

North Cork Championship. The game itself was a hard-fought out and well contested one. Of the two, Fermoy appeared the better side, showing better combination and ball control, which earned for them the honours of the day. The final scores were:—Fermoy, 2-7; Mitchelstown, 1-5.

### Whist Drive.

An extremely well patronised whist drive under the auspices of the C.Y.M.S. was held in the Town Hall recently. The winners were: Ladies' Section—1st, Mrs. Anglim, King St., with a score of 179, followed by Miss E. Kiely, Kilglass, with a score of 173, and Mrs. J. Barrett, Lower Cork St., 3rd, with a score of 172. Gents' Section—1st prize went to Mr. John O'Brien, Killacluig, with a score of 173; Sergeant M. Linehan securing second place with a score of 172. The third prize went to Mr. Michael Roche, with a score of 171.

## A TRAGIC FALL

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### LITTLE BOY FATALLY INJURED

Shock and grief were widespread when on Saturday evening (writes our Pallas correspondent) it became known that little Paddy Bourke was dead as the result of a fall that he got early in the afternoon when, while playing with other little children, he hurtled fifteen feet from the Railway Bridge on to the pavement beneath. Second son of Michael and Mrs. Bourke, New Pallas, and not quite four years of age, Paddy was one of the brightest, most affectionate and most loveable of children. To his bereaved parents and relatives the sympathy of the people goes out in their great trial, and we know that God in His own time will soften their grief and loneliness. Little Paddy will be still loving them and praying for them before the Great White Throne and also for the little brothers to whom God lent him for those few short happy years, and consolation will be theirs in the knowledge that their little one is safe and happy in his Father's keeping. "For such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

The funeral, from the County Infirmary, took place on Sunday to

less Eugenie, the fallen Emperor, released from captivity in Germany, died three years later at their modest home in Kent from a disease which had tortured him for years; and then, in 1879, came the tragic death of their only son, Prince Louis—known before his father's abdication as the Prince Imperial—under circumstances already referred to.

The unhappy ex-Empress lived in strict seclusion at Farnborough, in Kent, where she built a mausoleum for her husband and son, and death did not end her misery until she was nearly ninety years of age, having some years previously said to a friend: "I am the past. I wish to disappear with it. I only ask not to be remembered."

Such is the intensely pathetic story of an Irishwoman's granddaughter, who tasted the sweets of Imperial rule in France—and later on drained to the dregs the bitter cup of sorrow.

It may be added, as yet another Franco-Irish link, that Napoleon's successor as ruler of France was an Irishman, who, like Eugenie's maternal forbears, came from Clare—namely, Marshal MacMahon, who was the first President of the new French Republic, and to whom a sword of honour, its hilt studded with precious stones, was presented by the people of Clare, in the early seventies.

Doon. Members of the local L.D.F. and L.S.F. divisions called at the Hospital to pay their last tribute to little Paddy, his father being one of the organisers in the district and now D.S.O. (1) in Pallasgreen. There were friends and sympathisers from far and near, and before the cortege reached Pallas it was of large proportions. By the time Doon was reached the funeral was still larger, with the friends and relatives from the districts above Doon. So little Paddy Bourke was laid to sleep, his last resting place covered with the blossoms that betokened his childhood and innocence—white lilies from his sorrowing parents and several tributes from relatives and sympathisers. May the green sod rest lightly on his little grave, and may the Great God lighten his loss at home.

A special inquiry is being held by the officials of the Great Southern Railway Company into the circumstances of his death.

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