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DUNGARVAN HOCKEY CLUB.

To the Editor of the "Observer." Dear Sir—I was highly amused at Mr. John A. Cartwright's letter in last week's issue regarding a paragraph published under "Lismore Notes" 6th March last week.

Mr. Clancy—There are publicans in this town who would stop up all night to supply drink.

Chairman—If the proposer and seconder leave the matter stand over.

Mr. Power—I have no authority to leave it over.

Mr. Keane—It is quite clear that the council are against it. It should be the duty of the council to protect the morals of our people.

Mr. McGrath—There is no question of morals.

Mr. Power—There is a growing evil of where men take girls out into motor cars and force drink on them.

Mr. Craig—It is a slander on the young men of the town.

Mr. Power—This proposition arose from certain information received by the Catholic Truth Society. The simply ask you to use your influence in putting down the practice of having cars at dances.

Chairman—They may have information on the matter which we have not got.

Mr. Keane—The council have already stopped dancing on Sunday nights.

Chairman—Put the matter in order. Let it be proposed and seconded.

Mr. Power then proposed, and Mr. Keane seconded, that the resolution from the Catholic Truth Society be adopted.

Mr. McCarthy—You will have much more drunk by stopping the bars as it will be brought in then.

Mr. Keane—My opinion is a person have enough of time for drink up to 10 o'clock.

Mr. Craig—And do without any for the remainder of the night.

Mr. Butler—He will go in drunk after ten o'clock. That would make matters worse.

Mr. McGrath—I venture to say I have more experience of dances than most of the members and from past experience I saw no abuse of a bar. It is a proper thing on dances.

Mr. Power said it was the duty of the council to exercise some authority and see that nothing immoral was carried on.

Mr. Keane—No more, but would ask them to pass the resolution.

Mr. Craig—Is it the function of this body to look after the morals of the people. If a man want to go to ball this council cannot stop him.

Mr. McGrath—There is no member of this board up against the Catholic Truth Society, which is a very fine body. The price of drink at present regulates a bar.

Mr. Clancy held that a man would want a few drinks during the night. He was in favour of temperance, but even the members of the band playing at a dance would want a few drinks during the night.

There was a greater evil than drink at dances, and that was the practice of allowing the dancers out on the streets. As regards bars, he was at a little cost.

Mr. McGrath—Yes.

Mr. Keane—You will be building a shelter, which you must take down again if the Repland scheme goes through.

On the suggestion of Mr. Butler, the Borough Surveyor was asked to give the probable cost of preparing both places at next meeting.

SYMPATHY. On the proposition of Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. Clancy, a vote of sympathy was passed to the wife and family of the late Mr. Wm. Foley.

CANNON AT YOU

At a special court Mr. G. P. Farrell, B.S., John Harkness, from district of Ballymacoda, and Mr. J. J. Cannon, from district of Ballymacoda, were present.

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### BALLYDUFF HOLD-UP.

BREWERS' AGENT'S EXPERIENCE. INFORMATION REFUSED.

At Lismore District Court, before Mr. Farrell, B.L., D.J.

The accused case of the State against Daniel Barnett, Ballyduff, charged with being engaged in the hold-up while armed and with intent to rob one John Collins, of Fenwick, Lismore, was heard. The case had been twice previously adjourned. Mr. Collins, who is representative of Messrs. Beamish and Crawford at Lismore, already made a deposition in the case, which was published. It was to the effect that after collecting the village of Ballyduff on the 31st December, 1925, and when returning to the railway station he was held up.

Sgt. O'Riordan presented, and defendant, who responded to his bailiffs was not professionally represented.

Further depositions were taken as follows—Sergeant Daly, Lismore, deposed—On 31st December, 1925, I received a report at 7.15 p.m. from John Collins, Fenwick, Lismore, who was with me at Cappoggin, who was with me at Ballyduff accompanied by Guard O'Leary, and from a description given witness arrested the accused in the barroom near his house at 10.15 p.m. and charged him with the usual caution with holding up one John Collins while armed with intent to rob. Defendant said: "It's all a joke, come on and we'll have a few pints any way." He appeared to witness to have drunk taken.

Cross-examined—It was the first time I saw defendant and he appeared to have drunk taken.

Answered—I was drunk, sir. I was worse than drunk as I was honey drunk (laughter). I was drunk since Xmas.

