late hours are not conducive to the physical, moral or financial health of dancers. The hours 8 p.m. to midnight are reasonable and would be much more enjoyable than later hours. Certainly, the promoters and the Courts might give a season's trial to the earlier hours. We do not participate in any other form of public entertainment after midnight.—Yours,

"EARLY DANCER."

GRIFFIN TESTIMONIAL FUND

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader")

Dear Sir—The committee of the above fund wish to thank all those who subscribed so generously to such a deserving charity. To you, Mr. Editor, for your valuable publicity, to all who helped with collections or in any other way, our sincere thanks.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN REAL,
13 Hyde Rd., Limerick.
J. O'MAHONY,
10 Gerard Street, Limerick.

satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt that the fish were killed by explosives.

Summing up, the Justice said that they had gone into the evidence on only one issue: whether the fish were killed by explosives or in some other way. The evidence had been contradictory to some extent. In respect of the two defendants, the Court was not satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt that these particular fish were killed by explosives, certainly to the knowledge of the two defendants. But the Court was not saying that they were not killed by explosives. The Court had come to no conclusion on that aspect of the matter. If it were proved that the fish were killed by explosives and the defendants were concerned, the Court would not have the slightest hesitation in sending them to jail for six months. "And if there are people doing that," he warned, "I hope they will take notice as the Court will show no mercy if such a charge is proved against them."

SERIOUS CASES

The Justice went on to say that the cases in question were serious. According to the defendants, the fish had died from the consumption of some poisonous matter and they disposed of them for good value, in the course of which they could be sold and eaten by the public. It seemed to him that it was almost as bad as if the fish had been killed by explosives, because it would be just as serious, he thought, if the fish were killed by pollution. It was a very serious matter, indeed, to sell such fish for the purpose of human consumption by the public.

Mr. O'Malley said that both defendants were married. He was informed that fish killed by pollution would be edible if eaten as soon as possible.

Justice—Did the defendants know that?—I don't know.

Justice—How much money was in the cheque?

Mr. McLaughlin—£39.

The Justice convicted Smith of having in his possession 18 and 4 salmon unlawfully captured, and convicted O'Halloran of counselling Smith at the Limerick Railway Station in having in his possession the 18 salmon.

He fined Smith £10 in each of the two summonses, with an additional fine of £1 each in respect of the 22 salmon and ordered him to pay £10 11s. costs. He fined O'Halloran £10 with an additional fine of £18 in respect of £1 for each salmon and ordered him to pay £9 16s. costs. In default, two months in jail each.

From French Visitor

The members of the Limerick Oratorio Society are very busy at the moment preparing for the presentation in the near future of Handel's "Messiah." Rehearsals take place twice weekly—Wednesdays and Fridays—in the George Hotel. While on a visit to Limerick recently a French lady heard one of them and was so impressed that on her return to France she wrote from Bordeaux the following appreciative letter to the Secretary of the Society:—

Dear Sir,

Last month I was passing through your so beautiful City of Limerick. I went to hotel for to drink and I heard music, but of the most beautiful kind. I knew the work, "The Messiah."

It was excellent. I listened and thought that the very angels were chanting from the heavens. I feel I must write to congratulate the director, who has brought such beautiful music and joy to me, and also the people who, it would seem to me, have music in the veins. I only wish that this choir would make the tour so that I may hear it again.

Yours sincerely,

JEAN GARESQUE.

HOSPITAL CONVENT FUND

A second silver circle in aid of Hospital Presentation Convent Building Fund will take place shortly. The pre-summer draw was an outstanding success. This fund-raising project is for a worthy cause, namely, that of providing a much needed Secondary School. It is to be hoped that this draw will be very willingly and generously supported. Any past pupils who wish to become a promoter should communicate with the Rev. Mother.

LIQUOR AND DANCE LICENCES

At Askeaton Court on Monday before Justice C. S. Kenny, the Justice, on being informed by Supt. T. Griffin that there was no objection, renewed all the certificates in respect of publicans' licences in the area.

On the application of Mr. M. E. Cussen, solr, the Justice also granted renewal of dance hall licences to Mr. Dermot O'Riordan, Vice-Chairman, Askeaton Muintir na Tire Hall; and Mr. Patk. Guinane, Secretary of Kildimo Parish Hall.

at City Court to-day, summing up in a case in which two defendants, of no fixed abode, were summoned for begging.

Defendants were Mary Bridget McCarthy and Julia Cawley, who each appeared on begging charges.

Mr. M. B. O'Malley, solr., defending, said both women admitted the offences. One of the women was under medical care at the moment and would this week be attended by Dr. Chance from Dublin. Both were in very poor circumstances.

Inspector Murphy, prosecuting, said there were 13 previous similiar offences against Bridget McCarthy.

His Worship, after making the quotations at the outset, said that these people were a positive nuisance. He would impose a sentence of one month's imprisonment with hard labour on each defendant, not to be imposed if they were of good behaviour.

Co. Limerick Lady Professed In England

The profession took place on the 26th August in St. Paul's Convent, Selly Park, Bermingham, of Miss Mary Lyons (in religion Sister Mary Lucilla of the Sisters of Charity), eldest daughter of Mr. Patrick and Mrs. Bridie Lyons of Effin, Kilmallock. Sister Lucilla, before entering the Convent, was a talented pupil of St. Mary's Secondary School, Charleville. She is now attached to the teaching staff of Selly Park Convent, having completed her educational course. On the day of her profession she received many messages of congratulation from old friends and well wishers both at home and in England.

PORT OF LIMERICK

Recent Arrivals And Departures

Arrivals: Kylemore (Liverpool via Fenit), general; Rippledyke (Avonmouth), spirit and gas oil; Lanahrone (Antwerp via Galway), fertilisers and general.

Sailings: Plassy (Liverpool), general; Rippledyke (Fawley), light; Vela (Valencia), do.

ST. MICHAEL'S BRANCH, P.T.A.A.

A meeting of the above Council will take place at Ozanam House next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to attend.

What Check-Up At Knockalisheen Reveals

FRIDAY being "pay day" in Knockalisheen, it was possible for the Red Cross officials to take unofficial census of the population to-day.

It is computed that some fifty-three adults succeeded in crossing to England during the past few days. This figure is, however, subject to a further check.

A family of four—husband, wife and two children—left the Camp this morning for Germany.

It is now ascertained that the Camp population has been reduced from 540 to 274. These figures include men, women and children.

REPARATION CONVENT BUILDING FUND.

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Cement Factory at Mungret, a d

The all-in cost of the job is stated to be in the region of £50,000. It was carried out by C.I.E., who, at a public inquiry, established the need for a rail connection with the factory.

It is stated that the link-line may be in service before the end of the month; it will certainly be in operation before October is far advanced.

Once the rail connection to the factory is in full service, C.I.E. will bring to an end the haulage of cement by road. The changeover, it is claimed, will mean a big saving in transport costs.

CLOSING OF MAIN ROAD.

The closing to traffic of the main road from the city to Cork—across which the link-line runs — while trains pass will cause a good deal of inconvenience.

An assurance was given when the link-line was first mooted that a bridge to carry the railway over the road would be built. Does that assurance hold good?

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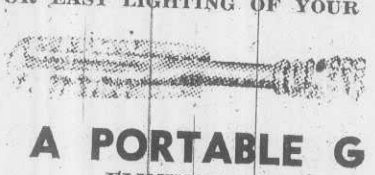

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