

To L. J. Duffy, Esq., Sec. Labour Party.

Nationalisation of Transport and Superannuation for Rail Men.

"A Chara,—In connection with the above, I refer you to my previous correspondence, and to point out that as a result the Government are about to introduce legislation to ease the situation developed through the various defective Acts that have been passed, and which have almost bankrupted rail transport. You will agree that the Amalgamation Act offered an outstanding opportunity to the Trade Unions, when in its initial stages, to obtain a suitable superannuation for railwaymen. Yet, notwithstanding their connections with a strong Labour Party, a miserable clause was embodied throwing the railwaymen on the clemency of the Railway Company, and was so bad that the then heads of the Labour Party apologised to the men who promoted the movement.

"Again, in the Transport Act, the same position arose. Another superannuation clause was passed, which was even worse than the first—in fact, the Judge appointed under the Act turned it down; yet, as I have already stated, the Unions, with practically unlimited resources at their disposal, strong legal assistance, close contact with the Labour Party, failed through inactivity to avail of those opportunities. Similar opportunities are about to develop now, as the Government are about to amend the Transport Act, or introduce a new Bill, thus giving the Labour Party and the Unions concerned an opportunity to retrieve their past and to have the superannuation clause in the Transport Act amended, and to press for nationalisation of transport, abolishing private ownership (see draft of Scheme for Nationalisation—Rail, Road, Air, and Water, which I officially handed to you, and to all members of the Government).

A strong virile campaign on these latter issues by the Labour Party and the Rail Unions will infuse new life into the Labour movement generally, and the Railway Unions in particular. My Committee suggests a strong Advisory Committee, composed of men who have made a study of transport and with practical experience, with expert legal assistance, be set up to consider any new legislation and to advise the Labour Party during the passage of same through An Dail. We believe that up-to-date methods should be availed of to ensure that future legislation dealing with transport, and the superannuation scheme for its employees, should not be handled in the slipshod manner of the past, when the Railway Companies directed legislation to private control, irrespective of

necessary steps would be taken at once to enact legislation, and it was anticipated as a result that the tourist industry in the country would be increased to an enormous extent.

'SEVEN KEYS TO BALDPATE'

Gaelic Translation

The Limerick Gaelic Dramatic Society has received from Amhlaoibh O Loinnigh, the well-known Cork Gaelic scholar, a recently completed translation of the play, "Seven Keys to Baldpate." The play is ranked as having one of the best and most ingenious constructed plots ever written. It has been filmed, and was screened in Limerick within the past few years.

Robert Brennan's "Good-night, Mr. O'Donnell," proved highly successful, both in the original and in its Gaelic translation. "Seven Keys to Baldpate" is somewhat similar in theme, but more exciting. The Gaelic version, "Grianan na Seacht n-Eochrach," will be staged by the Limerick Gaelic Dramatic Society early in November.

COUNTY LIMERICK LADY.

CREMATED REMAINS BURIED AT KILFINANE.

Mrs. A. Workman Low, widow of the late Lieut.-Colonel J. Low, Sunvale, Ardpatrick, Co. Limerick, died at Oxford on October 14th.

The cremated remains were conveyed to Kilfinane, and buried there. The chief mourners were Mrs. Chute, Mrs. Toler, Tullamore (daughters); Anna Chute (grandchild); Major Chute (son-in-law).

Amongst those present were—The Hon. W. Trench, Ballyorgan; Mrs. S. Winter, Mrs. J. Winter, Miss E. Harris, Mr. J. J. Winters, Miss Winters, Mr. J. Ryan.

THE SHOPS ACT.

Section 6 of the Shops Act, 1938, is now in operation in Limerick. This particular section deals with sanitary conditions in places of business, as well as the provision of other necessary amenities. The sanitary officers of the Corporation have been appointed by the Department of Local Government to enforce the provisions of the section, and they will operate under Dr. James McPolin, Medical Officer of Health

EMM; Rev. J. Molon; Rev. J. Carroll, Adm., S. Kelly, Adm., S. (Bishop's Secy C.C.; Parteen; nafulla; Very St. Munchin's do.; Rev. D. till, do.; Rev. Chawke, C.C., Meade, C.C., O'Callaghan, Carty, C.C., St. hivan, C.C., do. Rev. W. J. O' Rev. W. Creed C.C., do.; Rev. ford; Rev. T. Rev. T. Costell E. Condon, C. Hamilton, C.C., C.C., St. Munc C.C., Milford C.C., Sixmilebr Southern Comr Costelloe, C.C., frey, C.C., St. right, C.C., Gle C.C., Abbeyfe C.C., Croom; F dimo; Rev. E Rev. J. B. O'D Rev. S. Curtis, O.P.; Rev. J. Father Adrian, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Rev. J. Wrig: Rector, Moun: Father Hilary, The chief McCarthy, C.C. McCarthy, Ard han, Mrs. Gol McCarthy, Lon His Lordship final Absolutio graveside. The followin was received Chaplain, Fath convey to cha sincerest symj Father McCart in Athlone thi

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