

lands acquired as a site should be fully utilised for tillage purposes in the present season, and the Board were asked to make arrangements accordingly. The laying of underground water services should be deferred until the paramount need was an increase in food production.

The Engineer's reply was that the present proposals with regard to sewerage and water services did not envisage work on the site itself and only included bringing these services to a point on the public road outside the site. The Engineer said that the portion advertised left out the part of the ground on which the buildings themselves were situated. They had a total of approximately 19 acres for tillage outside the building site. If they used the whole they would not do any development work next year and it would make development more difficult next year because the land would be torn up.

The Secretary said that the Engineer had submitted a map and a report showing that the total land available was 23 acres 3 roods. A fence would have to be erected.

The Board decided to act on the recommendation of the Engineer to erect a permanent fence.

The Board decided to let the lands of Paradoyle for the purpose of sowing to the former owners, M. A. Daly and Michael Daly, at £4 an acre for their respective portions, and to offer Margaret Molloy, former owner, on similar terms.

In regard to the lands at Carrigeen, it was decided to let the tillable portion to P. Carroll Croom, for £16.

The Board further agreed that the parkhouse lands at Kilmallock would be offered to M. J. O'Connor for £30.

If the particular offers were not accepted, the Board decided to till the lands themselves.

COTTAGE REPAIRS.

The Board decided to consider certain matters in connection with Public Health and Labourers Acts.

The Chairman said that in regard to cottage repairs he had received complaints from people that they wanted to have repairs done. This was a serious matter in view of the storms during the winter.

Secretary—The assistant surveyors have authority to carry out repairs forthwith on cottages in cases of storm damage.

The Chairman said that people had complained about the ceilings.

Mr. Mackey said that he had made complaints for the past couple of years. Would the Board make an special order to have something done about these repairs? In his district people had come to him day after day and he was in a very awkward position.

Chairman—Can you give a list?

Mr. Mackey—I have given a list for

County Surveyor to see that the repairs were carried out.

Mr. Mackey said that if the Board were taken to Court they would be put to a lot of expense. He would act on the Chairman's suggestion and enter a motion on the lines suggested.

TENANTS' REQUEST.

A petition was forwarded on behalf of tenants at Colbert Terrace, Abbeyfeale, pointing out that 4/11 a week inclusive of rates was more than they were able to pay in the present depressed times.

The Secretary said that the rent was 3/10 a week.

Senator Madden—What is the cause of the increase?

Chairman—There is no increase in the rent, only in the rates.

Senator Madden—Do they represent 1/- a week?

Chairman—They would, practically. I don't think we can do anything for them, because if we do it there we will have to do it everywhere we built houses. There is a nice plot of ground going with these houses.

Senator Madden—Were they given to understand at the beginning that the maximum would be 3/10?

Secretary—The maximum rent is 2/10 but you have rates in addition.

Mr. McCormack said that if the rates were not paid the county ratepayers would have to pay them.

The Board took no action on the matter.

ADARE WATER SUPPLY.

Dr. D. Costello, Adare, wrote urging the Board to speed up the new scheme for the supply of water to Adare. In the present emergency, he added, lack of water for fire-fighting purposes was a very serious matter and placed on the Board grave responsibilities.

The Engineer said that the scheme was actually prepared but the difficulty was as regards the source of the water. There were two trial wells and a third one was being built at the moment.

It was decided to refer the letter to the County M.O.H.

SYMPATHY.

Mr. McCormack proposed a vote of sympathy with their colleague, Mr. J. Mackey, on the death of his mother. He regretted very much that the occasion had arisen.

The Chairman, Secretary, and other members associated themselves with the vote of sympathy, which was passed in silence.

DEATH.

Kennedy—On Sunday, 26th January, at his residence, Tinnaterriffe, Cappamore, Patrick Kennedy. Funeral on to-morrow (Tuesday) 28th January, to Cahereonlish, after High Mass at 12 o'clock (old time).