

to since and the defendant now claimed for loss and damage.

The plaintiff gave evidence on the lines of Mr. O'Donnell's statement, adding that since his bicycle was damaged he had to hire a bicycle at the rate of 15/- a week in order to go to work at Irish Wire products, Ltd. He produced an estimate of £4 10s. for repairs to the bicycle.

The Justice gave a decree for £8, and allowed 5/- expenses.

'BUSMEN VOTE IN DUBLIN

Throughout the day, wires our correspondent, 'busmen and tramwaymen in Dublin are voting on the proposals made by C.I.E. for a resumption of negotiations relative to the transport strike. The result of the ballot will be made known late to-night.

CONFERENCE OF MAYORS.

The Mayor of Limerick (Mr. P. O'Connell) has sent a wire to the Lord Mayors of Dublin and Cork and the Mayors of the other Corporate Boroughs in the Twenty-Six Counties intimating that he has decided to postpone the conference arranged to be held in Dublin tomorrow in connection with the bus transport strike.

In his wire, the Mayor states that it would be inadvisable to hold the conference as arranged in view of the fact that the men were taking a ballot on proposals made by C.I.E.

EEL WEIGHING 6 LBS.

From a pond near his residence, John Power, farmer, Curraheen, Co. Waterford, landed an eel of the common species which weighed 6 lbs. and measured 42 inches in length and 9 inches in girth.

CARGO OF PHOSPHATES

The Danish vessel, "Effie Maersk," arrived in Cork during the week-end from North Africa with 1,800 tons of phosphates.

Mr. John McNamara, of Fort View, Larkin's Cross, Co. Clare. On the 16th May, 1947, he rescued a three-year-old child who fell into the Shannon from the steps at a slip opposite St. Munchin's Church, Limerick City, and was being quickly carried down-stream by a strong current.

Mr. Frank Byrne, of 30 Sand Mall, Limerick. On the 17th August, 1947, whilst a man was diving in the Shannon near Corbally, Limerick, his head struck some object under water. He was carried down-stream by a strong current. Mr. Byrne, who was resting on the bank after a long swim, re-entered the water and swam about 300 yards to the drowning man, who sank just before he could reach him. Although exhausted, Mr. Byrne dived twice for the body, without success, before returning to the bank on the entreaties of spectators. The body was recovered shortly afterwards in 12 feet of water.

SILVER SALVER

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PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR

The breadvan drivers of Limerick, at a function held in the Imperial Hotel, presented the Mayor (Mr. P. O'Connell) with a silver salver to mark the occasion of his election to the Mayoralty.

Mr. John Carey, who presided, made the presentation, and in the course of an appropriate speech paid a glowing tribute to the Mayor for all he had done for the breadvanmen of Limerick in his capacity as hon. secretary of their Section in the I.T. & G.W. Union.

The Mayor, in the course of his response, spoke of the loyalty of his colleagues and the spirit of camaraderie that always existed between them.

An enjoyable social evening followed.

spring, attendance was not as regular as in previous sessions, varying for the girls from 53 per cent. to 84 per cent., and for the boys from 63 per cent. to 86 per cent., with an average of 75 per cent.

"As in previous sessions, the efficiency of instruction in domestic economy and manual instruction reached a high level. In the boys' classes English was treated in an interesting and informative style, with good results. The teaching of Irish was on sound, progressive lines.

"Good work was done by the chaplain, who, in addition to his ordinary duties, prepared 71 students for Confirmation.

"Over 30 students from the courses joined the Construction Corps during the session.

"Valuable assistance in the work of the compulsory courses was rendered by the St. Vincent de Paul Society and by Rev. Father Leo, P.P., and it is hoped that their good example will be followed by others.

"Now that normal conditions are being restored, it is recommended that provision be made next session at the Technical Institute for a voluntary evening class in physical training for the boys, and for a drama class for the girls at Gairm-Scoil Aine."

The members were unanimous in the view that the report was very satisfactory and it was accordingly adopted.

DEATH.

EGAN (Limerick)—October 5th, 1947, at the Mater Hospital, Dublin, Andrew J. Egan, "Slieve Rue," O'Connell Avenue, Limerick; deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains will arrive by road at St. Michael's Church, Limerick, at 8 p.m. to-day (Monday). Solemn Requiem Mass to-morrow (Tuesday), at 10.30 a.m. Funeral immediately afterwards to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.