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Jurys Inn generates more Limerick jobs

By PADDY MORONEY

LIMERICK and the Jurys Hotel Group took a leap forward this Thursday with the formal opening of Jurys Inn at the city's Mount Kennett by Health Minister Michael Noonan.

The £7.5m building, which has 151 bedrooms, creates 80 new jobs.directly. And still more employment will be generated indirectly by the extra business the company is determined to bring to Limerick.

At seven storeys, Jurys Inn is the most prominent landmark greeting visitors to Limerick motoring in over Shannon Bridge.

It is an additional facility to Jurys Hotel on the Ennis Road, which also employs 80.

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Walter Beatty, chairman of Jurys Hotel
Group, told guests at the opening ceremony: "We know the Limerick market very well, and the combination of a four-star Jurys Hotel on the Ennis Road and this new Jurys Inn, as well as our network around the country and in the UK, will enable us to encourage extra business Limerick's way.

"We will be vigorously promoting our presence in Limerick through our marketing campaigns in Ireland and abroad, and we look forward to bringing more visitors to the city and its environs."

The 151 bedrooms in Jurys Inn are en-suite.

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Arranging the ribbon at the opening of the Jurys Inn this Thursday afternoon: Walter Beatty, chairman, Jurys Hotel Group, with staff members Naoimh Doody (left), Hartstonge Street and Olivia Duggan, Meelick.

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And Limerick School Project, O'Connell Avenue, produced two winners, Leslie Wall in the AIB U9 section and David O'Byrne, in the AIB nine to 12-year-old section.

Judy Denison, Abbey House, Killaloe, for her story The Mangle.

Charles McSherry, 23, Shannon Banks, won third prize in the originals competition for his humorous essay, The Wooden

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night and was known to be involved in substance abuse, was taking Ecstasy tablets and drinking beer on the nearby railway tracks.

He had been before Limerick Court in 1996 on two handling charges and been bound to the peace for 12 months, a Garda witness told the court.

Barrister, John O'Sullivan, BL, for Mr Power, instructed by solicitor, Ted McCarthy, said that his client was with others at the scene and two more men on similar charges had been before the district court, and had received sentences of 10 months each.

Judge Sean O'Leary

said he had very strong views about attacks on gardai and was considering a year in prison for Mr Power.

Brendan Nix, BL, for the State, said that locals went to the aid of the gardai; Judge O'Leary commended the action.

"I might consider adjourning an eight-month sentence for 12 months, if he behaves himself. Can you do that?" he asked.

"No," replied Shane Power.

"If you are not prepared to change your ways you will end up at 35 with only prison warders as friends, said the judge.

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tence first," replied Mr

to his request, but called

for a full report on Mr

Power for the next sitting

of the court, commenting

that he was not satisfied

that the accused fully

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Judge O'Leary acceded

"We are very much looking forward to enhancing our ties with Limerick and the Mid-West region over

Manager of the Jurys Inn, Ronan McAuley, welcomed the guests, senior executives in the group, as well as managers of other hotels in the group, including Jim O'Brien, manager, Jurys Hotel, Limerick.

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Jurys Inn

There is a pub and restaurant. And a multi-storey car park with 266 spaces has been built adjacent to the

Said Mr Beatty: "The site of the Inn is on a pivotal thoroughfare in the city, and is ideally accessible for those travelling to Limerick from the west and south-

"The property is centrally positioned close to the main retail, professional and commercial areas of the city. The mix of business will be commercial, tourist, weekend breaks and sports or event-related activity.

the coming years.

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Jailed

"I didn't come down in the last shower, you know, said Judge O'Leary, dismissing the application to change the venue of the hearing

"This trial is going ahead here today," he said, dis-missing an application for time to consult a new legal

The judge later stopped the empanelling of the jury to warn the defendant's father not to consult with him during the swearing-in

After a brief interval, Brendan Nix, BL, instructed by State Solicitor, Michael Murray, asked that Mr Brennan be re-arraigned on the charge of assault occasioning actual bodily harm, contrary to Section 47 of the 1861 Offences Against the Person Act

five years' penal servitude. But he would reduce it for the guilty plea, said the judge, because Mr Brennan had not used a weapon.

He substituted imprisonment for penal servitude, and backdated a two-year sentence to October 2, 1996, when Mr Brennan was first taken into custody.

Late letter

□ AS Chairman of the Limerick Parents & Friends of the Mentally Handicapped, I wish to reply to a letter by Mary Guilfoyle published in your newspaper last