Sergeant—What he said on the car to the Superintendent was: "If Collins swore on him he would cut the other leg off him." This statement was made when taking him in the motor from Ballyduff to Lismore Barrack.

Cross-examined—At the fire in the barroom in Lismore accused asked that what he said in the motor car be not put against him.

Answered—Wasn't I singing and screaming all night in the barroom?

Sergeant—You appeared to be in the same condition as you are to-day.

Answered—I didn't care what they charged me with at the time when I was innocent. I didn't care when I was charged me with murder when I was innocent.

Mr. Michael McGrath, Lismore, stated he saw the accused at Murphy's public-house, Ballyduff, on 31st December, 1925, when witness was coming from a funeral at Mooltip. With two friends he entered this house and accused was there. That would be a few minutes to 2 p.m., and about 4.30 p.m. he left there and passed Mr. Collins between the bridge and Ballyduff which was only two hundred yards from the public-house. He knew the accused and left him in the public-house after him. Where witness passed Mr. Collins would be about a mile to the station.

Cross-examined—I am sure of the time.

I looked at my watch. Mr. Collins could walk as fast as the accused. It was close to 4.30 p.m. when witness left the public-house. He could not say whether it was possible accused could overtake Mr. Collins. It was none of his business.

Mr. Murphy, Ballyduff, stated that at about 4 p.m. on a Friday (he couldn't say what date it was) he saw Mr. McGrath on his premises and she never before saw him there. She could not remember the day of the week or the month. Mr. McGrath came in about 4 and remained about half an hour. Accused remained about twenty minutes after that.

To the Justice—When I heard the following day that Barnett was arrested I saw I found the date. She could not say whether accused had money that evening or not. She did not see accused until he called in the evening.

Mr. Richard Maher, Ballinacorney, Ballyduff, stated he remembered 31st December. He lived two miles from the village and drove in a pony and trap there that day arriving about 4.30. He stopped at Timothy Beecher's, a shopkeeper in the village. As he entered the shop Mr. Collins, Mr. Beecher and another man were chatting at the counter. Mr. Collins left in a few minutes saying he was going to meet the train. That train left about 5.40 p.m. Witness remained at Beecher's for about a quarter of an hour after Mr. Collins had left. He went further up the village and put his pony in a yard. When he had done so he met Daniel Barnett (accused), who asked him if he had a car. He said he was going home soon and he could have a drive. He asked me to wait for half an hour as he had business to transact in the village with Denis McCarthy, who keeps a hardware shop. Accused left about 5.15 p.m. and went in the direction of Denis McCarthy's shop, but returned in about five minutes saying McCarthy was not at home. Witness left Ballyduff at 5.45 p.m. and secondly accompanied him as far as the road leading up to witness's house, and finally parted with me about 6 p.m. It would take Mr. Collins at least 30 minutes to walk to where he was supposed to be held up.

Cross-examined—He knew accused since infancy. He appeared to have a good share of drink taken that night. He did not know what he went to McCarthy's for. He did not know he went there for 6s. He did not ask witness to stand him a drink. He left his own house at 4.15 p.m. that day and looked at the clock. It may be a minute or two either way.

Carthage Crowley, Lismore, stated he saw accused coming from the bridge to the village of Ballyduff at 2.45 p.m. Barnett asked Mr. Collins for a Christmas box outside Fenwick's. At 4.30 p.m. accused came out of Murphy's public-house, and the next place he saw him was up at Mr. Harris's public-house. In about five minutes later he saw him at Fenwick's accompanied by Mr. Dick Maher. Witness left about 5 o'clock for the station, which would take 20 minutes to reach. Mr. Collins told him at Ballyduff Station he had been held up.

The Justice asked was that all the evidence.

Sgt. O'Riordan, replying in the affirmative, said the charge was serious, and in his opinion he thought a prima facie case had been proved.

Justice—I don't think on the whole there is a case to go to a jury and I refuse informations.

# Poor Law Relief Commission.

SITTING AT DUNGARVAN. THE EVIDENCE.

On Wednesday week a public sitting of the Commission of the Relief of the Poor was held in the Boardroom, County Home, Dungarvan. The Commissioners present were—Mr. Charles H. O'Connor (Chairman); Senator Sir John Keane and Senator Mrs. Wynn Power. Mr. J. Collins, Secretary of the Commission, was also present.

