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 Limerick No 1, Mitchelstown No 2, New
 castle, Rathkeale, and Tipperary No 2.

NOTICE is hereby given that Poor Rates
 have been duly made on the Property
 Rateable thereon in above-named Districts.

The Rates for the Ordinary Expenditure of
 the said Districts for the service of the year
 ending the 31st March, 1922, chargeable to the
 above-named Districts, are at the following Rates
 in the Pound:—

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
CROOM.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	67'285		67'285
Do District do	32'856		32'856
	153'698		153'698
Total to be levied	12 10		12 10

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
KILMALLOCK.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	67'159		67'159
Do District do	34'819		34'819
	155'535		155'535
Total to be levied	12 7		12 7

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
MITCHELSTOWN NO. 2.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	40'330		40'330
Do District do	52'794		52'794
	146'681		146'681
Total to be levied	12 3		12 3

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
RATHKEALE.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	70'819		70'819
Do District do	44'170		44'170
	168'546		168'546
Total to be levied	14 0		14 0

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
GLIN.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	51'778		51'778
Do District do	59'986		59'986
	165'321		165'321
Total to be levied	19 7		19 7

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
LIMERICK NO. 1.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	95'330		95'330
Do District do	54'444		54'444
	203'331		203'331
Total to be levied	16 11		16 11

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
NEWCASTLE.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	66'723		66'723
Do District do	50'664		50'664
	170'944		170'944
Total to be levied	16 9		16 9

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
TIPPERARY NO 2.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	57'483		57'483
Do District do	39'217		39'217
	150'257		150'257
Total to be levied	12 7		12 7

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
Tipperary No 1.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	57'483		57'483
Do District do	39'217		39'217
	150'257		150'257
Total to be levied	12 7		12 7

	To be levied on Agricultural Land.	Sums deducted in respect of Agricultural Grants.	To be levied on Households.
Tipperary No 3.			
In respect of Co Charges	53'557		53'557
Do Union do	57'483		57'483
Do District do	39'217		39'217
	150'257		150'257
Total to be levied	12 7		12 7

And whereas certain Separate Charges are chargeable on the Areas or Contributory Places hereunder mentioned, the following Special Poor Rates have been added to the Rates above mentioned for the payment of such Separate Charges, and the same form part of and will be collected with the above General Poor Rates:—

District of which Separate Charge is Leviable.	Nature of Separate Charges.	Rate in the Pound required to meet same.
County at large	Criminal Injury	0 02
Croom Rural District	Public Health	0 25
Glin do	do	0 03
Kilmallock do	do	0 04
Kilnane Dispensary District	do	0 11
Bruff do	do	0 11
Hospital do	do	0 04
Limerick do	do	0 04
Limerick Rural District	Criminal Injury	0 22
do	Public Health	0 02
Annanahy Dispensary District	do	0 31
Cobiscawish do	do	0 42
do	do	0 23
Rural do	do	0 04
do	do	0 04
Mitchelstown Rural District	do	0
Newcastle Rural District	do	0
Arleigh Dispensary District	do	0 12
Broadford do	do	0 02
Newcastle do	do	0 02
Rathkeale Rural District	do	0 24
do Rural and Urban Electoral Divisions	do	0 2
Tipperary Rural District	do	0 12

The Rate Books are now in my custody and duplicate portions thereof have been transmitted by me to the Clerks of each respective Union concerned. The Rate Books may be inspected by any person affected thereby, at the Council or Union Offices on any day between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., exclusive of Sundays and Bank Holidays, the said Rates will be payable in two half-yearly instalments, the first from and after the publication of this Notice, and the second from and after the 1st day of October, 1921.

J J QUAIL SECRETARY.
 LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.
 Dated this 23rd day of April, 1921.

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WHOLESALE PRICES OF IRISH PRODUCE.

The following is the Department's return of the average wholesale prices of agricultural produce at the Dublin market during the week ending 10th November, 1921, as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

HEAVY EGGS.—Prices for eggs were much on the same level, though a cheapening tendency was noticeable at several markets.

