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OF CITY STREETS.

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consisting of the Mayor s), Alderman D. Bourke, P. Bourke, A. E. Goodwin, with the City Treasurer, waited on Mr Blackall, unster and Leinster Bank, Corporation yesterday, in application of the Council 000 under the scheme for of numerous city streets e, as outlined recently at Corporation. The deput- d very favourably by Mr omised to lay the matter rs. The Local Government already intimated that it is ed towards the scheme, han likely the loan will be ank.

COAST EROSION IN CLARE.

The County Surveyor's Report.

The problem of coast erosion, which is about to be investigated by a Government Committee, is assuming grave dimensions in Clare.

In reply to a questionnaire from the Coast Erosion Committee, the County Surveyor, Mr Frank Dowling, B.E., says:—"The condition of affairs in Clare is very serious; places like Lahinch and Cappa, near Kilrush, are in eminent danger of being wiped out, and it is beyond the power of the County Council to take any steps that would give any degree of permanent safety."

Setting out the points on the coast at which the sea is doing the most evident damage, the Surveyor says the Land Commission are in the best position to detail the ordinary lands affected by erosion, and he confines his own list to roads and public works. In each case he gives an approximation of the rate at which the sea is encroaching. Amongst the points mentioned by him are the following:—

Lahinch Promenade, etc., erosion at the rate of about 4 yards per annum for some 600 yards; Finevarra, half yard per annum for 150 yards; New Quay, one yard per annum for 650 yards; Ballymaclinaun, one yard per annum for 570 yards; Liscannor, 1½ yards for 120 yards; Ballyconree, Ballyvaughan, and Baurnapeela, one yard for about 200 yards; Aylroe Beg, Shieverdoley, Clonkerry East and West, two feet per annum for about 3,000 yards; River Shannon eating away road from Killysert to Labasheeda (has cost the Co. Council hundreds of pounds during the past 20 years); Moyarta East, half foot for about 200 yards; Cappa, one foot for 100 yards; Ballydote West, one to two feet per annum for 1,300 yards; Carrowdotis, one foot for 380 yards; Quilty West, one to two feet per annum for 30 yards; Rhynogonaught, half foot for 480 yards; Kilkea (West End), 4 inches per annum for some 15 yards (eating away road and endangering houses); Ross, half foot for 400 yards; Kilbaha, half foot for 90 yards where not protected by sea wall; Cloncunneen (Rinevilla Bay), half foot for 250 yards; there are minor inroads near Doonbeg and Doonmore, etc. At Ross the sea keeps shifting in a huge barrier of shingle on an important tourist road, and the County Council are constantly spending money on keeping it clear.

BIRD ELECTROCUTED.

A large crane, becoming entangled in overhead wires, near the Shannon Electricity Generating Station at Tipperary, one of the wires broke, cutting off the current between Tipperary and Cappamore, and Doon, Co. Limerick. The bird was killed, apparently electrocuted. The damaged wire was quickly repaired.

Shannon Boating Fatality.

The Inquest Opened.

On Saturday afternoon, Dr M. R. Clery, Coroner for East Limerick, opened an inquest on the bodies of John O'Connell and Thomas Madden, two of the victims of the Shannon boating disaster, on the night of Sunday, the 2nd, at Plassy Bridge.

The following jury were sworn:—Messrs P. Doyle, B.C., foreman; John O'Brien, George McLoughlin, Ml. Mulcahy, James Laffan, John Collins, Brendan Nolan, Dl. Troy, James Slattery, and Robert Clarke.

Inspector Chambers conducted the inquiry, assisted by Sergeant Higgins. Michael O'Connell, of Pennywell, identified the body of John O'Connell as that of his brother. He was aged 48 years, and was a labourer by occupation. He was a married man. Witness last him alive on the Saturday night previous at nine o'clock. He was a strong healthy man, never sick in his life.

Michael Madden, of Canal Bank, identified the body of his brother, Thomas Madden. Deceased was aged about 44 years, single, labourer by occupation. He last saw deceased in his his own home on Saturday night. Deceased had been a healthy, strong man, and had never known sickness.

Sergeant Higgins said the principal witness (John Airey) was in hospital, and it would be necessary to have the inquest adjourned.

The inquest was accordingly adjourned for an indefinite period, pending the finding of the third body, that of Thomas Anslow.

