

rk is yet far from finished, and must
o the impartial criticism of the electors,
n the Unionists look forward with every
of confidence and hope.

ve often heard of combinations against
rent, and combinations amongst workmen,
most unlooked for development of the prac-
ed. This is an age of enlightenment, and
ion progresses by leaps and bounds, so
so that by ten or twenty years hence it is
ible to say what the literary standard of
ung people may be. The school children in
h Workhouse, however, are evidently averse
s rapid rate of progress, and anticipating
r" things to come, they are determined not
the race of life too quickly. To illustrate
eaning more clearly, we need only allude to
transpired at the last meeting of the local
of Guardians, which we report in another
n. The half-yearly report of the Local
nment Board Inspector, Mr. E. Bourke, was
and in it he made the remark that the
en in the male and female schools were not
ficient as they should be. The Guardians,
re-assy, were surprised at this piece of infor-
n, and to whom had they a better right to
for an explanation than the Teachers?
were called before the Board, and the
olmaster announced "that a combination
been entered into by the boys not to answer
Inspector's questions. It was remark-
that none of the pupils would point out any-
g on the maps during the course of the
ination, and he considered it a pity that the
boys would not be sent out to service before
succeeded in communicating their vicious
s to the children who might from time to time
ntering the institution." We consider this
suggestion should be acted on without
y. These young hopefuls have had the best
he teachers, who are thus placed in an unfair
tion through no fault whatever of their own.
we are certain the guardians will support
m in putting a stop to this curious state of
igs. The truant schoolboy is a well-known
ividual, but the youth who knows and won't
wer is an embodiment of an idea that is cer-
nly original.

e painful boating catastrophe on the Shannon
tinues to be the topic of much local conversa-
n, and as each day passes there is an anxiety to
rn the latest details of this truly heartrending
urrence. To-day's papers contain practically
thing new, except that there have been found
ar Kileredane, some few miles below Carriga-
lt, a brown tweed coat, a lady's hat trimmed
th green ribbons and black lace, and a handker-
ief with the initials "M.M." on it. All these
evidently sad relics of what had been a day of
ety and pleasure, but of the ill-fated party
emselves, nothing absolutely new is known
e report in our fourth page an interesting
terview a special representative of this journal
d on Thursday last at Tarbert, with the young
rl, Miss Holly, who fortunately elected to go
th another boat that carried part of the excu-
on party, and returned to its destination in

Hymn after sermon, No 819, "Hark! my soul—it
is the Lord." Weekday services daily at 11 a.m.
and 3 p.m. Litany on Wednesday and Friday.
Thursday 24th, Feast of St. Bartholomew.

SERIOUS ILLNESS OF THE BISHOP OF KILLALOE.

We regret to observe the announcement that
the Right Rev Dr Chester, Lord Bishop of Kil-
laloë, is seriously ill; first, last week in
London, under Dr Morris's care, and now at a
Pension in Hatcourt-street, Dublin, under Dr
Lennon and Sir P Smyly. His Lordship is
entirely unable to answer letters or attend to
business of any kind. His chaplain is, for the
month of August, in the North of France. The
news will be deeply regretted not alone through-
out the entire diocese of Killaloe, where his Lordship
is loved and revered by all classes, but by many in
Limerick who know him also. We earnestly hope
his Lordship will be soon convalescent, and once
more amongst his people.

DEATH OF MR. WM. J. O'DONNELL, J.P.

With profound regret we announce this even-
ing the unexpected demise of Mr William J.
O'Donnell, J.P. of this city, which took place in
Paris at 5.30 o'clock this morning, after three
days illness. The sad news was received here by
wire early this morning and could scarcely be
credited by those who saw Mr O'Donnell here at
home quite recently in apparently good health.
About a fortnight ago Mr and Mrs O'Donnell left
for Paris, intending to make a prolonged stay on
the continent, and for that reason Mr O'Donnell
had resigned his seat as a member of the Town
Council, and as a matter of fact the vacancy has
not yet been filled up. Mr O'Donnell was about
28 years of age, and during the past six years
had seen a good deal of public life, having been
first of all a Town Councillor of the
Castle Ward, which it might be said
he represented up to his death, and Mayor
in 1890, in succession to Mr Francis A O'Keefe.
He was also an ex-officio Guardian, a member of
the Harbour Board, and a magistrate of the city.
He was a very good oarsman, and some years ago
formed one of the crew of the Limerick Boat
Club at Waterford and other regattas. His in-
variably pleasing and courteous manner won for
him a host of friends, by whom his premature
demise will be very deeply deplored. Dr Graham,
brother-in-law of the deceased, has already pro-
ceeded to Paris, and we learn the remains will be
taken over to Limerick for interment. The greatest
sympathy is expressed with Mrs W J O'Donnell,
and the deceased gentleman's mother and sisters
in their great bereavement.

