

what he has seen and experienced there. He gives a very intimate and illuminating picture of life in that dark Continent, of the ways and customs of the natives, and of all that the missionaries have to put up with in their work out there for the spread of the Faith. It is a highly informative publication and is excellent value for the modest 6d. at which it is sold. Impressive and spiritually stimulating in its descriptions of how the conquest of souls is proceeding in Barotseland, it has also many gleams of humour to enliven its pages. Describing the climate in summer, for instance, Father Fintan says that at 100 degrees you could pretty well fry eggs in the sun, but when it reaches 120 "the devil goes back home to cool off." No one can peruse this valuable booklet even cursorily without a feeling of warm appreciation and reverence for the Missionary Fathers who devote themselves to the noble work of dispelling paganism under the adverse circumstances and conditions so graphically described within the compass of its 52 very readable pages.

SEWER GAS IN USE

Sewer gas, compressed into cylinders, is being used instead of petrol to drive motor cars in Sweden, stated Professor William Halford—who said he saw them himself during a recent visit to that country—at an Anglo-Swedish Society lunch in London yesterday.

FATAL FALL.

Patrick Hyde, the Cork farmer and amateur rider, who was injured in a fall while riding at Ballinrea point-to-point races two weeks ago, died yesterday. He was brother of Tim Hyde, rider of the 1939 Grand National winner, Workman.

WAR ON FOXES

In a war on foxes launched by Longford County Committee of Agriculture four years ago 2,000 have been killed. The premiums for destruction have been increased this year to 5/- each for adult foxes, and 2/6 each for young ones.

GENERAL ELECTION

At a Fianna Fail meeting held during the week, Mr. Leo B. Skinner, solicitor, Mitchelstown, was selected to contest the forthcoming general election on the Fianna Fail ticket for North-East Cork area. Mr. Skinner is a District Group Leader in the L.D.F.

Millbrook created a big surprise in the Junior Hockey League by beating Catholic Institute 5-0 at Rosbrien on Thursday last. Toomey and McCarthy were outstanding for Millbrook, and their forwards combined well. Anslow opened the scoring for the winners. Leydon netted the second goal and McMahon the third. O'Halloran scored from a penalty corner and Murphy brought the total to five. Millbrook are to be congratulated on defeating such a formidable selection as Catholic Institute.

L.D.F. AND PIONEER SOCIETY

A highly enjoyable two-act comedy, supported by variety concert programme, and produced by Castle-townconyers Group L.D.F. Dramatic Class, attracted a packed house at the Hall, Feenagh, on Sunday night, March 21st. The function was organised by Feenagh Pioneer Total Abstinence Society and was one of the most successful entertainments witnessed there for a long period back.

EARLIEST ON RECORD

Planting of the main potato crop, which is now well under way in Ballyagran and Castletown districts, is stated to be the earliest on record in these areas. The sowing of corn crops has also been completed in record time. The majority of farmers have for the first time included sowings of barley, in addition to wheat and oats. A considerable increase in the acreage under beet is also indicated.

FIRE AT ABBEYFEALE

A prompt alarm being given by a little girl named O'Connor who saw a rick of hay belonging to Mr. Michael Collins, of Bridge Street, Abbeyfeale, accidentally on fire, brought a number of active helpers immediately on the scene, who included Sergeant Normile and several of the local Garda. Their intelligent efforts in cutting away portion of the hay and drenching the channels made with water from near by taps, saved the greater part of the contents of the barn, and adjoining sheds.

ALMOST A CENTENARIAN

Mrs. Denis Murphy, of Caherhayes, Abbeyfeale, who suffered from paralysis of the feet, which confined her to bed for nearly thirty years, died at the age of 98.