

sly underpaid. That should not be case in this branch of education, which has more to do with the formation of the character of the children than popularly considered. In other branches of education the teachers are paid, and why the national teachers singled out for exceptional treatment is difficult to understand. In his address the President of the Cork Branch charged the Government with breaking faith with the Organisation on subject of the restoration of the cuts salaries, and, incidentally, mentioned that the Northern Government had partially restored the cuts. Indeed, in the review of the position by the President, the outlook for the profession is far from being bright, and conditions of pay and service are not made attractive by the penurious policy of the Government. Harder work and considerably less pay will not induce many to follow the vocation of national teacher in the Free State, where money can be found by the Dail for every conceivable object, but not to give the members of a great profession a decent salary—a salary sufficient to keep them from economic worries. The position of the teachers who cannot get employment is indeed a sad one, calling for prompt action. It transpired in the course of the Cork meeting that one who came under this category had only obtained eleven weeks employment since July, 1932, earning 21, or 5d. a week. What a sorry commentary on a country where millions

The attendance included—E. Treacy, solicitor; D. J. O'Malley, solicitor; F. S. Wallace, T. Adam, F. O'Mahony, D. F. Craig, W. F. Treacy, A. Scanlon, J. Creagh, T. E. O'Donnell, solicitor; J. McGuire, M. Egan, J. Hall, W. Barden, B. Wixted, etc.

## FUNERAL OF MR. P. BYRNE

We regret to announce the death of Mr. William P. Byrne, 8 Lower Hartstonge Street, which took place yesterday after a protracted illness.

The deceased was some time Resident Engineer of the Limerick Waterworks Department, and had also been overseer of the City Foundry (Harrison, Lee and Sons) for many years, up to the time it closed down.

Mr. Byrne had attained an advanced age. He was a well-known figure in the city, and his passing is deeply mourned by his immediate family and a large circle of friends.

The remains were removed to St. John's Church last evening, and the interment took place this afternoon in St. Munchin's Cemetery.

The cortege was large and representative and was a tribute to the respect and esteem which the deceased gentleman enjoyed.

The Archdeacon of Limerick, Ven. J. T. Waller, B.D., officiated, assisted by the Rev. T. E. Beacom, B.A.

The chief mourners were—Mrs. K. Byrne (widow), Samuel, Edward, Frank and John Byrne (sons), Olive, Kitty, and May Byrne (daughters), Christopher and Edward Counihan (nephews), Mrs. Pickford (niece), Geddy, Violet, Tessie, Maura, Phyllis Rose, and Angelina Byrne (granddaughters), Michael and John Byrne (grandsons), William, Harry, Christopher, George and W. George Pickford, Mrs. J. Byrne, Mrs. Ed. Byrne Mrs. F. Byrne, Mrs. S. Byrne (relatives).

Messrs. Harry and George Byrne (sons) were unavoidably absent.

Wreaths of natural flowers were sent by—"His Wife, Kitty, May, and Olive," Mr. R. M. Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson.

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