

Mr Meara went from Limerick to the Transvaal, South Africa, in the early stages of the South African War, and for many years has been engaged in missionary work in the City of Johannesburg. He has travelled very extensively in that great country, and is intimately associated with its life and customs, and the numerous races inhabiting it. Last night before a very big audience in the Methodist Church he graphically related his experiences in an illustrated lecture, entitled "A Trip Through South Central Africa." About one hundred slides were thrown on the screen, and starting from Johannesburg we were shown various cities, including Capetown, Pretoria, and other well-known centres, some of them separated from each other as far as nine hundred miles. The great gold mining and diamond industries, an immense National Park, and finally glimpses of life of Zululand, comprised a lecture which was followed with the keenest interest, and at the close the thanks of the audience were conveyed to the rev. lecturer by Mr A. H. Morrison, who presided. Mr R. Myles worked the lantern most satisfactorily.

### LIMERICK PLOUGHING CONTEST.

The following is the result of the ploughing contest held under the auspices of the County Agricultural Committee at Lisnagry yesterday. — Al. G. Glenstal, Murroe, 1st; Tom Power, Bilboa, Cappamore, 2nd; Peter Coffey, Annacotty, 3rd; Joe Dunlea, Murroe, 4th; William Lyons, Murroe, 5th, and John Gleeson, Lisnagry, 6th.

The special prizes presented by the Limerick hardware firms were won by John Gorman, Glenstal; James Fleut, Bilboa, Cappamore, and William Keogh, Ahane. There were fifteen entrants, and the field, which was given by Mr Patrick Maher, was in capital condition to test the skill of the competitors. There was a large attendance of spectators, who followed the tests with great interest.

Mr J. McCormack, Chairman County Council; Mr M. Hickey, Co.C.; Mr J. J. O'Malley, Co.C.; Mr B. Laffan, and Mr W. Cusack were present, and the judges were—Messrs P. J. Kelly, Mungret College, and A. J. Butler, Ballyneety, who praised the work, which was in advance of last year's contest.

### PROPOSED INDUSTRIES.

The question of proposed industries for the city was considered at a meeting of the Limerick Labour Party, at which the Mayor (Mr J. Casey) and Mr M. J. Keyes, T.D., attended. It was decided to give the City Council, the Development Association, and the Government full co-operation in securing for Limerick its share in the industrial expansion, which was a feature of the policy of the present administration.

The Chairman (Mr L. Larkin) said a very successful year opened out for the people of the city, particularly the workingclasses. There was the possibility of more employment, which would result in increased prosperity.

### FATAL BURNING ACCIDENT.

Katherine Kenneally, aged 19 years, domestic servant, who sustained injuries to the back and legs by her clothing accidentally taking fire while cooking at a kitchen range at Edward street yesterday, died in Barrington's Hospital to-day. The deceased, for whom slight hope was entertained for her recovery, as well as being severely burned, suffered from shock.

The Coroner has been communicated with, and an inquest will be held.

from what he could gather, it related to a petition for the building of the Sarsfield Bridge in 1823.

The Board, on the motion of Mr Roycroft, seconded by Mr Loughrey, decided to purchase the document and to have it framed.

### OBITUARY.

#### Mr Patrick Coyle.

We announce with regret the death of Mr Patrick Coyle, which took place at his residence, Rosbrien, last night, after an illness of about six weeks' duration. The deceased was a well known and popular figure in the commercial life of the city for a long number of years. A native of Donegal, he came to Limerick at an early age, and on the completion of his education he went into business with his brother, Mr Hugh Coyle, at 42 O'Connell street. Mr Coyle subsequently went to South Africa, where he was engaged in a commercial pursuit. On his return to Limerick, after the lapse of a few years, he carried on the grocery business at O'Connell street when his brother left the city for Dublin. He retired some ten years ago, and up to the time of his last illness he was district representative for three of the principal tea houses in London. A man of quiet and unobtrusive disposition, he enjoyed the friendship of a wide circle of friends, who will extend deep sympathy to his wife, daughter of Mr J. H. Roche, in her bereavement.

Funeral arrangements appear in obituary notice.

