STRANGE NUPTIAL RITES

"TROLLER" AT A JEWISH WEDDING. The Jewish community in Limerick have no pulitial temple in which to worship. Over their Synago, at the pot aristocratic region of Colooney stree, rises no tall spire pointing the way to heaven. If it were not for the small entablature at the outside wall none wo ld know it from an ordinary dwelling house. we like how it from an ordinary dwelling house. Their place of worship's veritally an apper reour and ret the services held there are as impressio, as selections as dany I have been at under ground roofs, and if there be no pealing organ, yet the voices of in members of the ancient tribes of the House of Israel, are lifted cup as devotionally, aye, as musically too, as near, the viulted space of many an accient Catacital. It is a fare occurrence, for Limetics as any rate, for a Christian to be invited to a Jewish religious extending, but I was so invited on Thursday afternoon, and what I saw and heard may not be invited to my real at a second of the control of the control

ceremony, and join in the devotions through a lattice work, which made them of the congregation though not in it.

And a goodly and an orderly congregation it was, too. Musical withal, for as the voice of the rev. gentleman who chanted the service rese and fell on the air its modulations were joined in most musically by the deep, tones of learded men, and the sweet voices of little children.

In front of the Ark, a revers in which is placed the five books of Moses written on, parchiment, and hidden from the gaze by beautifully wrought embroidered curtains, stood the bridegroom waiting, as the custom is, for the service which pricedes the cultrance of the bride. Enwrapped in a praying robe of purest and whitest silk, embroidered, with taste and delicacy, he silently prayed before the ark, unleeding the buzz of conversation which wont on uninterruptedly 'till the sacred symbolical ceremony began. To my uninificated eye there was no "best man." The bridegroom evidently looked upon it as a most sacred rite, and unheaded all but the Sacred Ark, on which lis eyes rested and before which he prayed silently, his heeded all but the Sacred Ark, on which his eyes rested and before which he prayed silently, his lips moving but uttering no sound, while ever and anon during the prayers he and others with him reverently beat upon their breasts and bowed their forcheads earthwards.

"Stroller" is bound to say that Hebrew is to him an unreveiled language, and yet he could enter into the feelings of this small community, and teel the reverence which dominated all,

enter into the feelings of this small community, and feel the feverence which dominated all, though it was passing strange to find himself in a house of Gett with his head covered. But that again is to wont of the community, and "Stroller against he wont of the community, and in Stroller against he wont of the community, and the fellows who are good. And so be too remained covered.

strolle in to respect the usages of any of his fellows who are good. And so be too remained covered.

Presently there entered the Synagogue the clergyman, clad in a beautiful robe of silk, and wearing a biretta-shaped head covering. It was the minister of the Synagogue, the Rev. E. H. Lavin. Entering the octagonal shaped erection (the pulpit) which stands on the floor is the contre of a c-Synagogue round which the congregation castered, and through which the congregation castered, and through which members assend as they willed, be chanted cer aim payers in a nost ampical voice, of course in Hearow, but the congregation followed with authole voice, and though the words were strange and they willed, be chanted cer aim payers in a nost ampical to words were strange and they willed, be chanted for a theory beautiful to hear the words were strange and they willed, he chanted to the payer hook leaves the manufactal followed. A few minutes more of stant prayer, and bowing before the Ark, and the neutoral the bride learning on the law of the father.

I am no authority on ladies dress, nor can I be expected to tell the story so enserly demanded by all known on the law of the bride when the bride weak. But I can say how she "looked," carrying an immiens hour plat of beautiful flowers, and over all the bride wreath and veil, she booked (the ladies doclared, and the men cordially agreed) lovely; but ligan that solemniar, that reverential recognition of the sclemnity of the last, was apparent, and if a few tears stole from her eyes, and were kept company by those from the eyes, and were kept company by those from the reyes, and were kept company by those from the reyes, and were kept company hy those from the pulpit-like structure (open above to the sky), the Minister uttered a few simple words of congratulation in place of the usual sermon. He mentioned how both bride and bridegroom stood, neath a canopy erected over the pulpit-like structure (open above to the sky), the Minister uttered a few simple words of congratulati fervent "Amen."
Then from a silver cup the bride and bride-

groom were given a taste of consecrated wine the brides right hand the golden circlet of the brides right hand the golden circlet of union, the contract was read and signed (it bore the date, January 7th, A.M., 5664), the minister placet it glass beneath the bridegroom's foot, which the latter crushed and broke, the bridegroom was divisted of his robe, and the marriage corrections are correctly after the bridegroom was divisted of his robe, and the marriage corrections are correctly after the bridegroom was divisited to the property and the second seco was divested of his root, and the marriage occurrency was over. Men kissed each other, relatives and others pressed forward to kiss both bride and bridegroom, and then the happy pair were whisked away in their carriage to the accompaniments of the choors and congratulations of the whole of Colooney street.

