

country." But this brings us to the necessity of associating the ports with the scheme. They certainly are vitally interested, and, as pointed out by Mr. Loughrey at the Harbour Board, the interests of Limerick will be very much affected by the deliberations and decisions of the Committee. A similar case has been made out by Waterford and Cork. Our Harbour Board has now asked for representation on the Committee—a very reasonable request, having regard to our importance as a port, whose exports of butter and eggs, and cattle have shown a remarkable increase in the year that has passed. Limerick, like other ports, is entitled to representation on the Marketing Committee, and we hope, having regard to the important expressions of opinion on the subject here and elsewhere, that it will come in due course. As Mr. Roycroft said the subject is very important to Limerick, and every effort should be made to have a representative from this city appointed on the Committee. The matter should also be taken up by the Borough Council.

DEATH OF MR W. P. C. HETREED.

We regret to record the death, which occurred at Worthing, on 31st ult., of Mr Wm. P. C. Hetreed, ex-C.I., R.I.C. Mr Hetreed, who was born at Killarney, had a long and distinguished career in the Royal Irish Constabulary, which he entered as a cadet. For many years he was District Inspector in the City of Limerick, where he was very popular, and on his departure received a presentation from the citizens.

Subsequently he was promoted County Inspector, and was in charge of the County of Waterford until the change of Government in 1922. After his resignation he went to live in England. He married Miss Spillane, daughter of the late Mr William Spillane, D.L., of Limerick.

The news of Mr Hetreed's death will be heard of with regret by many old friends in the City of Limerick.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The Corporation Water Committee had under discussion at last night's meeting the question of the city water supply and the pressure at the various levels. It was pointed out that there was much still to be

of the system of appointments by the Appointments Commissioners.

VALUATION REDUCTION.

The Corporation Finance Committee had under consideration on Monday night the question of the reduction of valuation recently made by the Commissioner of Valuation as it applies to city property, especially that of the Great Southern Railways Company. As far as the latter is concerned the Corporation will lose £900 approximately in revenue, or threepence in the pound. This will be a serious matter, and be accentuated if the Electricity Supply Board succeed in their contention that the local electricity station is not, under the statute, liable to pay rates. The Committee in the case of the Railways Company, decided that no useful purpose would be served by prosecuting an appeal, and did not, therefore, take any action.

LIMERICK RAILWAY CHANGES

The changes announced to take place in the personnel of the Great Southern Railways staff last month came into operation on New Year's Day. Mr W. Savage has taken up duty as District Superintendent at Limerick, vice Mr J. Walshe, transferred to Cork, and Mr M. Hartnett, Cork, has replaced Mr J. Mannix (retired) as goods agent at Limerick. He also fills the position of coaching agent instead of Mr L. C. Doyle, transferred to Cork. It is understood that the staff in the District Superintendent's office will be augmented by the return from King-bridge of a few officials.

PROPOSED SINGLING OF LINE AT FIDDOWN.

A deputation from Waterford Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, and Harbour Board are to interview in Dublin the directors of the Great Southern Railways on the proposed singling of the line between Waterford and Fiddown. Many cattle dealers who have been approached on the subject, are stated to have expressed strong views, and it is felt to be of extreme importance to the Port of Waterford. The view is further held outside official circles that under the Amalgamation Act of the old Waterford and Limerick Railway and the Railway Act of 1924, anything like the present proposition could not be attempted.

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