

THE OLD THEATRE ROYAL

Stories and Musings

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(BY "MANRICO.")

page on a very liberal scale con- to be given by the people of to musical comedy. Its fra- usic and dainty lyrics were mag- and reacted like a refreshing young and old. Our good George Edwards, and another manager, George Dance, who, I d, had not a step in his legs, ft us down. Alternately they sent one or other of their shows. It e invidious to proffer an opinion relative merits of the fare served, and I will keep mine in petto. ing may be said, and that is, as no relaxing of interest—I will er and say, an intelligent inte- the public. They were keen cri- n though it is the fashion now on of young folk to frown on the vanced on any subject by pater r, who are usually regarded as mbers. Be that as it may, and ly I don't give a hoot for the or opinions of contemporary ut I do assert, and very empha- that the "schooling" and of three decades ago were in- superior to those of the present

FROM NEW YORK.

I said my say on what has o be a controversial question, elle of New York" makes her the Theatre Royal. The petite active damoiselle, in wreaths of had a wonderful welcome. For week she was verily "the sub- ll the town talk." What a com- The story swings round a Sal- Army lass, who is quite a wench, as Master Shakespeare ay. She regales the audience g and dance, and receives ad- -support from a French brunette es a smart rendition of the chic "The Lady from Gay Paree." ral music is full and pleasant, are not overlook paying tribute istrionic ability of the principal mber of the caste. He was, par e, hail fellow with the gallery- let it go on the conclusion of tling solo. He was a finished ho supplied a pleasant touch to success of Edna May, now well gily married.

"SANTOI"

"another of these works with ntal setting supplied something r novel, inasmuch as the scene hina—among the Celestials, the ice of the Asiatic Continent. It in diverting situations, the s agreeable, and the dressing without being garish. We had production a week of sustained t, with many local topics intro- For example, in the song, "I be popular," Garryowen foot- r, who were hot contenders for ister Cup, had a verse which ounds of applause. I consider most tuneful solo in the score ended by Santoi herself, with Song a good runner up.

DROWNED IN TRENCH

Child's Tragic Death in Limerick

Mr. J. S. McNeice, solicitor, Acting Coroner, held an inquest at Barrington's Hospital, Limerick, yesterday touching the death of a child named Michael Creamer (3), 37 St. Ita's Street, Island Field, who was drowned in a trench near the Island Field on Tuesday evening.

Supt. Meehan, G.S., conducted the enquiry.

Patrick Creamer father of the child, gave evidence of identification. He last saw him alive at 4.35 p.m. on Tuesday afternoon, when he was playing around the house with other children. Some hours later deponent got a message, as a result of which he went to a trench cut in the Island Field. The trench contained water and there was no protection about it. The child was in the trench and appeared to be dead.

Coroner—This trench runs parallel with the Island Field?

Deponent—Yes.

Dr. Stephen McDonagh, House Surgeon, Barrington's Hospital, stated he examined the body of the deceased when admitted to hospital on Tuesday evening. There was no sign of life and death, in his opinion, was due to asphyxia and cardiac failure following immersion.

John Moloney, 22 Oliver Plunket St., Island Field, uncle of the deceased, said that shortly before 5 p.m. on Tuesday he brought the deceased to his own house and left him playing with other children. About 6 o'clock he got a message, and went to a trench, where he saw Michael Creamer, who appeared to be dead. Witness conveyed the child to hospital immediately.

John Flynn, 92 Oliver Plunket Street, said that he was returning to his home on Tuesday evening when his attention was attracted to the trench by some children. He went to the trench and saw a child floating on top of the water.

Superintendent—What did you do then?

Witness—I jumped down from the top of the bank and took the child out of the water. I tried artificial respiration, but it was not effective.

Superintendent—What would be the depth of the water?—About 8 feet.

Coroner—Would that be in the deepest part of the trench?—Yes; about the centre. It is not so deep at the sides.

Were there many other children there?—Yes, there were about four or five. The oldest would be about six.

