

to cases of tuberculosis, and that the two nurses recommended for appointment will be able to enter on their duties at an early date.

SCARIFF RIVER (COUNTY CLARE) DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A sworn inquiry into the objections to the proposed drainage scheme for the Scariff River, will be held at the Court House, Tomgraney, on Tuesday next, 17th December, at 11 a.m., by order of the Commissioners of Public Works.

The scheme provides for the draining and improvement of about 2,000 acres of land, at a cost of about £9,500. Mr Stephen F. Ebrill, Limerick, Valuer to the Commissioners, will hold the inquiry, assisted by Mr Patrick L. Healy, Engineer Board of Works. The scheme is strongly supported by a large number of the occupiers adjoining the river, and it is hoped it will be sanctioned, as the carrying out of the work will provide plenty of employment in the district, which is badly needed.

It would be well if similar drainage schemes were carried out in the County Limerick, where there is so much damage to flooded land in certain districts.

THE LATE MR. T. P. O'CONNOR, M.P.

Limerick Corporation Whole House Committee has passed a resolution of sympathy with the widow of the late Mr T. P. O'Connor, M.P. The Mayor said that Mr O'Connor was a distinguished Irishman and journalist, who had served his country well for almost sixty years.

RATHKEALE MARKET CLERKSHIP DISPUTE.

Yesterday in Dublin, before Mr Justice Meredith, the hearing was resumed of the action in which Stephen Power sought an injunction against the Rathkeale Town Improvement Committee, Co. Limerick, to prevent the members of that body from depriving him of the clerkship of the markets of that town and its salary and emoluments. Judgment was reserved.

Munster and Leinster Bank, Ennis; T. Crowe, Misses Scott, T. Hewit, E. Hewit, Major G. Studdert, Major Stafford O'Brien, Crotloe; Capt. Brady Browne, Very Rev Canon O'Dea, P.F., Newmarket-on-Fergus; Very Rev Canon Slattery, P.P., Quin; Rev M. Galvin, Carrigan; Rev J. McDonnell, C.C.; Rev P. Hayes, Newmarket-on-Fergus; Miss Frost, W. B. Fitt, Limerick; P. O'Halloran, Quin; Rev W. Corrigan, Limerick; Rev M. Quin, St. Flannan's College; Dr Espine Ward, Castleconnell; E. J. McQuaid, Sheriff; W. H. Fogarty, solr.; S. McGuire, Colonel O'Callaghan Westropp, J. Daly, M. McInerney, J. McHugh, J. Spillies, G. Mills, A. J. Parker, Ballyvalley, Killaloe; J. Lynch, Latoon; J. O'Dea, Clarecastle; M. Tierney, C.B.; P. Considine, W. Smyth, T. Andrews, W. Moody, J. J. Doyle, A. Roe, J. Maxwell, W. Cunneen, W. Brassill, J. Hannan, M. Fahy, Dr J. B. McClaney, Dr Moylan, J. P. Lynch, Sixmilebridge; P. Cullinan, etc.

Mr John D. Walton has died suddenly in India, aged 28. He was the only son of the late Dr. John Walton, Kilkee, and graduated from T.C.D., taking third place at the Indian Civil Service examination.

New York, Tuesday—Mr De Valera has arrived to raise money for a newspaper. He is promoting the sale and allotment of 95,000 shares in "Irish Press, Ltd," which is to establish a daily newspaper in Dublin in opposition to the Free State Government.

The fourteen members of the M.C.O. team left London to-day en route for the West Indies. They sail from Avonmouth, and are due at Barbadoes on December 27. They were given a very hearty send-off.

COMPANY DIRECTOR FOUND DEAD

Mr George Hitchon, a Company Director, was found dead in his garage at Blackpool last night.

ENNIS ROAD MOTOR ACCIDENT.

Defendant Discharged.

At the City District Sessions yesterday evening, before Mr J. M. Flood, B.L., District Justice, Michael Cussen, Janesboro', was charged with the manslaughter of a boy, aged eight years, named Patrick Pratt, North Circular Road, on the 3rd December.

Mr J. J. Power, State Solicitor, and Superintendent Stack, appeared for the Attorney-General; Mr C. S. Ebrill, solr., for next-of-kin, and Mr T. E. O'Donnell, solr., for accused.

Mr Power said the facts of the case were that the accused was driving a motor car on the evening in question from Ennis to Limerick, and the little boy was going home from the city in company with other boys. There was no allegation that Mr Cussen was driving at an excessive speed. The whole case for the prosecution was as to whether the accused was negligent in not immediately applying the brakes, or in swerving the car, which apparently turned out to be an error of judgment. It appeared when the boys reached Mr O'Mara's gate, on the Ennis Road, young Pratt ran across the road, although being told not to do so by one of his companions, and was killed by the motor car. It was only fair that he (Mr Power) should mention that Mr Cussen was terribly distressed over the occurrence.

