

mosquitoes and other disease-bearing insects that were encountered, the difficulties were of the most formidable character. From start to finish, the linking up of the chief towns meant that over four thousand miles of copper wire had been employed in executing this historic operation. At times the Limerickman had to deal with fractious, discontented workers, but his firm, commanding spirit kept them in harness. He faced his problems with a resolute and determined spirit and, notwithstanding lack of trained workers, the absence of bridges over which to carry poles, ladders and necessary instruments, and the rough roads through dense jungles, he kept steadfastly at his work and saw it successfully accomplished in about five years. It was fortunate for the British Government that its performance was not longer delayed, for only a few months later the Indian Mutiny broke out.

died at Southsea on January 10th, 1889, having married thrice. His second wife, whom he married in 1835, was Margaret, daughter of Francis O'Shaughnessy, of Curragh, Co. Clare, and his third, Julia Greenly, daughter of Captain John Sabine, an officer in a Welsh regiment.

There appears to have been differences of creed among O'Shaughnessy's ancestors. His mother, a Miss Boswell, was a Protestant; his uncle was a Dean of Ennis, and his great-uncle was a Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Killaloe.

HIS MANUSCRIPTS.

It would be interesting to know what became of his manuscripts, of which he must have had a large collection made while in India and England. It is to be hoped that some day they may reach the hands of one capable of providing a full length biography of a man of outstanding abilities.

bound by direct labour at least re-advertise tenders anyway, and if reasonable tenders were capt them."

Mr. Maguire supported the suggestion and said it was reasonable that they should have a scheme for the building of cottages.

Mr. Hayes also spoke of the proposal that tenders should be again advertised.

The Chairman agreed that since the previous batch of sites, the Engineer had got the cottages now advertised for the building of the Council unanimously approved this suggestion.

Arising out of a discussion application for the cottage, the Chairman said that the Council should consider the appointment of workers as tenants of

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there should be no objection to the appointment of single applicants provided there were married applicants for the that condition a bachelor was as much entitled to a married man. In instance, the position might be that if a bachelor was given the right to a house he is likely to remain a bachelor.

Chairman—No matter what the doctor says, I don't think there is any sense in giving houses to bachelors while so many are in need of houses.

Mr. John Quaid said that in the old days, when District Commissioners held inquiries into applicants for new houses, they were appointed tenants of cottages.

The Chairman said he was prepared to agree that bachelors should be given preference for a house if provided there were no married applicants.

Mr. Maguire — Of course you can't get a bird without a cage.

Chairman—Many a

AN INCENTIVE MARRIAGE

Dr. McPolin said that it should be a rule that bachelors

FATAL FALL

CITIZEN'S TRAGIC END

The death took place in Barrington's Hospital, Limerick, on Friday night of Mr. Denis O'Driscoll, licensed vintner, Corbally, who had met with a serious accident a short time previously.

Mr. O'Driscoll left his house a little after 7 p.m. to cycle into the city. He had not travelled more than two hundred yards when he was precipitated violently against the ground, his skull being fractured by the force of the impact. It is presumed that his bicycle skidded on the slippery road surface, causing Mr. O'Driscoll to fall helplessly. Passersby who came to his assistance summoned the ambulance and the injured man was conveyed to Barrington's Hospital, where he passed away at 9.15. Before death he received the ministrations of the Church.

The late Mr. O'Driscoll was a highly esteemed and popular citizen and deep and heartfelt sympathy is tendered to the widow and family in their bereavement. He was a former Chairman of the Limerick Licensed Trade Association and was, for many years, an active member of the Committee. A very

LEGION OF MARY

CAROL SINGING

Under the auspices of the Legion of Mary, carol singing will begin on Wednesday evening next, 14th inst. A number of city choirs will assist the Legion during the coming Christmas period and funds raised will be devoted to the many works being performed by this Catholic Action Movement.

During the past 16 years the Legion of Mary has been conducting carol singing, which is its only means of securing funds to enable it to continue its multifarious activities. This feature of the Legion has now become a tradition and any departure from it would be greatly regretted by the general public.

FINED £10 FOR FAILING TO STOP

In the Dublin District Court, Christopher J. Mahon (35), of Armagh Road, Crumlin, was fined £10 for failing to stop after his motor car had collided with a cyclist.

quiet and unassuming man, he was held in high regard and esteem, and his tragic end has occasioned profound regret and sorrow.