POTATOES.—Prices for potatoes at all markets were little altered during the week.

IRISH MAIL SERVICES. Railway Conditions Blamed. The Dublin Chamber of Commerce, which has been pressing the Post Office for an improved mail service between Dublin and the South and West of Ireland, has received a letter from the Secretary of the General Post Office in London, in the course of which he says that the Chamber is aware that improved arrangements have now been made by the Great Northern Railway Company for the running of the trains between Dublin and Belfast.

IRISH FISHERIES. A New Fleet Formed. A new steam trawling enterprise has been started in Dublin, and the first boat of what is intended to be a local fleet has already sent catches to the city markets.

THE MASTERS VOICE. A correspondent, hunting one day, now many years ago, with a young parrot in a hand, whose Master (now no longer of this world) was famous for the world over as a Master and a humorist, to say nothing of his command of language, remembers the occasion when, at a cock in a race, a young lady, coming up some way behind the rest of the field, at the first start, jumped over a small gap in a stone wall and landing on top of one of the bounds, which was at the moment trying to elucidate the route (taken by Reynard, the jumped-up bound) came down, and every head turned towards the bound, including the Master's; whereupon she uttered, in a stentorian voice, a word in terms of sublime sarcasm, "Who owns that woman?"

LIGHTER BUDGET FORECASTED. Speaking at Brighton, Sir Arthur Bowdoin, Minister of Agriculture, predicted a large reduction in the coming Budget. Cracking, he said, must be stopped in order that unemployment might have a chance and that unemployment might be reduced.

PEEPS INTO THE PAST.

The following are extracts from the LIMERICK CHRONICLE of April, 1822.— Wednesday, April 3. DILLS SEIZED. On Monday last, a party of the Limerick Revenue Corps detected in the neighbourhood of Bridgetown, County Clare, two extensive distilleries at full work.

THE WINDOW TAX. A Petition for a repeal of the Window Tax is now lying for signatures at the Commercial Buildings.

PARISHIONERS MEET. On Thursday, a meeting of the Parishioners took place at the Commercial Buildings for the purpose of taking into consideration the subject of the Petition now in progress to be laid before Parliament, for a repeal of St. Michael's Parish Act, and for the more equal taxation of the Liberties.

IRISH REVENUE CRUISERS. The Irish Revenue Cruisers have been again placed under the management of the Honourable Board of Customs instead of the admiralty.

FIRST MAIL FROM DUBLIN. The driver and guard of the first mail from Dublin, which arrived on Saturday by the new arrangement, were presented with a reward by the Chamber of Commerce, to whom the public are highly indebted for this most important alteration in the early arrival of the mail.

ADVERTISEMENTS. For Miramiches, in North America, and expected to be ready to sail about a fortnight, the brig Martin, of Liverpool, Captain Foulds, which vessel will take a limited number of passengers for said place.

BIRTH. In Branswick-street, on Saturday last, the lady of Jeffrey Browning, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIED. On Monday, at the Cathedral, Mr. William Bassett, of the North Strand, to Anne, eldest daughter of Mr. Joseph Bromwell, of Mary-street.

DEATHS. In George-street, on Sunday, Ellen, eldest daughter of Mr. Henry O'Sullivan.

TO RELIEVE DISTRESS. The gratuity of the impoverished parts of the County Clare are labiously engaged in holding parish meetings to alleviate the distress of the poor.

BIRTH. On Monday, in George-street, the lady of Geo. Dartnell, Esq., of a son.

MARRIED. On Thursday, at Abington Church, by the Rev. the Archdeacon of Emly, Peter Smithwick, Esq., of Sunville, County Tipperary, to Rebecca Anne, daughter of Robert Smithwick, of Wiltown, in this County, Esq.

DEATHS. Yesterday, at his house in George-street, Ann, daughter of Edward Bernard, Esq.

MARKET PRICES. Red wheat, 10d to 12d per stone; white, 10s to 12s 3d; oats, 8s; barley, 9d; flour, 30s to 32s per bag; oatmeal, 13s to 13s 6d per cwt; potatoes, 5d per cwt; pork, 18s per cwt; beef, 4d to 5d per lb; mutton, 4s to 5s. No price for butter.

