

County area there are absolutely no grounds for any such fear. The constituents of the daily food of the population in regard to substances with high-sounding scientific names are far in excess of the necessary minimum even if butter were unobtainable."

LATE BISHOP KEANE

The second anniversary of the death of Most Rev. Dr. Keane, Bishop of Limerick, was commemorated with Solemn Requiem Mass in St. John's Cathedral yesterday morning. The Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. O'Neill, presided.

The celebrant was Rev. J. Brassill, Adm., St. John's; deacon, Rev. M. Kelly, C.C., Newcastle West; sub-deacon, Rev. H. Fee, C.C., St. John's.

Rev. W. Creed, C.C., was master of ceremonies.

There was over forty secular and regular clergy in the sanctuary, and a large attendance of general public.

A DESERVING CHARITY

The Ladies Association of St. Vincent de Paul appeal earnestly for support of their sale, to be held at 17 Patrick Street, on Saturday, March 22nd.

The severity of the winter has put a heavy strain on the funds of the Association, and has left their wardrobes sadly depleted. You who have warm, comfortable homes, consider the sufferings of the poor. Let your hearts be moved to pity, and help in this work of charity by sending a gift, a parcel of jumble, or a subscription, to Ozanam House during the next week.

PARTIAL COLLAPSE OF TENEMENT

Portion of the rere of a tenement house in Arthur's Quay, Limerick, collapsed last night. The stairway sagged and became disintegrated, trapping members of one family who occupied the second floor. These were removed to safety by the Fire Brigade by means of the escape ladder. No one was injured. The collapse took place at about 7 p.m.

ATTRACTIVE "45" DRIVE

The "45" drive at the Mechanics' Institute Hall on next Monday night (St. Patrick's Day) will be in aid of the Retreat House, Reparation Convent, Limerick. Cash prizes of £12 guaranteed. Score cards are only 1/- each, and play commences at 9.15 p.m. Patrons are assured of a very social evening's enjoyment, in addition to helping a very worthy object.

RARE BIRD

A pin-tailed duck was shot recently in Adare (writes our correspondent there). This species of wild duck has never been seen in this part of Limerick before.

the coat produced in Court as that which he had lost.

DIDN'T WANT NAME AND ADDRESS

Patrick McArdle gave evidence of having stolen this coat from the Savoy, and of having later sold it to the defendant for £1. During the transaction he offered to give the defendant his name and address, but she said that he looked all right and that she didn't need it. He told her the coat was his own property.

Sergeant Hanrahan gave evidence of having interviewed the defendant in connection with the present charge. She admitted having purchased the coat for £1 from a man who came into her shop.

In evidence, the defendant agreed with the evidence of McArdle as regards the transaction. When he offered her the coat for sale she thought he looked alright and did not ask him for his name and address. She hung the coat on the window and it had been there for two days when Sergt. Hanrahan called. She maintained that she had purchased the coat in good faith.

The Justice said he would convict in this case. He bound the defendant over in a bond of £10 to be of good behaviour for the next two years.

DEATH OF EAST LIMERICK PASTOR

The death occurred on Sunday at the Parochial House, Doon, Co. Limerick, of Very Rev. M. O'Connor, P.P.

Aged 76, deceased was a native of Murroe Parish. He was educated at St. Patrick's College, Thurles, and was ordained at Thurles Cathedral in 1895. He served for ten years in the Diocese of Liverpool, and, on recall to his native Archdiocese of Cashel he was appointed to the curacy of Kilbenny. He subsequently served in Drom, Thurles, and was later appointed C.C., Doon, to the pastoral charge of which he succeeded on the death of the Very Rev. Canon Horan.

Most Rev. Dr. Kinane, Archbishop of Cashel, presided at the Requiem Office and High Mass in Doon Parish Church, assisted by Venerable Archdeacon Cooke, P.P., V.G., Tipperary, and Very Rev. Canon McCarthy, P.P., V.F., Hospital.

DEATH OF ABBEYFEALE TRADER

The death of Mrs. Bridget P. Collins, an old and highly respected trader, occurred, after a few weeks illness, at an age of 86, and is much regretted by many friends and relatives. Mother of the Rev. Patrick Collins, P.P., of Venice, California, her gentle, kindly, unassuming disposition made many friends, whose esteem and affection she retained to the end. A model type of Irish Catholic womanhood, there was a very large attendance of the general public at the removal of the remains to St. Mary's Church, and on Monday, after High Mass, the attendance at the interment was also very large.

