

past couple of years. These would furnish the Department with a strong argument for speeding legislation and removing the administrative anomalies embodied in the existing statutes. The Corporation would be well advised to back the efforts of Cork in pressing for such legislation as will make it an unprofitable business to risk the consequences of selling or exposing for sale milk which is a menace to the public health.

### FRENCH ENGINEERS AT SHANNON SCHEME.

To-day a party of French engineers visited the Shannon power development scheme on the invitation of the Ministry for Industry and Commerce. They arrived in the city at 6 25 o'clock last evening from Dublin, and were met at Cruise's Hotel by Mr Prendergast, Resident Government Engineer, and Mr A. M. De Prins, French Consul. They were conducted over the works by Mr Prendergast, and were greatly impressed with their magnitude and possibilities as a vast national asset. This morning the party left for Killarney, after which they will visit Glengariff and Bantry before returning to Dublin.

### DEATH OF MISS M. HOBBS.

After an illness of considerable duration, patiently borne, the death occurred at her residence, Crescent Avenue, on Tuesday night of Miss May Hobbs in the prime of life. She was youngest daughter of the late District Inspector Hobbs, ex-R.I.C., and sister of the Rev Thomas Hobbs, C.C., St. Columba's, Iona Road, Drumcondra, Dublin, with whom and the other members of his family sincere sympathy is felt in the loss of a young lady of engaging manner and disposition. The remains were interred this morning in Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery after Requiem Mass at 10 o'clock, the funeral being private.

### SHANNON GUIDE BUREAU.

Mr John Creagh, who was in charge of the Shannon Guide Bureau since its establishment in June last year, has been transferred on promotion to the headquarters staff, Electricity Supply Board, Mount street, Dublin. During his connection with the bureau, Mr Creagh was a thoroughly capable official, and his promotion will give satisfaction to the very many visitors to the

the question should not be discussed at once. He proposed an amendment to consider the offer.

Alderman Reidy seconded.

Mr Algar said if they agreed to his offer the work on electric lighting would be put in hands immediately.

Mr J. Angly said it seemed to be the policy of the Electric Supply Board to stampede the Corporation and other public bodies

It was decided by ten votes to seven to refer the matter to a special meeting to be held next Monday night, and to circulate Mr Algar's offer to the members in the meantime.

Mr Algar disclaimed any intention of rushing the members, and added that his policy was to come direct to the local authorities and discuss matters with them, and so avoid endless correspondence.

Alderman Bourke, T.D., suggested they should get expert advice on Mr Algar's figures and this was agreed to.

### LIMERICKMAN AS PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSIONER.

The present Commissioner of Public Works for Chicago is Mr Richard W. Woulfe, who was born in Cratloe, West Limerick. Emigrating when yet a young man he got into the real estate business, and was soon elected chairman of the Cook Co. Real Estate Board. Since he has taken charge of the Department of Public Works he has initiated a policy of efficiency in the working of every branch of the service. He has, writes Mr M. N. Cotter, of Chicago, already completed more development projects during his period of office than any Commissioner Chicago has ever had. The new Municipal Airport, developed under his personal supervision, was a great success.

### SALE OF KILDARE NEWSPAPER.

The interest of the "Kildare Observer," Newspaper and Printing Works, Naas, was sold by Messrs R. J. Goff & Co., auctioneers, for £1,650, being £50 above the reserved price. The purchase was made by a syndicate.

### MIGRATION TO AUSTRALIA.

The total net gain to the population of Australia by migration last year was 28,585 persons, of whom 16,346 were males and 12,239 females.

Over 11,500 of the male migrants were land settlers and the large proportion of the female migrants were young women from Great Britain who had been granted free passages with a guarantee of employment in