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LIMERICK BRANCH

R.G.D.A.T.A.

The usual monthly meeting of the Committee of the Limerick Branch of R.G.D.A.T.A. was held recently in Cruise's Hotel.

The Chairman, Mr. J. J. Downes, gave a detailed account of an interview between a deputation, appointed by Head Office, which he attended, with officials of the Department of Industry and Commerce regarding the very unsatisfactory condition of oranges which arrived in Limerick City recently.

Speaking of the increasing encroachment of the Co-operative Agricultural Societies and Dairy Disposals Creameries on the business of the retail trader, Mr. G. McDonagh said that this was a menace to every shopkeeper, both city and country. Such bodies were at present carrying on subsidy shops, of which they heard so much in this city recently, and it was the duty of every trader to awaken to this danger.

The question of shops in Corporation housing schemes was also discussed.

A proposal by Mr. T. Ryan and seconded by Mr. T. Collins—that a letter of congratulation be sent to Most Dr. O'Neill on his consecration as Bishop of Limerick—was passed unanimously.

FAMOUS OLD-TIME JOCKEY DEAD

The death has recently occurred of the famous English jockey, Charlie Wood. Born in 1856, he was a trifle short of 90 years. In 1897 he rode "Galteemore" when he won the 2,000 Guineas, Derby and St. Leger for his owner-breeder, the late John Gubbins, of Bruree House and Knockaney Stud.

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with a view to providing additional living the staff, and further are earnestly hoped for

"Income for the year to £8,995 7s. 4d.; £10,352 12s. 7d.; loss, £

Thanks to the Corporation for their annual £400; to the Press for continued support; to the Nursing Staff for their self-sacrifice, especially Christmas period, together with the Matron Surgeon, Dr. Crowe, who forfeited their off duty entertainment of the year all those who so generously presented fowl, viands and not only at Christmas throughout the year.

"We have heard a great deal of malnutrition in recent years. It is to be understood this is not confined to humans only. If any of the Council when leaving the Council glance at Francis Street will find some perfect examples of undernourished houses from chronic malnutrition there are also some more interesting examples in the thoroughfares. If Limerick is to be regarded as the show window of the State, as suggested by Lemass recently, then, not dress our window with faded shades."

COST OF ELECTRICITY

Arising out of the Hon. report, Mr. O'Malley said he noted the comment on the high cost of electricity in Limerick and wished to inform the members that the matter was one which was occupying the active attention of the Chamber of Commerce.

The report was adopted on the proposition of Mr. O'Malley and seconded by Mr. Dillon.

Mr. Milne gave a detailed account of the finances of the Corporation, and his report was adopted on the proposition of Mr. O'Malley and seconded by Dr. Roberts.

The outgoing Committee