

oted exclusively to Healyite interests are probably founded on fact, and it is said the organ will make its appearance shortly before the opening of Parliament. In the meantime the Healyites have quietly captured the *Cork Herald*. To the surprise of everybody the first article in the *Cork Herald* of Saturday morning was in support of Mr Healy. It thinks that "trying" an Irish member in England cannot be too strongly condemned. The writer seems to have forgotten the "trial" of an Irish member by the nonconformist Conscience some five years ago. The article expresses the opinion that the present anti-Healyite movement "seems to be purely aggressive, and is not warranted by any action of Mr Healy and his friends." The "magh charges, it is said, were dealt with by the Irish Party after the General Election, and their author had been elected on the Committee by a large vote. As to the Kerry election, that is an old story, and "the mode of calling the Convention for same was, to say the least, open to grave question." The proposal to expel twenty-seven members of the party is then referred to, and it is denied that they are in revolt against their colleagues. So far the article; but the postscript discloses the real state of affairs. The postscript announces that "for the statements in the foregoing article the editor is not responsible." In addition to this disclaimer two of the directors have resigned as a protest, declaring that if an organ of opinion has been "throttled" in Cork to the interests of a section, "it has been done in defiance of their remonstrances and protests." From which it will be seen that in the beginning of the inevitable and bitter conflict the Healyites have stolen a march on the Dillonites, and already one of their organs is in the hands of the enemy, and its readers are turned on its old supporters. The result of the preliminary skirmish is therefore in favour of the minority. The pitched battle on Thursday will probably result in the victory of the big battalions, but the minority will not be caught napping. In reply to the requisition calling the meeting, Mr. Healy has addressed a note to "my dear Justin." Mr. Healy informs his leader that both at Wednesday's meeting of the Federation, at which Mr. M'Carthy is to preside, and at Thursday's assemblage, he will move that the Press be admitted in order that those who declared themselves anxious for the public discussion of certain matters "may have an opportunity of making their great arraignment in public, while something of our own rank cannot be

Limerick, has won the ENGLISH HISTORICAL ESSAY Prize for a goodly number of English, Irish, and Scotch competitors. We congratulate Mr O'Neill on his success, and also Messrs Keily and Rea, by whom he was prepared for the examination.

PROTESTANT YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.—What is certain to be a most instructive lecture will be delivered by the Rev Richard J Hodges, M.A., of Mallow, in the Lecture Hall of the Protestant Young Men's Association on Tuesday evening next, the 19th instant. The subject will be "Monumenta Hibernica;" or Ireland's Antiquities and places of interest. We hope to see a large attendance.

BURGLARY.—The grocery establishment of Mr Byrnes, the Crescent, was broken into on Sunday morning, between two and three o'clock. Entrance was effected by the removing of one of the shutters. Fortunately there were only some five shillings in the till, and having obtained possession of it, the thieves, decamped, having succeeded in eluding the vigilance of the night watch.

P.Y.M.A. LITERARY CLASS.—The next meeting of the Class will be held on Friday evening next at 8 o'clock, when Mr E Fisher, of Newcastle-West, will read a paper entitled, "Competition." From previous papers Mr Fisher has read before the Class, there can be no doubt that the all-important subject of Competition will receive a thorough and careful handling from that gentleman. Members are particularly requested to attend, and bring their friends.

DEATH OF A POLICE CONSTABLE.—General regret is felt amongst the members of the force in Limerick at the death of Constable Robert Swan, Edward street, which took place on Sunday. The deceased, who was, deservedly regarded as an efficient and upright policeman, had just completed his sixteen years in the service, having spent most of that time in Limerick. For a considerable time past he had been incapacitated from duty owing to failing health. The esteem in which the deceased was held was amply shown to-day when a large party of his late comrades with Head Constable Morrow and Head Constable Feeney, accompanied the remains the greater part of the way to Askeaton graveyard, where the interment took place. The funeral was also largely attended by the general public.

APPROACHING IRISH WEDDINGS.
Amongst the fashionable weddings announced to take place this year we find the following:—
The Hon Lucius William O'Brien, eldest son of Lord Inchiquin, K.P. (14th Baron), of Dromoland Castle, Newmarket-on-Fergus, and grandson of the second Baron Heytesbury, and Miss Ethel Jane Foster, eldest daughter of the late Mr Johnston Foster, J.P., of Moor Park, Ludlow Cliffe Hill, Light Cliffe, Yorkshire, and granddaughter of the late Mr John Foster, of Hornby Castle, Yorkshire.

Mr Robert Gardner, of Ashley, Clyde road, Dublin, will shortly marry Miss Norah Kathleen Peacocke, daughter of Mr Peter Leslie Peacocke, B.A., of Trinity College, Dublin, Capt 16th Lancers, and J.P. for Co Fermanagh, of Villagio, Dalkey, Dublin, and granddaughter of the late Major Peacocke, of Fort Etna, Co Limerick.

A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Mr Francis S. Low, 2nd Life Guards, eldest son of Mr Low, of Kilshane, Tipperary, and Anna Eleanor Isabel, eldest daughter of Mr Moore, of Barne, Clonmel.

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The following letter was of the Board of Control, d

"SIR—I am directed by acknowledged the receipt of Governors of the Limerick Asylum, made at their meeting and to express regret that think that there has been on the part of the board a resolution forwarded on the

"The Board was under position and intended action previously explained to a special governors and having been Browne, the object of the to record the protests of steps that had been already more expedient to submit to engage in an unprofitable

"The Governors are directed the authority, the duty, connected with the building of the District Lunatic Asylum in the Board of Control before, that the board although and as far as possible to of the local governors, is independent judgement matters entrusted to its care

"If the necessary additions Asylum could be carried out Board of Control would the irksome duty, but as it would be impossible. (must be entered into by means must be made through proceed; the Board must the expenditure. Like liable to criticism for mistakes and shortcomings responsibility is not shared degree by the governing circumstances it is obvious who holds his position upon whom the Board must lay and supervision, and with Board alone, ought to be itself. In making the selection the nature of the particular is engaged. It often matters for which the k specialist not are require the architect whom the the habit of employing for and in all cases these recommendations fully considered, but if carried out by the Board experience are absolutely recent occasions the Board curing both special knowledge, has found it expedient gentlemen, or two firms, such cases the Board of fees, the architect themselves how they are plan has hitherto work advantage of all parties that this course might be the new buildings in L explained to the Commission and it was assented to Batchelor and Mr Brown These gentlemen have conferred with each other and are work.

"It thus appears that under a total misapprehension