Mr. Michael O'Flynn, Secretary of the Waterford County Board of Public Health and Public Assistance, was the first to give evidence, and in reply to the Chairman, said it was his experience that the poor were well looked after. The County Home at Dungarvan was not large enough, with the result that some people could not be transferred from Waterford. The number in the County Hospital at Waterford at present was 207. There was a house required for 150 and it was suggested sending them to Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny. If he had sufficient accommodation in Dungarvan he would take them from Waterford. There was a suggestion to provide a different home for old and unmarried mothers. It had been mentioned, but not yet considered about getting a home in Waterford. Thomastown is a near Waterford as Dungarvan is, and he didn't see why the Waterford people could object. He did not think himself that the Thomastown scheme was feasible. He understood on a few occasions people were refused admission who applied here for lack of accommodation. The estimated number at present in the Dungarvan County Home was 394. The highest number which was there was 410. They were composed of able-bodied, blind, unmarried mothers, children, etc. The able-bodied are men who would work, but are unable to get work, and it was a question of destitution to admit them. They had 68 children boarded out at present, and some of the mothers of those children were in the house. The remainder go to the convent school. The expenses for the year 1925 were £19,663. The estimate for the year 1926 was £22,057, but that was an abnormal year. The estimate for 1926-27 was £44,000, and for 1927-28 £34,316. It was his opinion that amalgamation was a saving. There was a considerable increase in the amount of Home Assistance. The figure is now over £17,000, and in 1913-14 it was only £4,000. His expenditure for 1924-25 of £46,000 did not include superannuation, which would bring the figure to £54,000. He considered the poor were getting the same benefits as at old. There were very few complaints. The poor availed of free medical attendance in their homes and at the dispensaries by applying for tickets. There were 13 Home Assistance Officers in the county and a Superintendent, who resides in Waterford. The Superintendent's salary was £200 a year. He had to pay his own expenses out of that, and the salary of the Assistance Officers were as follows:—Waterford, £200; Tramore, £50 and bonus; Waterford, £50 and bonus; Lismore (3), £40 and bonus; £22 and bonus, and £13 and bonus; Dungarvan, £235; Kilmacshannon, £50 and bonus each; Youghal, £50; Clonmel, £29 and bonus, and £13 and bonus. The same number were employed under the Board of Guardians with the exception of the Supervisor. The board was composed of 17 members, who met monthly. They complain of not having enough time to transact the business. Some of the meetings take 6 or 7 hours. The Board of Guardians never took so much time to transact the business.

To Senator Mrs. Wynn Power—The 150 chronic cases in Waterford were not all bed cases. The staff in Waterford comprised matron, storekeeper, 2 doctors, 2 chaplains, 5 nurses, 16 probationer nurses, 2 maids, 7 female attendants 2 male attendants, porter, ambulance driver and midwife. The probationers pay no fee, and were trained between the County Hospital and Infirmary. The Lismore Hospital was about being opened at a cost of £200. The staff was already appointed there, which comprise one day nurse, one night nurse, two female attendants and one male attendant. They had two ambulances in Waterford and two in Dungarvan. The staff in Dungarvan County Home consist of three nurses, seven female attendants, two female attendants in idiot ward, and one male attendant and midwife. The joint officers were matron, assistant matron, storekeeper, doctor, 2 chaplains, porter and ambulance driver. The charges were county-at-large. In the hospital there were two nurses and four attendants. It would be a very good idea if the two hospitals in Waterford were amalgamated. In his opinion some special Act should be passed to allow them take over the County Infirmary. The Governors of the Infirmary did not want to amalgamate. There was also some legal difficulty. The charges for a patient now is 6s. and there were 45 unmarried mothers in Dungarvan institution and about 70 children. The married mother problem is difficult as it is very hard to get places for them outside. There was a proposition to establish an inter-county home for those, four or five counties to join together, and to hand the home over to some order of nuns. They were waiting the result of that scheme. Kilmacshannon Workhouse was suggested at one time for such a home.

To Senator Sir John Keane, he said the diet was governed by a fixed scale, and the soldiers were satisfied if that was not exceeded. The scale was the same as the old scale and the cost is only 8/7 a week including clothing. He admitted there were some inmates which if issued food according to requirements instead of by scale might be a saving.

The average cost was based on actual cost and appeared on the abstract of accounts.

