

you will be  
ough to grant Monday, the  
as a general holiday. In  
they wish to put out, that, owing  
to their arrangements on Sunday  
instances assistants would have to  
the Saturday, thereby curtailing their  
iday, or returning for business on  
these circumstances, the Committee  
will give this your kind consideration.  
Your favourable reply,

I am, dear Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
P. B. RYAN, Secretary.

[REPLY]

Limerick, 19th Dec., 1903.  
Secretary, Drapers' Club, Limerick.  
—In reply to your favour of the  
which we were unable to answer,  
and pleasure in giving Monday, the  
as an additional Christmas holiday,  
I wish all who will benefit  
weather and a happy Christmas with  
us.

We are, dear Sir,  
faithfully yours,  
WILLIAM TODD & Co.,  
CANNOCK & CO., LTD.  
JOHN MCGRATH & Co.  
that effects are being made  
smaller drapery houses to fall into  
the day can be made a general  
march the better.

## ICK HOLIDAY RACES

which have filled very well make  
gramme of the St. Stephen's Day  
Saturday next. This annual re-  
enjoys a large measure of patron-  
southern racetracks, and with the  
offered this year, there is no need to  
that the meeting will not be as  
ever. The Executive with its  
secretary, Mr. W. A. Delaney, has  
the details to the utmost satisfac-  
tory, there is every anticipation of a  
nd up to the day at Greenpark,  
usual of a mixed order, three steeples  
two hurdles race.

## PETTY SESSIONS.

(OM OUT CORRESPONDENT.)

ding magistrates at Ennis Petty  
Court were—Messrs. M. S. Gibson,  
Conor, R.M., C. J. Egan, M. P.  
McNamee, and J. W. Scott.

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the case was adjourned for the  
defendant.

THE SEASIDE GREETINGS.

loss of the business, Mr. Gibson  
leagues and the court officials of  
the season, which were heartily

## RATION OF CLARE TENANT.

faction is expressed by the residents  
on the restoration of Mr. John  
H. V. McNamee, D.L. Mr.  
possessed some years ago, and the  
ion of the landlord in remunerating  
able farm is a matter for extreme  
caution.

## E PENSIONS ACT.

entworth Ward.

of the Glenworth Ward hub-  
held in the Carnegie Free  
Sunday night, Mr. McNamee Prede-  
Also present—Father Devane,  
Johnson, Ford, Sherry, and Mr.  
Xenos, 12 of whom were granted at  
three adjourned owing to claim-  
anted outdoor relief. This makes

EVANS and Company, George street, and  
senior partner of Cleeve Brothers, Limerick,  
London, and Liverpool.

Notwithstanding the exacting responsibilities  
of business, Sir Thomas found time to identify  
himself with the public life of the city, with  
which, needless to say, he was so intimately  
and sympathetically bound up. On the  
passing of the Local Government Act  
he was returned as one of the Councillors for the  
Custom House Ward, and remained in office till  
1902, when he did not seek re-election. In 1906  
he sought election as a Councillor for the Castle  
Ward, and was returned at the head of the poll,  
retiring this year on the old Council going out  
in January. He was first High Sheriff of the  
city under the Local Government Act, being  
appointed in 1899; during the Mayoralty of  
Mr. John Daly, and held office for two years in  
succession. Again in the present year Sir  
Thomas was placed first on the list by the  
Council for the Sheriffy, and was once more  
selected by his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant  
to that exalted office, the traditions of which he  
worthily upheld with dignity and proverbial  
hospitality.

On the occasion of the visit to Dublin  
of her late Majesty Queen Victoria  
in 1900 Sir Thomas represented the  
city in his capacity as High Sheriff, and here, as  
he had done many a time and oft, he showed his  
generous warm-hearted interest in his employees  
by organising a huge excursion to the metropolis.  
The accompaniments were very ably played by  
Miss T. Massy Egan.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES

was then kindly undertaken by Archdeacon  
Wynne, who said he had been asked to do so in  
the unavoidable absence of the Bishop in Dublin  
and who regretted he was unable to be present.

