

house was good; there was only one previous conviction and that was in 1943.

Cross-examined, the Sergeant said the conviction had been on the occasion of the counting of votes in an election. The appellant's daughter told him that the licensee was in bed at the time.

Mr. Fitzgerald did not call any evidence. He pleaded for a removal of the endorsement, drawing his Lordship's attention to the fact that this had been only the second conviction. The circumstances were not so bad, he said; two of the people found on the premises were there on general business and the others were guests of the licensee's three daughters at a sing-song in the drawingroom.

Judge—I think the District Justice was right and I affirm his decision and dismiss the appeal.

DEATH OF MISS B. A. GLEESON

The death of Miss Bridie A. Gleeson, second daughter of the late Mr. P. and Mrs. Helena Gleeson, 68 William Street, Limerick, which took place in Milford Nursing Home on Tuesday last, after a long illness, has occasioned widespread regret.

The late Miss Gleeson was a young lady of many charming traits of character. Her bright and cheery disposition—her devotion to the simple things of life—made her a universal favourite. When in the enjoyment of her health she was an indefatigable worker in the ranks of the Legion of Mary. Indeed, she gave a helping hand to every good cause, and her genial presence will be missed from meetings of charitable organisations. We join with the general public in tendering to her bereaved brothers and sisters and other relatives deep and sincere sympathy.

The funeral, which was of immense proportions, took place to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery on Wednesday, after Solemn Requiem High Mass.

RESIGNATION OF POPULAR TEACHER

Liam McNamara, B. Comm., H. Dip. Ed., commerce teacher at Hospital Technical Schools for a number of years, has tendered his resignation to the Limerick County Vocational Education Committee (writes our Hospital correspondent). Mr. McNamara's resignation was accepted with regret by the Committee. Mr. McNamara has been successful in obtaining a post in Monaghan Vocational Schools, where he soon hopes to take up teaching. The departure of Mr. McNamara will cause much regret in the town, as he enjoyed wide popularity and was greatly esteemed as an efficient and competent commerce instructor. He was a prominent member of the Hospital Lawn Tennis Club, and was one of the club's leading players.

BULL BATTERS PONY TO DEATH

to the north was 450 yards and the shortest was 250 yards to the south. The entire William St. sub-division had a population of 7,051 and had 84 licensed premises.

Witness said he had inspected the premises of the applicant recently and had found that, apart from potential renovations and an old counter, the premises were not equipped for service as a bar. The applicant was laying down a floor during his visit.

In cross-examination, Supt. Coleran said that his map, as well as showing ordinary publichouses, also indicated hotels with ordinary publichouse licences. The area under consideration was, he said, primarily a business area, but was also mostly a residential area. He agreed there was a number of lock-up shops in the locality. It was a very busy area, in which weekly milk markets were held, drawing big attendances from the country. He supposed some of these would require refreshments.

VIEW OF AUTHORITIES.

Judge—What is the view of the authorities; do they consider there are sufficient licensed premises in the area?

Superintendent—My view is that when these premises closed down in the middle of the emergency, they did so for want of business.

The Superintendent told Mr. Kenny that he had standing instructions to oppose all applications for new licences unless there were some clear reasons why he should not do so in particular cases.

Mr. Donovan drew the Judge's attention to the effect of the Superintendent's evidence which was that if this application were granted there would be a licensed premises for every 70 persons in the area.

In a very lengthy judgment, his Lordship said he looked on this application as being one of those where licences had been allowed to lapse during the emergency. He had very considerable sympathy with these kind of applications, particularly where premises had to close down by reason of the fact that business fell away owing to emergency conditions or through businesses being unable to get supplies.

However, his Lordship had to administer the law as laid down in the Act of the legislature, where there was no provision for circumstances arising out of emergency conditions. He had also to consider the sufficiency and the validity of any objections.

It had been pointed out by Mr. Kenny that because the applicant had already carried on a licensed business on the premises at Denmark Street, she had particular equity to a licence now. There was no provision in the statutes for such a holding. But one of the relevant statutes was enacted 109 years before the emergency and another statute had been made 37 years before the emergency, and they did not anticipate and did not make provision for cases allowing particular equity to persons who had to close down during an emergency. He had not been referred to any reported case where any judge had held that such equity existed. As a judge he must take the laws as made by other people and not make them as he

that they were attempting to take a dead fish and frighten other fish. Justice—The evidence is that they may have pulled this dead fish out of the water.

One of the boys, in evidence, said himself and the other boy saw "a white thing" in the river, and when they pulled it out with the iron wire they found it to be a rotten fish.

