

**DEATH OF MR GEORGE R. RYAN, C.E.**

We record with very sincere regret the death of Mr George R. Ryan, C.E., senior partner of the firm of Messrs J. Ryan and Sons, Builders, Thomas St., which occurred at his residence, Shamrock Ville, North Circular Road, early on Sunday morning, after a protracted illness. By his demise, a conspicuous figure in public and commercial life has passed from us. The son of the late Mr J. T. Ryan, J.P., of Limerick, and formerly of Waterford, his firm carried out many important contracts in the city and elsewhere. Amongst those may be mentioned the building of St. Joseph's Church, O'Connell Avenue, the reconstruction of the Bank of Ireland, the re-modelling of the General Post Office, and the building of large extensions thereto in Henry street several years ago, and more recently the building of a chapel at the Convent of the Good Shepherd, Clare street. Mr Ryan, who was aged 67, found time to devote considerable attention to civic affairs. He was for many years a member of the Harbour Board, and took a prominent part in the prolonged discussions on the dock extension and railway schemes, where his views, frank and outspoken as they were, won for him the respect and esteem of the members, including those who differed with him. He was at one time President of the Chamber of Commerce, and a few years ago filled a similar office as President of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Irish Free State. The movement of the National Savings Certificates had his earnest support for many years past, and he was Chairman of the Regional Committee for Limerick district up to the time of his death. A liberal employer, and a kindly and courteous gentleman, his death removes a familiar and popular personality from our midst, and there is deep sympathy with his widow (a daughter of the late Alderman Thomas Gaffney, J.P., of this city), and the family in their sorrow.

**SWORN INQUIRY REP**

**Representative Citizens**

Opinions obtained in the city the report and recommendations MacLysaght, B.L., Local Government Inspector (published in our fourth civic administration, go to show result of the enquiry is to a large appointing from the failure of the give any relief to the ratepayers huge burden they have to carry result of the Union amalgamation

As far as the Corporation is the recommendations contained in are regarded as much more sa particularly that which advocate application of the Manager system restricted Borough Council me and the city constituted a unit f purposes.

When invited to give his view report, the Mayor replied that h in a position yet to do so, as l studied the document sufficiently would not, he added, even had persued it, give an opinion of Council Chamber.

Mr A. E. Goodwin, B.C., Vice of the Chamber of Commerce, en Inspector's recommendation for of the Manager System to the ci with reduction in the members Council, and making the Borough election purposes. He said th would indisputably make for effi economy in civic administration; favour of an employes pension being conducive to a saving in ex

Alluding to the section of dealing with the poor law system win said it conveyed nothing m expression of opinion, unless th was prepared to devise means of ratepayers the relief they expect intolerable burden of local tax which could not in any event co borne indefinitely.

Mr T. J. Loughrey, Chairn Citizens and Ratepayers' Society

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