Miss Mercer explained that the prizes in  
other years were given as the result of the  
Easter examinations, but this year on account  
of an outbreak of measles they had no Easter  
examination, and so the prizes which she  
adjudged herself, were given to the children for  
diligence in their studies and good attendance  
during the year. She had at first intended  
giving only a limited number of prizes but she  
found that all the children had been so good  
and had done so well during the year that they  
deserved recognition, though all the prizes  
might not be of the same value.

The Archdeacon then distributed the prizes  
of which the following is a list:—

INTERMEDIATE PUPILS.

Kos Waters, E. Barker, E. Eakin, H. Harris.  
All passed in every subject.

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worth," the Archdeacon of Athlone awarded a  
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SCHOOL PRIZES.

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Prosser, E. Watson, O. Eakin, H. Watson, H.  
Anderson.

Middle Division—F. Cooke, B. Harris, M.  
Harnett, D. Greene, H. Oxke, G. Waters, A.  
Waters, G. Sewell.

Infant School—J. Watson, D. Pike, J. Winter,  
M. Cooke, M. Alexander, J. Jones, E. Dawson, J.  
Eakin, E. Dawson, D. Kidd, E. Pike, M. Wat-  
son, W. Sewell, O. Jones, J. E. Ludlow, G.  
Winter, A. Cooke, J. Ledger, R. Mitchell.

Mr. A. J. Eakin, in proposing a vote of  
thanks to Archdeacon Wynne, for coming to  
distribute the prizes, remarked that since the  
Archdeacon came to Limerick he had taken the  
greatest possible interest in the youth of the  
city, and particularly in the youth of that insti-  
tution (hear, hear) by presenting prizes for  
various subjects. He had also devoted a great  
deal of his time to the teaching of Esperanto  
an excellent illustration of which they  
had that evening (applause). They had  
enjoyed an admirable programme, and they  
owed a great deal of thanks to the young lady  
who presided at the piano, Miss Massy Egan  
(applause). Having paid a high tribute to the  
care and attention bestowed on the children,  
and the high educational training imparted to  
them by Miss Mercer, Miss Croton, and Miss  
Harrold, the speaker said they were all sorry  
that they had not with them, as in former years,  
the Rev. J. Dowd (hear, hear). They all deeply  
regretted his illness, and sympathised with him  
and his family, and hoped he would soon be  
restored to his usual health (hear, hear).

Archdeacon Wynne said it did not require any  
persuasion to induce him to come there. He  
felt the greatest possible interest there in

We have been requested to state that the  
County Limerick Hounds will not meet on Mon-  
day next at Croon, in consequence of the death  
of Sir Thomas O'Leary.

and CLOTHING COMPANY. Nazareth by the  
sojourner class, and Miss H. Watson gave with  
confidence a recitation "It wouldn't be  
right," and caught the fancy of the house. A  
Christmas Carol, "Cold Breaks," was sung by  
the school, and then Master W. Barker gave  
a touching recitation, "Somebody's Mother."  
In very expressive style. "In the Meadows"  
was very tastefully sung by Miss F. Cooke and  
class. Miss V. Prosser ably recited a pathetic  
"City Tale"—a story of Poor Little Jim  
was deservedly applauded. One of the  
prettiest numbers of the evening was  
"The Children's Home," which was sung with  
great taste, expression, and sweetness by  
Miss Gladys Pike and applauded to the echo.  
Master W. Sewell very capably recited "The  
Tempest." The infant class sang "What are  
they made of," and Miss L. Eakin's recited  
"Babyland," very brightly indeed. "The  
Autumn Birds" (song) by the school, was a  
very pretty "morceau," and Master D. Kidd con-  
vinced the audience by his account of the  
naughty boy who stole what he thought was  
candy, but which turned out to be a better in-  
gredient—mustard. "The New Year" was sung  
by the senior class, and Master G. Water again  
contributed to the humour of the evening by his  
account of the treatment of poor baby while  
left to the tender mercy of an elder brother.  
"Good Night" by the Infant Class proved an  
appropriate finale to an excellent programme.  
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Miss T. Massy Egan.

