

## PAST CENTURY RECORDS.

1870.

The following are extracts taken from the LIMERICK CHRONICLE of January and February, 1870:

Saturday, January 29.  
COUNTY SHERIFFS.

Mr Stephen E. De Vere, Monare, Foynes, was this day sworn in High Sheriff of the county Limerick, and at the same time Mr John Ryan, Woodville, Pallasgreen, was sworn in as sub-Sheriff. Mr De Vere has appointed Mr Daniel Doyle as Returning Officer.

### FIRST WHEAT CARGO FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

This evening arrived in Limerick the ship Penang, with a cargo of 800 tons of wheat from San Francisco, California, the first of the kind that has ever been imported here from that part of the world. The grain is of the finest quality, and excels the wheat shipped from other foreign ports.

### ELECTION OF BARONY CONSTABLE.

Mr Samuel Harding was elected by 49 votes to 32 for Captain G. T. Fitzgibbon, and 4 for Mr W. Bolster Barony Constable for Publickien.

### RATHKEALE PETTY SESSIONS.

Mr Daniel M. Maunsell, J.P., presided. Other magistrates present—C. De Gernon, R.M., Carrol Naish, and Dr O'Hanlon.

Thursday, February 3.  
LIMERICK CORPORATION.

The members in attendance were—Aldermen O'Callaghan, J.P.; James Quin, Quinlivan, Carte, Hogan, Tinsley. Councillors John Quin, J. Spaight, J.P.; P. S. Connolly, solr.; M. R. Ryan, J.P.; John Barrington, solr.; Robert McDonnell, Ambrose Hall, Jerome Connihan, Lawrence Kelly, Robert McMahon, J.P.; J. Hayes, John Cronin, J. Barry, Z. Myles, Michael Kelly, J. J. Cleary, S. Hastings, P. Synan.

### ENNIS UNION.

Thomas Greene, J.P., and subsequently Major W. E. A. McDonnell, occupied the chair. The other Guardians in attendance were—J. F. Scott, J.P.; John Cullinan, Michael Butler, John McMahon, and P. J. Coffee.

Saturday, February 5.  
PRESENTATION TO CLERGYMAN.

Last Sunday, in the parish chapel of Rathkeale, an address, accompanied with 100 sovereigns, was presented to the Rev. Father Nolan, C.C., in recognition by the parishioners of his private worth as a clergyman, and of his untiring and valuable labours in America when collecting subscriptions for the building of the new Catholic Chapel of Rathkeale. The Rev. Dr. O'Shea, P.P., V.G., before presenting the address and gift, spoke of the praiseworthy exertions of the Rev. Father Nolan while in America, where he collected over £2,000 for the building of the new parish chapel. The Rev. Dr. O'Shea also complimented his parishioners on the liberal manner in which they responded to his appeal for support.

### MAYOR'S BANQUET.

His Worship the Mayor has issued cards of invitation to a banquet at his residence, Hartstonge street, on the 14th instant.

### LOCAL ENTERPRISE.

Waste ground can at times be made valuable, as an instance of which it may be mentioned that in the small open space at the eastern end of the dock (but outside the wall) at the foot of Lower Frederick street, and close to the boarding, where the graving dock is being cut, a fine large lighter is being built for Mr Spaight for the conveyance of goods on the waters of the Upper Shannon.

(To be continued.)

## DISTINGUISHED CO. LIMERICK MAN DEAD.

Col. A. J. M. MacLoughlin.

The following is taken from the "Aberdeen Press and Journal" of April 12th, relating to the death of Col. A. J. MacLoughlin, a member of a well-known County Limerick family. He was a brother of Dr Cecil M. MacLaughlin, of Ballinamona, Knocklong—

Many old soldiers in Woking will always treasure the memory of Col. Alexander John Maunsell MacLaughlin, M.B., C.I.E., V.D., who died, aged 78, at his residence, The Gables, Aboyne, Aberdeenshire, on Saturday. Though of a quiet disposition, Col. MacLaughlin was well known in Woking for his work in connection with the Westfield British Legion, which he financed from its inauguration in 1922. He was the third son of the late Rev Alexander MacLaughlin, Rector of Doon, County Limerick, Ireland. He leaves a widow and daughter in bereavement.

Col. MacLaughlin's Woking home was Derryheen, Hook Heath Road, where he had resided for the past 24 years. He was the owner of large tea plantations in India, and it was his custom to visit them between the months of December and March. Because of illness he was unable to go to India this year. During the autumn he visited his Scottish residence, usually in September, and he was taken ill the day after his arrival last year.

