

PLUCKY ACTION

Trying To Rescue Boy

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BRAVERY COMMENDED BY CORONER

That death was due to asphyxia following accidental drowning was the verdict of Deputy-Coroner J. S. McNeice, solr., at an inquest on Wednesday evening into the death of Denis Barry (5), Park View House, Pery Street, Limerick, who fell into the Shannon at Barrington's Pier on Monday afternoon and was dead on admission to Barrington's Hospital shortly afterwards.

Christopher Nash 48 Pennywell, said he was working in the vicinity of Barrington's Pier at about 1.15 p.m. on Monday last, when he heard a little girl shouting. A man came up to him and asked where he could get a telephone and told witness there was a child in the river. Witness immediately rushed to the Pier and saw a boy in the water about 150 yards away. He dived in and recovered the boy, catching the coat to hold the victim up. When he reached the bank witness was exhausted and he saw a group take the boy, who appeared to be dead, to hospital in an ambulance.

Mr. P. Barry, father of the deceased boy, said his son was five years of age. The boy's sister, Una, and brother, Paddy, left their home with deceased on Monday afternoon to take a bus ride to Barrington's Pier. Later, he was informed that Paddy had fallen into the Shannon and had been removed by ambulance to Barrington's Hospital. That evening he saw and identified the body of his son, who had hitherto enjoyed good health.

Dr. Frank Crowe, house surgeon, Barrington's Hospital, deposed that on August 19th last he examined the body of deceased in the hospital. The boy, who was dead on admission, died of asphyxia, following immersion in water.

The Coroner and Supt. Colleran, who represented the Garda, complimented Christopher Nash on his very plucky action in his attempted rescue. It was a great pity, said the Coroner, that Mr. Nash was not nearer the scene of the tragedy.

The Coroner and Mr. Barry thanked the Garda for their assistance in connection with the accident.

Worthies Of Thomond

IRISH RED CROSS

Anti-Tuberculosis Section

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SUB-COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER CASES

Rev. Father H. Fee presided at the above sub-committee meeting, held in the Red Cross Offices, 125, O'Connell Street, on Monday, August 12th.

Attendance included:—Mr. C. V. O'Malley, L.D.S.I.; Miss M. Hayes, Miss Hallowell.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Rev. Father T. Hurley, S.J.; Mr. F. G. O'Reilly, Mr. T. J. Loughrey, Mrs. Kiely.

Rev. Father Fee read the Chairman's report from the last Central Council meeting, Dublin, covering the activities of the anti-tuberculosis section. The committee noted with satisfaction the splendid work that the section has been doing for the past three years, and which they thought should be an encouragement to all active branches to undertake this noble and voluntary work, "the fight of tuberculosis."

Arising out of the report, the following matters hereunder were commented on, and in addition the meeting were pleased to note that the work at Ballyroan Preventorium has been proceeding rapidly. Unfortunately, it was found necessary to increase the expenditure of certain headings, due to the necessity of providing extra nurses' and maids' accommodation, and some other additions to the plans originally drawn up.

CHRISTMAS SEALS.

The Christmas seal sale showed a considerable improvement on last year—net profit just over £500, as compared with £250. Branch participation in the sale, which could easily be the most profitable manner of disposing of the seals, has been very disappointing, but it is hoped that by starting earlier this year and improving methods the profit to be made will be increased.

CHALETS.

With regard to chalets, it was noted that considerable delay has been experienced in having them constructed; the present position is that seventy are occupied and twenty are on order. A number of County Councils have repaid the cost of the chalets to the section, and the matter is still under discussion with others.

PROPAGANDA.

It was noted that a collection of new films was received through the American Red Cross, and these films are now being displayed through the

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