

distinct loss to any movement interested—they create a necessity for repairment. Mr. Culbertson's gift of friendship, and few away in Glin and district affairs have been more generous. He held the position of rector and discharged the duties of a rector of clergy and laity.



**ALK.**  
 travel talks are assured a great deal from Dr. Walter Starkie's visit in the Technical Institute subject—"The Mediterranean and their Folklore"—should attract attendance. Dr. Starkie, an eminent scholar, does not play the fiddle for the first time as a novelty and his fiddle are familiar to the audience, who he has delighted on many occasions. Few have the opportunity of hearing a theme in a more interesting or entertaining manner. He mentions, whether he is describing a scene of scenery, dealing with the customs of peoples, relating to a painting or piece of music, or playing a tune on the

## FINANCIAL ESTIMATES.

estimates for the public services of the Government for the financial years 1940-41, which were issued last evening, show a considerable increase compared with the estimates for the present year.

Year .. ..	£30,511,359
1939-40 .. ..	£31,422,626
Increase .. ..	£911,267

Very pointedly the writer observes, farmers can fix their own times for beginning and ending operations; they do not require to make the hay before the sun shines. The cardinal consideration, however, against the abolition of summer time rests on the benefits it confers from the health standpoint. That outweighs every other aspect of the matter, and it is hoped the Commission appointed by the Minister for Local Government to enquire into the operation of the Act will have expert medical evidence on its effect on the health of the urban wage earners. Should it happen that a recommendation is made that would react adversely on this very deserving class it would be deplorable, to put it mildly. They are entitled, from the nature of their employment, to the maximum of whatever sunshine they can snatch from the extension of daylight during six months of the calendar year. No section of the population can, and ought not expect to, obtrude its selfish opinion on the Government to the detriment of another whose interests and welfare are every bit as vital, economically and nationally.

## DEATH.

**FITZGIBBON**—March 7, 1940, at his daughter's residence, "Cader Idris," O'Connell Avenue, Maurice S. (late of McBirney's).—R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Michael's Church this (Thursday) evening, at 8 o'clock. Requiem Mass at 10.30 a.m. to-morrow (Friday). Funeral at 2 p.m. (S.T.) to Mt. St. Lawrence Cemetery.