

ANNON SCHEME AND THE FISHERIES.

To Anglers at Castleconnell and Killaloe.

Valuation Question.

The resolution passed recently by the Limerick Board of Fishery Conservators drawing attention to the loss to valuation of the Shannon fisheries, consequent on the operation of the hydro-electricity scheme, was again referred to at a meeting of the Board last evening, on receipt of a reply from the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

The reply stated that the question was considered by the Inter-Departmental Committee of Inquiry set up to examine the fisheries of the Shannon. The Minister was in agreement with the committee's report, and no undue delay would occur in reaching a decision on it.

Mr. Blood-Smyth, solr., said that the question of the valuation of the fisheries was the very greatest importance to the Board. Since the operation of the Shannon Scheme the poor law valuation of several fisheries in the Shannon had been reduced by 50 per cent. That meant that for every pound reduction in valuation the Board lost 16s 6d. In addition, the Board lost revenue in respect of licence duty on rods, and licence duty on eel skins. The financial position of the Board was now becoming very serious, and it was a matter of urgency and importance that the Government should come to their assistance.

Mr. Alton said the loss in revenue from rod licences was very considerable. In former years visitors in large numbers fished in the Shannon with rods.

Mr. Blood-Smyth observed that prior to the Shannon Scheme the Board derived a very big income from rod licences paid by visitors to Castleconnell, Killaloe and other places. Now they had not a single visiting angler to these places, and not only did the Board suffer, but working fishermen, hotels, hackney car owners and others. These interests, however, did not concern the Board, but it was a matter that concerned the country as a whole.

Mr. Johnson said that as bad as the position was at present he feared that it would become worse. The loss to the Board had sustained for the current year was 50 per cent, but he was of opinion that the loss for next year would be 90 per cent. The fact was that the Board were unable to carry on, and unless the Government came to their assistance the Board would be unable to carry on in a comparatively short time.

In reply to Mr. Blood-Smyth, the Clerk stated that the financial loss sustained by the Board was about £700.

Mr. Johnson—It will be over £1,000 for next year. More fisheries are going out of business, and now you have no visiting anglers.

The hope was expressed that the Minister would act promptly on the Inter-Departmental report.

SMASH AND GRAB RAID IN LONDON.

£1,500 Worth of Jewellery Carried Off

SAILOR DROWNED AT THE DOCKS.

A sad drowning accident occurred at the docks on Tuesday night some time after ten o'clock. It appears that a Norwegian sailor named Amer Andersen, aged 26, was returning to his ship, the motor steamer "Alg," which is discharging a cargo of grain from Rosario, when he evidently slipped and fell into the water. A lifebuoy was thrown out to him by a man in the vicinity, but the deceased never rose to the surface, and the body was recovered thirty minutes later and removed in the Fire Brigade ambulance to Barrington's Hospital morgue.

The Inquest.

An inquest was held yesterday by Mr J. S. McNeice, Deputy Coroner, at the Hospital.

Supt. Reynolds conducted the inquiry, and Mr R. Holliday, Norwegian Consul, was present.

Capt. Rimsland, master of the "Elg," gave evidence of identifying the body as that of the deceased. As far as he knew Andersen was single and was aged about 26 years. He was well liked by everybody on board ship.

Marthinus Hope, motor man on the "Elg," deposed to having been with the deceased on Tuesday night with another man named Carl Beck. The three returned to the docks at about ten o'clock, and Andersen parted with them just inside the gate, saying he was going across to another Norwegian ship lying at the north side of the basin. Andersen had some drink taken, but was not drunk. Shortly afterwards he heard someone had fallen into the water, but he did not know who it was at the time.

Daniel Sheehan stated that he was fishing at the edge of the dock on Tuesday night, and at about 10.15 he saw three men talking near a shed. One of the men came towards him, walking along the edge of the dock. He appeared to be under the influence of drink. When he was about twenty yards away from witness he fell into the water near some steps. There was nobody near him, but a man ran with a lifebuoy, and threw it in. Deceased however did not rise to the surface. It was possible that he hit himself off the steps in falling into the water.

Dr T. Morris, R.M.O., Barrington's Hospital, stated that death, in his opinion, was due to asphyxia, caused by immersion in the water. There were no external marks of violence on the body.