DEATH OF A CO. LIMERICK  
MAN.

The death has just taken place of Mr. John  
O'Brien, member of an old and respected county  
family, at the residence of his brother-in-law,  
Mr. James O'Regan, 4 Somerville terrace,  
N.C.R., Dublin. Mr. O'Brien spent 27 years  
in the service of the Nation's Bank, mostly in  
Midleton, Gorey, and Ballyboden branches, and made  
many friends in these centres. He retired a few  
years back owing to failing health.

## GLIN PETTY SESSIONS.

Before Messrs. J. Woulfe Flanagan, R.M.,  
and P. Fitzgerald.

LICENSING PROSECUTION.

Patrick Burdett was prosecuted for infringing  
the Licensing Act on the 10th.

Evidence having been given, the bench did not  
consider that the charge could be sustained, and  
dismissed it.

DISMISSAL.

A man named Scanlan was charged with the  
larceny of two gees, but a preliminary objection  
having been raised for the defence, the case was  
dismissed without prejudice.

ASSAULT.

Edward O'regan, Michael McElligott,  
Edward Dore, T. Fitzgerald, and Patrick  
O'Shea were prosecuted for assaulting Daniel  
Conway, James Hennessy, J. Egan, and Michael  
Collane on the 10th.

From the evidence it transpired that the pro-  
secutors were employed in the capacity of  
beaters at the Glin coursing meeting, and in this  
way they incurred the hostility of the defendants.

Dore denied that he was actuated by any  
feelings other than those of a friendly nature  
towards the Coursing Club.

Mr. Flanagan, who alone adjudicated in this  
case, imposed fines ranging from 5s to 20s on  
the defendants who were represented by Mr. P.  
T. Liston, solicitor.

## PERPETRATORS OF MALICIOUS INJURIES.

LYNCH AND SPAIN.

At a special meeting of the Glin District  
Council on Thursday, Mr. P. J. Fitzgerald  
presiding, a resolution was adopted con-  
demning of the perpetration of malicious  
injuries in the district. The Council described  
these injuries as dastardly and cowardly.

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Mr. P. Purcell presided at the meeting of the  
Glin District Council on Tuesday when  
Mr. P. McDermott was unanimously co-opted  
to fill the vacancy in the Dromana Electoral  
Division.

The Clerk produced the Arbitrator's award for

land proposed to be acquired in connection

with the cottage scheme so that there might be  
no further delay in initiating the scheme.

CITY FURNISHING COMPANY.

Residents in the city, as well as visitors,  
should bear in mind that in the City Furniture  
Company's extensive premises, Patrick street,  
is stocked a splendid collection of all kinds of  
furniture.

The showrooms, which are in the  
ground floor are large and well lighted, so that  
visitors need experience no difficulty in making  
a selection. The prices are extremely moderate,  
when quality and workmanship are taken into

account. So that in this establishment the city

has an admirable addition to the other furnish-  
ing warehouses. Drawing, dining, and bedroom  
suites are offered in great variety, and everyone  
of them is a fine criterion of the skill of the  
workmen.

Writing desks and mirrors, and a

hundred and one other articles of furniture are

shown, while there is a splendid stock of carpets

Kidderminster, Donegal, etc., to select from.

The Company in addition have a fine stock of

linoleum and tiling, which is offered at

moderate prices, also a collection of pictures

framed and unframed, whose subjects are the

best guarantee of their worth.

## The Xmas Present Men Like Most.

PRESENTS MEN LIKE MOST—Handsome Gold

or Silver-Mounted Partridge, Nigbert, Coonie,

Apeeta or Baku Walking Sticks. Large varieties

at G'Doran's Tobacconist, George Street.

