

morning. They provide for a plebiscite on the question of the monarchy and the holding of a general election this year.

HARBOUR BOARD

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QUESTION OF AN AWARD

The Mayor (Ald. J. Reidy, T.D.) presided at a meeting of Limerick Harbour Board held to-day.

Also present were:—Ald. D. Bourke, T.D.; Mssrs. J. J. O'Keefe, J. P. Goodbody, T. J. Loughrey, Morgan McMahon, M. McGuire.

The officials present were:—Mr. D. McNeice Secretary; Mr. T. F. O'Sullivan, Harbour Engineer, and Captain C. Hanrahan, Harbour Master.

Arising out of an award of £5 paid to an individual who gave information leading to the conviction of a man charged with the larceny of a rope from a life-belt, the Engineer said the notices published on harbour property offering £5 reward for such information as would lead to the detection of thieves was a source of temptation. It was not improbable that a conspiracy could be entered into and he thought it would be in the public interest to have such notices removed.

The Board decided to alter the notices, withdrawing the award of £5 and merely stating that some award would be given to persons who could produce information regarding larcenies from the docks and quays.

APPEAL ALLOWED

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CLARE MURDER CHARGE

The Court of Criminal Appeal to-day allowed the appeal made on behalf of Thomas McMahon, Ballymacrinnane, Kilrush, Co. Clare, against the decision of the Central Criminal Court, which sentenced him to death for the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Keating. The Court ordered a re-trial, but no mention was made of costs.

JAW BONE FRACTURED

Charged in custody with maliciously wounding Michael Shannon, Burton Street, Kilrush, and causing him grievous bodily harm, Martin Faulkner, of no fixed abode, was, at Ennis, remanded in custody for a week.

Sergt. Lawler stated that his inquiries were not completed. Shannon's lower jaw bone had been fractured and there had been some anxiety as to his condition, but he was now out of danger.

BONFIRES FOR THORNTON

Martin Thornton, the heavyweight boxing champion, was cheered by a big crowd on his arrival at Galway. The Corporation and Chamber of Commerce members welcomed him and later he was carried shoulder-high through the city. Bonfires blazed on the road to his native Spiddal.

REMANDED IN CUSTODY

At a Special Court in Mary Street

...an immediate readiness to be associated with it to any extent if the proper authority will act. It is opportune to refer to the so-called right of a worker to strike, and to emphasise that every one of us, be he employer or worker, lives in contact with society as a whole, and none is in a position to provide for himself without assistance of others. Consequently, the rights of the individual to strike or lock-out should give way to the greater rights of the community as a whole, which inevitably suffers from the selfish actions either of the employee or the employer. The right to strike has been given greater emphasis than the right to work—and in the uncertain days ahead of us we should all think more of our own responsibilities than our rights, and take as the basis for our agreements the principles so clearly set out for us in "Rerum Novarum" and other Papal Encyclicals.

STRUCK BY TRAIN

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ACCIDENT AT LIMERICK JUNCTION

While crossing the railway line at Limerick Junction at midnight on Saturday in an effort to catch a train, Miss Margaret Ryan, manageress, Tyler's Boot Warehouse, Tipperary, was struck by the night mail train from Limerick to Waterford and severely injured. She had cycled from Tipperary to the Junction intending to meet a train. She was operated on yesterday at a Tipperary hospital, where a leg was amputated.

CONFERENCES OF CLERGY

Clergy of Limerick Diocese will, by direction of the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. Keane, meet at their Conference Centres as follows during Easter week:—

Rathkeale—Monday, April 2nd.
Newcastle—Tuesday, April 3rd.
Kilmallock—Thursday, April 5th.
Limerick—Friday, April 6th.
(12 o'clock, summer time at each Centre).

BETTING BILL

Dr. Ryan, Minister for Agriculture, stated at the annual dinner of the Bloodstock Breeders' and Horse Owners' Association on Friday night that the Government intended to introduce a Bill in order to make betting both in the ring and on the tote more beneficial to Irish racing and breeding.

TO REGULATE PRICES

The Minister for Agriculture stated in the Dail on Friday, 9th inst., that he hoped some outside tribunal could be set up after the war to fix or regulate prices of farm produce after hearing the cases of the producer, consumer and retailer.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

His Lordship the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. Keane, has dispensed the faithful of Limerick Diocese from the Law of Fast during Lent, except on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and from the Law of Abstinence on every day, except Ash Wednesday and all Fridays.

History, as stated, has provided many striking instances of famous men whose thirst for knowledge could not be satiated. Michel Angelo, at 70, said, "I am still learning." John Kemble wrote out "Hamlet" thirty times and said, on quitting the stage: "I am now beginning to understand my art." Mrs. Siddons after she had retired from the footlights was found studying "Lady Macbeth," and exclaimed: "I am amazed to discover new points in the character which I never found out while acting it." Milton was past 50 when he set down to complete "Paradise Lost." Benjamin West was 64 when he commenced his series of paintings, one of which is "Christ Healing The Sick." These are only a few, but they are sufficient to show that we are as young as we feel.

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PUBLIC HEALTH.

According to an official return, just issued, there is a substantial drop in the incidence of notifiable diseases in the city for last month as compared with December. Indeed, generally speaking, the city is free from the more serious types of fevers such as typhus and typhoid and, with the exception of scabies, we have a clean bill of health. During January there were forty-six cases of scabies as against fifty-four for December. But scabies, which is described as a "war disease," need not cause any anxiety. It is a form of rash—though very infectious—that can be cured quickly. People suffering from scabies should not hesitate to avail of the facilities provided by the Public Health Department.

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DR. A. McMAHON.

Dr. Anthony McMahon has resigned from the position of House Surgeon to St. John's Hospital preparatory to entering into private practice in his native city. Dr. McMahon, a son of the late Mr. Hugh McMahon, was associated with St. John's for over three years and during that time he won golden opinions for himself by his assiduity, unflinching courtesy and simplicity of manner. In his student days he played for the Crescent Rugby team and later helped the Catholic Institute hockey eleven to win many a hard-fought victory. All wish him every success in his future career as a public medical practitioner.

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GOOD WORK.

The City Veterinary Staff condemned last month almost fifteen and a half tons of meat as unfit for human consumption. Between cattle, sheep, pigs, etc., 1,860 animals were inspected and a big per centage were found to be tubercular. In the case of cattle 38.1 per cent. were so affected, a fact that explains the big quantity of meat that had to be condemned. The veterinary officers also made numerous visits of inspection to slaughter-houses, stalls, shops, dairies and other places. The comprehensive nature of the work done indicates that the Veterinary Staff, under the direction of Mr. J. J. Dundon, V.S., are leaving nothing to chance.

TEACHERS' MEETING