

NTION.

T E D. LIMERICK.

CO. MAYO.

CHARGE OF ADMINISTERING POISON.

ael Doherty was indicted for administering with intent to murder one Marcus Price, sr., living at Ballycastle, Co. Mayo, on the 10th October, 1910.

accused pleaded not guilty, and was not specially represented.

rs J. B. Powell, K.C., and H. Denning sd to prosecute in this and other cases.

pening the case, Mr. Powell stated that was married twenty-five years, twenty-one of which he spent in Scotland. Four years ago he resided at Ballycastle, and had made arrangements for the sale of his farm, with intent to return to Scotland. On the 26th October the prisoner, who had already been put on his trial in Price's house, and returned from Ballycastle with some whiskey. They drank the contents of a noggin bottle, and subsequently prisoner drank a pint bottle of the same liquor and Price a glass which he noticed was

After drinking it he became very ill, likened it to boiling lead. So bad was the case that he did not get over the effects last May.

prosecutor was called, and bore counsel's statement. He added that there was no one in the house that day except Doherty, who occasionally visited him. He insisted that the prisoner drank him the liquid which caused his illness.

Margaret Price, wife of the last witness, stated she was not at home when her husband got ill, but she was aware that there was a corrosive substance in the house when leaving, but it was not until when she returned home.

Professor Moss, National University, deposed after making an analysis of a quantity of liquor recovered from the police, and ascertained that it contained a corrosive poison.

The jury found the prisoner guilty, and he was sentenced to death for sentence.

CHARGE OF BRIBERY.
William Anderson, a road contractor, was charged, and pleaded not guilty to a charge of offering to bribe one Patrick J. Garvey, by offering of a half sovereign to him, he having been Assistant County Surveyor under the Mayo County Council.

Mr. R. Naish (instructed by Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan, solicitor), defended.

The evidence went to show that the offer was made by a letter, and for the defence it was sought to be shown that of the two Garveys one should have been indicted.

The jury retired, and after a short absence returned the prisoner guilty, and sentence was pronounced.

ASSAULTING BAILIFFS.
James Killeen and Michael Killeen were indicted, and pleaded not guilty to doing grievous bodily harm to John Joyce, Michael Joyce, Daniel Dagnell, and Joseph Murray, Sheriff's officers, at Castlebar, on the 24th August.

Mr. R. Naish (instructed by Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan, solicitor), defended the accused, who pleaded not guilty.

The evidence was to the effect that accompanied a body of police, the bailiffs went to execute a

Secretary to the Irish Unionist members, expressed the hope that the people of Great Britain would realise that there was no point in the coming struggle at which the opposition of Ulster Unionists would cease, and no form of Home Rule could be devised which would secure their acquiescence. Should Home Rule pass under the Parliament Act, a Provisional Council would be established in Ulster which, while taking effectual measures to preserve the peace, would maintain the claim of the minority to remain citizens of the United Kingdom. Apart altogether from the Unionist Party, there was a strong and growing opinion in Ireland in opposition to Home Rule. The great improvement which had taken place in Irish trade during recent years would be arrested by the passage of a Home Rule Bill, which would inaugurate a period of civil strife, and bring ruin upon Ireland. As to the forthcoming raid upon the British Treasury to finance Home Rule, he challenged Mr. Birrell to produce the grounds for his statement that, if Home Rule was refused, the present Irish deficit would double itself in ten or fifteen years, a deficiency which had only arisen since Mr. Birrell had been Chief Secretary.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. PATRICK HARTIGAN.

The funeral of the late Mr. Patrick Hartigan, eldest son of the late Mr. Thomas Hartigan, Ballynanty, Limerick, who passed away on the 27th instant, took place on Wednesday from St. Munchin's R.C. Church for Mount St. Laurence Cemetery. The cortege was of very large proportions, testifying to the high esteem in which the deceased was held, and the sympathy which is expressed with his relatives in their sorrow.