ALLEGED CRIMINAL ASSAULT NEAR ENNIS.

Yesterday afternoon Thomas Shalloe, a tall
young fellow of the farming class, was brought
up in custody on remand, before Mr H de L
Willis (in the chair), and Mr R Hume Crowe, at
the Courthouse, Ennis, on a charge of criminal
assault on a girl under 14 years of age, named
Mary Fawl, at Cornfield, Ballynacally, on Mon-
day last.

Mr Miniken, solicitor, appeared for the defend-
ant.

Mr Dunning, D.I., conducted the prosecution.

From the evidence it appeared the girl and
her sister were going to a well for water, when
they were followed by Shalloe, who at the well
said he would "knock a couple of kisses off them."
Mary ran away and he followed her and com-
mitted the alleged assault complained of.

The prisoner was returned for trial to the next
Quarter Sessions, and admitted to bail, him-
self in £50, and two securities in £25 each.

to the house at twelve o'clock she went up
and dressed herself; when she came down
said she would not go without Mr Sha-
Mr Shanny then dressed himself; we went
Dr Holmes; the doctor took her into the
room, and myself and Mr Shanny went
another; the doctor came to us in about
minutes afterwards; the doctor said, "A
young girl does not seem to know her pos-
She won't allow herself to be examined."
"Miss O'Connor, why did you fool me after
to all this bother?" She said she didn't
she would have to go through such an ord-
told her it could not be done without her
consent, and that no one would know any-
about it except herself and the doctor—it
in her own hands to have the matter clear
for herself and Mr and Mrs Shanny; she
consented, and I left the room; she re-
there about seven or eight minutes; dur-
interval Mr Shanny asked me when would
be arrested; I said if the doctor was satisfied
her condition she would not be arrested.
Mr Shanny asked me would she
be bailed, and where she would be
after that Dr Holmes opened the door and
in Mr Shanny; I could hear Dr Holmes
saying "It is impossible—utterly impos-
could not do it"; Dr Holmes told me to ca-
in a short time and take these parties awa-
parties then went home to their own place.

Edward Donegan, a lad of about sixteen
next called. In reply to the bench, he
knew the nature of an oath. In reply
Leahy he deposed—I live in the lane next
Mr Shanny's house; I was in Mr Shann-
employment as a general boy; the people li-
Mr Shanny's house on the 8th of Augu-
Mr and Mrs Shanny and Miss O'Connor
Shanny, his daughter, had, go
Kilkee; it was part of my du-
empty the buckets in the house; o-
evening Mr Shanny told me to
out what water I had and go
and go to bed; I was in the shop at this t-
went to throw out the water; the first bu-
in the back kitchen underneath the
could not say what was in the bucket;
dirty water; I paid no particular attention;
brought the bucket upstairs and threw
contents; it appeared to be blood; and
the bucket produced was the one; ther-
be a chicken in the bucket but I saw not
it; I then came back and proceeded t-
the ashes in the kitchen with the same
having emptied the second bucket I left
back kitchen and went upstairs to er-
another bucket; when I went upstairs Mrs
gave me a bucket on the landing; I thro-
bucket near the same place; at this ti-
O'Connor was upstairs; I saw her in h-
room; I came to work the next day.

Mr Leahy—Had you any conversati-
Miss O'Connor?

Witness—I had asked her to know if tl-
anything in the bucket, because it was s-
thrown it out; she said she did not see at
I afterwards went to William stree-
barrack.

Mr Leahy—Had you a conversation
day with Mr Shanny?

Witness—I had; I asked him to kr-
Sergeant Hanly wanted there, and h-
was about the throwing out of the bu-
Shanny told me to tell the truth to
Hanly that I saw nothing in the
I had a conversation that evening w-
O'Connor; she told me to go and ask
if she would go with her to Dr Shana-
did not say for what purpose; I told r-
and then told Miss O'Connor that she w-
go; Miss O'Connor then said she would
I was sent to Mr Lloyd's
bottles of soda, and left them in the
where Mr and Mrs Shanny and Miss
were; Miss O'Connor seemed to be sick.

To Mr Connolly—When I was thro-