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NUMBERED ROADS. It has been known for a considerable time that the Ministry of Transport has decided to number and classify the principal roads in the British Isles, in the following manner:—

CARNEGIE FREE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE. The following members attended the above:— Miss A. O'Dwyer (presiding), Connell, J. M. Griffin and M. O'Dwyer, Messrs J. A. O'Connell, J. R. Griffin, B.A., with the Director.

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REPUBLICAN PROCESSION IN DUBLIN. The anniversary of the deaths of three members of the Irish Republican Army, which took place in Dublin Castle, was marked by a Republican procession which marched on Sunday afternoon from the Phoenix Park to Glasnevin Cemetery and back, it numbered between ten and fifteen thousand.

KILRUSH CATTLE FAIR. The Kilrush Cattle Fair, held on Wednesday, showed no improvement in the prices of cattle in comparison with other fairs held in West Clare for some time. The prices are now down, and almost pre-war rates. There were only a few buyers, but a fair supply of stock. There was some demand for three year olds, but a slump for other classes.

CHEAPER ATLANTIC FARES. The International Mercantile Marine has reduced the 3rd class fare from Cork to European ports by 20 p.c. (This applies to the ship of the American Line Star and White Star Lines.)

CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE. "For the Blood is the Life." Sufferers from Eczema, Boils, Pimples and Eruptions, Bad Legs, Abscesses, Ulcers, Piles, Glandular Swellings, Rheumatism, Gout, should realise that these complaints are simply the symptoms of deep-rooted blood impurities, and while outward applications may give temporary benefit, they can do no more, because they cannot get below the surface of the skin.

RODNEY RATS. RODNEY RATS. IT MAKES A CLEAN SWEEP. P. Liston, Chemist, 108 O'Connell Street, J. Laird and Co., 118 O'Connell Street, M. B. Widdow, Chemist, 85 Richea St., J. G. Boyd, Ltd., Druggist, William St., Limerick; E. A. Walsh, Chemist, Bath, Keate; W. F. Knight, Chemist, Knockree, West; M. Condon, Chemist, Knockree, West; Killoonally School, Killoonally; M. Dempsey, Medical Hall, O'Connell.

MILDEW IN ONIONS.

Important Irish Discovery. In the course of an investigation of the disease known as mildew in onions, an important discovery has been made by Mr. Paul A. Murphy, of the Plant Disease Division of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction.

Onion mildew, as every grower of onions is aware, makes its appearance about the end of May or the beginning of June in the form of small scattered yellowish patches on the upper part of the plant leaves. These patches gradually increase in size and merge into one another until the whole leaf is affected, and finally becomes thickly covered with a powder, white at first, but which changes later to a dingy lilac shade.

Previous to Mr. Murphy's investigations it was known that a second form of spore, known as the foot rot spore, was produced in the decaying leaves and that this spore remained dormant until the following several years—and when brought to the surface, germinated, and so carried on infection in the ground. The bulb itself was believed not to be attacked, and the preventive measures recommended were not to plant onions on ground on which the foot rot had made its appearance, and spraying of the crop with fungicides.

When a glass stopper becomes fixed in a bottle or decanter, slip a drop or two of salad oil round the stopper close to the mouth of the bottle, which must then be held before the heat will cause the oil to insinuate itself between the stopper and the neck. When the bottle has grown warm strike the stopper gently on one side, and then on the other, with any light wooden instrument which will do the work if it is not yet more than a few inches above the fire, striking another drop of oil. After a while, strike again as before. If persevering in this process, however lightly the stopper may be fastened in, you will at length succeed in loosening it.

FISH AS A FOOD. Fish compares favourably with butcher-meat, containing quite as much nourishing material, weight for weight, as beef, says an authority. It is, however, less satisfying and stimulating than meat, and so is not used as much as it ought to be. Indeed, we eat too much meat in Britain, and would be better for substituting fish for it to some extent.