As I have said, though the language was strange the covernment was impressive.

the ceremony was impressive. Its symbolism was afterwards explained to me by the revenue the minister and the open sky above symbolised to the Jew the fact that at all times and under all circumstances, however great the Jew may be, or however humble, there is always something above them; One higher than themselves. The wedding ring is symbolical, as with us, of unending love; but it is something more to the Jew. With him it is the symbol of property in

wedding ring is symbolical, as with us, of uneding love; but it is something more to the Jow. With him it is the symbol of property in his wife, and the ring is only chosen because of its convenience. Any jowel or valuable article would him the contract just as well. The sipping from the wine cup is symbolical of rejoicing—for all Jows must come to the marriage. feast fasting, no matter at what hour the ceremony takes place—and the wines is typical of the rejoicing which maketh glad the heart of main. Then the crushed glass is a reminder that I stroll, once a nation, has been crushed and beaten under foot—a sign and symbol that even at such a time of rejoicing they still "remember Zion."
The lappy marital relations of the Jows are sometimes the theme of surprised comment. You rarely if ever hear tof marital difference and debauchery? No more that abiding people exist in the main than the Jows, their poor trouble not the poor house, and though peculiarly, keen in business they appear to live, in charity with all men. I should be inclined to attribute a great deal of this, to the falelity with which they adhere to the sacred obligations of them law, and the usually peaceful marital relationships are quite understandable when you have seen the solemnity of the rite and heard the contract read in open Synagogue, for above and beyond all things the Jow venerates the faith of his fathers. By the contract the husband openly promises his wife to be a true husband, to honour, love, and work for her, to provide all necessaries for her sustemance during all her life. On the true husband, to honour, love, and work for her, to protect and support her, to provide all necessaries for her sustenance during all ber life. On the other hand the bride plights her troth, taking upon herself all the duties of a Jewish wife according to the laws of Israel.

This little sketch may be, and probably is, a most imperfect one, but I think I have said enough to show that a Jewish wedding is a solemnity that possesses peculiar points of interest even to those not of the Jewish porsuasion.

STROLLER.

CITY PETTY SESSIONS.

The usual city petty sessions were held yester day before Messrs. E. F. Hickson, R.M., P. E. Bourke, and Poole Gabbett.

Thomas Cullinan, labourer, was sent to gaol for seven days for stealing a pair of boots from the establishment of Mr. John Smith, Patrick

william Moran, aged 13. Christopher Cox, 10, and Patrick McNamara, 12, were charged with the theft of a cash box containing ninepence, from the shop of Mr. Cusack Ceell street.

Acting Sergeant Kelly stated that acting on information he visited Me of shouse and ascertained from the lad the bad entered Mr. Carroll's shop some previously and took the box. He afterwards went to the ouse of the other accused loys who had participated in the theft, the money have been divided amongst three.

Cox and Mo amura were discharged with a caution. Moran, who had been previously charged with a calling, was sent to a reformatory for five

FURTHER THEFTS BY BOYS.

Four well-dressed lade named Patrick Kelly, Patrick and Michael Toomey, and John Byrne, were charged with being concerned in a series of petry thefts from the Lansdowne Condensed Milk Factory.

A boy named Patrick Moylan gave evidence in reply to Mr. O'Hara, D.1., that on three different occasions within the past tew months he accompanied the accused boys to Mosses Cleeves Factory and extrated some boxes of checolate, having entered by a broken window.

Mr. O'Hara mentioned that information of the occurrence was first given by the mother of blue accused boy Moylan.

Kelly denied the charge stating that it was Moylan who took him over to the factory, stated.

Moylad who took him over to the factory,
Thomne Kenne, clerk it the factory, stated that the window must have been broken for the purpose of taking the chooplate. The value of each box was about 44 fd.
The bench decided, as there had been no previous charge, to adjourn the ease for three months to see how the boys would conduct themselves in the meantime. They were hopever of opinion that Moylan was a kind of ringleader.

