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Conversing with a charming, a very charming visitor, from the Northlands a few days ago-there must be some fine girls in Meath-I found that the visitor was impressed by the Tralce

I am not surprised. Although a native, the local mud has made an impression on me many times.

Well now, we have two great problems before us. One is the gas; the other is the mud.

I met the new Gas Manager only once-and I may tell you my impression is that he is a most excellent man. It is a pity, I feel, that we hadn't him long ago.

But that won't do. The people of Tralee now want electric light; they must get it. Mr. Buckley has had a sad experience during his short stay here; he has had the luxury of enduring two strikes. Well I hope that is all over

The people of Tralee want electric light. They are willing to pay for it, and they must get it.

The Urban Councillor here who opposes the introduction of electric light is simply butting his head against a stone wall-that's all.

Of course we must have the gas also -the same as in Limerick and other centres. There are gas cookers galore in Trake, and they have come to stay. We must have gas as well as electric light-but the electric light we must

Reverting to the mud; it is simply fierce here.

During the holidays it was abolutely cruel

I don't blame Mr. Tough in the least. In my opinion he is doing his best. But some of his scavengers aren't. Around Christmas people were somplaining that these scavengers were going around begging Christmas Boxes. Isn't that a disgrace?

The men's Union should take notice of this. They are paid enough now out of the ratepayers' pockets, without going around at Xmas worrying the ratepayers for bonuses for work the scavengers do very badly.

If we want to get rid of the muc is Tralce, we must have paving-stone, or wood, or asphalt.

The Fancy Dress Ball held this week in aid of the Society for the Prevention of Oruelty to Children was a great suc-

In the children's section the chie interest centred.

Fond mothers and fathers-well they were ambitious of honors for their offspring

Although I don't presume to be judge, I never saw a finer display of children. They were, and I hope, will be, a credit to Kerry.

Some of them, in fact the most of them necessarily, didn't take prizes. In the fulness of my heart, I would give them all prizes.

To Miss Tuomey is due, to a great extent, the success of thefixture.

This lady is about one of the very best; Tralec should be proud of her. A member of a family which is an example to the rest of us, she is one of the most exemplary of that family. I only hope that Mr. Delahunty, her brother-in-law, will be one of our new County Surveyors.

The S.P.C.C. has done an immense amount of good in Kerry. For this, Mr. O'Farrell, the Inspector, is mainly responsible.

A first-class officer, tactful yet efficient, I hope we will have his services a long time.

That is a nice state of affairs in Tralco Union Hospital. At an inquest held there on Monday it was disclosed that a patient died in the institution without a doctor's services.

Of course there will be alleged "wits" found who, regardless of the tragic circumstances of the case, will insiet on saying that a man or woman can occasionally die without the aid of a doctor. In fact I have heard the remark-a most callous one-passed in connection with the case I am referring

The condition of the patients in the Hospital at present can be nothing far short of deplorable.

So far as I can understand the situathe doctors are blaming the Guardians for it and the Guardians are handing on the blame to the Local Government

Board. The popular and efficient M.O. of the Hospital has been incapacitated from doing duty, through illness, for about

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five weeks. It would seem the L.G.B. will not annetion the appointment of a temporary

M.O at the rate of remuneration demanded by the Medical Association. Commquently the Guardians refuse to

make the appointment. But the doctors claim that the Guard isne can appoint a temporary M.O .--

and that the latter is willing to take his chance of enforcing payment at the full rate. Should the doctors' statement be

right, the Guardians are guilty of horribly inhuman conduct.

It is monstrous to have a hospital without any doctor in charge of it. The death of a patient there, through what I will call neglect, is apalling.

I am told just now that Dr. Molyneux has been appointed as locum.

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The "swan song" of the Tralee Urban Council was duly sung at last Friday's meeting of that body.

Some of the members who participated, mournfully, in the ceremony, will never again function as municipals. After six years-wasted ones, for this town, I call them-in office, look at the record of the Councillors.

They haven't accomplished anything beyond sinking the town into debt, and raising the rates and charges for gas. Noz an achievement, a single one, have they to their credit beyond negative ones such as I have referred to.

True, they flung about £2,000 of the fortunate ratepayers' money into a carburetted hydrogen plant which was to give us "gas," at the rate of 1/6 per 1,000 cubic feet, but which only went nearly suffocating people instead at the rate of 6/3.

To give the new Gas Manager his due, be has accomplished marvels in the short time he has been in Tralee. Despite having had the pleasure of experiencing two strikes, and of having to get over other handicaps, he has succeeded in making us acquainted, once more, with what decent gas is like.

