

widow), Miss Fiola and Michael FitzGerald); Desmond John FitzGerald); Lord and Lady Inchiquin and Countess of Meath, Lord and Lady Unraven, Lord and Lady Ard and Lady Muskerry, Mrs. Berhasset (cousins). Rev. Dr. Hodges, Bishop of Limerick, Archdeacon Maxwell, and Rev. Mr. Phillips, officiating, read the burial service.

ON OUTSIDERS

URBAN COUNCIL

PROTESTS

The Urban Council, at its meeting on Friday night, Senator O'Connell, chairman, presiding, protested against the practice of a firm in providing light and power to the local Fair Green on terms to the detriment of other users, who were fully entitled to supplying such services. The Council also protested against the use of motor lorries connected to the local markets by bulk and not by weight. Resolutions were made prohibiting the use of the Fair Green to outside vendors and distributors.

PROFANE CONDUCTOR ANNOYED

In the applause, Arturo Toscanini, the famous Italian conductor, left the rostrum in anger when a photographer took a photograph of him, after he had sung "Aida" in New York on

NEW STAMPS

New stamps will be issued to come into operation of the Republic of Ireland Act on Monday. One will be in honor of James Clarence Mangan, died in June, the centenary of his death.

John's Hall, the old Athenaeum, etc., every year with their theatrical productions.

In face of these facts there is no sense in foolish claims like that put forward by Mr. Lyddy. No one wants to take any credit from Feile Luimnighe, but it is only making that Festival something of a joke to be suggesting that, before its time, local drama in Limerick had no exponents or following.

Yours faithfully,
"DRAMA FAN."

ATHEA TURF SCHEME

PREPARING FOR MACHINE WORK

During last week (writes our Athea correspondent) the operative staff of Bord na Mona arrived in Athea and work commenced on Friday, 25th ult. At the moment forty men are employed in preparatory work for the machines. It is understood that there will be full steam ahead about mid April.

There is an eagerness amongst working men to secure employment with the Bord, as it is fairly certain that there is at least ten years work for the machines in the district.

ENNIS RATE INCREASE

The Ennis Urban Council has struck a rate of £1 11s. in the £, an increase of 4/- in the £ on last year's rate.

DEATH.

HICKIE (Oola Hills)—At City Hospital, Limerick, on April 4, Jemmy, third son of Mrs. Hickie and the late Patrick Hickie, Oola Hills. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing mother, brothers and sisters. R.I.P. Remains leaving City Hospital this (Monday) evening, at 7 o'clock (S.T.). Solemn Requiem Mass to-morrow (Tuesday) in St. Munchin's Church, Limerick, at 11 a.m. (S.T.). Funeral to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, Limerick, on same day, at 12 o'clock (S.T.).

havoc of time. The Corporation and Harbour Board should confer on this matter.



A GOOD SERVICE.

For the benefit and advancement of the boy messengers employed in the Limerick Postal Service an educational course is given under the aegis of the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs. A library service is also provided for the boys, but as the books, or most of them, at least, are on the shelves since the British days they are of little value to the juvenile readers. It is surprising that the authorities have not the library replenished with modern books—books national in character. It is no credit to them to have reading matter retained that, in effect, tells the boys how they are to make themselves fitted to become British subjects—"happy English children."



THE NEW RATE.

Limerick's new rate for the ensuing financial year will be 34/6 in the £, an increase of 1/6 on the old levy. This is a crushing burden, but it would appear, judging from the discussion that took place at the meeting of the Corporation on Friday night that any relief is not possible just yet. There are hopes that the rate will be reduced when the Borough Boundary is extended, an operation that will be completed before the next rating period. But the relief to be gained in this way will be slow, as the ratepayers to be "taken in" will not be obliged to pay the full city levy until a period of ten years has elapsed. The rate problem of the city is one that must cause anxiety to all serious minded citizens.