

Mention was made during the of the facts to the good opinion gained by Judge O'Connor of the opinion given at the school. "No authority," was the laconic comment of brother judge and colleague, McElligott, who has a very delicate pen, nevertheless a kindly, amiable man. At the Bar he was a big success, and his very interesting volume, "The Lunster Circuit, Mr. Maurice Healy," has a nice reference to "Ned McElligott."

SCHOLARSHIPS.

Secondary School Scholarships are financed by Limerick Corporation a great advantage to the children of parents whose circumstances preclude giving anything higher than a primary education. At the recent examination for the half-dozen scholarships was up to normal, and were won by Christian Brothers' School. That is very creditable, and a testimony to the efficiency of instruction and aptitude of the candidates. These scholarships are tenable for three years at any recognised city secondary school or college. The examination was conducted by the Education Department.

HATS, ETC.

The painting of Robert Emmet bequeathed to his native city by the late Francis Van Eesbeck, Ohio, recalls his father, also Francis, was forty years ago Limerick's principal hatter. He was in the same category in this respect as Christy's, London, and Woodrow's, New York, and gave as good if not better. He numbered amongst his patrons the county aristocracy, members of the gentry, and had an influential connection in the south and North Tipperary. A Van Eesbeck hat, for preference a topper, was the business, the acme of fashion. A white silk denoted that the owner was a four-in-hand, a la the late De la Rose pere and J. O'Grady Delmege.

TRIP TO THE UNITED STATES.

Limerick was well represented in the number of passengers who embarked at Limerick on Saturday in the liner "New York" for the World's Fair. The ladies were in the majority, which is a tribute to their love of travel and compensating pleasures in broadening the outlook in life. One likes to think of the thrills of a trip to the United States—the colourful sights, bustle and animation of the great cities with their mammoth buildings, parks, and stores; above all, seeing how

Death of Well-Known West Limerick Man

One of the few that were left of the old Gaelic speakers which linked his generation with an earlier one, when Irish was almost generally used in West Limerick, died when Mr. John Harnett, Abbeyfeale, succumbed after a few weeks' illness at the age of 85. Proud of his knowledge of the language, he was ever ready for an argument in the old tongue, which he used on all possible occasions. He was the eldest of four stalwart members of the family—a quartette who were associated with the first Gaelic Athletic Association of hurlers and footballers in West Limerick, more than half a century ago, when the late parish priest of Abbeyfeale, Father Casey, had a combination of hurlers and footballers ready for affiliation when the G.A.A. was launched at Thurles by Maurice Davin and his contemporaries.

A very large funeral procession accompanied the remains of the deceased to the Abbeyfeale Parish Church, and the attendance of sympathisers was equally large at the interment next day in the family plot. The prayers at the graveside were read by the Rev. T. Canon Hogan, P.P., V.F., and Rev. W. J. Meade, C.C.

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Death of Very Rev. P. Hennessy in Australia

After a long illness, the Very Rev. Patrick D. Hennessy died at Mena House Hospital, Melbourne, Australia, recently. Dean Hennessy served the Church in a number of Tasmanian centres, and several churches bear memorials to his work. The late Dean Hennessy was born at Kilfinane, Co. Limerick, in 1873. He had a distinguished career at All Hallows College, Dublin, where he was ordained in 1897. He was always a leader in his class, and was classmate of the late Archbishop W. Barry. He administered first in Hobart, and was soon appointed parish priest at Franklin, where he carried on his priestly duties for 28 years. He took a deep interest in the welfare of his own people, and erected several ecclesiastical buildings, including a handsome church and school at Invernay at a cost of £8,000; renovating the Church of the Apostles and installing a new organ at a cost of £3,000. He took a keen interest in the church schools and

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