CRYSTALLISED FRUITS.

TRY ABOVE.

Michael Egan

9, 10, & 11 PATRICK STREET

AND

ELLEN STREET,

LIMERICK.

Telephone : No. 98.

dealt solely in bicycles, but gradually other  
branches were taken in until now the premises  
represent much of what one finds in the iron-  
mongery trade. The firm are agents for as many  
as ten make of bicycles, the most conspicuous  
among them being the Merlin, with  
which a guarantee for five years is  
given. They are makers of the machine  
called the "Garryowen," a durable mite, and  
one thoroughly suitable for Limerick and  
district. Repairs are extensively carried out by  
expert tradesmen, and accessories supplied at a  
reasonable cost. Joyce and Co. deal largely in  
second hand furniture, which is procured at all  
the leading auctions and private sales. There is  
at present in stock a great variety of metal  
goods, and pictures of considerable antiquity  
and rareness.

Mrs. Cole, wife of the last witness, said when  
the deceased couple left on Thursday they were  
quite cheerful.

The Coroner said letters found in Wintle's

portmanteau showed a passionate devotion on

the part of the young woman for the deceased

man, who seemed to have excited in her a strong

affection. In one letter Miss Clarke advised

Wintle to keep from drink, she was glad he

was living with total abstinence.

At this point the inquiry was adjourned.

CLARE INFIRMARY.

The nurses, past and present, of the Clare  
County Infirmary, are taking advantage of the  
tenth anniversary of the appointment of Miss  
Neylon as matron, to present her with a token of  
their personal regard and appreciation of her  
services during that time to the institution  
and the keen interest always taken by her in  
the nursing staff. The presentation will take

the form of a beautifully mounted lady's dressing  
bag fully fitted, accompanied by a very handsomely  
framed address which is being executed at  
the Ennis Convent.

The Xmas Present Men Like  
Most.

PRESENTS MEN LIKE MOST—Peterson's and  
Loewe's, Baden, and other makers of Briar

at the link immediately it was from itself against the liner's side with wide jaws. As the Oruya left the scene of the battle water was tinged with the shark's

## DEATH OF SIR THOS. H. CLEEVE, D.L.

MISTLETOE LEAVES.

probably not new to all readers because it is very obvious, but it never occurred to me that if you happen to see a large bunch of which appears to have about two hundred you can mildly surprise your friends by telling them that if no accident has befallen any of us, the number of leaves is exactly 366. If you saw a very huge bunch which had more than 10,000 leaves but not so many as 366 you could confidently state that if it was a specimen, the exact number of leaves must

COUNT OF KAID MACLEAN'S RANSOM.  
Civil Contingencies Fund accounts contain a statement that the sum of £90,000 was advanced for the count of Kaid Sir Harry MacLean, captured by and that £500 was advanced for the safety of Mr. R. Abbott, captured by brigands at

THE OLDEST SURGEON.  
Royal College of Surgeons has sent a copy letter to Surgeon-Major Henry B. of Glastonbury, South Australia, who was born month in 1813, and is the oldest member college. Surgeon Major Hinton enjoys health, and takes a walk of five miles each

## JT AND ABOUT.

Night of Kerry, who is in London, in extensive alterations carried out at report of the funeral of the late W. Vandwier, the list of those who calls should have included the names and late J. S. Vanderkiste. It should be stated that the late Captain Vander as Major of the Limerick Battalion Lad's Brigade since it was founded.