But Tralee is outgrowing its gas acecmodation. Electric lighting is not alone required, it is imperatively needed.

Tom Kelliher, of Ballymullen, has the effrontery to tell us that the introduction of Electric Lighting into Tralco would cost no less than £30,000! What does he know about it? Can he tell the difference between an ohm and an ampere? Does he know what a volt

He may be correct in estimating the cost of introducting Electric Light into Trales at the fancy figure be mentions, but un. ? I see an estimate of the cost by an expert, I will keep an oppn mind on the matter. That is, relative to the cost; as to the urgent necessity for providing electric lighting-and power for industrial concerns and develop-

ments--there can be no two questions. A gentleman, a professional gentleman, was telling mo recently that he visited Dundalk some twelve months

At night, he said, you would have no difficulty in realising that you weren' in Tralee. A splendid combination of electric and gas lighting made Dundalk one of the "bright spots."

Also, there was, for a Traleeman, noticeable absence of mud.

Since the last Urban Council came into office here, and for decades before it, there was no progress here-municipally Since the construction of Tralee's very fine water supply, all that has been done is to increase "the white man's burden."

Of course a little was done in the way of providing housing accommodation for the workers-but it was nothing to shout over. Remember the Council which has has just expired did nothing in the way of providing-and they could have done so in 1914 if they were in earnest or honest enough the same as Killarney was

The nomination for the three Tralee Wards, for the forthcoming Urban Council elections took place on yesterday (Monday).

To tell the truth, there don't seem to be many "heavy guns" amongst the new division.

As there are only about thirteen of th- Old Brigado seeking re-election, there must, of necessity, be a considerable change in the composition of the new Council. At the same time I don't believe that a very large proportion of the outgoing Councillors will become casualties.

There must, in any event, be eight Councillors of the new persuasion elected. It is plain that the eight will be made up of Sinn Feiners and Labour candidates. The eight constitute the irreducible minimum, So I feel quite justified in assuming that Sinn Fein and Labor, combined, will dominate the new Council.

I may tell you I don't feel rash when predicting that the coming Council will consist of a Coalition Party (Labor and Sinn Fein) to the number of eleven or twelve, and of the "Old Gang" to the number of ten or nine.

It must not be forgotten that several of the outgoing Councillors, while not exactly professed Sinn Feiners or Labor men, have shown thomselves in active. practical sympathy with both National and Labor aspirations,

It is anything but absurd, then, to conclude that the coming Council will be dominatingly National and Democra, tic-whatever the fortunes of the in-

dividual candidates may be. "The old order changeth and giveth place to the new." It is going to do so this time anyway; and I sincerely trust

it will be an improvement. "A reliable native," as the English used say in the earlier days of the last Boer war, informs me that most of the old Conneillors will be re-elected in Killarney. Considering he has told me there are three Wards in Killarney when there are only two, I am starting in to discount his reliability.

Well all the Korry Urban Electionsthree in number; that is three Urban Districts-will soon be over, and we will have some idea as to what Proportional Representation really means.

I have a certain amount of pity for the officials who are to undertake the jo' of counting the votes.

POLICEMAN SHOT IN BALLYLONGFORD

At about seven o'clock on Saturday night a policeman named Clarke was fired at and wounded in the village of Ballylongford. The constable, who is a young man, and married, was, it appears from information to hand, engaged paying some bills n the village and when in the vicinity of the Bridge a shot was fired from behind a wall from it is presumed, a double-barrel gun, the pellet lodging in his neck and right shoulder to the number of less than about 160. From the fact that the pellote were concentrated in a compara, tively small area of the victim's body, it is considered the range of fire was no more than eight or ten yards and it is regarded as almost miraculous how it did not instantly prove fatal. Shortly after the shot being discharged another constable came to his aid and conveyed him to the police barrack in the village, from whence he was conveyed to the Listowel Union Hospital in the police motor, where he arrived at about 11.30, and immediately attended to by Dr. J. T. Dillon, M O, who regards his condition as critical in the contingency of inflamation of the wounds setting in.

District-Inspector Flanagan visited the scene but no arrest has been made at the time of writing.

KILLARNËY ÚRBAN COUNCIL.

THE DEATH OF CONSTABLE KEOGH.

Mr E O'Sullivan, chairman, presided. Also present--Messrs C J Collins, J ? O'Connor; P Huggard, D Courtney, O'Connor, D Hurley.

