

VOTE OF THANKS.

After the Presiding officer had made his declaration, Mr James N Dolan, M I P, who was present for the counting, proposed a vote of thanks to him and his staff for the able manner in which they conducted the first election held under the Proportional Representation system. He wished especially to thank Mr Dolan for having carried out the election in accordance with the expressed wishes of the candidates. He (Mr Dolan) did everything to facilitate the candidates and the voters, and a true record of the electorate was got. He (the speaker) felt sure that the men elected to this particular area would discharge their duties in an able and proper manner, but their first consideration would be the big issues on which they were elected—maintaining Ireland's rights before the nations of the world to-day (applause). The relations between the men elected and the presiding officer and his staff would be the same as was expressed that day (applause).

Mr Fox, one of the successful candidates, seconded the vote of thanks.

Mr Charles Dolan said he had to thank them for their great kindness, and for the confidence they had expressed in him and the staff. He (Mr Dolan) did everything possible to facilitate everyone concerned, and to get a true record of the opinion of the voters (applause).