When Mr. Blood-Smyth suggested to defendants that they were habitually getting fish out of the river, Mr. Noonan objected to the suggestion.

The Justice remarked that there was a certain amount of temptation with all the fish at this particular place. He ordered the boys' parents to pay 10/6 each, and warned them not to come before the court again on a similar charge. Much of the trouble, he added, could be avoided if grating were fitted at this place.

Mr. Blood-Smyth said that steps were being taken to have this done.

THE MUNSTER FAIR

The Munster Fair at Limerick this morning was well stocked, but trade dragged, as vendors were not prepared to accept the reduced values at present prevailing. In consequence it was a "late" fair, but in the end there was a general clearance, save for 1½ year olds, for which there was little or no demand. Average prices—Three year olds, £27 10s. to £30 (one exceptionally fine lot realised £32 per head); two year olds, £23 to £25 10s.; 1½ year old bullocks, £14 to £16; 1½ year old heifers, £16 10s. to £18 10s.; prime beef, 65/- per cwt. Aged cows sold very well.

THE MUNSTER HORSE FAIR

The quarterly Munster horse fair, held at Limerick on Tuesday, was very well stocked. Trade, however, was not brisk except for hunters. Draught horses were in poor demand, values being down by at least 30 per cent. This drop was attributed to the return of the motor car to the roads. Horses with blood sold well, and a few animals likely to make first-class hunters sold from £150 to £200 each. Mr. John J. Breen, Athlaca, Kilmallock, sold a grey 7-year-old hunter to Mr. White, Dublin, for £180.

HUGE PIKE

Fishing on Lough Sheelin, Co. Cavan, Mr. J. Allen, of Warwickshire, landed a pike weighing 41½ lbs. The fish was 4 feet 3½ inches long and 25 inches in girth.

of these people? My view is that, after reasonable consideration of those circumstances, I must find that the existing number is sufficient. If you take the area as a whole, it is sprinkled with licensed premises, and I must confess that I get the impression from the map that there is a very considerable amount of licensed premises in the area for the people who want to drink, as they are entitled to do."

FELT HE MUST REFUSE APPLICATION.

His Lordship said that there was an Act of Parliament enacted which implied that, taking the State as a whole, there was sufficient

The Justice said that even if the question of title had not been raised he would have declined to deal with the case on the ground that he had no jurisdiction to do so.

DEATH OF MISS LUCY O'BRIEN

The interment took place on Monday of Miss Lucy O'Brien, daughter of Mrs. M. S. O'Brien and the late Mr. Michael H. O'Brien, Ballycummin Castle, Limerick. Her death occurred on the 18th inst. The demise of this young lady, following an operation, came as a profound shock not only to the family circle but to a very wide circle of friends. She was held in affectionate regard by her acquaintances, and her premature death has occasioned heartfelt sympathy for her mother, brother and sisters and other relatives in their bereavement. The funeral on Monday from Raheen Church, after Requiem High Mass, to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery was one of the largest seen passing through the city for many years. The cortege was of immense proportions, being over a mile in length.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

There was a considerable increase in the attendance at the weekly meeting of the Limerick Branch C.B.A.I., held on the 18th inst. Some new members made their appearance, amongst whom we are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. George Kenny, who come to us from Castlebar, and were members of the Bridge Club there.

Two tournaments were played:—A. Howell movement, which resulted in a win for Dr. McDonnell and Mrs. MacNamara with 78 points.

Messrs. P. McDonagh and J. Honan were runners-up with 65 points.

And a Mitchell tournament, the result of which was as follows:—N.S.—1st, Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Heffernan, 106½ points; 2nd, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny, 91½ points.

E.W.—1st, Messrs. D. Lanigan and J. H. Byrne, 102 points; 2nd, Mrs. O'Toole and Mrs. Nickse, 94 points.

MIXING WATER WITH IT!

Fined 5/- at Askeaton Court on Monday last, before District Justice Kenny, B.L., for being drunk on the quay at Askeaton, the defendant said that he had "a few drops over and above with some of his own equals."

The Justice warned him to keep away from the quay when he had drink in, otherwise he would fall into the river.

Sergt. Flaherty (who brought the summons)—He has done so already, your Worship.

PHEASANT SHOOTING

Some sportsmen are of opinion that the opening date for pheasant shooting should have been November 1st, same as last year (writes our Kilmeeedy correspondent). Reports from shooting parties are very good despite the fact that some birds were very young. The