On the motion of Mr James T. O'Con nor it was unanimously agreed to take all steps necessary to have evidence produced before the inquest on the late Constable Kengh so that all the circumstances connected with the injury to and subsequent illness of the deceased should be disclosed council resolved itself into committee.

ABBEYFEALE ITEMS

THE TOWN PURCHASE.

The negotiations for the purchase of the town of Abbeyfeale, which had been in progress for some months past, have resulted in agreement between landlord and tenants, but the completion of the sale has been suspended until June, when the prosent owner, a minor, attains his majority. By then it will certainly be about time that Abbeyfeale got an ordinary chance of developing commercially.

THE DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

On Sunday night the local amateurs gave another successful presentation of the Colleen Bawn in aid of a popular member of the troupe. Large numbers were refused admission owing to the lack of accommo-

WEST LIMERICK CHAMPION-SHIP.

The much discussed football contest for the semi-final of the county championship as arranged between Abbeyfeale and Ballyhahill has once again been declared off. Rather hard luck for the local team, who have twice volunteered to meet their opponents on their home grounds but without affecting the much desired meeting.

It is authoritively announced that, towards the end of next month the control over the prices of what is felicitously termed "British Butter" is to be removed; and the same branch of the Intelligence Department then ingeniously predicts that the price of this butter will range from 4s 6d to 5s per

Of course the vast majority of the prople in Ireland have learned long ago to appreciate what unbuttered bread

But, to us who are perforce what is described as an "agricultural people," it is rather more than manifest that such a revolutionary rise in the price of butter must necessarily be followed by a corresponding increase in the price of milk.

When the Creameries get what are double prices for butter, they must

legically, pay double prices for milk. If the Creamory Companies don't then the farmers will make butter at home in the old fashion, and export itin order to take advantage of the in-

creased rates. The Creameries must then pay the in creased prices for milk. What are the children to do?

We could get over the want of butter but infants and very young children-I will so discriminate -must have milk. But how are the poor to provide milk under the changed conditions? . And aren't the children of the poor as great assets to the nation as those of the wellto-do?-or even greater?

Of a verity the bloody war waged for Small Nationalities is starting in to bear its fruit. The milk supply for chidren, whether Irish or Britons must be kept up at any cost. It is the duty of the British Government to de it. But it is the business of the Irish to safeguard I town. their own children. Lat them study There are to be changes and changes. I carefully this vital milk problem.

RAID. INCHIGEELA

POLICEMAN SHOT. DOCTOR HELD UP.

Official reports have been received at Macroom 'that the Constabulary bar racks at Inchicela and Kilmurry were raided on Saturday night by parties of armed men. Details are lacking, but in connection with the attack on the Inchicela Barracks, it is stated that a policeman was shot, his wounds, however, not being of a very serious nature. It would appear that the Inchicela affair took place between 9.30 p.m. and 1 a.m. because Dr. Goold, the medical officer of the Inchigeela Dispensary District, who had been attending a patient on the Ballingeary side, was held up some distance outside the village, probably about two miles, by ten or twelve men armed with revolvers and shotguns His motor car was on the side of the read, the house of the patient being inaccessible with this mode of. conveyance, and on return he found the lights down and a substantial barricade erected across the road.

Shortly after he was confronted by about a dozen men, and informed that he could not proceed on his journey home. In the meantime the doctor states that he heard intermitten rifle firing and bomb explosions. At he outset he resented this interference with his liberty, and dared the party to do their worst, believing the object to be robbery, but this theory was dissipated by the sound of the distant firing. He was informed that he could not proceed for a period of two hours, and was directed to a cottage near by for shel-

ter, the night being intensely cold. Under protest he went to the cottage, but though the house was lighted, he could not gain admittance. He returned to thecar and wrapped himself as well as possible, after making further protests against his detention. Somewhere after one o'clock a cyclist rode up, and Dr. Goold was then permitted to proceed towards Inchigcela. Just outside the village another barricade of large stones confronted him, and he had to make a way through for the car. Quietness then reigned in the village, but it appears that one of the police was wounded during the raid.

KILLARNEY URBAN COUNCIL.

LOCAL JOINT PROFITEERING COMMITTEES.

Mr E O'Sullivan, chairman, presided. Also present-Messrs C J Collins, J 7 O'Connor, P Huggard, D Courtney, T

O'Connor, D Hurley. The Board of Trade wrote pointing our that the regulations provided for the inclusion of at least two women on each o the Joint Local Profiteering Committees.