ADVICE FOR THE EYES. Shade the eyes from the full glare of sunlight, says the Family Doctor. Keep your eyes shut out of the sun. Never read or use the eyes for fine work during twilight. Have an abundance of good, steady light for any work you may have on hand. Let the light come to your eyes from one side or from above, not from in front. Do not work in poor light, and avoid a glaring light, so it may be as bad as too little light.

FATE OF ARMENIAN PRISONERS. Col Rawlinson's Harrowing Tale. Reporter learns that the first account from Constantinople, which was received by the London Daily Telegraph, is that the Armenian prisoners from Kars, numbering five thousand soldiers and four thousand civilians, in labour gangs, in the neighbourhood of Erzurum, almost all perished from starvation and neglect. About eight hundred only survived for repatriation.

PUBLIC WORKS CONGRESS. Relief Schemes for Periods of Depression. The advisability of preparing in advance schemes which could be undertaken during cycles of trade depression was discussed at the Public Works Congress at Islington.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS IN ENGLAND. Prices for home killed beef in the wholesale meat market have fallen by about 1d during the last week. Pork, mutton and lamb value are also lower; but veal has advanced nearly a 1d per lb. In the cattle markets, a quiet trade has been experienced, and, with few exceptions, has been a steady one.

FIGHT FOR LOWER RAILWAY RATES. Now that the Railway Rates Tribunal has been constituted, with Sir Francis Gore-Brown, K.C., as chairman, the Federation of British Industries has prepared a long statement on the transport position running into something like 16,000 words. It reviews the history of transport deals at length with the question of transport costs, and declares the Federation's intention of continuing to press for a substantial reduction of rates and charges.

U.S.A. AND SUBMARINES. A Washington message says—M. Briand has indicated that France will strongly support the American programme of a large submarine force, and declared that the submarine was the arm of the weak.

PRIVY COUNCIL MEETING. Additional Bank Holiday. The King held a Privy Council to-day, at which a proclamation declaring Tuesday, December 27th, a Bank Holiday and a public holiday throughout England, Wales, and Ireland was signed. Lord Chamberlain, and was treated with his wand of office.

HINTS FOR THE HOME.

BY A PRACTICAL HOUSEWIFE.

TO KEEP THE FLOOR TIDY. Young mothers who have the little ones with them constantly are often tempted to restrict the children's use of toys once the house is tidied up. A much better way is to make a covering that will not only keep the floor clean, but will preserve the clothing of the child from being soiled from dirt, because it is so easily washed. Take a square of bed-ticking, and hem it round with a rather thick hem. Sew brass rings to the edge about one foot apart, and through these thread a cord, thick and strong enough to carry the weight of the child on the floor when the child is playing, and if there is not time to put everything away it can be hung up by the cord and sorted later.

HOUSE PLANTS AND HEALTH. House plants are a valuable guide in health matters, according to Everyday Science. If a room is so badly ventilated and dark that plants will not flourish in it, it is not a healthy living room for human beings. It has lately been shown that plants are very quick to appreciate anything in the way of poisonous gases in the air. Leakage of gas, faults in the drains, and the like, may gradually contaminate the atmosphere of the house without the occupants being aware that there is anything wrong. The plants will soon die and give warning of these unwholesome influences.

TO LOOSEN GLASS STOPPERS. When a glass stopper becomes fixed in a bottle or decanter, slip a drop or two of salad oil round the stopper close to the mouth of the bottle, which must then be held before the heat will cause the oil to insinuate itself between the stopper and the neck. When the bottle has grown warm strike the stopper gently on one side, and then on the other, with any light wooden instrument which will do the work if it is not yet more than a few inches above the fire, striking another drop of oil. After a while, strike again as before. If persevering in this process, however lightly the stopper may be fastened in, you will at length succeed in loosening it.

INTERNATIONAL POTATO CONFERENCE. Irish Research Work on Potato Diseases. At the invitation of the International Potato Conference, Dr. G. H. Porthbridge and Mr. Paul A. Murphy, of the Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, contributed papers on "Recent Irish Investigations on Potato Blight" and "New Work on Mosaic in Ireland."

