

and children. On a recent occasion he visited defendant's house and found a little girl named Midget had been beaten with a rap. Her leg was badly swollen. The girl stated that her father drew a knife at her. Smith said that he beat the child coming in late at night. The Justice said that he could not accept that excuse for persistent cruelty. He would impose a sentence of two months imprisonment.

**TRIBUTE TO INSPECTOR**  
The Justice said he would like to compliment Inspector Foley on the manner in which he gave his evidence. He had always found the Inspector to be most careful in the discharge of his duties and most impartial when giving evidence in such cases. From what he knew of Inspector he felt safe in saying that he was one of the most able officers working for the Society.

James Regan, I Little Gerard Street; Joseph Brennan, Naughton's Lane, and Michael Sexton, Diamondgate, were summoned for creating a disturbance in the Stella restaurant on 14th November.

Mr. D. J. O'Malley, solicitor, and William Leahy, solicitor, who appeared for the defendants, pleaded guilty.

The Justice said that the defendants were summoned by the employees of the Stella for creating a disturbance at midnight and for assault. It was fortunate, indeed, that such occurrences were rare in Limerick and if there was a riot he would not hesitate to send the guilty parties to jail. He would bind the defendants to keep the peace in their own bond of £5 and a surety each of £5. "If these parties go near the Stella again I will punish them severely," the Justice added.

Hannie Irwin, a domestic servant, pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretences.

Supt. Colleran said that the girl in question was in a position to obtain tea and in that way got different small sums of money.

Mr. Michael Tynan, solicitor, who appeared, made a strong plea for leniency.

The Justice said that he would reserve his decision for a week to enable the defendant to refund the money.

## CHARITY BENEFITS

The Editor, "Limerick Leader")  
Dear Sir—Cash proceeds of Father O'Connell's interesting and instructive lecture on the 22nd ult. have been handed to Mr. Devane, president of the Penny Dinners Committee. The amount, £34 7s. 2d., includes £4 anonymous, per Very Rev. Father O'Donoghue, O.S.A.; £5 per Mr. Philip O'Donovan; 5/- per Mr. Patrick Moore, and 13/6 collected at O'Curry Street Group Meeting, L.S.F.—Yours faithfully

gest vessel owned by Irish Shipping, Ltd., is presumed lost. She is three weeks overdue and as no news has been received from her the owners fear that she has gone down. She was outward bound to the United States.

She was a very fine vessel, with a capacity of 5,621 gross tons. Her crew numbered thirty-three, including eight Limerick men. The master was Capt. O'Neill, a native of Waterford.

The "Irish Pine" discharged a cargo at the port of Limerick last August, when she was greatly admired by the general public.

## ARDNACRUSHA TRAGEDY

Following inquiries, it was learned to-day that there was no further development in connection with the death of Miss Margaret McCarthy, aged 25, domestic servant, O'Brien's Bridge, Co. Clare, whose dead body was discovered floating in the New Canal at Ardnacrusha on Saturday morning last.

Since the tragic discovery, however, Gardai drawn from O'Brien's Bridge and Ardnacrusha, under Supt. J. Murray, Killaloe, are busily engaged in an effort to ascertain how or where deceased got into the Canal, but in this connection nothing could be learned of the conclusions arrived at by the authorities. It is stated that foul play is not suspected and at the adjourned inquest medical evidence went to show that death was due to heart failure.

On Monday last, at O'Brien's Bridge, Dr. John McGrath, State Pathologist, performed a post-mortem examination of the body, after which the remains were interred at Castleconnel.

## To Correspondents

Correspondents are again reminded that letters or other items sent in for insertion cannot be entertained unless the names and addresses of the senders are enclosed—not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith.

## DEATH OF OLD I.R.A. MAN.

The death is announced of Mr. Patrick Moloney, Knapsack Cottage, Ennis, a native of Feakle district, Co. Clare. Deceased was an Old I.R.A. man who played a pro-

published in due course, being prepared.

The Committee, under the chairmanship of Rev. D. O Briain follows:—P. De Burca, O.S.; Bean Uí Cheallaigh, O.S.; Chnaimhin, N. Ni Fhaolain M. Ni Liathain, O.S.; M. Aodha, Roinn Chigire; An O Ceallachain, T. O Cheallachain, O Dunadhaighe, Cigire Ceara; An Br. Mac Giolla Aindriú; O Maonaigh, O.S.; R. O Murtagh, O.S.; M. O Tuathaigh, O.S.

## A VALUABLE BOOK

In a recent issue we made reference to the valuable book just published by Messrs. Brown and Co. Dublin, from the pen of Rev. Fr. Devane, the distinguished Limerick born Jesuit. This work, *Character from Youth*, deserves to be widely and very carefully read and studied. It deals in a most enlightening and interesting manner with the movements in other countries and drives home with irresistible force the fact that there is urgent need for a similar movement in our country, based on sound religious teachings and principles. Fr. Devane's book, which is admirably documented, is an exceedingly mine of useful and timely information. Those who are interested in the vitally important question of a special youth movement for Ireland should at once procure a copy of the work, which affords a splendid amount of guidance as to how to proceed and what to avoid in launching such an organisation. It can very strongly be recommended not merely to parents, clergy, teachers—religious and lay—but to public representatives and all interested in youth. The problem of youth will soon loom very large on our social horizon, and hence the need for special study of this question in time. A good plan would be the formation of "Youth Groups" of six to subscribe 1/9 for the purchase of a copy of the book, which has been finely translated by Messrs. Browne & Noyes, Dublin, at 10/6. This group could read the book as a whole, discuss it together and discuss its contents and then discuss the youth organisation in each country. After a few months of such study we would have a youth conscious group which would be the nucleus of an organisation. If those in charge of sodalities or clubs organised in groups much good would result. It should be possible also for secondary and primary school teachers to get a group of past pupils together for the same purpose. Technical and vocational school teachers could also play a very big part in organising groups in their schools. Fr. Devane's book gives all the advice and information needed for full use should be made of it. The work is most illuminating, as Mr. Rev. Dr. Lyons, Bishop of Kilmacomb points out in a foreword strongly