Col. MacLaughlin will be chiefly remembered in Woking for his work in connection with the Westfield British Legion. It might be truly said that he financed the branch which Mr E. C. Deverall founded. Until two years ago, Col. MacLaughlin always headed the parades of the Legion. He was its first president, and continued in office until his death. He very kindly allowed the members of the Legion to use the rifle range at Derryheen, built for volunteers during the Great War, whilst he and Mrs MacLaughlin gave shooting prizes. He was one of the best friends the Legion possessed, and was one of the prime movers in the building of the headquarters at Westfield.

In 1914, on the outbreak of war, Col. MacLaughlin started a volunteer corps at Derryheen, and about 1,000 men, many of whom became officers, passed through his hands. Men from St. John's, Hook Heath and Mayford attended the first parade in the barn at Derryheen.

Born at Drum-rhu, Co. Waterford, in March, 1854, Col. MacLaughlin was educated at St. John's College, Newport, Ireland, and at Rossall. He later graduated in arts and medicine at Dublin University in the unusually short period of two years and nine months. In August, 1876, he went to India, where he took up medical practice in the tea districts of Cachar, Sylhet, and the Doours. In 1885 he gave up active medical work and turned his attention to the planting out of tea in the districts of Cachar and Sylhet. He was the first to recognise the advantage of draining boggy lands and the planting out of what are known as Bheel lands, and such gardens, during the more prosperous times in the industry, proved a great success.

### HIS WAR SERVICE.

Colonel MacLaughlin joined the Surma Valley Light Horse, as medical officer, in 1884, was appointed Commandant in 1900, and continued in command of the corps until his resignation in 1909, when he was created a C.I.E., in recognition of the efficient state to which he had brought the regiment. In April, 1891, when the trouble in Manipur broke out and the Chief Commissioner, Mr Grimwood, and others were massacred, Capt. (as he then was) MacLaughlin obtained the sanction of the Colonel of the regiment to mobilise 'C' troop and offer their services to the Commanding Officer, Manipur Field Force. The offer was accepted, and the detachment, after rendering excellent service under his command, was the first to enter the gates of Imphal. Colonel MacLaughlin did a great deal for the Light Horse, and gave up much of his time to its welfare. He excelled in many forms of military mounted sports, rifle shooting and polo.

## RUGBY REVIEW.

(BY "UMPIRE.")

### NEARING THE END.

The final of the Munster Cup, which took place on Saturday last, marks the eve of the closing of yet another Rugby season. Much has been written editorially and otherwise in these columns to leave the subject of it now almost threadbare to me, but I cannot help remembering that in last week's notes I fairly prophesied the turn the game would take. Garryowen did not get possession in the scrums quite near as often as Constitution, but, withal, were able to turn the latter's mistakes to such an advantage as to completely turn the tables on them, and win out a clean-cut and most deserved victory. Mick O'Connor's dropped goal was a reward to this player's fine sense of position, and fairly took the wind out of the Cork men's sails, to be followed then so rapidly by Ryan's excellent try, before the Cork men had really settled down. It was a splendid victory, and one which enhances considerably the prestige of Limerick Rugby. May I add my most sincere congratulations to those that must have been received by the score already by the successful Garryowen Club.

### THE CHARITY CUP.

All interest now turns to our local Derby, the final of the Limerick Senior Charity Cup, fixed for the Markets Field on Saturday evening next, with the Munster Cup winners and Young Munster as the contestants. This should prove a game well worth seeing, and may provide better and more exciting football than that witnessed on Saturday last. If I am correctly informed Garryowen are fielding the full side which brought them such a signal victory on Saturday last. Young Munster have also kept themselves in good form, so that a rare tussle lies ahead.

### SEVEN ASIDE.

The season will close on Saturday week with the seven-side tournament for the Munster Cup, a competition on the knock-out principle for all senior teams in the province. This competition was initiated last season in Cork, and proved highly successful, and like the Munster Senior Cup, is to be played for on alternate years in Cork and Limerick.

### THE JUNIOR MATCHES.

The Junior and Transfield Cup competitions are now also nearing the end, the semi-final stages in both competitions having been reached. Two matches are being fought out this afternoon, and the field will be ready for the respective finals next week-end. On last Sunday Garryowen II defeated St. Munchin's in the Transfield Cup by 9 points to nil, and in the semi-final of the City Juvenile League Bohemians III and Young Munster III played a drawn game. This latter is one of the matches being decided this evening. The second semi-final, Shannon v. Crescent, will take place on Sunday next at Crescent grounds.

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"Tests have shown that when potatoes are stored with potatoes in a bin sprouting is prevented, remaining firmer and of better quality than those stored without the same. Experiments with previously stored potatoes provided the shoots were within 'distance' of the apples, the result checked."

Only apples and closely related fruits, such as pears, possess this property, neither green nor rotten from the same result.

REMOVING ROAD

At the meeting of the Club reference was made to the certain cases of acquiring necessary for the removal of road bends, and the Council agreed to steps that might be necessary to facilitate the work in bends in roads.

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