Sir John at this stage asked to see the weekly, monthly and half-yearly return books, which he said were most scrupulously kept, but his idea was that the Government should take one county for a trial and try to get the administration simplified. In his opinion one of the big London Hospitals had not so much writing to do as was done here. He noticed that they kept a whole-line plumber in Waterford. Was he necessary?

To Mrs. Wynn Power—The cost of training probationers is about 12s. per week.

Mrs. White, representing the Waterford Corporation, said the other members who were to give evidence did not come as they were of opinion the Commission should inspect the city.

Chairman—We are sorry they did not come. Dungarvan is the most central place, and all books, etc., are available here.

Mrs. White—The city do not approve of amalgamation as the poor people thought Dungarvan was too far away and they could not see any of their friends. What they wanted in Waterford was an Auxiliary Home, and if such was established it would relieve the dreadful conditions prevailing there. The cases she referred to were young men who could not get work. There was no place where they could get a night's lodgings, and they had to go to sleep in the pass house or the limekilns. What they wanted was a suitable casual ward. In the summer time those people have to sleep in the Park and it is a terrible hardship. She thought the total of this class of circumstances would be about 60. They were of the able-bodied class. They had a number of endowed homes in Waterford where the aged and infirm were. She thought some of those might not be filled up, and unless the terms of endowment prevented it, might be utilised. At the time of the amalgamation she made some inquiries on this matter, but nothing resulted. The Little Sisters of the Poor was always full. The city would not approve of sending people to Thomastown as the establishment of an Auxiliary Home in the city would meet the case. When a house is to be let in Waterford there are a few hundred applicants. Her idea was Kilmacshannon Workhouse would be a most suitable place for children and to have a school there. There were a lot of children who were not properly cared for in Waterford. When the amalgamation scheme was first passed they did not consider Waterford at all. They got a maternity ward there, and since there was 101 unmarried mothers treated there they got a school for them. She thought the homes for unmarried mothers should be run on the lines of the Berlesborough Home. Some of the unmarried mothers were only 15 and 16 years and were perfectly unable to look after themselves and they keep them on and try to find work for them. These people would be in the workhouse only for it being closed. They are a menace to the country and it was an increasing evil. There was a great many cases during the last few years and they were very young.

To Mrs. Wynn Power—There were 150 chronic patients in Waterford Hospital, and what she wanted was some kind of night shelter. There was more crowding in the hospital during the past few weeks than since 1914. She would be in favour of amalgamating the two Waterford Hospitals if possible.

FATHER O'DONNELL'S EVIDENCE.

Very Rev. J. O'Donnell P.P., Kilmacshannon, said his view was that the workhouse at Kilmacshannon should be utilised for some people. He thought a small number should be sent there. He was for opening Kilmacshannon on behalf of the sick poor. He would oppose it as a home for unmarried mothers, as it was too open and should be walled in, etc.

Mr. J. Kiersey, Chairman County Council, said he was also a member of the Board of Public Assistance. Under the present rules it was impossible to carry on. It was too hard on the county, who had to carry the city on its back. He was in favour of the amalgamation of the two Waterford Hospitals and he was of opinion they would give more attention if they had to bear their proper share. It would be only fair that the Corporation should shoulder the thing. There might be some migration from the county to the city, but he did not think it was much. The county would live longer without the city than the city without the county (laughter). We meet once a month and it is nearly impossible to carry through the work. If the city was separated they would be able to do the work much quicker. This suggestion was that the Corporation manage the city and they manage the county. He thought opening Kilmacshannon would be rather expensive to staff it again. There was a necessity of segregation of the present inmates of the County Home. There was no doubt but Kilmacshannon was very useful as an hospital. His idea was some of the people in the County Hospital could be transferred there. He would not be opposed to opening Kilmacshannon. He thought it was most desirable to board out the patients. They were boarding out hospital patients in other counties at 2s. 6d., and they were taking them in at 1s. 6d., so they stopped it. The number of able-bodied were practically all city men. He thought it was not easy to get suitable foster-parents for boarded-out children. He was satisfied with the

medical attendance system. There were a few points which need revision in the County Hospital. It was most unfair that wealthy people go in there, and they can't get anything from their relatives in some cases. The law on that point should be amended. There was also another case of an old age pensioner who goes into hospital and his pension is stopped instead of going on to relieve the rates and pay for the person while there.

To Sir John Keane—He said the Corporation members were voting away money of which they were not bearing their proper share. If Waterford Rural was divided with the city it would kill the rural district.

