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NEW PICTURES ACQUIRED.

FURTHER SUPPORT PROMISED.

INTERVIEW WITH HON. SECRETARY.

During recent weeks the Committee of the Limerick Municipal Art Gallery has purchased a number of excellent paintings, which will considerably enhance the importance of the Gallery, and the standard of the exhibits.

The project has made such strides that the Committee feels justified in holding a second exhibition of pictures in November next, when each of the newly acquired works will be in display for the first time.

Pictures have been added to the collection with such rapidity that the problem of accommodation is now causing serious concern to the Committee, and the hope is expressed that the Municipal Council will soon take steps to provide Municipal Buildings where it is proposed to house the paintings in a permanent Gallery.

continues to expand to, such an extent that the Committee feel justified in holding another exhibition of pictures in November next.

The first exhibition of works by well-known Irish artists was held last No-vember, when over forty paintings were on view. So many new paintings have been acquired since that it will be possible for the Committee to exhibit only works that have not been previously

ENERGETIC COMMITTEE.

The success of the Gallery is entirely due to the energy and initiative of the Committee, under Mr. J. M. Flood, B.L., District Justice, who are always on the alert to acquire paintings of sufficient artistic merit to be included with the preduction of the famous Irish artists which were shown at the exhibition in Novmber last. In this connection, a well-known art connisseur who recently visited the collection, temporarily housed in the Municipal Technical Instemporarily titute, expressed the view that the paintings were of a standard that could not be exceeded in a gallery of the size.

NEW ACQUISITIONS.

The following new paintings were recently purchased for the Gallery : "Storm," by Dermod O'Brien, P.R.H.A.
"Hepachicas," by Campton Walker.
"Study of Interior," by John O'Sullivan. R.H.A.

"Near Douglas," by Humbert Craig, . F.H.A.

TALENTED LIMERICK ARTIST.

Also purchased for the Gallery was a very interesting water colour, a entitled The Sandpit," by C. Duran, a latered pupil of the Limerick Munisipal finish tute. The Committee are of orthon that Mr. Doran is a young man of exceptional talent. He has already presented a very meritorious picture to the Gallery, and competent critics predict that he will make a great name for himself as an artist in the realm of water colours. Certainly, his treatment of "The Sandpit," a study in grey and othre laves nothing to be desired.

Mr. J. A. Haydn, a member of the Committee, purchased for the Gallery two delightful landscapes by B. Mc-Ginness and J. Williams, respectively, but they are not yet on view.

MORE PURCHASES.

Mr. J. J. Johnson, Secretary to the Committee, informed a "Limerick Chronicle" representative to-day that while in Dublin recently, Mr. J. M. Flood had also purchased a number of very fine pictures. The Committee was de-

The Limerick Municipal Art Gallery lighted with the support and encouragement extended to the Art Gallery from all sides, and expected in the course of the next few years to have an Art Exhibition in Limetick second to none.

"I have received letters from many well known artists promising to present pictures," added Mr. Johnson. clude Miss M. Jellett, Miss E. Frost, of Terenure, Miss L. Davidson, and Miss Ellen Coleville. These works will con-siderably enhance the value and merit of our collection, and, of course, we will from time to time add other paintings of sufficient merit."

WORKS REJECTED.

Continuing, Mr. Johnson said that the Committee had rejected a number of works of art, because it was felt that they were not of sufficient importance to be included in the Gallery, where the works of so many famous artists were exhibited.

The main problem at the moment was to find accommodation for the paintings. Owing to the rapid growth of the Gal-lery, the accommodation at the Munici-pal Institute would shortly become inadequate, and the Art Gallery Committee would then have to take immediate steps to find alternative accommodation.

It was, of course, the intention to include the Municipal Art Gallery in the proposed Municipal Buildings, but up to the present little progress was being made with the project, and the Committee feared it would be a considerable time before they could hope to have the Gallery set up in a permanent form.

A PERMANENT GALLERY.

The Committee added Mr. Johnson, that the Municipal Council should, as soon as possible, take steps to have the proposed Municipal Buildings commenced. The real object of the Gallery is to afford the citizens of Limerick an opportunity of seeing and appreciating good pictures, but until the Gallery was established in a permanent form, where visitors could examine the pictures at any time, that object would not be achieved. The financial position was very sound, and up to the present the support given to the work was most gratifying."

In conclusion, Mr. Johnson said that it was due in no small measure to the interest and enthusiasm of Mr. Flood that so many fine pictures had been either presented or bought for the Gallery, and they had very reason to hope that the next exhibition would be an-other gratifying success.

EDUCATION

Kilfinane School

County Scholarships

Mr. John Quaid, Co.C., Chair presided at a meeting of Limerick Vocational Education Committee, the following were in attendance-Father Wall, P.P., Ballingarry; Father Moloney, P.P., Cappamore; Father Houlihan, C.C., Abbeyfe Messrs, McCormack, S. Hartney, F. McCarthy, N.T.; S. Quinn, T. Har. N.T.; Sean Carroll.

In the unavoidable absence of Mr Moran, C.E.C., Miss O'Shaughn (Clerk) acted in the capacity of Se tary to the meeting.

A letter was received from the partment approving of the appointr of Mr. J. J. O'Carroll as Organiser Rural Science and School Gardening a salary of £200 per annum, rising annual increments of £10 to a m mum of £250 per annum, together the appropriate cost of living bonus

ADDITIONAL TEACHER.

A further communication was ceived from the Department approof the proposal to employ an addition teacher of Domestic Economy, adding that another letter would issued later with regard to the prop to employ an additional teacher Rural Science.

The Department also wrote expresapproval of the expenditure of a sun £277 10s. on extras to the contract the building of Kiffinane Techn School, and noting that this expendit on extras is offset by credits amount to £80, and that the ultimate cost of undertaking is, consequently, £197 10s. excess of the original contract price.

HEAD-MASTERS REPORTS.

The reports of the head-masters on work of the Technical Schools in County showed that thirteen of scholarships in agriculture and dom tic economy offered by the Cou Committee of Agriculture were secuby students attending the Vocatio Schools. One of the scholarships w to Croom, six to Kilfinane, four to Ne castle West, and two to Shanagolden. Chairman—That is very satisfactor

Mr. E. O'Connell, head-master of Newcastle West School, stated in report that fifteen of the students tending his evening agricultural clashad made arrangements to visit Co Summer Show. The pupils of the ci-had held a celldhe for the purpose raising funds to defray the expenses connection with the visit. --

FRISH SCHOLARBRUPS.

The Committee also awarded 28 Iri scholarships tenable at Carrigaholt Iri College for one month to students tending vocational schools in the Count

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE

Brief meeting

Mr. S. Hartney, Chairman, presided a meeting of the Limerick County Conmittee of Agriculture, held yesterday. Also present—Messrs M O'Donnell, I Power, E. Walsh, E. J. Mitchell, J. M. Cormack, J. Quaid, D. McAuliffe, P. McCarthy, W. J. Gleeson, J. Bridgema J. Hickey, D. Fahy, D. Hennessy, P.

O'Shaughnessy.

Mr. M. Kelly acted as Secretary, ithe absence of Mr. T. A Hartigan, owin

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