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PROFESSOR FITZGERALD.—It has been promote a memorial to the late Fitzgerald, T.C.D. It will take the endowment for the encouragement of Physical Science in Trinity College.

AS GIFTS BY THE LORD LIEUTENANT.—Lieutenant has given £500 to the poor (£250 to each of the Archbishops) and adds the funds of the proposed Cork which will be opened in May, 1902.

UNIVERSITY COMMISSION.—The Royal Commission on the Irish University question will be held after Easter. Much interest is felt in the constitution of the Commission. Lord Acton and Llandaff are mentioned as possible Catholic members.

KERRY TOURIST GUIDE.—The Southern Railway Company have issued a useful little book entitled "The Kingdom of Kerry; the Railway." It contains a mass of information, giving details of routes, hotels, time-tables, and has an excellent map of the district.

DUBLIN AND LEINSTER BANK.—Mr. T. R. Calnan has been transferred, on promotion, from the Dublin office to Limerick. During Mr. Calnan's connection with the Kildysart Branch of the Dublin and Leinster Bank he won the esteem of his colleagues and will long be remembered by his numerous acquaintances.

ACCIDENT.—A man named Patrick O'Sullivan sustained a fracture of the leg by falling from the flagway in Old Francis street on Saturday night. Inspector M'Namara and some of the men of the Night Patrol had the sufferer conveyed to Barrington's Hospital where he is recovering favourably.

DOG LICENSES.—This year some 780 dog licenses have been taken out. These represent a thousand more than the number licensed in 1901. It is understood that the number licensed in 1902 will be the same as last year. The muzzling of dogs, however, has had the effect of doing away with many "curs of low degree," several of which were ownerless, and consequently never licensed.

TY CLARE ESTATE.—In the High Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice Ross, Mr. J. J. O'Sullivan applied for liberty to take counsel's fees to a Board of Works charge of £127 on the estate of Ty Clare. The mortgage of the estate was dated 1875, and in 1880 the mortgagee borrowed £127. The rental was settled at that charge does not appear.

UPCOMING FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE.—Among the most fashionable marriages to take place this month will be that of Miss Betty Bunbury, third daughter of the late Bishop of Limerick (the Right Reverend John Bunbury, D.D.), who will be married to Mr. Robert Gerald Rodney, Eden, son of the late Rev. Canon Eden, Rector of Sedgfield, at the Limerick Cathedral on the 11th inst.

WOMEN SOLDIERS' HOME.—GENEROUS GIFT.

Rate for the city for the year ending 31st March, 1902, amounting to £10,300 14s. 10d. will be considered. A letter from Mr. F. M. Fitt, Solicitor (already published) asking for a modification of the terms of way-leave for the proposed Tramways will be discussed, and in connection therewith a notice of motion by Councillor Coffey, solicitor, to the effect that the scheme be reconsidered with a view to altering some of the details. Amongst other matters on the Agenda is a notice of motion by Councillor Gough to the effect that "provision be made in the next estimate for the purpose of arranging for having sub-branches of the Public Free Library in Thomondgate, the Abbey, Pennywell, John's Square, and Boherbuoy, so as to give an opportunity to working men in those districts, who could not possibly go to the Glentworth street Library (except on Sundays when the Library is closed), for mental recreation and improvement, by the reading of suitable literature."

DEATH OF THE REV. M. V. WATSON.

We regret to announce the death which took place on Sunday at his residence, 101 Triton Ville road, Dublin, of the Rev. Mahony Vincent Watson, at an advanced age. The deceased gentleman who had been in ill-health for a considerable time past, was a member of a highly esteemed family whose name has been connected with Limerick for generations. He was the youngest son of the late Alderman Henry Watson, well known as a former proprietor of the *Limerick Chronicle*.

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM SPAIN.

We regret to record the death of Mr. William Spain, of Moanfin House, Nenagh, which took place on Friday at his residence. The deceased, who was father of the late lamented Mr. Michael Spain, B.C., of this city, had attained the ripe old age of 87 years, and was in the enjoyment of his faculties almost to the last moment. He was highly esteemed by all classes and creeds in Nenagh and surrounding districts, and his demise is universally regretted. The funeral, which took place yesterday for the family burial place at Cloughprior, was of very large proportions.

The chief mourners were:—Messrs. R. Spain (son), M. Ryan (brother-in-law), J. M'Cormack, Nenagh (son-in-law), M. Fogerty, Nenagh (son-in-law), D. Cleary, Borrisokane (son-in-law), W. J. M'Cormack, Nenagh; D. M'Cormack, Nenagh; D. Toohar, Nenagh; M. C. Spain, Limerick; A. Spain, do.; W. Spain, do.; J. Spain, do.; W. Bermingham, Borrisokane; D. Bermingham, do.; grandsons;—Spain, solicitor, Roscrea (grand-nephew); J. Spain, Nenagh (cousin); J. Gaffney, solicitor, Limerick; Alderman O'Mara, do.; R. Ray, do.; M. Cusack, do.; J. O'Malley, B.C.; J. McSwiney, do.

BRAND FOR IRISH HERRINGS.

An interesting discussion, relating to the Deep Sea Fisheries, with a view to devising means for their development and protection, took place in

busy year of it. I wore the Dublin—at the Lord Mayor's in and at the O'Connell Centenary wear it when I attended the rifle between the American and Irish Rifles. I did not go there in my representative capacity.

I wore it once in Cork, Waterford and Clonmel, and in London during the festivities given by the Lord Mayor of London to all the Mayors of the Kingdom. In all these cases I was representative of Limerick by their wish. And a case more to the point, I was introduced to many official occasions as Mayor of Limerick, but in my official capacity, at the request of the Council, I did not go with me. It was locked up in my safe.

You refer to the risk of such a calamity being lost. Many years ago I was being lost at the old Newcastle race meeting. No Mayor ever before as far as I know) wore it on official occasions, and representative of Limerick.

To show you how careful I was of my inauguration I had it weighed by Mr. Sterling, and the day I gave it got certificate of weight, and I was pleased when I got rid of the risk of its safe-keeping, as it is a valuable old city. The small chain which is no longer one is very much older than the links. There was no chain of Hall, London in 1875 so much as of those present, including the Prefect of Seine, &c., &c.

Thanking you in anticipation,
Yours, etc.,

Mignon, April 2nd, 1901.

MARGARINE FRAUDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK FREE PRESS.
Public Creamery
Limerick

DEAR SIR,—I send you herewith *Agriculturist*, as the article "Protective Hearing on Oleo" will interest the district, because we have the reasons to echo the last sentence of our own Department of Agriculture: fraudulent sale of margarine.

Although the Irish Department know well that tons of margarine are sold in Irish towns as butter, the authorities are either too interested to take proper and effective measures to stop this fraud, still nothing can be done by the Department of Agriculture to take the suppression of this and other frauds, robbing both the agricultural consumer, and the man who has been under their legal names. No one can be helped by these frauds but a few retailing 1s for what would leave the consumer at 9d. Had margarine been sold at 1s, for the past twenty years, the times as much of it used as the honest retailers would have had customers at its value, and no good margarine once would be sold as secondary butter.

Thus everyone would benefit of a most valuable article, and