The Foreman, on behalf of the jury, said he would like to express the deepest sympathy with the families and relatives of the deceased in the sad affliction which had befallen them. It was singularly sad in the case of the deceased Thomas Madden, who had been the means himself during his lifetime of having saved many citizens from a similar fate which had, unhappily, befallen himself on this painful occasion, but they could form the opinion from his remains that he had lived up to his life tradition, and that on the present occasion he had lost his life in an endeavour to save his comrades. He wished to specially thank Sergeant Higgins and the Guards, who had worked unceasingly night and day for the recovery of the remains.

The Coroner joined in the vote of sympathy, and said they would always find the Guards doing their duty.

Inspector Chambers, on behalf of the Civic Guard force, said they wished to be associated with the vote of sympathy.

Messrs O'Connell and Madden (witnesses) desired also to thank the citizens for the sympathy which had been expressed in their bereavement, and

Mr Doyle said the thanks of the relatives of the deceased should also be tendered to both sections of the Abbey fishermen for their work in connection with the recovery of the bodies.

The Funerals.

The funerals of Mr John O'Connell and Mr Thomas Madden took place on Sunday evening from St. Patrick's Catholic Church to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. The cortege, which included the Mayor and members of the Corporation, was large and representative, and a striking testimony of respect and sympathy.

The clergy present were:—Very Rev. Canon O'Leary, P.P., St. Patrick's; Rev. Father McNamara, Adm., St. John's; Rev. Father Carroll, C.C., St. John's; and Rev. Father Nunan, C.C.

A number of wreaths were sent by the families and friends of the deceased.

The prayers at the graveside were recited by Canon O'Leary.

City District Sessions.

Mr J. M. Flood, D.J., adjudicated at the City District Sessions on Friday.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

Victor Henry Leicester was charged with obtaining £9 by false pretences from Mrs M. Ryan, Sarsfield-street, and also with obtaining £10 15s from Mrs M. O'Shaughnessy, Henry-street.

Supt. Stack prosecuted, and Mr N. Gaffney, solicitor, defended.

It appeared from Mrs Ryan's evidence that defendant told her that he had a contract to show advertisements on the screen at the Grand Central Cinema. She gave him an advertisement, and the price was fixed at £10 per annum. He informed her if he forwarded the money she would get £1 discount, and she did so, but the slides were never shown, and she did not get her money back.

Mrs O'Shaughnessy, confectioner, Henry-st., said she also paid £10 15s for an advertisement for twelve months, but the result was similar to Mrs Ryan's case.

Mr Paul Bernard, proprietor of the Grand Central, said the defendant did call on him, but he did not make any contract with him. The firm of Messrs. Strutt, advertising agents, did approach him, but he made no arrangements.

Sergeant Cunliffe said the defendant informed him he took all responsibility for receiving the money.

Mr Gaffney said it was only that morning he heard of the second charge. Mrs Leicester was in court and would hand £9 to Mrs Ryan.

Mr Parsons, manager of the Lyric Theatre, said he had contracts with Messrs Strutt, of which the defendant was one of the principals, and always found him entirely satisfactory.

Defendant promised to pay back the money to Mrs O'Shaughnessy and the expenses of the State, amounting to £17 17s, within a week, and the case was adjourned for a week, Leicester being allowed out on bail of £20 and a surety of like amount.

LARCENY.

Patrick Creagh, charged with the larceny of a quantity of scrap, valued for 16s, the property of Messrs Siemens Bauunion, was allowed out on bail to come up for judgment when called on.

ASSAULT.

James Noonan, stated to be from County Waterford, was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment in default of finding bail for an assault on a young girl.

ATTEMPTED RESCUE.

Alphonsus Moloney was charged with attempting to rescue a prisoner from Guard Stack, when a crowd of fifteen collected.

Accused, who said he was trying to get the man to go home, was fined 10s.

CONGESTED PASSAGE AT A CINEMA.

The Borough Council summoned Thomas Gough, proprietor of the Coliseum Picture House, for allowing the passage leading to the exits to become congested.

Mr Fitzgibbon, for the Corporation, stated that on the occasion of a lecture on Sunday evening, 5th January, the Coliseum was crowded out, and people were standing in the passages.

Justice—it is most unusual to find a lecture crowded out.

Mr Fitzgibbon said it was the fault of the committee who were running the lecture.

The Justice said in this way they had unfortunate cases like that at Paisley, and cinema proprietors must check overcrowding. On this occasion it was not Mr Gough's fault.

A fine of 10s was imposed.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The four branches of the Limerick Mothers' Union met on Thursday last in

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