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PRESENTATION FOR BRAVERY.

The Mayor presented to Mr. Thomas O'Connell the Parchment of the Royal Humane Society in recognition of his bravery in rescuing a life from drowning. Mr. O'Connell had, the Mayor said, displayed great courage and his conduct was worthy of the highest praise and commendation.

Mr. O'Connell suitably returned thanks.

Mr. Hartney said that they should have a national fund for the purpose of defraying the cost of such presentations. It was no credit to them to be relying on English institutions for honorary presentations.

Mayor—At present we have no machinery of our own.

Mr. Hartney—That is what I complain of and I intend to raise this question again.

Mr. Casey said that this question had been before the Conference of Municipal Authorities.

BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL.

The Manager reported a vacancy on the Board of Governors of Barrington's Hospital and Mr. Eddan was unanimously appointed to fill it.

WIRING OF HOUSES.

Mr. Russell referred to a question had raised at a previous meeting relative to the wiring of the houses Prospect for electricity and inquired if the Manager had any report.

The Manager then read a report from the City Surveyor giving long details regarding the wiring contract and quoting correspondence that had passed between his department and the E.S.B. concerning steps taken to procure a permit for the contractor to purchase the necessary materials.

Mr. Russell said that the report had conveyed little to him as he was unable to grasp half it contained. The essential fact, however, was that there was inordinate delay in dealing with this contract, with the result that the original contract price had been increased by £200. In addition to that, over £150 would have to be paid extra for the lifting of the flooring boards in order that the wiring could be done. On the 10th October last year contractors were invited to tender, but it was not until the following March that a successful contractor had been selected, a lapse of six months. He would like to know what was the cause of that delay.

MANAGER'S EXPLANATION.

The Manager said that the tenders were not considered by the Corporation until 11th November. He was in correspondence with the Department as to whether gas or electricity would be installed in the houses. The Department sanctioned a tender on 14th March but that

Carnival gate. Cyclists should send entries to Tom McInerney, 43 Bengal Terrace, before next Friday. There is no entry fee.

HIGH TRIBUTES

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LIMERICK MENTAL HOSPITAL

At the meeting of the Limerick Mental Hospital Committee to-day, Mr. R. M. Cleary, Co.C., chairman, paid a high tribute to the R.M.S. (Dr. Irwin) and staff for the efficient way the Institution was being administered.

Mr. Power, Co.C. said that the Visiting Committee were very much impressed at all they saw during their recent tour of inspection.

Dr. Irwin thanked the chairman and Mr. Power for their kind remarks.

DEATH AS RESULT OF ACCIDENT

A verdict that death was due to bronchial pneumonia and cardiac failure, following injuries sustained when he fell from a ladder while dismantling a hayshed at the residence of Mr. J. Hartney, Shanagolden, Co. Limerick, on September 2nd, was returned by the Dublin City Coroner, Dr. D. A. MacErlean, at an inquest in Dr. Steeven's Hospital on James Nash (50), a carpenter, of Thomond St., Limerick. Nash, who was a married man with fifteen children living, struck a girder when falling and fractured his spine. He was removed from Croom Hospital to Dublin on September 10th, and died in Dr. Steeven's Hospital on Saturday last.

it that way.

Mr. McGuire said he hoped that the democratic system, which could be made very efficient if the right men were in the right place, would never be supplanted.

Mr. Hartney said that the discussion, in which he had not intended to take part, had taken a new twist. The Department was now being subjected to attack as if the Department were responsible for the delay. If the Department were at fault let them be condemned, but they had no evidence that the Department were to blame.

Mayor—The Department is not to blame, nor was the suggestion made. The Manager agrees that the Department is not to blame.

Mr. Hartney said that two members had suggested that the Department was at fault.

Mr. McGuire—I don't know who is at fault, but whoever is should get a rap.

sleepless nights since he letter. He cannot "see" for Christian Social Order freedom of the Press is one section to bait another is all this utter nonsense. I have said, no attack on the curers, but if that would it follow that a dealer had been struck at Christ cannot help quoting the Pope—

"All seems infected the infected spy,

As all seems yellow jaundiced eye."

I must admit that Mr. Costelloe's letter leaves me a little worried. We agree, apparently, on the fact that there is a grade of prices for pigs ranging from 40/- to 60/- per cwt. (dead weight) and that the volunteers the information that pigs bought at 60/- are used for sausage-making.

On what authority he makes his assertion I know not, but I will point out that Mr. Costelloe is doing himself justice as a Christian gentleman when he says it was set out in the office in the "Limerick Leader" ultimo that the animals at the lowest rate were used for sausages only. The notice of which I have before me contains no such announcement.

When stripped of all superfluous verbiage and irrelevancies, Costelloe's letter does not state simple facts as set out by my letter. I stressed that there was a sliding scale of retail prices for bacon in keeping with the grades fixed for the live animals. Costelloe shirks that issue and says true that he indulges in generalities—praises all and surrenders except poor me. I made it plain and clearly in my letter that the curers were not profiteers. Did I say that they had their hand on the touch. I simply asked Costelloe to explain why it was necessary to charge retail prices for pigs that bore no relation to the price fixed for pigs. Mr. Costelloe offers a satisfactory explanation and in that connection I will inform him that other than apart from the curers have no "finger in the pie."

With regard to Mr. Costelloe's dream of the Millennium of communal trading, it would be unkind, nay, unchristian, to try to shatter it. Yours faithfully,

"GRUN"

LIMERICK'S UNEMPLOYMENT

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader")
Sir—I beg you will be good enough to publish this letter in your paper. On last Sunday we had a parade of the civil servants of the city. Those men, I understand, are looking for a better position owing to the increased cost of living. Of course it is only fair that they should look for their own. But what about the un-