Dr. Fitzgerald, R.M.S., Mental Hospital, Waterford, said the law with regard to admission to the Mental Hospital could not be improved. There was one recommendation he would like to make, which was that in the case of a woman patient being brought a long journey the Guards should be empowered to get a woman to accompany her. The hospital could not afford to send out the staff on such cases. There was a law where they can discharge lunatics on a month's trial, and he got good results from it when applied.

Mr. E. Drea, T.C., Waterford, said the greatest hardship resulting from amalgamation was that the poor were being taken from their friends. His opinion was that they would be much better off in the infirm wards of the closed up workhouse. He agreed with Mrs. White regarding a shelter in Waterford for the able-bodied. On the question of unmarried mothers, it was a shame, especially the ages of some of them, who were only children themselves. The enquiry should in all cases be brought to justice and greater power go to deal with them. If there was more co-ordination between the doctors, nurses, dispensaries and hospitals in Waterford it would bring it to the front in administering to the needs of the sick poor. His object was to help and not to criticise and try and help the deserving poor, as there was an awful amount of unemployed in Waterford, which was largely swelled by county labour.

Mr. C. O'Neill, Clonmel, member of the Tipperary County Board of Health, said he was of opinion the Tipperary County Home was in a bad position at Cashel, and there were no sanitary arrangements and a bad water supply. There was only accommodation for 300 in Cashel and from 600 to 700 in Clonmel. The average number in Clonmel for some years before amalgamation was from four to five hundred. The buildings were suitable for a County Home, and the sanitary and water arrangements could not be surpassed, and it was more central as the area extended down to Carrick. He estimated the cost of fitting it up at £1,000.

Chairman—We will see it tomorrow for ourselves.

Mr. Beckley, Town Clerk, Clonmel, said the County Homes at Cashel and Thurles should be further apart. His opinion was the County Home should be in Clonmel and the County Hospital in Tipperary. The Clonmel Corporation were of opinion that warden should have power to give relief, as the Board of Health could not possibly go into the merits of the cases. There was a Medical Inspection of school children under the Welfare League, which was considered by the general public to be very beneficial. From 90 to 120 school children are getting free meals.

Mr. Beary, Secretary of the County Board of Health for Tipperary S.R. also gave evidence, as also Mr. Richard O'Connor, member of Tipperary County Board of Health.

A vote of thanks to the Commissioners concluded the inquiry.

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### MR. D VALERA'S RESIGNATION.

Mr. de Valera resigned from the presidency of the Ard Fheis, or Supreme Council of the Irish Republican movement. His resignation followed a 26-hour debate at the Ard Fheis.

Mr. de Valera has been broken on the question of entering the Dail Eireann. He pressed the Ard Fheis to declare that once the admission oaths of the two Irish Parliaments were removed it would be come not a question of principle, but of policy whether the Republican representatives should enter those Assemblies, and that "at the next General Election it should be the policy of the Republican Organisation to put forward candidates who would, if elected, assert their right to enter any assembly where the other elected representatives of the people meet for public business without having to subscribe to the preliminary national oath."

To the motion Father O'Flanagan moved an amendment affirming that it was incompatible with the fundamental principles of Sinn Fein as it was injurious to the honour of Ireland, to send representatives into any assembly where the English law is in force.

The debate started on Tuesday, was continued on Wednesday, and ended in the early hours of Thursday.

Father O'Flanagan's amendment was carried by five votes, but when it was put as a substantive motion it was lost by two votes. Members of the Ard Fheis did not know exactly what had been done, but the one important fact which emerged clearly was that Mr. de Valera's proposal had been rejected.

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Before Mr. Troy, Receiver.

Wm. Desmond, Receiver, Wright with removal from the Receiver's office.

Mr. Ryan, Receiver, was owned 60 years, and during that time, he had lost about a certain number of pounds on his property, and he was about to be sold, etc.

Defendant said he was about to be sold, etc.

Justice—But he says you did not keep an account of the under-lying value of the property. Defendant would not costs. He would incur 1s. compensation and 1s. expenses.

J. B. Dwyer was ordered against Jas. O'Connell for a house.

Guard Walsh charged being drunk and insolent. Justice—This is a contemptuous—You done to save this man is expending all his money—I am afraid Justice is passed. What Guards should try to man get the drink.

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