

club in the world is that of the School Union. It has 1,000 members, who pay sixpence a week, and the total amount each of them pays is a fat goose, a Christmas goose, and half a pound of

some token by which to know whom she had been much loved. Mlle. Chevanne attended a sale of

The girl was poor, and her resources were beyond her purse. A list of devotions—was, however, not for it except Mlle. Chevanne, next to nothing. In turning the page across a folded paper. It gave her the whole of her great fortune—£16,000.

MISSION "IN EXCELSIS."

A young French doctor sent by small post under the Government was appointed, and having forgotten all about the matter, he had an official document which he had applied for nearly 28 months while the officials had been waiting for his letter, the doctor had no chance in the world, and has no chance of such trifles as a small

IMPRESSION.

of the serial novel was two inches wide and the editor had only one inch of space. He compressed the hero's following paragraph—

"small brandy, then his hat, then his sides, no notice of his purchase of a revolver from his pocket, and then his life."

THE CAT.

A school, who had better be called a feline for the following delightful story. The cat is a square quadruped, with square quadrupeds has its ears: If you want to please this creature it on the back. If it is very tight up its tail quite stiff like a rod and cannot get any further. The cat lives, but in this country it is all because of the presence of

T OF "STUPIDITY."

monks, Vicar of Grimthorpe and persons with good health are found, while people of delicate constitution are distinguished for mental attainments, but that he himself is blessed with good health. He challenges any member of the Education Council of his own

CHIPS OF SENSE AND SATIRE.

Good wine needs no push.

Industry is being able to find something for others to do.

Hard as it may be to propose, it is still harder not to propose.

PROMINENT CITIZEN'S DEATH.

A Tragic Ending.

Mr. Stephen Dowling, J.P., was taken suddenly this morning and died before medical aid could be obtained. The sensational news soon spread over the city to-day, and was heard with extreme regret in every quarter. The deceased gentleman at the time of his death was driving out the Dock Road in a pony trap when he was observed to lurch, and in a few moments he expired before Dr. Malone, who was immediately sent for, arrived. Death, it is stated, was due to syncope. The body was conveyed to the Redemptorist Monastery where it rests for the present. Of the deceased gentleman's career as a successful commercial man much might be written, but it is sufficient to say that for upwards of forty years his name has been prominently linked with Limerick city and county. In Catherine street he carried on extensive business as a pawn broker and in conjunction with same ran a discount bank on very broad principles, being a very large employer of labour, and most respected by his employees, and popular with all classes. He was the owner of a considerable house property within the Borough, and was an extensive landed proprietor, both in this County and Kerry. The deceased gentleman who never married was about 75 years of age, and during his long life had done much to alleviate the suffering of the poor in our midst by his generous munificence when the call of charity was made upon him. In his earlier days Mr. Dowling was a prominent member of the County Hunt, and later, when he might have been said to be in the evening of his life he took to racing, and was the winner of not a few good events over the sticks. He was an enthusiastic race-goer, and his genial presence and suave manner will be missed in the ring at Greenpark, and in many places throughout the south where he was wont to patronise. He held the Commission of the Peace for the counties of Limerick and Kerry, and his decisions on the Bench were invariably marked with good judgment and commonsense. He was High Sheriff of the City in the years 1884 and 1885, and was a member of the old Corporation for a number of years.

HEAVY FINE FOR POACHING.

At Fethard Petty Sessions the Clonmel Harrier Club summoned John Purtill and M. Mulcahy, of Fethard, for hunting on their preserves at Rathcany on November 29th.

Mr. J. F. Crowe deposed that he found the defendants hunting on his land; they had two greyhounds and a terrier. When asked by witness for his name Purtill gave it as O'Brien and said he lived at Giant's Grave. Mulcahy refused to give his name, but Mulcahy subsequently ascertained the identity of both. Witness said if such men were not stopped there

for the abolition of mixed bathing at "Newfound-out," Kilkee.

Sir William and Lady Goulding have left for Egypt, and do not return to Millicent, Sallin until the second week in January.

At the meeting of the P.Y.M.A. Literary Class to-morrow evening, essays for J.D. Fogarty's gold medal will be read.

The Local Government Board have sanctioned payment of £51 8s. superannuation to Miss Hasset, Matron of the Ennis Workhouse.

Largely through the influence of Lady Dudley the exhibition of G. F. Watt's pictures, at present in the galleries on The Mound, Edinburgh is being transferred to Dublin.

Colonel Kiggell, and Mrs. Kiggell and family have arrived from England at the Cahal Cottage, Glin, the residence of Major Kiggell, J.P., for the Christmas holidays.

The Earl and Countess of Dudley arrived Dublin on Tuesday evening, per the North W. route. Their arrival was unexpected, and was probably due to recent political developments.

It is rumored that Lord Arthur Hill intends to contest West Down at the General Election. He retired from the constituency several years ago in favour of his son, Captain Arthur Hill, the late member.

Second Lieutenant T. C. W. Fowle, 2nd Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers, has been appointed to a commission in the Royal Munster Fusiliers, and will join the details at Dover the first instance.

Lieutenant C. E. Vivian, 27th Battery R.F.A., Athlone, has been posted to "B" Depot Royal Horse Artillery, Woolwich, and Lieutenant R. G. M. Johnston, 145th Battery R.F.A., Dundalk, to "O" Battery R.F.A., Lucknow.

The new Premier, according to some persistent plunger into the profundities of pedigree has royal Irish blood in his veins. On his mother's side he is said to be the direct descendant of Brian, King of Connaught.

The financial statement submitted to the Committee of Management of the Cork No. 1 Infirmary showed that the Committee owed the bank £1,393, including the cheques passed that day.

Amongst the guests at present staying with the Earl and Countess of Drogheda at Mo Abbey are the Earl and Countess of Bandon, Viscount Monck, and Sir Charles and Lady Barrington.

The "Dublin Gazette" announces that the Lords Justices, on the recommendation of the Chief Secretary, have appointed Mr. J. W. Garvey to be Crown Solicitor for Co. Mayo in the room of Mr. Malachy J. Kelly, appointed Chief Crown Solicitor in Ireland.

Owing to the recent severe illness of Mr. Walshe, President of the Kilsheelan Course Club, the fixture is postponed until early January. Mr. Walshe's many friends will be glad to learn that he is now practically recovered.

As Clare Castle the telephone poles are down almost to the quay. So in order to prevent motor and other vehicles following the line of poles, the Harbour Board are getting to erect a red warning light at the entrance of the quays.

Notice has been given to move at the E. Guardians meeting that the architect be paid £6 a year for superintending all work done in inmate labour. The Local Government Board wrote disapproving of a ten per cent. arrangement on works done.

The members of the Gerald Griffin Dramatic