

he said, was caused by issuing temporary licences to people who open shops for a few weeks before Christmas, and some of it was due to "the way Americans were prepared to offer anything for a bottle of whiskey."

THRASHING MACHINE RIFLED

A thrashing machine which had been in use at Mr. Wm. O'Flynn's, Knockbrack, Abbeyfeale, was dismantled during the night on Sunday, 7th inst., and several essential parts of the machine stolen, which were valued for about £50. The inconvenience necessitated a journey to Kinsale by the owner to replace the parts taken. The local and other Gardai have been busy during the week. Two men, living about ten miles away in Kerry, were arrested and remanded for enquiry.

REMANDED IN CUSTODY

Charged at Ennis with the larceny of two bicycles, a young man named Vincent Molloy, of Fergus Row, Ennis, was remanded in custody for one week.

Supt. J. S. O'Flynn opposed bail and said in future he intended to oppose bail in all such cases, as there was too much activity on the part of bicycle stealers.

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Formal application has been made by the Clare County Manager for a loan of £5,000 for the purchase of fire-fighting equipment for the county. A garage for the fire engine in Ennis Town Hall yard has cost £164, with an additional £68 for lockers, seats, etc., and £3 for brackets and straps to hold equipment in position.

CLARE SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

Mr. D. O'Keeffe, Co. Manager, Clare, has adopted a scheme providing for the awarding of two University Scholarships and ten scholarships from primary to secondary schools, vocational schools being also included, during the year 1944-45. Two of the latter scholarships are reserved for pupils of two teacher schools.

HE DROVE PARNELL

Mr. James Reilly, an old Dublin jarvey who retired recently because of failing sight, more than once drove Charles Stewart Parnell. He also often drove "Tim" Healy, John Dillon and several other prominent leaders of the old national movement.

Irish, the book can be easily read by any student of the language. The whole work is beautifully bound and is procurable from: Comhaltas Uladh, 91 Castle Street, Belfast, and 68 Clanbrassil Street, Dundalk, or through any bookseller, at the modest price of 7/6.

DEARER TURF IN CLARE

Turf will be much dearer in Clare in a short time, according to Very Rev. Canon Vaughan, P.P., Quin. At a meeting of the Clare Vocational Committee, he said he had paid £2 a creel for it and before long it would be £3.

Mr. T. Sheehy, N.T., said he lived in the middle of a bog and had to pay £2 for it. There had been such an advance in price that owners of turf had sold it and left themselves cold. But there was a good deal of turf in the bogs, which could not be got out quickly enough owing to the lack of transport.

LAHINCH PROMENADE

Lahinch Improvement Committee sent a complaint to the Clare Co. Manager that the local promenade, so heavily damaged by the sea, was now a menace to the public during the hours of darkness owing to the absence of railings. The Committee also requested him to remove local "eyesores," such as derelict buildings, which marred the beauty of this scenic resort.

The Manager (Mr. D. O'Keeffe) referred the letter to the County Surveyor.

REPORT CALLED FOR

The L.G. Department have called for a full report from the Clare Co. Surveyor as to the proposed conversion of the old County Infirmary at Ennis into County Offices, with particulars as to the present accommodation and the Manager's suggestions.

DEATH.

Trehy—On 30th October, 1943, in Scotland (accidentally), Sapper Clement Trehy, Royal Engineers; dearly beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Trehy, People's Park, Limerick. Very deeply regretted. R.I.P.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

Mechanics' Institute—At a meeting held on last Friday night, a vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. J. McNamara, esteemed President, on the death of his mother; also to Mrs. P. Walsh on the death of her husband.