LIUMNSING ACT. Mary Anne Madigan, Dominio street was pro-

Constable Iago stated that he visited the defendan's premises at six minutes past eleven on the night in question and found several persons in

the slop. The excuse giaon was that the clock was stopped, which was the fact.

A fire of on. and costs work imposed.

Sarah Flynne publican Francis-street, was summoned for permitting drunkeness on her

premises.
Sergeant Lonergan gave evidence that he found a man named Morgan drunk in the shop.
The publican, answering Mr. Hastings, who defended, denied having supplied Morgan wish

The magistrates dismissed the case against Mr. Flynn, whose house bore an excellent character and Morgan was fined is for drunkeness.

The remaining cases consisted principally of charges of drunkeness and disorderly conduct, the usual fines being imposed.

ROAD FOREMAN.

A memorial asking for an increase of wages from £1 to £1 4s was referred to the Roads Com, mittee by the County Council to day.

it is manifest that Russia proposals are unsatisfactory.

Port Said, Saturday. The British cruiser " Diana" has left for the East with secret orders.

BRITISH CRUISER SENT.

NO NEWS.

et.

The Japanese Legation has received no further news in reference to the situation in the Fa

LONDON STOCK MARKÉT.

London Stock Market opened to day, Consols one sixteenth better. Japanese and Russian stock are unchanged. .

NEW JAPANESE CRUISERS.

An Exchange Rome telegram dated Saturday says—A midst great enthusiasm, the craws singing martial songs, two less of clook this morning. The vessels lett in a southerly direction.

The new Japanese cruisers Nishea am Na u eft here this morning for the back

JAPAN PURCHASIS A TURKISH CHUISER

Photadelphia, Soturday. The " Record " state that Japan has outlid Russia for the 22 knot turkish cruiser Medjidle, paying for her two and a halt million dol ars.

RUSSIAN TROOPS LEAVE FOR THE EAST Paris, Saturday.

The "New York Herald," St. P. tersburg is that the rouses Japanese question has entered the domain of the War Uflice, which has ordered the immediate delivery of munitions. 90,000 men have been sent to the East.

CONFLICT MAY BE AVERTED. New York, Saturday

A Paris despatch says that in view of the French Government, the concession made by Russia in her latest Note affords ground for the hope that a conflict may be averted.

"DISTINCTLY RELIABLE.

Vienna, Saturday.

The Austrian Foreign Office has received a cablegram that the Japanese Government has no intention of taking any offensive [measures in Korea so long as the negotions wish Russia pro-This message is regarded as of a distinctly reliable character.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET MATCH. BY TELEGRAPH.

Ballarat, Saturday

The match between Mr. Warner's cloven and Eight Ro, Ballarat, to-day resulted in a draw. Ballarat first innings, 197, M.C.C., second innings, 226.

ARRIVAL OF PRINCE ARTHUR. (BY TELEGRAPH).

Prince Arthur of Connaught arrived at Southampton to-day from the Cape on leave of absence from his regiment. Prince Harthur, who had an attack of dyscutery in Transvall, is much better.

MADAME ANTOINETTE STERLING. (BY TELEGRAPH).

Madame Antoinette Sterling's condition to day remains unchanged.

LORD BRAYBROOKE. [BY THLEGRAPH]

Lord Braybrooke had a peaceful night; less pain; much better to-day.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY. (By TELEGRAPH.)

Mr. W. Jellett, K.C., will contest the Par mentary representation of Dublin University mext election.

COTTON EXPORT DUTY. (BY THLHORAPH).

Mr. Chamberlain, replying to a Preston correspendent as to whether the United States has bewer to impose expert duty on raw cotton in the event of this Nation approving of the substitution of the fiscal reciprocity says the constitution of the United States expressly forbids the import of an export duty.

GATESMEAD THAFTER ELECTION. (By THLEGRAPH).

A belegram from Gateshead Thafter states that the resolution of in spite of the resolution of the United Irish League of Great Britain to support Mr. Johnson, this Oathulle velse in the constituency may be divided, as a number of the Cathulle electors have decided to vote for Lord Morpeth because is a supporter of the Education Act and favours the establishment of a Catholic University is below. in Ireland.

DAMAGES.

