

quiry gave similar evidence. Supt. Mulcahy said that if the defendants came along and said they did the damage out of fun there might have been no Court case.

Sergeant J. Deasy, in reply to the Justice, said there was nothing obviously against the defendants. The Justice fined each defendant 6 and ordered them to pay 30/- compensation to the Co. Council between them.

FALSE PRETENCES CHARGE.

William Guiney, Clogher, Bruree, Co. Limerick, was charged by Supt. J. Cooney with obtaining by false pretences from Thomas Enright, Mount Southwell, Rathkeale, on the 3th November; the sum of £23.

Defendant was not professionally represented.

Thomas Enright deposed that he was a farmer by occupation and lived at Mount Southwell, Rathkeale. On Wednesday, 26th November, he attended a fair at Rathkeale to purchase a horse. At about 9.30 a.m. (old time) he saw a horse which he thought would suit him. The horse was being led round the fair by the defendant, whom he did not know at the time. He approached defendant and asked him the price of the horse and to trot the animal up and down. After some bargaining they agreed on a price, which was £23. Before closing the deal witness asked for an engagement that the horse would do all kinds of work. Defendant actually gave him a written engagement (produced), signed "Jack White, Doneraile." Defendant also said his name was Jack White, and that he was a farmer. He said he worked the horse since it was one and a half years old. The horse was now 3½ years old. While speaking to defendant Ser-Keegan came on the scene and he (defendant) also told the sergeant his name was Jack White, of Doneraile. Witness paid defendant £23 for the horse. On the 27th November witness put the horse to work and tried it drawing a scuffler. The animal went four or five rounds of the field reasonably well and then made a spring forward and lashed out with the hind legs and did its best to break away. Witness undid the chains and the animal stood quietly. He then hooked the chains to the scuffler to try the animal again, and when witness urged it to go it refused and then made another effort to break away. The animal reared on its hind legs and witness then took off the harness. Witness had not tried to work the animal since. While witness was trying the animal Thomas Moloney, Cornelius Enright and John Windle were present. On the 28th Novem-

Dunlops
Imperial Chemical
Clondalkin Paper Mills
Cement Ord.
Ranks (Ireland) Pref.
(No London prices received).

HOSPITAL ECHOES

(From Our Correspondent).

E.S.B. Charges.

At a largely attended meeting of the local Guild of Muintir na Tire held on November 23rd a resolution was passed unanimously, strongly protesting against the 10 per cent. increase in the E.S.B. charges for light. Many members were of the opinion that the Minister should not have sanctioned the increase, for if the E.S.B. found it difficult to meet increased costs, so did thousands of public servants, farmers, shopkeepers and wage-earners, who, in these times of stress, without any hope of increased remuneration or income, were almost at their wits' end to make their slender resources meet all their obligations.

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Death of Ex-Naval Man.

The death occurred here last week of Mr. Edward Arundel at a fairly advanced age. Part of the flotsam and jetsam of life, he drifted in here about 18 years ago, having had a chequered life, part of which was spent in the American Navy. His turbulent disposition found peace here amongst the kindness and generosity of the people of the town. Of a deeply religious nature, he lived exemplarily, much of his time being spent in the church. Possessed of a splendid bass voice, he frequently sang with the choir at the church services. There was a large attendance at his interment, which took place in the adjoining cemetery. R.I.P.

At the request of members of the church choir, a Requiem Mass was offered last Wednesday in the church for the repose of his soul.

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Quarant Ore.

The annual devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration commenced on Sunday last with Solemn Mass, and continued until Tuesday morning. The altar was magnificently decorated for the occasion with flowers and candles. The attendance of the parishioners at the various exercises of the devotion, and at varying times during the Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament was in keeping with the best traditions of the parish and reflected the wonderful spirit