

fees, £485; Tuberculosis Institute, £15,962; ophthalmic department, Convent reconstruction, £1,458, lighting of Convent and Chapel, £529. £34,306, of which £830 was borrowed; £24,641 grants from Sweepstakes, 1,260 Sanatorium grant. The aggregate expenditure by the Co. Health Board was £71,562, as returned by the County Surveyor, Mr. J. King. The whole amount was levied on the rates, and was spent on structural works effected at the County Hospital and Newcastle West

TABLE.

The returns are very interesting, in view of the proposals of the Irish Local Government Commission, approved by the Government, and supported by the County Council and the County Officer of Health. They indicate the solicitude of City and County authorities for the welfare of the sick poor, and the firmness of the County Council in carrying out the improvements effected at the County Hospital and Home. They give credit to the former Health Board, and to the ex-Commissioner, Mr. J. P. Geraghty, Local Government Inspector, and Mr. J. J. Quilligan, who played a prominent role in the improvements effected at the institution. His counsel was invaluable, and from the viewpoint of administration of the affairs of our Poor Law system, no official could show higher efficiency.

ALCADE OF FUN.

The visitors to Rita Carnival now will find a carnival of fun at Belfield. Every successive week sees something new introduced for the public delectation, and it is therefore, pleasurable to know that the carnival is being well maintained. Tonight there will be a display of pyrotechnics by Brocks, London; while on Monday night the "Stratosphere Man" will take his bow, after a successful interlude in Switzerland. The Cafe Chantant continues to be a very popular feature, and the ballroom is an attractive adjunct. The election of Carnival Queen will take place next week, the organisation for the competition being in capable hands. The winner gets a £5 prize.

This week the Minister for Defence turned up with his Air Raid Precautions Bill, described by the Opposition as hopelessly belated. The time to have it introduced was last September, when the war clouds were gathering over Europe, but better now than never, as nobody can say when the necessity may arise. From the Minister's statement the cost of administration will fall on the rates, so the harassed urban ratepayer has to shoulder another charge, when it should in equity be borne by the Government. Here is another instance of immunity for the farmer, although it is his produce will be shipped from the ports. It is the same in other directions, the city has to pay all the time, but we have become so habituated to legislation calling for expenditure that no notice is taken. However, a halt will have to be called before long if the people are not to be swamped.

DEATH.

SADLIER—June 10, 1939, at his residence, Caherconlish, Co. Limerick, Richard Sadlier—R.I.P. Remains will be removed to Inch St. Laurence Parish Church this (Saturday) evening at 8 o'clock (Old Time). Funeral tomorrow (Sunday) to Abington Cemetery at 1 p.m. (Old Time).

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

DALY—The relatives of the late Patrick Daly, of 12 John Street, Limerick, wish to thank all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. All those who sent Mass Cards and letters, or who in any way sympathised with them, and trust this will be accepted in grateful acknowledgment by all, as it would be impossible to reply individually.