Market back on Saturday

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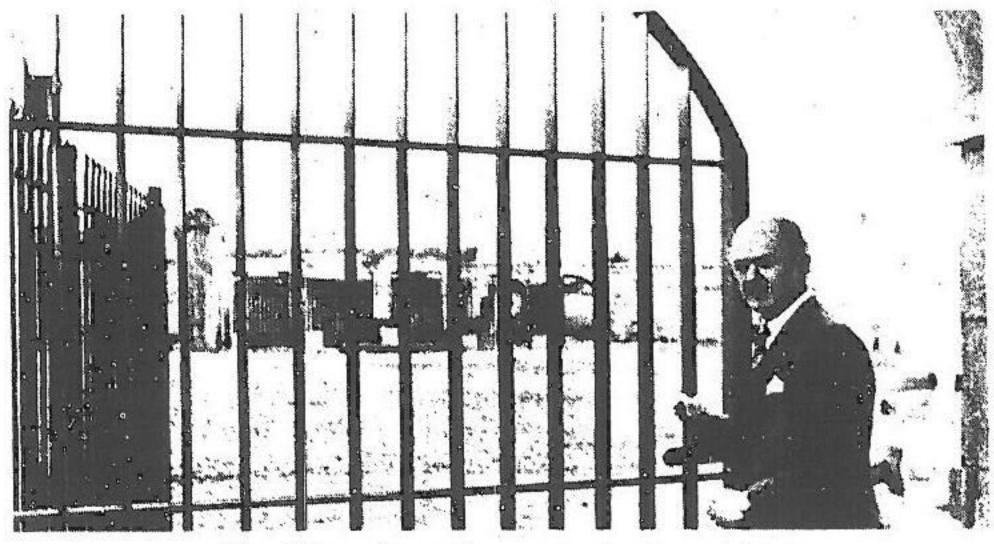
FLOCKS OF turkeys, gaggles of geese and plenty of good natured haggles over prices are assured this Saturday, now that Limerick's Milk Market at Cornmarket Row, Mungret Street, has re-opened after a two-and-half year closure.

Dangerous and dilapidated, the market closed in 1986, with traders forced onto the streets and some up to Mulgrave Street. But they are all back for this Christmas for the traditonal market in the traditonal spot, where for years country folk have been selling their fowl, vegetables and dairy goods.

Limerick Chamber of Commerce now manage the Market Trustees, and it was the influence of manager of the chamber Mr. Brendan Woods, that was behind the recent renovation job and the end to the ongoing receivership saga.

"The partial restoration had to be engaged immediately to get the Market open for business," said Mr. Woods.

"There are long term plans for the complete restoration, but let us leave



Mr. Woods at the new-look market.

that until 1991."

Mr. Woods said that Limerick Corporation are expected to implement the Casual Trading Act early in the New Year. And not a moment too soon, as the Garda Siochana, the Chamber and Market Trustees and the Corporation themselves, he added, saw the absolute need for the proper regulation and control of ad hoc street trading "for the betterment of all

concerned in standards of trading, traffic management, security and overall image of the Milk Market area."

These developments, he said, could only encourage a response from other businesses to renovate their premises which could lead to an injection of confidence into the core of a most decayed area.