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These conditions, prevailing in the very centre of the city, adjacent to one of the most important business thoroughfares, leave little cause for complacency, and now with a distinct desire to render the city more attractive is observable everywhere, the responsible authorities should take some steps to have the place put in a proper state of cleanliness, and to abute what constitutes a definite nuisance.

Visitors to our city have frequently commented on the condition of Arthur's Quay, and expressed surprise that something is not done in the matter. From all points along the Strand—one of the most popular local walks—the quay is discernible, and it is the only blot on what is otherwise one of the nicest spots in the city. It is, however, a very big blot, and an effort should at once be made to improve the conditions existing there.

DEATH OF MR. FRANK W. McCARTHY.

The death, which we regret to announce, occurred at his residence in New York on Sunday, of Mr Frank W. McCarthy after an illness of some duration. deceased, who was in middle life, was only son of Mrs Elizabeth McCarthy, Ardara Terrace, Ennis Road, Limerick, and of the late Mr Francis McCarthy, Auctioneer, of this city. He emigrated to New York nearly thirty years ago, and was prominently connected with commercial activities in that city. Mr McCarthy was of a very lovable dispostion, a bright and charming companion, and a steadfast friend His untimely death is mourned by a wide circle of friends in the home of his adoption and by many who knew him in this city. Sincere sympathy will be extended and wife and family and mother in the bereavement that has befallen them, and to his cousin, Mr Joe McCarthy.

FLOOD-LIGHTING OF TAIT CLOCK.

Last night, the Mayor inaugurated the scheme for the flood-lighting of the Tait Memorial Clock, in Baker Place, by switching on the lamps, which from three corners of the square cast their light on the dials. The result leaves nothing to be desired, and as well as displaying the beauty of this piece of architecture, has the advantage of giving considerably more light to the vicinity. The innovation attracted a great deal of attention from the citizens, and the dial of the clock are now brightly illuminated and can be read from an appreciable distance.

Members of the Corporation and Mr Frank Algar, B.E., Director of Public Lighting, E.S.B., accompanied the Mayor.

CLARE OFFICER'S FUNERAL.

satisfaction. The gate chamber was now finished, and on Saturday afternoon water was admitted into the new basin at a slow rate, and was expected to be filled at the end of the week. The excavation of the west wall was also well under way.

Mr Donnellan—When will it be

Engineer-About March, I think.

Mr Donnellan—Well, I must say it is about time.

The Secretary reported that since the last meeting five regular traders, one overseas vessel, and two coasters had entered the port.

Mr Loughrey enquired if any further information was available regarding the reports to the effect that the Shannon had been selected as the Transatlantic air base.

The Mayor said he had nothing to add to what he had already said on the subject. If his information was correct, the base should be at Beigh Castle. Further than that he could say nothing.

Mr O'Dwyer—It should go from here that this Board is prepared to co-operate in every possible way with the project if the Shannon is selected.

Mayor—That expression has already gone from this Board, and we will cooperate in providing all the facilities we possibly can.

Mr Loughrey—It has been stated in some of the morning papers that the Shannon has been definitely selected.

Mayor—I am not responsible for what appears in the morning papers. I am hopeful that my information is correct, and that is all I can say.

The matt r vas not further discussed.

SHIP'S BOY TO MINISTER.

Lord Reading Dies in London

The Marquess of Reading died at his London home yesterday, aged seventy-five years. He had been in ill-health for several months. He rose from ship's boy to Lord Chief Justice of England, Viceroy of India, and then British Foreign Secretary.

As a boy Rufus Isaacs—as he then was—was put into a London office, so he ran away to sea, but entered Lon on life again on the Stock Exchange, where he was not succes ful, and from which he turned to the law, becoming a barrister when he was 27. Within eleven years he was a K C., a deadly cross-examiner, a master of figures, and the intricacies of financial law. He was Liberal M P. for Reading 1904-1913.

The Marquess of Reading was the greatest Jewish statesman since Disraeli. As an advocate, the only man who was his equal in the art of cross-examination was Carson. Their duels have become famous in legal history.

LAND ANNUITIES,

Flying Squad Active in County

A NEW PROJECT.

Considerable progress has been made in the laying of the foundation of the new provender mill at the docks for Messrs Runk (Ireland), Ltd., by the contractors, Messrs McCaffrey and O'Carroll, who have a large number of hands employed there for some time past Huge concrete piles are being driven into the ground, which would go to show that the building when completed will be exceptionally big. It is stated that before the mill will be ready to start operations a sum of between £80,000 and £100,000 will be expended. These operations will give employment for a considerable period, and when the work is finished it can be taken for granted that a large number of men will have permanent work there

LIMERICK HURLERS' AMERICAN TOUR.

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Agreement Terms.

The terms of the proposed agreement between the New York G.A.A. and Limerick County Board have been received in connection with the visit to the United States next summer of the jubilee year hurling champions.

It is stated that the proposed terms are not quite satisfactory, and will be considered at a meeting of the County Board on the 11th January. The team will, however, make the tour, and will leave on the 7th May.

INFANT'S SUDDEN DEATH.

A three months' old infant, the child of Thomas Darcy, 10 Davis street, Limerick, was found dead in bed yesterday morning. The body was removed to Barrington's Hospital for the purpose of a post mortem to have the cause of death ascertained.

Following the examination, Dr. S. McDonagh, house surgeon, Barrington's Hospital, issued a certificate showing that there was no evidence of external injury on the body, and death in his opinion was caused by asphyxia, due to an enlarged thymus gland.

As a result, the Coroner did not consider an inquest necessary.

ROAD COLLISION.

A motor car driven by Thos. Lynch, Castlebar. Co. Mayo, and a lorry the property of Mesors. McDermott, Patricks well, came into collision at Punch's Cross last evening. In the impact the lorry circled the roadway and the radiator of the motor car was smashed, but both drivers escaped injury.

£20,000 FROM AMERICA.

Gounty Galway benefited to the extent of about £20,000 by the American Christmas mail; 8,600 American money orders were advised in Galway post offices, the average value of each order