Chairman-They will have them soon. Mr Collins-Leave it to the incoming

Chairman-Yes.

On the motion of Mr J T O'Connor, the

PIT EXPLOSION .- 26 MEN PERISM.

Christiania, Sunday. A telegram received from Avard Bay by Patk Clifford, Caragh Bridge. the Norwegian Coal Co operating in Spitz bergen, reports that 26 men perished in a O'Shea, defending, said accused had over explosion has not yet been ascertained. The telegrum adds that the victims are

U.S.A. AND SUPREME COUNCIL.

probably all Norwegians.

Paris, Monday. It is stated America will no longer participate officially in the decisions of the Supreme Council, and wishes announcements to be made in the name of altered

Powers only. -America will be informally represented a the Council by an Ambassador.

A TEMPTING OFFER.

Los Angeles, Sunday. Mr Kearns, Dempsey's manager, announ ces he has accepted an offer of a purse of four hundred thousand dollars from James Coffroth for a 45-round fight between Dempsey and Carpentier at Dajuana, Lower California. It was now up to Mr Coffroth to get Carpentier to sign up also. Mr Kearns is willing to split the purse, giving three hundred thousand dollars to the winner, and one hundred thousand dollars to

WATERFORD INCIDENT. MOTOR CAR HELD UP BY MASKED MEX.

Waterford, Monday. A party of local musicians proceeding by motor car last night from Dungarvan to Ardmore, to play at a dance, were, when three miles out, attacked by eight masked

men with revolvers.

The tyres of the car were punctured, the petrol tank damaged, and the vehicle was finally overturned. The party was obliged to walk back to

No arrests have been made, although the district was searched.

ROUND UP OF "REDS" U.S.A.

BIGGEST RAID ON RECORD.

New York, Saturday. The greatest offensive ever taken in the United States against the extremista has begun. In 33 cities upwards of 5,000 warrants have been issued, and within a few hours 500 extremists have been arrested in New York alone. A Reuter message says the round-up

began on Friday night from California across the country to New York. Altogether several thousand persons are in custody, many of them having been under observation for months. It is expected that they will be deported. Large quantities of "Radical" propaganda have been seized PROJECTED REBELLION.

It is reported that documents have been confiscated pointing to attempts to bring about the formation of organisations of American negroes to participate in the projected rebellion. The detectives believe they thave caught several persons connected with the May Day bomb outrages. They say that the raids took place just in time to prevent the fusion of several Radical groups under one leadership, and say that the documents seized proved that the Reds intended to run candidates at the November elections.

The headquarters of the Communist newspapers in New York were also raided. About 80 p.c. of the persons arrested are of foreign nationality.

Government agents say that they have evidence that the Redicals had made plans-to develop the recent extensive steel and coal strikes in the U.S. to a general strike, and ultimately a revolution.

RIFLES AND BOMBS.

A Renter's message says that in Newark (N.J.) officials claim-to have discovered a cache of 25 rifles and several bombs similar to those which were sent through the post to various prominent Americans last summer.

Mr. Palmer, the Attorney-General, states that the-raids were ordered to be carried out against the Communist and Communist Labour Party only. It is declared that the evidence will show they were advocating the forcible overthrow of the Government.

OUTRAGES AT GLIN. CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION LODGED.

Glin, Friday. For the fourth time in recent years the window of Miss Molony, journalist, has been broken in connection, she considers,

with her business as a reporter. The police have been notified recently that lier gate was broken.

Claims have been lodged by Messrs Mc-Namarae and Kennelly for £140 and £375 for the alleged outrage committed.

Killorglin Petty Sessions.

(Before Col Crane, R.M.; Major M Marshall and G Carter.) Alleged Larceny.

Denis Harris, Glenbeigh, was prosecuted for the larceny of a waterproof overcoat at Killorglin on 17th Nov., the property of Accused pleaded guilty, and Mr T

pit explosion yesterday. Thirteen bodies [42 years' service in the army, from which have been recovered. The cause of the he was demobilised last August, being give en an excellent character. He was wound ed at the Dardanelles, and in France, and also fought in Egypt. There was never' a charge against kim in civil life, and he suggested it was a ease for allowing the accused out on probation. After consultation, Col Crane asked

Sergt Hanlon if this was the first time accused was charged, and the Sergeant replied that it was; that there was never any charge against him before,

Accused was then discharged on probation for 12 months in his own recognisances of £5 and ordered to hand back in cour the 9s he got from Simon Harris for the coat.

