

interests of the fisheries, a most important industry for the country, the resolution will have the desired effect with the powers that be.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Fuel Fund Concert.

The promoters of the Concert in aid of the City Fuel and Blanket Fund are using every endeavour to make the entertainment, which takes place in the Theatre Royal on Friday night, a thorough success. They will have the services of a host of talent. Amongst the artistes are Mr. Joseph O'Mara, Miss Agnes Treacy (Dublin), soprano; Miss Alice McCarthy (Dublin), violinist; Mr. Clyde Twelvetrees (Dublin), cellist, and Mr. T. Collins (Dublin), tenor; as well as Mr. John Cahill, Mrs. Nunan, Mrs. J. Hartigan, and Miss D. Boland, and Mr. C. Kendal Irwin, I.S.M. We hope to see a crowded house.

"Kissing the Book."

Technically, the form of oath by "kissing the Book" has not been abolished but superseded. No form of oath can be abolished or prohibited by Parliament without repealing 1 and 2 Vict., c. 105—the statutory right of every person sworn, for any purpose whatever, to be sworn in any form and manner which he may choose and define, and which he declares to be binding on his conscience. The old form may, therefore, be demanded by a witness, but none says a contemporary, appears disposed to insist upon it. The necessity for holding the Book in the uplifted hand causes some confusion.

CITY DISTRESS GRANT.

First Instalment.

The Local Government Board has forwarded a letter to the Town Clerk in reply to a communication received applying for a grant under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905. The Board has now given instructions for payment of a sum of £200 as a contribution towards the City Distress Committee's expenses under the Act, whose provisions had been complied with in the way of issuing an appeal to the citizens for voluntary subscriptions. Application for a further grant in aid of the Committee's expenses would be entertained on a report from the Board's inspector as to the manner in which the sum transmitted would be disposed of.

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Proposed Introduction Into Ireland.

Protest by the Irish Horse Dealers' Association.

Clonmel, Wednesday.

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Mrs. Bridget Moloney, who was struck by a goods train on the 11th December, sustaining a fracture of the right hip, and also the loss of her left foot, succumbed on Sunday at Nenagh Union Hospital. She declined to allow amputation, with the result that death supervened from septic poisoning.

A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Thomas Burrell Skinner, 61st Prince of Wales' Own Pioneers, eldest son of Colonel Mounier Skinner, R.E., Rumleigh, Devon, and grandson of the late Judge Litton, Ardavilling, County Cork, and Mona Isobel, youngest daughter of the late Robert Lidwell Brown, Clonboy, Co. Clare.

Yesterday Mr. Charles Calob Cooto Webb, D.L., Kilmore, Nenagh, and Mr. Arnold Le Poer Power, Abbeyville, Clonmel, were sworn in as High and Sub-Sheriff, respectively, before Mr. F. W. Day, a Commissioner for taking affidavits. The returning officers are Messrs T. F. O'Connell and Sons, Kildare Street, Dublin.

The death has taken place at his residence, Clonmel, at the age of 92, of Mr. Wm. Ryan, who was one of the best known solicitors in Ireland. He was solicitor to the Clonmel Corporation and to the local branch of the National Bank for many years, and was engaged in some remarkable cases. Some years ago he retired from practice.

DEATH OF DR. T. J. GELSTON.

We regret extremely to announce the death of Dr. Thomas J. Gelston, M.D., which took place at his residence, 74 George street, this morning, after an illness of some seven weeks duration. Dr. Gelston was eldest son of the late Dr. R. R. Gelston, and the oldest surviving member of an old and highly respected Limerick family. He was a gentleman of scholarly attributes, an eminent member of the medical profession, and of a kindly and most charitable disposition. In the City of Limerick he enjoyed an extensive practice, and his counsel was frequently sought and always respected. After reading a distinguished course he obtained his degree of Medical Doctor in the Queen's College, now the University College, Cork. He took up practice in the city, and after a brief space of time had established a reputation as a practitioner of great ability. In his time he held many public appointments, all of which he filled to the satisfaction of his authorities and with credit to himself. He was ever zealous for the welfare of his patients, and in everything that appertains to the pursuit of an exacting profession he was diligent and painstaking. His public appointments, which he resigned some years ago, included a dispensary medical officership, and visting medical officer of the Limerick Male and Female Prisons. He was also on the honorary medical staffs of the County Infirmary and Barrington's Hospital, and his work in these institutions, as indeed in every instance where his services were required, constituted him a practitioner of ripe experience and recognised ability and skill. Socially he was a gentleman whose friendship was courted, and now that he has passed away his memory will remain green in the hearts of those who knew him best. We tender our sympathy to the members of his family in their great sorrow.

The funeral will take place on Monday morning at ten o'clock from his late residence for the family burial place St. Munchin's.

LARCENY CHARGE.

At the City Police Court, yesterday, Mr. E. F. Hickson, R.M., remanded James Dwyer and his wife Margaret on a charge of being concerned in

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