

H BUSINESS MEN IN LIMERICK.

Members of the party of British engineers, who are making a tour of the country on the invitation of the Railway Committee on National Development, arrived in Limerick from Killarney by the train today, and were met by representatives of the Great Southern Railways, the Great Western Railway, the Midland, and Scottish Railway companies, which numbers thirty-five, and the Condensed Milk Company's representatives at three o'clock, and were conducted over the premises by members of the Holding Board. In their round tour the visitors were greatly interested in the various departments of the works which is now confined to the manufacture of condensed milk.

A conference was held in Limerick at which there was an interchange of views between the visitors and the members of the Railway Committee, officials of the Department of Agriculture, and Mr. J. J. O'Connell, Free State Trade Commissioner.

to Shannon Scheme.

During the party paid a visit to the works of the Electrification Scheme. They were conducted over the works by Mr. John O'Connell, manager of the Official Guide

concerning at the intake works at Clonlara, and at Ardacrusha they were conducted over the Power Station.

The visitors, in the course of conversation, gave their views of the undertaking, which they considered to be immense, and they fully visualised its bearing on the industrial development of the Free State. They could scarcely agree, however, that the water of the Free State could be supplied to the west from one station, but Mr. Creagh endeavoured to convince them of the water resources of the Shannon—which, he said, is capable of giving light, heat, and power to the 32 counties.

The distribution system was an aspect of the undertaking that absorbed the attention of the party, and this having been explained the enquiries regarding navigation passes.

CITY DROWNING TRAGEDY.

Labourer's Rash Act

In Presence of his Wife.

In presence of his wife and mother-in-law a tragedy of a particularly poignant character was enacted in the city last night when William Williams, aged twenty-one, was drowned in the Abbey River. It appears that the deceased, with his young wife and mother-in-law were returning from the Corbally side to the city some time about ten o'clock to their home at Taylor's Row, a congested area in the Irishtown. When the trio reached Park Bridge, Williams suddenly broke away, and ascending the parapet threw himself into the river, which was then at full tide. Being a non-swimmer he was soon in difficulties and disappeared before assistance was forthcoming, although a gallant attempt was made by a young lad to bring him to the surface. It is stated that for some time past the deceased, who was a labourer, had been depressed consequent on being unable to find employment, and that this unhinged his mind. The body was recovered early this morning by Guard Desmond and two civilians, exactly at the place where Williams disappeared. It was conveyed to the morgue at Barrington's Hospital awaiting an inquest.

RATHKEALE MARKET CLERK.

An Injunction Sought.

(Before Mr Justice Meredith).

In the case of Power v. Binchy, in which the plaintiff, Stephen Power, sought an interlocutory injunction, pending the trial of the action, restraining the defendants, described as the Town Improvement Committee of Rathkeale, Co. Limerick, from interfering with him or depriving him of his office and emoluments as market clerk of Rathkeale.

Mr Connolly (instructed by Mr M. Tynan), who appeared for the plaintiff, stated that it was rather an urgent matter, as the plaintiff was thrown out on the public street by those people, who had taken his key from him, and he could not get into his office. It was a most high-handed proceeding on their part.

Mr Lynch, K.C., and Mr Hallinan (instructed by Messrs T. Liston and Co.), appeared for the defendants.

MOST REV. DR. F. SILVER JUBILEE

Address at Ki

Ireland's Happy

On the occasion of his visit to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on some 300 children, the Most Rev. Fogarty, Bishop of Killaloe, celebrated his Silver Jubilee. He presented with a congratulatory address to the people of Kilrush parish. His lordship said—"It is true that people do not like to admit it, but progress has been made and credit made. The tide of prosperity in this country has begun to run towards us."

Great changes, his lordship said, have taken place in Ireland within the last remarkable years. Nearly every life, social and political, has undergone an enormous transformation with these changes have followed so quickly that we can hardly believe the striking and remarkable though they are now with what the country was five years ago—the homes, the general welfare, and the improvements in the churches, have transformed their religious life—I recognize the immense progress." The bishop did not mean that it was all or that there were not still patches and still room for improvement.

The very greatness and of the changes had, he said, brought about a certain dislocation in life a which, while it had added to the comfort of many, had entailed no little on many others who, because of the moment found themselves in a business considerably interrupted.

"I believe," he concluded, "that at the beginning of very rural Ireland. Let us have and the country will go on its own bounds. Some people think that traffic will ultimately wipe out the towns. I do not share that view. I believe that local trade will give their customers goods and as cheap as the cities."