some documents to the Chairman, declaring that these were licences, and that the whole procedure was illegal.

During a controversy, and while the place was seething with discontent, the chair was vacated by the supporters of the opposition, including Mr Sean Carroll and others. Bannatyne was gripped by the neck and forcibly dragged from his seat, and some of the papers seized.

A scene of confusion and disorder followed, the Civic Guards on duty making vain attempts to protect the Chairman.

THE LATE CIRCUIT JUDGE C. F. DOYLE.

In its obituary notice of the late Circuit Court Judge Charles F. Doyle, K.C., a brilliant Limerick citizen, who, as reported in our last issue, passed away last Saturday morning at his residence, Clyde Road, Dublin, the "Irish Times" says—

He had a distinguished scholastic career, being First Exhibitioner and Double Gold Medallist in the Junior, Middle and Senior Grades of the Irish Intermediate examinations. At Trinity College he was a brilliant student. He was a Scholar and Senior Moderator in Classics, Brook Prizeman, Berkeley Gold Medallist (Greek) and Vice-Chancellor's Gold Medallist (Latin). He was Auditor of the College Historical Society in 1888, and held the Society's three medals, as well as being M.A. of Dublin University and of the Royal University of Ireland. He was sometime Classical Fellow of the Royal University of Ireland, and afterwards Examiner in Law. He was called to the Irish Bar in Michaelmas term, 1888, and took silk in Hilary term, 1906. He was called to the English Bar at the Middle Temple in 1902. In 1910 he was appointed County Court Judge and Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the County Mayo, and later became Circuit Judge for the Home Counties (Louth, Meath, Kildare, Wicklow and Wexford) under the Free State.

As County Court Judge of Mayo, and later in the Circuit Court, Judge Doyle was extremely popular, and his death has removed a brilliant scholar and a distinguished member of the Bar.

By his colleagues at the Bar and by all who knew him Judge Doyle was held in the highest esteem. His friends found him ever a pattern of staunchness and sincerity. He lived in his work, and spared no pains in order that the law as administered by him should work out consonantly with strict right. A man of simple, quiet tastes, he never flinched from expressing himself with firmness when firmness was needed, and the impartiality of his judgments was attested by all who practised before him. His powers—early shown in the facile mastering of subjects—stood him in good stead all through his legal career. His knowledge of the Irish language dated from a period before most of the present-day champions of an Irish-speaking Ireland understood it. Few men could discourse as intelligently upon it as he.

For his holiday, Judge Doyle usually selected some remote place, where he and the members of his family would roam together by road, field, and breen—nowhere did he better love to spend it than in the heart of his own country. The news of Judge Doyle's death has been received with much regret by his professional brethren.

After Mass at St. Mary's, Haddington-road, Dublin, to-day (Tuesday), the funeral took place to Dean's Grange Cemetery.

BY WIRE AND PHONE

TO-DAY'S NEWS.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S FOREIGN POLICY.

Mr Ramsay Macdonald's Criticism

Mr Ramsay Macdonald criticised the Government's foreign policy at the Labour Party Conference at Birmingham to-day. They had, he said, done nothing but make compromises with other Powers, until at last he would like to know what British Diplomacy stood for in the world to-day.

England and America.

Danger of War.

Commander Kenworthy said the danger of war between England and America as well as between Italy and France was as real to-day as was the danger of war between Britain and Germany in 1906.

OLD MAN'S DEATH FROM GAS POISONING.

Wife Unconscious

Mr William Adair, aged 76, of York Road, Aldershot, died last night at Aldershot from gas poisoning. He and his wife, aged 77, were found unconscious in bed yesterday morning. After Mrs Adair opened the door to admit a pet dog, it was believed that in returning to bed the woman accidentally pushed the guard in front of the fire place, turning on the gas. Mr Adair is still unconscious.

ROCKSLIDE TRAGEDY.

Woman's Death.

A verdict of death from shock and hæmorrhage was returned at an inquest opened at Swansea to-day and adjourned until December 4, on Maria Payne (59), victim of a rockslide tragedy last Friday night.

It was stated she was registered as a French subject in July, 1922, her husband, whom she married in Swansea in 1919, being French. On the marriage certificate she was described as a pedlar.

DEVON BY ELECTION.