Supt. Meehan said that there was no evidence as to how the child came into the water. It was fairly obvious that it was an accident, and he wished to tender deep sympathy to the parents.

Coroner—Apparently this has been an accident, and the other young children who were with the deceased could be of no assistance in getting him out of the water. I wish to join in tendering sympathy to the deceased's parents.

The jury returned a verdict that death was due to asphyxia and cardiac failure following immersion in the water.

They added a rider recommending that some protection should be placed around the trench so as to guard against a repetition of the occurrence.

LIMERICK CIVIL BILL COURT

Damages to a Pram

Bus Company Sued

At the Civil Bill Court, before Mr J. M. Flood, D.J.,

Peter O'Halloran, 74 New Road, Thomondgate, sued the G.S. Railways Co. for £4 for damages to a pram

Mrs. O'Halloran, in reply to Mr. O'Donovan, solr., for plaintiff, said that in the summer of 1937 she was spending a holiday in Ballybunion. She had a pram in Ballybunion, and travelled back by bus. When she saw the pram being put on the bus at Ballybunion it was in perfect condition, but on arrival at Limerick it was badly damaged. She refused to take the pram away from the Bus Office owing to its damaged condition. She had to buy another one, and paid £4 12s. 6d. for it. The defendants some time later wrote stating that they would charge her for the storage if she did not take away the pram. She admitted that the defendants repaired her pram, but not to her satisfaction.

Cross-examined by Mr J. Dodds, solr., for the defendants, witness said that she did not pay any attention to the notices posted inside the bus.

James Dalton, bus conductor, in evidence, stated that the notice (produced) was posted inside the bus, to the effect that the defendants carried certain luggage at the passenger's own risk and were not liable for any damage done.

Mr Dodds said that the plaintiff, in order to win the case, would have to prove that the damage was maliciously or wilfully done by one of the defendants' employees.

Justice—It is a very important principle for the travelling public, and my sympathy is with this woman. If there was any way I could decide with her I would do so, but there is no proof of wilful negligence on the part of the defendants' employees. I must, therefore, dismiss the claim.

CLARE'S BUDGET.

Increase of 6d. in £ in the County Rates.

Social Services.

At a meeting of the Clare County Council, Mr. M. J. Carey, Secretary, submitted the annual estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1939. The gross estimated expenditure is £225,619, as compared with £215,398 last year, being an increase of £10,221. Relief given by grants and other receipts total £112,685, as against £112,848, being a decrease of £163. The sum of £112,934 must be raised in rates, or £10,384 more than last year's figure, the increase being equivalent to a rate of 6d. in the £. The general basic rate for the county will be 11s. 10d. in the £, as compared with

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THURSDAY, APRIL

THE MISTS DISS.

There was some dis:apati which have all along er position of the Irish movement with regard to at the annual Conference delegates in Dublin yest country has been repeat the leaders that the mov Communistic, although aim and objective is w a Workers' Republic. W true that we have not, satisfactory explanation o the ideal of such a assumed that its motive Anybody with the mos knowledge of the doctri by Marx must be conv subversive revolutionary ticularly in its repudiation ity. If there is one thin Irish nature and charact devotion to their religion. any movement calculated rank and file of the worke allegiance to the Faith c fathers must end in dism failure. The people with fold, with a penchant for doctrine of Soviet Russia, with their so-called cure for ills of the workers, but th succeed. As an instance of their nostrums we need the spirited protest m McGovern, T.D., against a delegate at yesterday's ference. The delegate resolution congratulating Party in the Dail for against the annexation of Italy. Had he left the nobody would object, as th Ethiopia, to give Abyssini name, was indefensible, and Italy's pledged word as a League of Nations. The p ever, considered it the co drag in the Spanish war. Fascism was rampant in S civil war was started by Generals for their own ent as little respect for the Hitler and Mussolini as because of their suppression liberty and of democratic in we have yet to lear that the Spain was actuated by highest and most patriotic

FASHIONS OF TO-DAY