

g the conditions of supply, and number of houses without baths, consumption, he says, is grossly excessive, and should be cut down to 30 gallons per diem, so as to effect a saving of 50 per cent. He estimated the avoidable consumption of water as between 400,000 and 500,000 gallons per day, due in large extent to leakages and defective service pipes. Accordingly Mr Purcell recommends the carrying out of certain improvements in the water distribution service, which total £100,000, and would evidently be money well spent.

The City Surveyor, Mr Peacocke, has taken a deep and consistent interest in the question of the city water supply, and the inauguration of the Shannon scheme, mentioned in the discussion that followed the reading of Mr Purcell's report, the cost of the alterations necessary for the supply of water from Clonlara would be borne by Messrs Siemens, the Shannon scheme contractors, but the internal distribution improvements in the city would have to be defrayed by the Borough Council. The Water Committee will deal with the proposals of Mr Purcell at a special meeting on Monday evening next, and its careful consideration is assured at their hands. It may be out of place to add that owing to the scarcity of water at the moment the Corporation have to continue the restricted service of service, and the avoidance of waste, therefore, be too strongly emphasised. The utmost economy is essential on the part of the ratepayers. As it is, public institutions are suffering much inconvenience by short supplies, as stated at the City Health Committee last Thursday.

LAND NAVIGATION DUES.
The question in the Dail on Thursday last cleared the air to a certain extent as to who will have to bear the cost of the inland navigation improvements, in connection with the Shannon Power scheme. Mr O'Mahony's recently reported statement did alarm in Limerick, as to the possibility of a very increased charges being imposed on users of navigation. And as this, if it

building would be taken over by the Council in six months.

LIMERICK GARDA SPORTS.

The annual sports of the Limerick Garda will be held on Sunday, 28th July, and promise to eclipse all previous records. The entries are filling admirably, and these include no less than twelve champions in the various departments, these comprising Olympic, Taelteann, and Irish and English champions. These, with 200 others, including "runners up" in Irish championships, have definitely signified their intention of competing, so that a splendid day's sport is assured. The arrangements are in the hands of an energetic committee.

IMPORTANT CONTRACT FOR LIMERICK FIRM.

The Housing Commissioner of the Dublin Corporation, Dr W. Dwyer, has placed an order with Messrs Kenny and Sons of Harcourt Road, Dublin, and Cecil street, Limerick, for 350 houses.

The houses are to be built at Donnycarney at a cost of over £100,000, and are to be completed in 45 weeks.

Messrs Kenny are now completing a scheme of 236 houses at Emmet Road, which have taken them less than nine months to erect.

DEATH OF MR. J. J. HANRATTY.

We regret to announce the death of Mr J. J. Hanratty, proprietor of Hanratty's Hotel, Glentworth-street, which took place this morning, after a considerable illness. He was a man of a very kindly and courteous disposition, and was held in the highest regard and esteem in town and country. Deep sympathy is extended to his widow and relatives in their bereavement. Funeral arrangements appear in obituary notice.

MOTOR LORRY ACCIDENT.

Yesterday morning a county motor lorry was proceeding into the city, and some distance above Punch's Cross, Ballinacurra, a child was noticed crossing the roadway. The driver swerved in order to avoid the youngster, which he did, but in doing so the vehicle collided with one of the electricity transmission poles. This was undamaged, but the front of the lorry was damaged and put out of working order for the time being.

MUSICAL SUCCESSES.

At last Sunday's Munster Feis held at

small, as their work has grown through the year, and it is desirable, seeing how inadequate the large number of Sisters to their care (who, when at Sunday Mass, number 40) desired a more suitable place for their last taken courage to begin a new Church, one more in line with the Convent, and the needs of the place where they can come and offer their prayers and sacrifices. The work will, we hope, be soon completed in the hands of a very competent architect, and a local builder to us.

We all know the one person for which the Institute of Good Shepherd is founded. This work must be to the credit of the Sisters. I will not dwell on it now, but of a little incident which occurred when I was many years younger. I was on one occasion speaking to a Nun in a certain Convent who was a member of another Order. She wanted to speak of the various Reforms in the city, and the great work being done. She replied—"The work of all is being done by the Good Shepherd." The Nun since gone to her reward, here present think as she said, I thank you for your presence and contribution to the Sisters.

The new Chapel is of pure stone, consisting of Nuns' Choir and about 80 Nuns; two transepts, and the other for the Sisters. Between the industrial and the Nuns' Choir is situated for the St. Joseph's Refectory. The architects are Messrs. Ryan and Son, Dublin, and the local architect, John Ryan and Son, Limerick.

SUGGESTED PLAY FOR CHILDREN.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK PRESS.—It is more than a year since I appealed to the authorities to open the Fair Green as a playground for the children whose homes are in the vicinity of the city. To me it is a pleasure to see these children playing in the dust of the Pike and Ga. A few wooden benches for old and infirm men and women would be a fruitful of much happiness.

Now that I am again writing, perhaps you will