Mr J Hilliard had a summons agains Mrs Ellen Roche, Langford St., Killorglin, for possession of a house held at a weekly rent of 35.

Mr M McCartie for complainant and Dr Moore, Tralec, for defendant. /After consultation, the chairman said a decree for possession would be granted.

Same plaintiff had a similar summons against Miss Julia McGillycuddy, same A decree was granted.

Mr T O'Shea, intervening, said he repreis negotiations which were going on for sented all Mr Hilliard's Killorglin tenants the purchase of their houses, and asked that the warrants be not issued for some

Mr McCartic assented to this, and hoped there would be no necessity for the war-

ROBBERIES BY MASKED MEN.

Several persons were held up and search

ed by two masked men on Friday night

close to the scene of the recent shooting at meter cars near Mullingar. While on his way home from Portumna, a man hamed Johnston was held up three masked men and relieved of £50, while the contents of his cart and £3 were taken from an old were tames Treacy.

KILLARNEY LUNATIC ASYLUM.

His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. O'Sullivan, presided at a meeting of the above Committee, and there were present-Mesers. M. McCartin, Jt. O'Shea, J. T. O'Connor, T. M. Fleming, John Healy.

His Lordship called attention to the meeting held at seven o'clock last month at which a few members attended for the purpose, as he understood, of transacting the financial business only, and then made an alteration in the age limit fixed as to the appointment of "servants" from 20 to 28, extending it from 25 to 30. He did not approve of that and he thought they should stick to the original rule.

Mr. McCartie said he was in favour

of sticking to the rules. It was decided to adhere to the original rule fixing the age limit 20 to 28 years, and issue advertisements for the position of gardener for next meeting.

Rev. D. J. Finucane, C.C.; wrote resigning the position of chaplain, which was accepted. On the motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. O'Shea, Fr. O'Brien

was appointed chaplain. The resolution of the Irish District Asylums Conference with reference to Asylum Capitation Grant, which has been already published, was considered. Chairman-I take it we are in accordance with these resolutions.

Mr. O'Connor-Yes, my Lord. A lotter was read from Lt.-Col. Crane R.M. acknowledging resolution passed by Committee protesting against the issue of Licences to bakers raising the

price of bread to 91d. The Department of Agriculture wrote stating that their former letter was written in orror. The resident magistrate had granted licences to certain bakers in Killarney to charge 91d. and that was the price obtaining in Great army. Britain.

Clerk-One of the contractors was supplying at 9d. and was quite willing to go on.

Mr. McCartie said it was extraordinary that licences were granted to a number of contractors and not to this

Most Rev. Chairman-He should have inquired into local conditions before fixing the prices.

they received three tenders at 91d. and one at 9d, and a farthing for delivery. The Committee accepted the tender at 9ld, and rejected the three others and instructed the Superintendent to provide bread. He endeavoured to get bread from Tralee and Cork but failed to do so. He had then to fall back on the other people. He wrote to the Clerk of the Cork Asylum and and he replied that the present contract price was

Clerk, replying to Mr. HcCartie, said

8 7-8d. Nost Rev. Chairman-Send a copy of that letter to the Department and see

what they have to say . Applications from the staff for in erer-es of salary and bonuses were next

corsidered. The Clerk read, the different applications which included one from the entire staff for a new scale of salaries. A lotter was read from the Irish asylum workers union giving particul-

ars of the scale adopted by them. Mr. McCartie-What we did last year was to refer them to a committee, None of us have seen the scale.

Most Rev. Chairman-It would be well if the members of the Committee got a copy of the figures agreed to and also at the joint conference in Dublin, It was agreed to adjourn all the applications from the staff to next meeting for the purpose of ascertaining whatdecisions might be arrived at by the conference in Dublin in reference to

scales, etc. The applications from the A.M.O., Clerk and Compounder were also adjourned.

In reference to the Catholic Chaplain's application. Mr. O'Connor-We gave an increase at the Workhouse of 40 p.c., and I pro-

pose that we do the same here. Mr. McCartie-How long is the Chaplain at that salary? Clork A good many years. He has the same salary since I came here.

Mr. McCartie-I propose that we increase his salary from £90 to £160. Mr. O'Connor seconded. Mr. Fleming proposed an increase of 40 n.e. and Mr. Healy seconded.

Most Rev. Chairman-I daresay the priests will be satisfied with the 40 p.c., though I did not speak to them at all. On the motion of Mr. O'Connor it was unanimously resolved to increase

the Protestant Chaplain's salary 40p.c. Mr. O'Connor, in accordance with notice, moved that a bonus or grant be made to the family of the late Mr. Long, asylum gardener.

