

ton destruction of public property. Surely, it ought to be a true test of patriotism to respect and maintain what is provided by Irishmen for Irishmen in their own land. I would suggest, through the columns of your invaluable paper, that the many troops of boy scouts in our ancient borough be instructed to co-operate, as far as possible, in putting an end to the despicable conduct complained of from time to time. Boys will be boys, but a considerable proportion of the damage is undoubtedly done by grown-ups.

"DISGUSTED CITIZEN."

WIDOW'S HOUSE

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DESTROYED BY FIRE

The residence of Mrs. K. Kirby, Nantenan, Askeaton, a thatched dwelling with a slated addition, was destroyed by fire in the early hours of Saturday morning (writes our Rathkeale correspondent). Mrs. Kirby, who is a widow, was alone in the house when the fire occurred. She was awakened by the smoke and flames just in time to escape and seek shelter with a neighbour. The thatched portion of the building was burned to the ground, and it is said that most of the furniture and effects were lost in the flames. Some months ago a quantity of hay owned by Mrs. Kirby and stored near her home was also destroyed by fire.

COAL FOR THRESHING

The Minister for Agriculture announces that the Minister for Supplies has arranged to issue to owners of steam threshing sets permits entitling them to purchase a quantity of coal which is approximately equivalent to twenty-five cwts. of coal each week for each set.

In this connection permits for 4 tons of coal in respect of each set have already been issued and the further permits will be issued in due course. This coal is intended to be used for steam raising and travelling from farm to farm and it should be clearly understood that the arrangement does not relieve farmers of the responsibility of providing the main supply of fuel for the threshing of their crops.

hoped that these representations will have the desired effect. Places like Galway and Athlone have abattoirs, but in Limerick animals are being slaughtered in premises scattered here and there in lanes and alleys. For some reason or other, however, we seem to be in no hurry to get away from these primitive conditions. It is to be noted that in the estimate adopted by the City Council last April no financial provision whatever was made towards meeting the cost of this very much-needed amenity.

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CITY MANAGER.

The City Manager (Mr. J. J. Berkery) paid an official visit to Dublin during the week-end. It is understood that he discussed with officials of the Department many questions of local interest, including proposed relief schemes. Sanction for these suggested works has been delayed too long and it is to be hoped that Mr. Berkery brought back with him the fiat of the Minister to initiate some of them, at least.

A COMPLAINT

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader")

Dear Sir—I desire through the medium of your paper to draw the attention of those responsible to the river wall in front of the Distillery houses. This wall is very low and dangerous to children. I think it would be very wise if something were done to prevent children getting on the wall and not to wait until some child is either drowned or maimed—Yours faithfully,
A FATHER.

DEATH.

Gleeson—September 2nd, 1941, at her residence, 8 Mount Vincent Place, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick, Mary Gleeson, Deeply regretted. Remains will be removed this (Wednesday) evening at 8.30 p.m. to St. Michael's Church. Solemn Requiem Mass on Thursday at 10.30 a.m. Funeral immediately afterwards to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.