Sergeant Horgan, O'Curry street barracks, gave evidence of carrying out dredging operations in the dock to recover the body, which was found after half an hour. The body was about 18 feet from the bottom of the steps, and lying beside the wall.

The Coroner said the only verdict to be returned was that death was due to asphyxia caused by immersion in the water. It was only fair to state that the occurrence was accidental. There was no evidence to show that the deceased intended to harm himself, and his death at such an early age was very sad.

A verdict in accordance with the medical testimony was returned.

The funeral took place this morning to St. Mary's Cathedral cemetery, Rev. J. G. Russell officiating. Messrs. Holliday were amongst those present with the Captain and crew who sent wreaths as well as the owners of the ship.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

Limerick Show Society.

Increased Subsidy.

Mr Sean Hartney, Co.C, Chairman, presided at the meeting of the County Agricultural Committee yesterday. There were also present—Messrs J. McCormack, Co.C; M. J. Curtin, Co.C; S. Carroll, M. Quinlan, Co.C; C. D. O'Sullivan, J. Quaide, J. Blackwell, Co.C; M. Ryan, Co.C. P. Frawley, Co.C; T. Scanlan, Co.C; P. J. Condon, J. W. Canty, Co.C., with T. A. Hartigan, Secretary.

A letter was read from Mr J. T. Barry, Sandville, Ballyneety, inviting the Committee to allow Mr J. J. Cleary, Horticultural Instructor, to inspect the school gardens taking part in the garden scheme promoted by the Limerick Endowment for Technical Education.

The Committee acceded to the application. The Department of Local Government wrote stating that it would be necessary for the Committee to award the specific amount of the marriage gratuity proposed to be allowed to Miss Arrigin, Instructress in Poultry Keeping, under section 4 of the Act of 1925.

The Secretary said the amount voted to Miss Arrigin by the Committee, and approved by the County Council was £120 1s. 4d.

The Committee approved an award of £120 1s. 4d. to Miss Arrigin.

The Secretary of the Bandon Show Society wrote asking if the Committee would be good enough to allow Mr J. J. Cleary, horticultural instructor, to judge at the Show on the 6th July.

The application was granted. Permission was also given to Mr Cleary to judge at the Munster Agricultural Society Show at Cork on the 28th and 29th instant.

The Committee also gave permission to Miss E. A. Spratt, poultry instructress, to judge at the Ennis Show on 15th August.

Pursuant to notice, Mr McCormack proposed that the £117 allocated to the Kilmallock Show Society and not now required be transferred to the Limerick Agricultural Show Society. He said the money would be spent amongst the people of the county for their benefit.

Mr Carroll said he thought it would be a mistake to confine the allocation of the £117 to classes at the Show which would exclude outside entries. He noticed last year that in several cases confined classes had only a few entries.

Mr McCormack—That is not our experience. It is a rule of the Department that any money allocated should be spent in the county.

Mr Canty asked what was the total subsidy to Limerick Show.

The Secretary—£234.

Mr Canty considered that for such a subsidy the Committee should have a larger representation on the Show Management Committee.

Mr McCormack—The Chairman of the Committee is a member of the Show Management Committee.

Mr Carroll—And Mr McCormack is also a member.

Mr Canty said he had nothing to say in criticism of the Show Committee, but seeing they were giving a substantial subsidy this year the representation from the Committee

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Corrin Cottage
Anna's Pride (1)
Also ran—Lot
Kirkdale, Havana
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Parched Corn (1)
Ballybrittas (1)
Tolour (6 to 1)
Also ran—Bali
Lily, Oskentonton.

WATER

The Immortal (1)
Koloe (7 to 2)
Cariff (25 to 1)
Also ran—Cyl
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Flight. Won by

HARRIS

Athgoe (4 to 1)
Some Gift (4 to 1)
Toland (8 to 1)
Also ran—Ar
Alora, Wandering
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Marie Vic (2 to 1)
Last Post (6 to 1)
Storm Signal (1)
Also ran—Kir
Isle. Won by

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Twain (6 to 4)
Waukeo (8 to 1)
Three Star (10 to 1)
Also ran—Or
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Cafe au Lait (11 to 1)
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