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# EOPLE IRISH GOODS

# In Markets Abroad

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The following is copy of a circular, dated 29th December, issued to Irish manufacturers by the Department of Industry and Commerce in reference to the need and advisability of increasing exports from this country :-

TRADE

I am directed by the Minister for Industry and Commerce to inform you that he is concerned to bring to the attention of individual Irish manufacturers the importance, in present circumstances, of increasing exports from this country. The adverse balance of trade and shortage of dollar and certain other currencies which are at present a feature of Irish economy, must, if they continue unchecked lead to dissipation of external assets, a contraction in imports and an eventual decline in standards of living. Assistance from the United States under the Europen Recovery Programme ungary, who can continue only for a limited period, and, in the long run, the "suspected only way to achieve a balanced economy and ensure our standards of living is to increase the production and export of both agricultural and industrial goods.

NO EASY TASK.

The Minister trusts that all Irish manufacturers will give serious thought to the possibility of initiating or developing an export trade in their products, particularly with the Western Hemisphere and other hard currency areas. The Minister appreciates that the successful conduct of an export trade in present conditions is no easy task. The exporter must concern himself, not only with the normal commercial ter and the terms, shipping procedure customs duties and other details, but, also with the restrictions on imports and currency exchange imposed by nearly all Governments at home and abroad. The Minister will help exporters in solving these and other problems within the limits of the resources open to him, and will continue to press for increased facilities for the entry of Irish goods into Attorney-General. foreign markets.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES.

The Trade Agreements recently concluded between the Government and the Governments of Great Britain, France and the Netherlands, provide new opportunities for the export of certain categories of Irish manufactured goods. It is the object of the Minister to increase the quantity and widen the range of Irish goods which can be exported to these and to other countries. To assist him in his object he proposes to have a survey carried out of the types, quantities and values of hish industrial goods which Irish manufacturers expect to have available ere is no agree- for export during the year 1949, together with information

# CYCLIST KILLED

## Fatal Collision

### INQUEST AT NEWCASTLE WEST

Sitting with a jury at Newcastle West Courthouse, on Christmas Eve, Mr. M. E. Cussen, solr., Coroner for West Limerick, held an inquest touching the death of Timothy King (41), unmarried labourer, Glendarragh, Templeglantine, who died on the previous evening from injuries when, while cycling home from the town, he was in collision with another cyclist at Shanagarry.

Inspector J. Butler, Newcastle West, conducted the inquiry and Mr. - R. J. Cussen, solr., held a watching brief on behalf of a man named Sexton, the other cyclist

involved in the collision.

Mr. Jeremiah King, Rooskagh, gave evidence of identification and said he last saw deceased on the previous Tuesday, when he was in his usual good health. He had identified that day the dead body of his brother at the County Home.

Newcastle West.

Dr. S. O'Brien, Newcastle West, who performed a post mortem, described injuries found on the body of deceased. There was blood in the inside of the mouth and round the teeth, abrasions on the nose and upper lip and a lacerated wound in the inside of the upper lip. Death, which occurred practically immediately, was, in witness's opinion, due to a practure of the verterbrae-or a broken neck.

Replying to the Inspector, witness said the injuries would have been consistent with deceased coming into forcible contact with the road, or striking the road forcibly. could not say if the injuries showed any evidence that deceased came problems arising out of contract into collision with another cyclist, but be might have struck another cyclist with his head. The marks on the lips could have been caused by a bicycle. Witness was called to the scen of the accident on the prévious night at 9 o'clock, and deceased was then dead.

The Inspector, at this stage, asked for an adjournment of the inquest pending instructions from the

Adjourning the inquest sine die. the Coroner expressed deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives of the deceasd

Mr. R. J. Cussen, solr., on behalf of Mr. Sexton, the other cyclist involved in the accident; the Inspector, on behalf of the Garda; Mr. J. Condon, foreman of the jury, and Dr. O'Brien associated themselves with the expression of sympathy.

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