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for a further period of six months, and stating that the employment of Mr Costelloe was sanctioned only as a temporary arrangement. The Council was, therefore, requested to proceed to fill the vacancy in the ordinary manner.

Ald. Donnellan proposed that the Council take steps to promote one of the existing staff at the Park to the position, and that Mr Costelloe be appointed keeper.

Mr W. Hickey seconded.

Mr Angley proposed an amendment that the Minister's directions be complied with.

Mr J. C. Hickey seconded.

On a vote being taken, Ald. Donnellan's motion was passed by 15 votes to 2.

DEATH OF MR. J. R. HARTIGAN.

The death, which we regret to announce, took place at his residence, Boher House, Bruff, this morning of Mr James R. Hartigan, after a rather brief illness, patiently borne. The deceased, who never married, was in his sixtieth year. He was third son of the late Mr Thomas Hartigan, and brother of Mr J. P. Hartigan, the well-known Irish racing official and auctioneer, and of Mr T. A. Hartigan, Secretary, County Agricultural Committee. The deceased, who was a good judge of a thoroughbred, had horses in training some years ago, and was a familiar figure at Southern race meetings. He was a man of engaging manner, which endeared him to a wide circle of friends, who regret his passing and extend sympathy to his relatives.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The forthcoming municipal elections were discussed at a meeting of the Corporation last night. The members of the various parties exchanged views as to the desirability of avoiding a contest, and it was agreed that if possible the present thirty-seven members should be returned unopposed, and that the three vacancies existing should not be filled until the elections under the Reform Bill

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