POTATOES MORE BEAUTIFUL. The trade and the Government co-operated at the Royal Horticultural Hall, Vincent Square, Westminster, London, S.W., for the most representative show of potatoes ever seen. One of the curiosities was a little collection of tubers representing the history of the last 100 years. It has been put together for the edification of the delegates from overseas and most European countries who have been reading and listening to papers daily. The strange fact is that emergence from this collection is that after a century of expert work we have not increased the yield of the potato by so much as half a bushel. Village Black-mith, which is little, rough, and round, and Yam, which is purple and eccentric in shape and survives only in the Orkneys, gave as good yields as our best. What the scientific grower has been unable to do is to increase what is called "personal beauty" of the potatoes, making them big, and smooth and regular and proof against disease. Apart from such particular beauties as the pink-eye, which has made the success of "King Edward" in the London markets, there are scores of sorts which are better than potatoes that cannot be increased to take water diseases, though it is one of the most contagious known.

POPULAR ALSATIAN WOLF DOGS. Dog-breeding has been rapidly coming back into favour since the close of the war, and for the Ladies' Kennel Association Show at the Royal Horticultural Hall, London, the entries are 275 in excess of last year. Our soldiers who had the opportunity of seeing the Alsatian wolf dog at work in France during the war were so impressed that since they returned home the breed has been boomed to an extraordinary extent. There is some talk of changing the name to Alsatian sheepdog in accordance with Continental and American custom. There is a mistaken idea that in order to maintain type, these animals are crossed with the wolf about the rising of the House of Commons, it was stated by Commander Hilton Young, the Secretary to the Treasury, that Government Estimates were framed on the expectation that between now and March the average cost of living figure would be 100. As the figure was then 110, it may be expected that by the beginning of the year it will stand at about 90.

VERMICELLI AND EGGS. Take two ounces of vermicelli, three ounces of grated cheese, one pint of milk, one egg, half a teaspoonful of salt, and half an ounce of butter. Stew the vermicelli in the milk for five minutes, stir in the grated cheese, and allow it to cook for five minutes; add the salt, and remove the steamer from the fire. When slightly cooled add the yolk of the egg. Whisk the white of the egg to a stiff froth, and stir lightly into the mixture. Pour into a buttered pie-dish, and bake for twenty minutes.

PANCAKES. For ordinary pancakes, sieve into a basin seven ounces of flour, add a pinch of salt, and make a well in the centre. Into this pour two beaten eggs, and work in the flour smoothly, adding a quarter of a pint of milk gradually. When free from lumps add another half a pint of milk, and beat the mixture well with the back of a wooden spoon. When full of air-bubbles, put the batter aside in a cool place and let it stand for an hour at least, longer if possible. It will make a little less in a frying-pan, and when this is smoking hot, pour half a gill or so of the batter into the centre of the pan. Let it run over the pan evenly, and then rest for a minute until set and nicely browned on the under-side. Slip a bread-bladed knife round the edge and turn the pancake over. It is now browned on the other side, slip the pancake on to a saucer, and repeat the process until you have a stack of pancakes. Sprinkle it quickly with lemon-juice and sugar, and roll up. Serve very hot.

CRESS SANDWICHES. Watercress or small cress lightly chopped and mixed with very stiff mayonnaise or whipped cream makes delicious sandwiches with either brown or white bread and butter. The cress should be well washed, picked, and drained in a colander, and the water removed, as needed, as if it is wet it will be floury, and will not mix well with the mayonnaise.

COFFEE BONBONS. Here is a interesting which will appeal to the young people: Add a little cup of very strong coffee to half a pound of brown sugar; boil until it snaps easily, and then stir in a very little more coffee, and work the mixture at the side of the pan with a wooden spoon for a few minutes. Before the rising of the House of Commons, it was stated by Commander Hilton Young, the Secretary to the Treasury, that Government Estimates were framed on the expectation that between now and March the average cost of living figure would be 100. As the figure was then 110, it may be expected that by the beginning of the year it will stand at about 90.

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