Leared, according to a Dungarvan court, that a man named Dwyer lost his toppling off the quay in the dark on night. cries were heard, and a boy that he saw a man's head over the water. A book bearing the name "James Dwyer" on the quay, but so far the matter is in mystery.

works, illuminations, and other rejoicings organized to welcome home to Adare doomsday evening Lady Ardee and her daughter. This will be the first visit to her ladyship since her marriage.

sath is announced of Mr. J. H. Peard,

the eldest son of Mr. J. B. Peard,

occurred in Cork, on Wednesday,

g an operation for appendicitis. He had

Secretary and Clerk of the Course to

mix Park Club since July last, and

vd the duties connected with these rules

efficient manner. He was only in his

## ELRIC POWER STATION

### Threatened Strike.

Light the city was threatened with a wing to the attitude of the employees

Electric Power Station towards a former

of the staff, who was restored to his

on Thursday night. The Electric

Committee met specially last night to

the situation, notices having been

through the city that the electric supply

cut off at 8 p.m. Negotiations are

leading with a view to a settlement of

it. It is expected that matters will be

one way or the other on Monday night

other meeting will be held.

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## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

we much pleasure in publishing the

Draper's Club, 90, George Street, Limerick, 14th Dec., 1908.

I am instructed by the Committee to write you in reference to the Xmas Holidays.

that you have for many years conceded to the request of this give an extra holiday at Xmas, the s. now. Desire that you will be sought to grant Monday, the 1st as a general holiday. In

they wish to present, that owing to instances assistants would have

## HIGH SCHOOL.

### RICHMOND HOUSE.

#### Prize Day.

Wednesday was a "re-letter-day" or evening, whichever you care to term it, at the High School, Richmond House. It marked the arrival once again of that time—that happy time—in the lives of the children, and which we, of the older generation can recall with feelings of pleasure as happening in our own day—the breaking up for the Christmas holidays. It is doubtful if any vacation of the year is looked forward to with more pleasure. For are there not before the little ones all the innocent enjoyment and mirth, the good things and the toys which are inseparable from the season of Yuletide. A good beginning of the season's joys was made on Wednesday evening with the concert and prize distribution. The rooms in which the entertainment took place bore quite a festive appearance, decorated as they were with evergreens and seasonal mottoes, and what of the children themselves? Dressed in their best "bib and tucker," and beaming with delight and pleasure at the opportunity of showing what they knew—and undoubtedly they knew a wonderful lot for their ages—before their parents and friends, they went through the excellent programme which was conducted under the able management of Miss Croston, with all that childish earnestness and glee which made it very refreshing and extremely interesting to follow the performances from start to finish. From the point of view of deportment, as well as literary and musical training, the pupils—a large number of whom are mere "dots"—displayed wonderful prodigy which reflects the highest credit on the Principal of the School, Miss Mercer, and her assistants, Miss Croston and Miss Hartnett.

MULLIGAN BROS. AND TODD.

At Messrs. Mulligan Bros. and Todd's Warehouse, Shannon street, there is an interesting show of goods in view. In addition to being cycle agents of long standing the firm stock a wide selection of sportsman's requisites and make a speciality of many of these. That popular winter pastime known as hockey, which counts on many devotees in the city has evidently received much attention from the proprietors of this concern. They keep a vast number of hockey sticks and hockey balls as well as golf clubs and golf sticks. Messrs. Mulligan Bros. and Todd are agents for three well-known makers of bicycles—the Humber, Badge-Whitworth, and Triumph. The firm also deal largely in cycle accessories, and effect repairs which give the highest satisfaction. As an indication of the growth of the business, the firm has now branch depots in Cork, Ennis, and Tralee.

O'MAHONY & CO.

Messrs. O'Mahony & Co., George Street, stationers and fancy dealers, supply much of what people are looking for at this period of the year, and at moderate prices having regard to the quality of the goods. Every description of

stationery is stocked, and just now the shop presents an animated appearance. Irish newspaper, hand-made mail, is offered in great variety, as are Christmas cards, leather goods, a wide selection of books, and religious objects.

