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YOUR NIGHT-CAP



VELVET CAP

BEHIND THE SPOTLIGHT with PENSAMAN

JUBILEE OF DUNGARVAN DRAPERY FIRM

The Dungarvan branch of the well-known Drapery firm of W & G Hadden Ltd celebrates its Jubilee this month and an interview which I had with one of the few survivors of the establishment...

When I asked Mr. Hadden how they came to start in Dungarvan he replied "The Dungarvan enterprise was not planned. It just happened" Curious to hear more I asked further questions...

In 1906 the business known as Merrick & Ruddell had been carried on for twenty-seven years by Mr Samuel Ruddell, one of the partners. At that time Mr Ruddell had been an invalid for some years following a stroke and during the last few years the business had slowed up somewhat...

Four days later W & G took over the Dungarvan business under the joint management of Mr J. W. Merrick, a member of the Wexford staff and myself. Mr George Hadden devoted some days to direct preparations for the opening of the new venture...

Even after the lapse of fifty years that effort stands out as quite an occasion. To illustrate on the opening day one girl apprentice sold 200 hats...

In Merrick & Ruddell's time goods had been carefully dated to indicate time of purchase. Much slow stock was thus indicated the farthest back date recalled being 1891. It should be remembered that the date of review was 1906. By the end of the fourth week the cash sale represented 25% of the total paper value of the stock purchased...

At the date of the transfer of business the book debts in the office totted to £400 approximately. Of this amount only one debt (of less than £4) remained uncollected at the end of six months...

Through the cubic capacity of the premises is virtually unaltered nevertheless the shop floor space must have increased 60% since 1906. This was accomplished by the incorporation into the shop of wall lifts, stables, stores and sheds by the removal of partition walls and by the absorption of the kitchen into the shop itself...

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And if we are sons of God, heirs also heirs indeed of God and joint heirs with Christ...

The material possessions of this world which men own can belong to one person only at a time and for that reason a son cannot inherit as long as his father lives and retains title...

Many words are required to impress upon our minds the thought of Heaven, but in reality Heaven is God—the sight love and enjoyment of God. It is important both for our instruction and for our religious life on earth that we should realise the meaning of the words "And if I shall go and prepare a place for you I will come again and will take you to myself that where I am you also may be" (John 14:2)

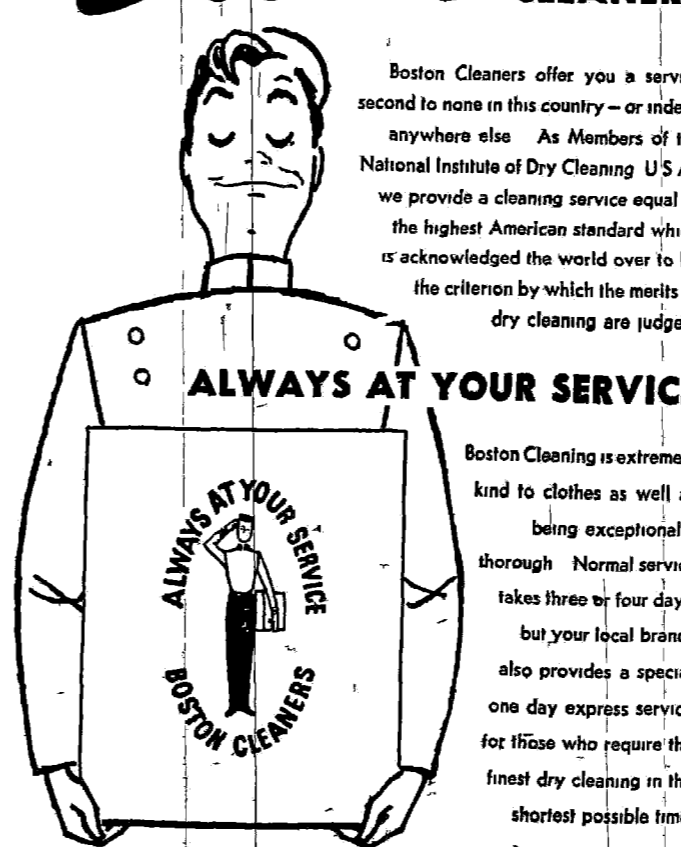
what we shall be. We know that when Jesus Christ will appear we shall be like to Him, because we shall see Him as He is...

To see, love and enjoy God for ever is life everlasting, is eternal happiness. For to see God is to see what there is in God as far as our finite minds can be made capable of seeing...

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WATERFORD BOARD OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Orthopaedic And Dental Services Criticised

Mr H Gill Chairman presided at the monthly meeting of the Waterford Board of Assistance held in Dungarvan on Monday last. Also present were Messrs. T. Kyne, T.D., T. Gallagher, W. Kenneally, T.D., T. Lannen, D. Fitzgerald, C. Curran and N. Walsh.

Mr T. Gallagher moved a motion that the resolution governing the salary of Medical Assistants at the County Hospital Waterford, passed at the last meeting be rescinded. Mr Gallagher said his reason for putting down this motion was that it was a serious thing when the Board turned down the application of the doctors for an increase...

Mr Kyne seconding the motion said that if they failed to grant the increase they would find themselves without competent medical people and that would mean a complete breakdown of the Health Services in the City and County.

On a show of hands the motion was carried by 5 votes (Messrs. Gill, Kyne, Gallagher, Kenneally and Fitzgerald) to 3 (Messrs. Curran, Lannen and Walsh).

By a similar vote the increases (from £208 to £225 in the 1st 6 months and £275 in the 2nd 6 months) were approved. An application for an increase in the salary scale of House Surgeons at the County Hospital from £312 to a maximum of £415 was stated by the County Manager to be agreed on...

