

traffic as compared with period of 1891. Under the gers a considerable amount is derived from first-class third-class passengers, whilst 800 is chargeable to those d-class. The receipts from travellers exhibit a decrease it but in numbers also. The class passengers during the sthing over a million and a a total of 1,540,000 of all onnd-class passenger is ap- hng, though the travelling rovided for him by the Great sstern Railway is of the best ctory description. Some t section of the community, , have advanced to the dignity he first-class, whose total has ar three thousand, and very others have gone to swell the fifty thousand in the number third-class. The working decrease of £84 1s 7d. Dur- : the permanent way has been es th an 656 tons of steel rails oated sleepers having been uirements of the Board of : automatic continuous brakes ied with, and also the block ater-locking have been almost the new station at Cork will d. The new lines from Head- re and from Killorglin to ported to be in a forward oped they will be opened for ic. The cost of construction, many unforeseen difficulties, bout £100,000 over the Govern- d the sums secured by county e question of providing good ation along the line has been ion since the last half yearly he subject was mentioned. As eliberation the Directors "are amend that hotels constructed adopted in Switzerland and stricts, and kept open only for n. should be provided. These either let to suitable tenants e company in connection with hotel. If the shareholders scheme, they should authorise seek powers to expend about is object." The scheme, if l confer a great boon upon the

but proceeded to Cape Town, not Natal, to take up the practice of Dr Nangle, also an Irishman.

P.Y.M.A. LITERARY CLASS.—A debate of an exceedingly interesting nature has been arranged for Friday evening next, 18th inst, at the usual hour. The subject will be—"That the British Nation are descendants of the ten Lost Tribes of the House of Israel." Several gentlemen well versed in the subject have consented to take part in the discussion.

THE DROWNING FATALITY NEAR THE DISTILLERY.—The body of the young gentleman, Mr John Ryan, whose sad end by drowning we reported in our last issue, has not yet been recovered, although a diligent search is being made by the fishermen. The utmost sympathy is expressed with Mr John Ryan, solicitor, the uncle of the deceased, and other relatives.

A SUCCESSFUL LIMERICK STUDENT.—At the recent Entrance Examination in Trinity College, Mr Herbert J. Sullivan, son of Mr G. Sullivan, of this city was successful. His answering was unusually high, reaching 50 per cent. in Geometry, and an average of over 60 per cent. in Classics. Mr Sullivan was also successful at the Term Examination on the next ten days after entrance. He was wholly under the tuition of Mr Mercer, of Leamy School.

THE LATE MRS SPILLANE.—The funeral of this venerable and deeply-lamented lady left her late residence, Hartstonge street, yesterday morning for Grange, where the interment took place. The cortege was exceedingly large and representative, and very many carriages were sent by residents of the city and county. The chief mourners included—Mr Wm Spillane, J P, son; and Messrs Spillane (2), grandsons of the deceased. Messrs M'Carthy and Son carried out the funeral arrangements.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.—Sexagesima Sunday—Matins, 11.30; Venite, Russell, in A flat; Chants, Heathcote and Stewart; Service, Te Deum and Jubilate, Garrett, in D; Hymn, No. 32; Communion Service, Garrett, in D; Offertory Sentences, Barnby; Preacher, Rev. J. W. F. Hudson, Succentor. Even-song 3.30—Chants, Randall, in E, and Turle, in G; Service, Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Garrett, in D; Anthem, "It is Enough"; Trio, "Lift Thine Eyes"; Chorus, "He Watches over Israel," from the Elijah, Mendelssohn; Preacher, Canon Haydn, LL.D.; Hymn after Sermon, No. 35.

LOCAL QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.—The following questions appear on the notice paper of the House of Commons:—Mr O'Keefe—To ask the Postmaster-General, if steps will be taken to give to the City of Limerick the benefits by the new system of the acceleration of the mails from England and Dublin to the South of Ireland. Mr William Redmond—To ask the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, whether the Government will give facilities for the passing of an Act to place the Clare County Infirmary under popular control, in the same way as the Galway Hospital Act, 1892, placed the Galway Infirmary under the control of an elected board.

CONCERT IN AID OF BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL.—A concert of a very attractive character will be held on Shrove Tuesday, the 14th of February, in the Athenaeum, in aid of the funds of Barrington's Hospital.

TOWNSEND.

The Hon. John Fitz-Henry Townshend of the High Court of Admiralty, died at 30 Fitzwilliam-street, Dublin, on 17th inst. Judge Townshend, who was an L.D.D. of Trinity College, Dublin, was called to the Bar at the Sittings, 1894. Some years afterward made a Queen's Counsel; in 1877 he was appointed a Bencher of the Honorable Society of King's Inns; and in 1867 he was appointed a Conservative administration, Judge of the Court of Admiralty. He was one of the members of the Masonic Order in this country, and for years he held the position of Grand Master of Ireland, and subsequently came Grand King of the Grand Chapter of the Order. By the death of Judge Townshend, the Court of Admiralty, under the Judicature Act, 1875, have a separate existence as a court. The jurisdiction of the court will be transferred to a judge of another court.

MARTIN'S PRIVATE FAMILY HOTEL, DUBLIN.

A Limerick medical gentleman, who a few weeks back has been staying at Martin's Family Hotel, 38, 39 and 40, Lower Mount-street, Dublin, speaks in the highest and most complimentary terms of the establishment, as regards the kindness and attention that visitors receive, and the moderate charges which are the rule of the hotel. The sanitary arrangements are perfect, and those who seek comfort and convenience will find everything here to meet their requirements. We may remark that the hotel has been patronised by several County families, one lady having been resident sixteen years, and a gentleman for fifty years. As already stated, a highly-esteemed Limerick gentleman speaks most favourably of the hotel, and certain his valuable and spontaneous testimonial will be duly appreciated by the court and the proprietors, Mr Martin, and his staff. The hotel has been in existence since the year 1875, and contains no less than thirty rooms. The coffee-room is large and well ventilated, and altogether it is a most complete establishment and fully up to modern requirements.

IRISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, LIMERICK BRANCH.

A meeting of this branch of the Association was held this afternoon in the D'O'Connell Buildings, Cornwallis street. The meeting was occupied by Dr Hayes, J.P., Bathcoole, who were also present—Dr J. Holmes, Limerick; Dr O'Brien, Pallaskey; Dr O'Callaghan, Pallas; Dr Connolly, Caherconlish; Dr O'Brien, Clarina.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mr John H. Lee, Secretary, and approved.

After several matters affecting the interests of the profession had been discussed,

The following resolution was adopted:—The proposition of Dr Holmes, seconded by Dr O'Brien:—"That this meeting be read and carefully considered the following resolution, namely, the Superannuation of Poor Law Unions, and the Charity Acts Amendment Bill—about introduced for the improvement of the Union Medical Officers, considers these proposals as fairly satisfactory, as making a certain provision for helpless old age, and also redressing the particularly harassing grievances of dispensary medical officers have been subjected."