#### Mr. James Dolan.

The death, which we record with regret, occurred at his residence, Bruree, on Saturday, of Mr James Dolan. The deceased was father of the Very Rev. John Dolan, President of St. Munchin's Diocesan College, who has suffered a second bereavement within a short period, as his mother was buried only a week ago. The sympathy of the public will be given to Father Dolan in his double sorrow. The funeral, which took place on Sunday last, was largely attended, and was a striking tribute to the popularity of the deceased.

#### Mrs. Copen-Langford.

We regret to announce the death, which occurred on the 25th inst. at the family residence, of Anne Jane Sophia, wife of Richard Copen-Langford, J.P., of Killoosgriff, Shanagolden, and eldest daughter of the late Charles Alphonse Massy, J.P., of Gundaroo, New South Wales, and Farran, Co. Limerick. The deceased lady, who had reached an advanced age, was of a very kindly and charitable disposition, and highly respected and esteemed. A wide circle of friends sympathise with Mr Copen-Langford in his bereavement.

#### Master C. J. Carey.

Sincere sympathy will be tendered to Mr C. G. Carey, 3 Prospect Villas, who is well known in Rugby football circles, on the death of his son, Cornelius J. Carey, who passed away in Barrington's Hospital yesterday. The deceased, who had not reached his thirteenth birthday, was a very promising boy, and his demise is a great blow to his parents. The remains were removed to St. Michael's Church at 8 o'clock last evening, and the funeral, which took place to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery to-day, showed the regret felt for his parents in their loss.

### A QUIET WEDDING.

Owing to the death of Sir Arthur Maxwell, the bridegroom's father. the

class gave a very handsome profit.

Proposing the adoption of the report, Mr Tom Duggan congratulated the Secretary on the manner in which it was presented. As the cost of the maintenance of the Society was growing it was the duty of members to do all they could to increase the income. He was very glad to learn that the dramatic class had done so well, and he hoped that this form of intellectual development would be still further developed. (Applause).

Mr J. O'Halloran seconded, and observed that the Society had first-class material for dramatic talent. He appealed to young men to join the Society, where good citizens were turned out.

Mr Maher referred to the necessity of proceeding to build a new boat club premises as an adjunct to the Society.

Father Fitzpatrick said that notwithstanding adverse circumstances the Society had done very well. He trusted that the members would do all they could to secure new members.

The Bishop expressed his full appreciation of the good work done by the Society, and joined with Mr Duggan in the hope that its dramatic talent would be availed of to the fullest possible extent. It would, his Lordship said, add to the prestige of the Society if a boathouse were built.

Rev. Father Fitzpatrick presented to Mr J. Tuohy the Silver Perpetual Challenge Billiards Cup, and congratulated him on having won it now four times. Next year he (Father Fitzpatrick) would present a special prize to the winner, as the cup, being a perpetual challenge trophy, could not become the exclusive property of any competitor.

Mr Tuohy returned thanks to Father Fitzpatrick.

### THREATENING LETTER CHARGE.

#### Limerickman Returned for Trial.

At Ennis District Court, Michael Curtin, of 4 Arthur's Quay, Limerick, was charged with sending or causing to be delivered to Martin Burns, of Breaffa, West Clare, a letter threatening to burn his house.

After Captain A. J. Quirke, Drumcondra, Dublin, who stated he was a handwriting expert, had been examined in connection with two letters produced, District Justice Gleeson asked accused did he desire to cross-examine the witness.

Accused said he did not wish to cross-examine. All he wished to say was that he never wrote the threatening letter.

Supt. Dawson, of Kiltush, who prosecuted, asked that the accused be returned for trial.

The application was granted, and accused allowed out on his own bail of £50, and one surety of £50.

### ASSOCIATION.

Trojans (Limerick) and Tipperary United met at the Markets Field on Sunday in the Free State Junior Soccer Cup, before a large attendance. It was a good game, and after five minutes Tipperary scored, per Ryan, who cleverly outwitted the opposition. Twenty minutes later Trojans equalised, when Keane sent in a beautiful shot. The visitors made a great effort to get ahead, but the defence held, and five minutes from the end Trojans improved their position, when Fitzpatrick drove into the net. Result:—

Trojans—2 goals.  
Tipperary United—1 goal.

### FIRE BRIGADE FOR ENNIS.

Ennis Urban Council adopted a report with reference to the formation of a fire brigade for the town. Senator T. V. Honan (chairman) said the ratepayers of Ennis paid enormous sums every year to insurance com-

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