Clerk-said one year's salary and emoluments amounted to £133 14s. On the motion of Mr. O'Connor it was agreed to grant the representatives whatever they were legally entitled to: subject to the sanction of the Lord

Lieutenant.

In reference to the annual estimate, Dr. Griffin said: "I had hopes that by this date, the period of high prices would have passed away, and that 1 would find it possible to reduce substantially the Asylum Estimate for the 2720, but I hope there will be no short coming Financial Year, but I regret that these hopes have not been fulfilled increase in our demand is reduced " In the case of almost every item under the head of Provisions and groceries there has been, since the framing of the seconded by Mr. O'Shee, the estimate lisse essimate, an incomes in price, not was adopted.

CLARE AMBUSH.

POLICE USE HAND GRENADES AGAINST ASSAILANTS.

DOCTOR ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

BY POLICE. Ennis, Monday. Another daring outrage is reported from

North Clare. On Saturday night while. police patrol was on duty protecting a kee farmer its members were ambushed free both sides of the road from behind. Mitt shots were exchanged, and on the police flinging some hand grenades-this being the first time they were used in Clare-de assailants fled. One on the police was

wounded twice, in the back and shoulder. During the conflict Dr Keane, English mon, appeared in a motor car on a visit a patient in the neighbourhood, and the accidentally shot by the police, two bullet going through one arm, which, it was state

ed was broken. The Press Association says-

While proceeding to Ballyallıban district North Clare, a police patrol was fired at a Saturday night, Const. Slattery receiving slight gunshot wounds. A brisk fusihale ensued between the police and the attack ing party, and Dr Keane, M.O., Ennish man Workhouse, motoring past the sem at the time, had his arm broken by the

> FIGHTING ON INDIAN FRONTIER.

FURTHER ADVANCE.

Nandanna, Kach, Dec 28. The majority of the Mahsud chiefs have now arrived at Jandola. General Ofice to-morrow marches on Rotkai, which is said to be the supply depot of the Mahsudi

WESTMEATH SHOOTING INCIDENTS.

A Press Association telegram says-Two shooting outrages occurred near Mulligar last night. A retired Colonel was retoring near the town when seven sem were fired from the wayside, several losing in the bonnet of the car.

At Lynn a chauffeur was fired at eight times, and had a narrow escape.

SOLDIER SHOT DEAD BY SENTRY.

AT CASTLEBAR AERODROME Private Heaps, of the 2nd Bords Regiment, a detachment of which at guarding the Castlebar Aerodrome, re shot dead on Wednesday night by the sentry, Private Harpington, who apparently took him for a raider. At the inquest held the sentry was not produced, and the jury were forced to bring in a verdict that they could not on the evidence submitted determine whether the fatality was accidental a otherwise. They tendered sympathy to

DETECTIVES WATCH SINN FEIN-

the relatives of the deceased.

But He Is Elsewhere.

ER'S HOUSE,

Detectives kept watch on the house of Mr Seamus O'Doherty, Dublin, who was released from prison in ill-health some time ago, and who failed to report at the proper time. His wife in the meanuant received a message with Christmas greet ings from Mr O'Doherty from Philadely

Mr O'Doherty was originally arrested by the late Detectives Smith and Hees, who were shot some time and in Dublin, and sentenced to 12 months' imprisenment la having arms and ammunition in his po-

ably in meat, milk, bread, margarise and sugar, and it seems as if the maximum in some of these articles had not yet been reached. There is no tendent visible towards a further rise in cloth ing, but there seems no prospect of 23 early fall. I may say that our expendture under these two heads would have far exceeded our estimate were it pol for the reduction in the number of patients caused by the influence of demic at the beginning of the current year. The present state of the coal market is such, as in my opinion, to forbid any expectation of a fall. I have themfore made no change in the figures under these heads and the figures

stand, as for last year, at:-Provisions and Groceries ... Clothing and Bodding . Fuel and Light There is but one item exceeding fill

in the estimate, besides these, that it salaries, and in that there is an increase of £790, due chiefly to the IP crease of, 10 in the staff made by the Committee Inst April. There is also 12 increase of £77 under pensions and a few small items, bringing the total it crease in Expenditure to £980.

Council I had to include a deficit of age this year and consequently the net

DEMAND.

In last year's demand on the Co.

On the motion of Mr. McCartie,