

The Private Skating Rink at the Diocesan Hall, Pery-street, was formally opened on Tuesday afternoon. This is the fifth season the Rink has entered on, and judging by the attendance on Tuesday, everything augurs well for a successful season.

The following committee was appointed:—Colonel Gubbins, Mr. Malcolm D. Shaw, Mr. J. Thompson, Miss Twigg, and Miss Orpen, with Colonel Milton Henn, Honorary Secretary.

Amongst those present at the opening ceremony were:—

Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Heaton Armstrong, Mrs. Fred Cleevé, the Misses Daly, Mr. Gordon Shaw, Mrs. Milton Henn, Miss Marjorie Henn, Rev. Precentor Adderley, Rev. M. and Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. and Miss Gubbins, Mrs. Brett, and friend, Mrs. and Miss Palmer, Miss Cherry, Miss Smith, Mr. Godfrey Gelston, Miss Grace O'Brien, Miss Eileen O'Brien, Mr. Arthur Blood-Smyth, Mrs. and Miss Muspratt, Mrs. and Miss B. Gubbins, Miss Dowd, the Misses Twigg, Miss Langbridge, Mr. J. Heaton Armstrong, Mrs. and Miss Dodds, Lady Nash, Miss Nash, Mr. B. Russell, Mr. F. Russell, Rev. Mr. Colthurst, Miss Morony, etc.

Tea was provided by the ladies of the Tea Committee.

We are asked to state that ladies and gentlemen who wish to become members should apply to the Hon. Secretary, Colonel Milton Henn, Castle Troy House, as the list closes 31st December, after which date members can only be admitted by payment of an entrance fee, in addition to the usual subscription.

Club days, Saturday and Tuesday afternoons—Skating from 3 to 6 p.m.; children under 12 years of age from 3 to 4 p.m. only.

By special arrangement the Rosetti Orchestra will perform on Saturday next from 4 to 6 o'clock.

THE LATE MRS. JOHN GUINANE.

The funeral of the late Mrs. John Guinane took place yesterday from St. Michael's R.C. Church for the family burial place at Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. A large number of citizens attended to pay a last mark of respect to the memory of the deceased lady, who was widow of the late Mr. John Guinane, J.P., and of sympathy with her relatives.

The Chief mourners were—Mr. James Forrest, (brother), Mr. H. J. Guinane, Mr. Chas Guinane, (brothers-in-law), Mr. John Guinane, Mr. Jos. Guinane, Mr. Henry Guinane, Mr. Richard Guinane, Mr. Bertie Guinane, and Mr. David Guinane (nephews). The Clergy in attendance were—Rev J. O'Connor, Adm, St Michael's; Rev F. Devano, C.C. do; Rev F. Dwane, C.C. do; Very Rev F. Powell, O.P, and Prior; Rev F. Carrol, C.C, St. Michael's.

The general attendance included—Messrs. Jas. H. Roche, S. O'Mara, W. G. Peacocke, J. M'Namara, D.C.; A. Hall, Dr. Lee, D. O'Donovan, J. Enright J. Griffin, J. Burke, John Byrnes, Ald. P. O'Donovan, C. Johnson, B.C.; J. J. O'Brien, J. Hanratty, P. Flynn, J. J. O'Grady, M. O'Brien, B.C.; H. O'B. Moran, solr.; R. T. Hartigan, R. Wallace, solr.; J. Barry, John M'Namara, Inspector Night Constables; P. Graham, E. Baker, senr.; E. Baker, junr; T. Geraghty, W. Fitzgerald, D. Morgan, A. Roche, J. F. M'Donagh, M. Leahy, J.P., B.C.; T. Savage, J. White, W. M'Carthy, W. Gould, J. Coffey, Richard Rea, James Wallace, John O'Neill, John J. Begley, D. O'Callaghan, A. M'Neice, Fred Herriott, P. M'Grath, etc., etc.

are such that unless a very large sum were incurred no substantial improvement in present condition can be made.

RINK PAL

To-night, a new Pathé Game will be shown by the Palace. A Match between Macnabs v. O'Connell played at 9.15, and being the winner will receive a li. On Friday night an Ice Match will be played between the wogs, and on Saturday afternoon a local Competition will take place for skaters. On Saturday afternoon a Hockey Match will take place between the Gondoliers. The winners will receive five gold medals.

KILMALLOCK PETTY

Before Messrs. J. E. St. George, Power, and J. Fleming.

INSUBORDINATION

The Board of Guardians v. Harding, an inmate of the Workhouse.

Mr. Power, solicitor to the Board, stated that in a previous case against the defendant, the case was adjourned, and since then the defendant has not worked.

Mrs. Riordan said that she had done the work for her, but she would do the work since then, but on that point she was a witness.

Mr. St. George—She got into gaol for a month.

In a case against Bridge, an inmate of the Workhouse.

Mrs. Riordan said on the previous case against the defendant was adjourned on Sunday, 19th November, and she was abused witness.

Defendant was sentenced to three months imprisonment. Neither defendant nor witness appeared at the Court.

LARCENY

Constable Mahony charged the defendant with larceny of a pair of boots.

Defendant was dealt with according to the Offenders Act.

CO. RATEPAYERS'

The annual convention of the County Ratepayers' Association was held in the Town Hall, Lime Street, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Saturday. All interested are invited to attend. Kahilly, hon. sec.

"JOHN STRANGE WINTER"

Mrs. Arthur Strannard, popularly known as "John Strange Winter," died last night, aged fifty-five. She had been ill for some time, and was bedridden as the result of an accident which occurred when, in getting out of a railway carriage at the station, she slipped and fell. They would never be healed, and she followed. She will be remembered for her many stories of soldier life, her most famous being "Bootles Baby."