At the Quarter Sessions to-day, Thomas Cusack, tobacconist, sued for £50 damages for injuries sustained by negligence of Lieutenant Disney Watt's (Liverpool Regiment) servant. His Honer awarled £15. The horse kinked plaintiff as he was passing, and his arm was broken.

POSTPONED POUNDAGE

An application by the rate collectors for an in-crease of 2d in their poundage was deferred by the County Council to-day, as was also a discussion on dual or single representation on the General Council.

MALICIOUS INJURIES.

The County Council to day authorised sheir solicitor to use his discretion about appealing in malicious injury cases on the question of area, on the ground that in small claims the costs were greater than the sums claimed.

The people of Chesterfield and district assembled in their thousands to day to greet the King and Queen on their motor car journey to Hardwick Hall which contains humerous dijects of interest and value for inspection. The party included the Duke and Duchess of Devonahire. Flags and bunting were displayed far beyond the town boundaries, and the Royal visitors passed though an indroken ayenue of spects ors. The King will arrive in London of specta ors. The King will arrive in London on Monday afternoon and will journey to Sandringham the following day.

HIGH SHERIFFS 1904.

The Lord Lieusenant has appointed the Knight of Glin, D.C., High Sheriff for Limerick Couley and Kohert W. K. Moreland, Esq., Rahsen Manor, Tomgreney, as High Sheriff for the County County of Clare.

ALLEGED HOUSE BREAKING:

A you've man named Daniel Green, Labosheeda, was brought before Mr. Hickson, R.M., at the Police Court this morning, charged with having broken into a dwelling house and robbing a sum of £0 odd together with some rent receipts and other accuments. The accused was remanded to Kildysart Pesty Sessions on Monday.

UNIVERSITY EDUCATION.

The Council at it's mosting to-day pass strong resolution (similar to that passed at the Corporation meeting) in favour of University Education. Mr. Coll, Chairman, preposed it, and Lord Dehraven seconded it, the latter remarking that the highest form of education, both technical and general, was essential to equip the young men for the struggle of life.

STOCK LIST TO-DAYS PRICES.

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JANUARY.

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Hour—11.20 .Nowmarke Ballyline Gate
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Clare Castle

GALTER HOUNDS.

JANUARY. Six Mile Shon Friday, 8th JANUARY Tuesday, 12th Hour-11 o'clock

DERRY CASTLE HARRIBRS.

BOTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

BIRTHS. UDARW-At her revidence, Herry street, Ki rush, on the 3rd January, 1904, we wife of Mr. J. J. Corry, of a saughter.
O'UALASMAN-At 18 Victoria Terrace, Limerick, on the 6th January, the O'O'llaghau, of a daughter.

LEARY and O'FIYNN-On the 7th instant, at 8b.
John's Torraco, Cork, by Yev. P. Tracy, C.C.,
Cat edral, P. C. Leahy, Midleton, to Margaret
O'Flynn. DEATHS.

the late John Cooke, of Killsinane Castle, Co.

the late John Cooke, of Kilbinane Castia. Co. Tipperary, age; 74 years. Euneral private. McDerary, age; 74 years. Euneral private. McDerary, age; 74 years. Euneral private. McDerary December 28th, 1903, at Mater Missricordia Hospital, Dublin, of broadhal Doctor McDermott, Ennistymon, aged 14 years. Quillinan—January 6th, 1904, at his residence. Caslletown, Doon, Co. Limerick, Timothy Quillinan, after a brief illness, deeply regretted by family and friends—R.I.P. Funeral left on yesterday (Friday, the 8th instant), for Shronell, at 12 o'clock.

Shaw—January 8th, at Newicastle, Co. Down, Ernest James third son of the late James Thompson Shaw, of Limerick, aged 25 years. Funeral for Friendshap, on Monday, January 1131.

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MANGOLDS-There were 6 loads which at 17s to 18s per ton. CARROTS-There were 6 loads in m

sold at 28s to 25s per ton. THURSDAY'S WERRLY CATTLE MA were 5 cows and 9 sheep in market, beef from £12 to £14; sheep, 35s to SATURDAY'S WERLY CATTLE MA were 17 cows and 35 calves in market from £14 to £18; calves, 25s to 50s.

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Saturday, 16—Limerick: Kilf Kilrush. In places marked thus (') a pig the previous day. Eanis monthly fair is held on the

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of each month.

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