Very Rev. P. Canon Carroll, P.P., V.F., presided at the High Mass, of which the Rev. M. Moloney, S.J., (cousin) was celebrant. There were ten other members of the clergy in attendance.

FIRE AT ABBEYFEALE

The great necessity for the extension of a couple of hundred yards of water pipes along the Convent Road, Abbeyfeale, was demonstrated on Saturday night when a flue fire burst its way into the rooms of two residents (writes our Abbeyfeale correspondent). If help had not arrived in time, to use the small quantity of water available, it would have been extremely difficult to have saved both houses from destruction.

CROOM PLAYERS

Croom Dramatic Class, with the same cast that delighted a bumper house in Croom a fortnight since, played to a capacity audience in Adare Village Hall on Sunday night (writes our Croom correspondent). Their presentation of the "New Gosoon" delighted their patrons. The following night they opened the Dramatic competition for full length plays in Feile Luimnighe at the Playhouse, Limerick.

GOOD FOR INDUSTRY

It is announced to-day by the E.S.B. that the 25 per cent. cut in electricity for industrial purposes has been suspended for two weeks, as a result of the recent very heavy rainfall.

The waters of the River Shannon had risen rapidly within the last few days, the E.S.B. stated. On Wednesday last one inch of rain is reported to have fallen in the Shannon basin.

MCMANUS TO DIE

The Court of Criminal Appeal, Dublin, to-day, refused the application of Joseph McManus, aged 41 years, for leave to appeal against his conviction and sentence of death for the murder of Mrs. Alice Gerrard, Donoghmore, Navan, on October 6th last.

The Court fixed 31st March as the date for the execution of McManus.

advertising purposes. The citizens as a whole would welcome such a bye-law, especially at election time. At the last general election the public had to listen, day and night, to raucous noises emitted from loudspeakers. At other times, too, loudspeakers are brought into use, much to the annoyance of the citizens. The Department's suggestion relative to the adoption of a bye-law will be considered shortly by a special committee of the Corporation. It is not suggested, of course, that loud speakers be banned altogether.

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STEADY PROGRESS.

The Limerick branch of the Distributive Workers' Union is making steady progress, a fact that was strikingly demonstrated at its annual meeting held on Monday evening last. With very few exceptions, all distributive workers and clerks employed in the city are members of the D.W.U., for which credit must be given in a large measure to the branch secretary and chairman, Mr. C. McLean and Mr. T. O'Dowd, respectively. The Union originally catered only for assistant engaged in the drapery trade, but some years ago it was enlarged to embrace all distributive workers and clerks. It has been instrumental in effecting considerable improvements in conditions of employment and rates of pay of the "white collar" worker, who, as an individual, is obliged to meet more than his fair share of both local and national taxation.

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BE ECONOMICAL.

There is scarcely any need to appeal to the public to exercise strict economy in the use of gas and electricity. If there was never an occasion for rationing most people would not, we believe, consume gas or electricity just for the fun of it. As both are very expensive it is only the wealthy who could afford to ignore the ordinary principles of economy. By the way, it to be hoped that it will not be necessary to further restrict the "hours for gas. They are already very limited, and a further curtailment would inconvenience the housewife very seriously. The citizens appreciate the public spirit displayed by Messrs. Ranks in making available from their own private stocks fifty tons of coal for the Gas Works.

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TEMPERATURES.

What has temperature got to do with the habits of fish? Most of us would be inclined to reply "Nothing." Well, judging from a discussion that took place between two enthusiastic Waltonians down at the docks the other evening weather vagaries have a whole lot to do with the behaviour of the inhabitants of the deep. On one side it was maintained that when the temperature of the water was above normal the bait should be larger than usual if good catches were to be expected. This proposition was rejected with scorn by the second man, who declared that it was immaterial to fish whether the water was very cold or otherwise. "Ah," said the first, with a certain degree of contempt, "fish won't eat if the temperature of the water is below 32 degrees or above 65 degrees Fahrenheit." At this stage the "debate" collapsed and, so, the issue was left in a state of what might be described as "suspended animation."