The chief mourners were—John Hartigan (brother); Mrs. O'Neill, Mrs. Carew, Molly and Maggie Hartigan (sisters); John O'Neill and Michael Carew (brothers-in-law); Timothy Enright (uncle); Thomas Mulcair, and John Ambrose (uncles-in-law); Rev. Fr. Hartigan, C.C. (Askeaton), Michael King, James Enright, Thos. Hartigan, Patrick McCormack, Thomas McInerney (cousins).

The clergy present were—Rev. Fr. Begley, C.C., St. Munchin's; Rev. Fr. Hartigan, C.C., Askeaton; Very Rev. Fr. Bernard, and the Rev. Fr. Francis, officiated at the grave.

Very Rev. A. Murphy, P.P., St. Munchin's; Very Rev. Fr. Bonaventura, O.F.M.; Rev. Fr. Conway, C.C., St. Munchin's, and the Rev. Fr. M. Murphy, O.C.C., were unavoidably absent.

WOMEN AS JURORS.

U.S. Judge's Instructions Disobeyed

It has remained for a jury of women to attempt to defy a judge and the law (rather than commit what they felt was an injustice. The case was tried at Tropic, California, and, as often happens, no legal crime could be proved, though the jury were certain of the man's guilt.

An employer was charged by a fifteen-year-old boy with withholding his wages. Judge Melrose instructed them, on a legal point, to return a verdict of "not guilty." A jury of men would not have hesitated, but the astonished judge saw the ladies file out of court to consider their decision. When they returned there was a heated dialogue between the judge and the jury.

It began with the announcement by the foreman (Mrs. Myra Shuey) to the gasping judge: "We find the defendant guilty as charged."

"Why have you disobeyed my clear instructions?" was the indignant question from the

the Council composed of farmers, all County Councils. That vote is in the Department, and I cannot go beyond what had the desire.

IRISH RAILWAY ST

In the House of Commons.

Mr. Devlin asked the President of the Board of Trade whether he was aware that the number of men displaced by the re-arrangement of the railway lines in Ireland was as follows:—Tralee, 12; Dundalk, 61; Amiens Street, Dublin, 16; Broadstone, Dublin, 52; Sallins, 9; Limerick Junction, 4; Kilkenny, 5; Rosslare, 13; Mallow, 6; Wexford, 2; Kilmallock, 2; Portarlington, 1; Kildare, 2; Cork, 13; total—413. The railway directors undertook as the settlement of the dispute that the men should be taken back as remaining as soon as possible. Was he aware that distress prevailed in the men who had not been taken back, and he was aware that the men not taken back were not taking the whole of their contributions to sick and benefit funds, into which have been paying for 29 years; seeing that public opinion in favour of the reinstatement of the view of all the circumstances, the Board of Trade would exercise its power to bring about an immediate reinstatement of men.

Mr. Buxton—I am not aware of the matter as stated, and I fear I cannot say more.

MAINTENANCE OF

Kilmallock Rural D

At the meeting of Kilmallock Rural District Council, Mr. John Carroll, J.P., presiding

A letter was read from Mr. M. J. O'Sullivan, Assistant County Secretary, in which he stated that the County Council had under consideration the proposal to reduce the County Surveyor's estimate for the maintenance of roads and public works in the Kilmallock Rural District for the financial year ending March, 1912, by the sum of £1,000. In reference thereto he was directed to consider the manner in which such a reduction could be effected should be indicated—must be first earmarked—as being for the maintenance of district roads, and the amount to be reduced from the main and district expenditure allocated as between the different roads. To enable the Council to consider the proposal in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies Order, he asked for copies of the Co. Surveyor's schedule of estimates to be presented at the adjourned half-yearly meeting. The following endorsement was made: "The County Surveyor will have, according to the full sum he estimates available for the years 1911 and 1912, as we estimate £1,000 unexpended of this year's estimate for March 1912."

STRANGE BUT

To the slow-thinking person and who does not appreciate the fact that the assumption of no cereal—approaches in amount the cost of the most popular rice in the market. And the most popular rice in the market is the most popular rice in the market.