Mr Lannen said that it was all very fine for the Managers' Association to be agreeing to these increases but was not so fine for those who had to pay for them and these were mostly working people.

Mr Kyne proposed the adoption of the new scale said that the best way out for the workers was to have their increases met through the rates instead of by taxation. There was no use in having a Health Act he said unless they had fully qualified men to administer it.

Mr Lannen said that before any of these increases were looked for, the people had not the services they were wanting now and that they were getting the same treatment, but they had to pay more for it.

Mr Walsh—Yes it only means that the cost is greater. Mr Lannen said that it was the working people who were paying from £15 to £20 in rates a year who would have to meet these costs.

Mr Kyne said that what Mr Lannen had said was not legally correct as no working man was entitled to free medical service before the Health Act came in. What Mr Lannen was referring to was the fact that the workers in Dungarvan who were working in Dungarvan irrespective of income were without charging them.

Mr Lannen said that all the Health Act did was to take away what the people in Dungarvan had before. Mr Kenneally pointed out that by the appointment of the County Surgeon operations which required Dublin special-ists before were now done in Waterford and that the Board was being saved thousands of pounds.

Mr Lannen pointed out that a new hospital was needed for Dungarvan and if they got this it would greatly ease the pressure on Waterford.

Mr Kyne said that it should be remembered that the District Hospital in Dungarvan was the only one in Ireland where operations were carried out.

The Co. Manager said that when the Department was ever stopping all operations in Dungarvan the Board put its foot down and demanded that they be allowed.

Mr Lannen replied that if the Dungarvan Hospital was ever closed down there would be a revolution in West Waterford. An amendment that the salary scale be allowed stand as it was proposed by Mr Lannen and seconded by Mr Curran.

By 5 votes to 3 the resolution was passed and the amendment declared defeated. Telephoneist At County Hospital. On the proposal of Mr Kyne, seconded by Mr Fitzgerald, the Board agreed to approve of a suggestion to create a post of telephoneist-receptionist at the County Hospital Waterford, at a starting salary of £250. An amendment by Mr Lannen that no such appointment be created was not seconded.

Disposal of Ardmore Dispensary

The Secretary informed the Board that it was proposed to dispose of the old dispensary at Ardmore which had been acquired from the Youghal Union in 1925 to the County Council as a store for the sum of £30. Mr Curran stated that he would not agree to such a proposal as part of the premises were still occupied by a family who needed extra accommodation badly.

For this reason he proposed that the premises be sold to the Flynn family.

Mr Walsh said that if possible the Board should agree to this proposal. The Secretary pointed out that the Board was not a housing authority and could not keep a premises let for such a purpose in repair. There was also a difficulty about title and that was the reason why it was suggested to sell it to the County Council.

Following further discussion it was decided to refer the matter to the County Manager to get legal advice as to the Board's position concerning title and its obligations about repairs and whether they could let the premises.

The Board approved the final plans incorporating amendments suggested by the Department for the reconstruction of the County Hospital, Waterford. A letter from the architects Messrs. McDonnell & Dixon Dublin stated that the alterations would mean a small additional cost to the original estimate of £269,000. Two-thirds of the cost will be met by the Department.

Cost of Additional Health Services. Varied opinions were expressed as to the forthcoming implementation of the majority of the remaining services under the Health Act 1953 insofar as it will affect the middle income group.

It was pointed out that a deputation from the County Council would see the Minister on Thursday of this week on the matter to discuss the basis of allocating the estimated additional cost of £45,000 as between the county and city.

Mr Fitzpatrick said that in view of the position of a further £45,000 on the ratepayers' side most of whom came from the middle income group he thought the Board should protest against the new proposals.

Mr Kyne stated that most of the taxes were being paid by the middle income group. I welcome the proposals he said as I am in complete agreement with the Welfare State no matter what others have to say about it.

Mr Walsh—Well I'm totally disagreeing with it. The Manager said that the position was that the Health Act was now the law of the land and it had to be implemented. The estimated cost for a full year was £45,000 and on the present basis of charges to the county and city in the Board of Assistance the proportion to be borne by the city would be £11,460 and by the county £33,540.

The Secretary told Mr Walsh that the net result would mean an increase of about 1/3d on the county rate and about 1/6d on the city.

Mr Walsh—Well I think Councillor Lannen was right when he said that the rates this year would go up 4/ or 5/—Mr Kyne said that the Act was law and it would have to be carried out.

Mr Walsh—There is no hope of bringing down the rates and the only way they will stop them from going up is by doing something in this detestable Health Act has been implemented.

Mr Kyne said that the Board should agree to administer the scheme and let the matter of the charges to be decided by the Minister.

Manager—The Board has no other alternative as there is no other machinery in existence in the county to carry it out, but should be agreed subject to the basis of the allocation of the expenditure as between the city and county.

Mr Kenneally—There will be no change in that. The Board then agreed to administer the Act, but Mr Fitzpatrick proposed that they protest against the further imposition of £45,000 on the ratepayers in general as a result of it.

The Chairman seconded this proposal. Mr Lannen said that when Acts of Parliament are passed the Ministers responsible for them should provide the money for them too and not ask the ratepayers for it.

Mr Kyne proposed an amendment that the Board welcome the new proposals of the Act and Mr Kenneally seconded. A tie vote at each resulted and the resolution was passed on the Chairman's casting vote.

Orthopaedic And Dental Services. Mr Kyne made a complaint that a worker from the D.L.C. Dungarvan was unemployed for the past 5 months. Due to a septic leg which required an operation, had so far, despite repeated representations from him, failed to receive free medical attention at the orthopaedic unit at Waterford.

He had been given promises, stated Mr Kyne, but no bed was at yet available, and he asked how many beds were in the unit and who occupied them. (Continued On Page Four)





