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sent application. The Tribunal will report to the Minister.

RECORD IN BREVITY

The High Court on Circuit which opened—and finished in a quarter of an hour-in Limerick this morning constituted a record in brevity. Only two cases were listed for hearing on appeal. Notice of withdrawal had already been served in respect of one of these, and in the other case an adjournment was granted for the taking of evidence on commission.

Mr. Justice Black, S.C., was the officiating Judge. Normally two Judges of the High Court come to

Limerick to hear appeals.

NEW BRITISH BAN.

Britain has halted all exports of wool cloth from the United Kingdom to the United States and Cen-Central and South America during the quarter ending September 30th, said a Commerce Department report issued in Washington. The action was linked with Britain's man-power shortage, it was explained, and, added the Department, it was the first time that the diminishing flow of such imports to the American markets has been shut off completely. -

CORK'S NEW LORD MAYOR.

Ald. J. Hickey, ex-T.D. (Lab.), was elected Lord Mayor by Cork on Monday night. Corporation The outgoing Lord Mayor, Ald. R. S. Anthony, T.D. (Ind. Lab.), was not a candidate. The salary was fixed at the usual figure, £1,000 a year. Ald. Hickey was Lord Mayor in 1938 and 1939.

DEATH SENTENCE APPEAL.

The appeal of William O'Shea (24), labourer, Ballyhaney, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford, under sentence of death for the murder of his wife, Maureen (21), will probably come before the Court of Criminal Appeal towards the end of the month. The date of the execution had been fixed for today.

REMANDED IN CUSTODY.

John Morton, stated to be a native of Charleville, was remanded in custody for a week at a Special Court held in Mary St. Garda Station, Limerick, by Mr. T. Smalle, P.C., on a charge of having broken windows in the City Sergeant Mahony had Home. charge of the case

subject. The future of these boys is blighted because of our rotten educational system. Can anything be done to right this terrible Mathematics is a comwrong? pulsory subject at the intermediate and leaving certificate examinations, which means that if a boy or girl fails to get the prescribed marks in this subject—though he or she might have passed with honours in all other subjects, including languages—a failure is recorded. This is not education, but mental torture. It is even worse, for it kills initiative on the part of individual students. Each of us has a flair for a particular subject—let it be languages, literature, science, handicrafts, etc. Our educational system should be ro framed as to encourage the development of that branch of learning for which students are most suited. But in any case, an irreparable wrong is done to hundreds of brilliant boys und girls year after year by a system which decrees that if students do not secure : "pass" in mathematics they are not, educated.

I must apologise, dir, for my digression. I was suggesting that the claims of those who have left the secondary schools should not be overlooked in the matter of the provision of suitable employment. There appears to be no "market" at all for our better educated youth. It is lamentable, indeed pitiable, to see fine young fellows, the sons of respectable parents, walking our streets with despair written on their countenances. Are they to leave our shores to seek employment elsewhere? If that be the solution, then there is

no future for this country.

Let us stop talking and get on with the work. What is needed is capital. Millions of pounds are lying idle in the banks. I am not going to suggest confiscation, but I do suggest that the Legislature should pass a law making twentyfive per cent. of bank deposits available for public works, the rate of interest to be 21 per cent. There is nothing revolutionary in this proposal and I would ask Muintir na Tire to give it consideration—Yours "ANXIOUS." faithfully.

DEATH.

Heffernan-June 27th, 1943, at Broadgreen Hospital, Liverpool, Michael (Mick) Heffernan (Brass Moulder), of Clare Street, Limerick. R.I.P. Remains arrived Limerick Railway Station this afternoon and will be removed to St. John's Cathedral to-night at 8 o'clock. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), at 3 p.m., to Mount St. Lawrence Cemerci .