As vendors of Christmas and New Year cards the firm has always been held in high repute. Very many of the cards are, to say the least, chaste works of art, and now with the crop of bilingualists which the study of the Irish language has raised, the firm have arranged that their customers shall have their cards in whatever language they like. The supply of chatelaine bags, dressing cases, work baskets is extensive, and before making a purchase in this respect a visit is invited.

WALLACE AND CO.

At the old established firm of Wallace and Co. there is on view a most attractive and varied display of useful articles, specially adapted for Christmas presents. The large stock of jewellery is of the most interesting and comprehensive character. It embraces every article to be met with in the most up-to-date establishment in any city, and the prices are made to suit those who indulge in the luxury of jewellery buying. Wedding rings are offered in great variety; also ladies' and gentlemen's watches, in gold, silver, and gun-metal; clocks, eight-day and other makes; and gold, silver, and brass ornament, suitable and most appropriate for Christmas gifts, occupy many trays in the establishment of Wallace and Co., George-street, where brilliantly arranged windows are always a source of attraction at this season of the year.

JOYCE & CO.

Joyce and Co. have within a very brief space of time organized an extensive business at No. 5 Rutland street. At the outset, the management dealt solely in bicycles, but gradually other branches were taken until now the premises represent much of what one finds in the ironmongery trade. The firm are agents for as many

as ten makers of bicycles, and

the second part opened with the singing of that touching composition, "Nazareth" by the color class, and Miss H. Watson gave with

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## Stop Press News

### CHRISTMAS IN THE SHOPS.

J. P. NEWSOM & CO.

Moors J. P. Newsom and Co. are making an elaborate display of goods specially adapted for the Xmas season. A look into their spacious establishment in William Street will convince one of the extent of their preparations as well as revealing the extent and variety of their stock. Every part of the premises is taken up with ironmongery goods of all sorts, while the assistants are as busy as they can be attending to the wants of customers, and making up orders received through the post. There is a big show of open and closed ranges on view, while cooking utensils, always very much in use at Xmas time, are largely exhibited. Handsome coal vases in wood, copper, and brass, occupy not a little of the space in the concern, while an attractive display is made in fixtures, which include some beautiful specimens of upholstered armchairs, dining-room chairs, smokes and sideboards. The stock of electroplated goods is immense, and from this an appropriate present could be selected at a small cost. While if one chooses he could go a long way be liked. This is a house that should be visited by the housewife in search of durable goods.

MALDON, NOON.

The son, who is Daniel Frederick James, is still alive, but it is anticipated that he cannot live through the day. It is reported that two other persons are being detained in connection with the tragedy, but the nature of the charge is not stated.

MALDON, LATER.

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Police Inspector Giggings said the prisoners after their arrest stated their brother Fred was in their company till after 11 o'clock last night.

The accused, who, it is understood, deny their guilt, were remanded.

BOTTLED WHISKEY FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Will be put up in neat packages.

FAMOUS OLD GLENLIVET SCOTCH WHISKEY.

OF GREAT AGE AND GUARANTEED THOROUGHLY MATURED.

CHAMPAGNES.

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All Special Cuvees and Best Vintages.

Quotations on Application.

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BOALONGER.

PORTS.

SANDMAN'S AND COOKBURNS

Vintage, '90. Bottled '93.

OLD TAWNY PORT at 5s per doz.

A speciality. A light after dinner wine.

A SPLENDID PORT at 3s.

The Corseted maid letters found in Wintle's portmanteau showed a passionate devotion to

## LATEST NEWS

### TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS

[Special to the Chronicle]

ANOTHER ENGLISH TRAGEDY.

TWO MEN SHOT DEAD.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

At Maldon, Essex, last night, Mr. Frederick James Cole, a member of the Maldon Town Council, and his son-in-law, a man named Kitchen, were shot dead with a revolver by a farmer's son, who afterwards turned the weapon upon himself, and now lies in a critical condition. There had been family differences, and Cole, the younger, had recently been bound over to keep the peace towards both deceased, and Mr. Cole had also obtained an injunction order against his son.

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