A little boy named Denis Fitzgerald said when the deceased was running across the road witness shouted to him to come back. Deceased continued to run across, and was knocked down by the car. The deceased gave no warning to the motorist.

Four other witnesses said the car, which was going at the rate of from 10 to 15 miles an hour, was only about four or five yards from young Pratt when he attempted to cross the road. Mr Cussen swerved immediately to the right to avoid the boy.

The defendant, examined, stated he was driving from Ennis to Limerick at a slow rate. At Belfield he saw the boy run into the car. Witness swerved to the right, but unfortunately the boy was knocked down. He had the boy immediately removed in his car to hospital.

The District Justice said the accident was unfortunate, but Mr Cussen had done everything possible to avoid it. It was, he added, very difficult for motorists to guard against accidents where boys were frequently to be seen running across the street, and parents and school teachers should instruct them as to the danger they ran in crossing roadways. He would discharge accused.

Mr O'Donnell, on behalf of the accused, expressed sympathy with the parents of the deceased.

market to-day. White oats, 10d to 10½d per stone; black oats, 9½d to 9½d.

WEEKLY CATTLE MARKET—There were 85 calves in market to-day; they sold at from 45s 0d to 80s 0d.

PIGS.

December 14, 1929.

The following are to-day's prices:—

No.	c.	qr.	lb.	c.	qr.	lb.
0—Sixes	1	0 0	to	1 0	7... 84s
1—Sizeable	...	1	0 8	to	1 2	7... 84s
2—Stout	1	2 8	to	1 2	14... 80s
3—Overweight	1	2	15	to	1 3	0... 78s
4—Heavy do.	1	3	1	to	1 3	14... 76s
5—Extra do.	1	3	15	to	2 0	0... 72s

CORK BUTTER MARKET.

THIS DAY

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

The market continues dull; lower prices. Creameries, 163s to 165s per cwt. f.o.b.

THE PADDOCKS, LIMERICK.

Christmas Cattle and Sheep Market.

Wednesday, December 11th.—Numbers on show about the same as last market. Entry included some choice lots of beef heifers, the nicer descriptions being freely bid for and cashed at top rates. In aged cattle with condition trade moved in a firmer groove, making a ready repetition of last week's prices. Useful forward stores came in for attention, but backward cattle hard to cash. Two-and-a-half year old heifers, £17 2s 6d—£23 10s; bullocks, £14—£17 12s 6d; cows, £10—£17 12s 6d; 1½-year old heifers, £11 13s 6d—£12 3s; bullocks, £8 9s—£13 2s 6d; calves, £4 17s 6d—£6. Dairy section a quiet trade; ordinary, £12—£21. Sheep—Entry larger than last week, with prices firmer. Practically all cleared. Fat middle-weight, £3 15s—£4 6s; small, £3—£3 8s; lambs, £2—£3 1s.—Wm. B. Fitt, Auctioneer.

ART EXHIBITION

At 10 The Crescent.

A very attractive exhibition of Pictures, Arts, and Crafts, is at present on view at 10 The Crescent, and has attracted a large number of very interested visitors. There will be a further opportunity of inspection, as the exhibition will be kept open for three days next week—viz, to the 18th instant—to dispose of the goods remaining over, the prices for which, we understand, have been greatly reduced.

HARTIGAN'S WEEKLY SALE OF STORE CATTLE AND DAIRY STOCK.

Saturday last, 7th December.—Weekly sale of store cattle and dairy stock at the Cattle Markets, Mulgrave-street, Limerick. Restricted entry owing to weather conditions, and under the circumstances cattle looked at a considerable disadvantage. Anything showing promise easily cashed. Two-year-old bullocks, £12 to £14 5s; heifers, £13 to £15 10s; 1½-year-old heifers, £8 10s to £11 10s; bullocks, £9 5s to £11 5s; second run, £7 10s to £9; calves, £4 10s to £5 15s; in-calf heifers, £16 10s to £19 15s; dairy cows, £16 to £22 10s.—Hartigan & Co., Auctioneers.

SALE OF A FARM.

Messrs Hartigan and Co., Auctioneers, disposed of the late Mr Denis Kennedy's farm, situate at Ballycasey, Bunratty, containing about 90 statute acres, Annuity to I.L.C., £49 16 10d; P.L.V., £94 15s, by auction at their Sale-rooms, 7 Davis street, Limerick, on Tuesday last, 10th December, for the sum of £2,010 and fees, the purchaser being Mr Patrick O'Brien. Mr T. O'B. Kelly, solicitor, had carriage of Sale. There was a large attendance, and the bidding was very brisk and keen. The price was considered most satisfactory.