

in this department of the drama, has "The New Siege of Derry," and even ardent admirers will scarcely acknowledge in that piece he acquitted himself with great dignity. Performing in company with Mr. GRAY, however, we do not deny he acquits himself exceedingly well in "You Like It." Under any circumstances it is to be hoped "the distinguished gentleman" may have a very agreeable time of it at the sixty pounds odd which have been added to pay the expenses incidental to their tour may be spent to the complete satisfaction of all parties. The Constitutional party will say nothing whatever to the contrary and can very well afford to smile while the members of the "National League," and who sympathize with them, go through the ridiculous ceremony of conferring an empty and unmeaning honour upon the heads of their quasi-political leaders. Eight years ago, we reminded our readers, that Mr. AAC BUTT and his programme of Home Rule were borne along upon the loftiest wave of popular enthusiasm; to-day both theories are buried in the one forgotten grave. The Government only needs the finger of the prophet or the moralist to point to the inevitable quietus which will soon overtake the present political movement. Possibly in a like manner of years from the present when the question is asked, Where are now the "Nationalists" and where the "Nationalism" of yesterday? the echo will answer, "Where?"

tenant J F Hennessy, 3rd Brigade South Division Royal Artillery, resigns his commission.

entries for the Red Coat Races, which will take place early this month, will not close until Friday, the 8th inst.

Lord Lieutenant has appointed Dudley Esq., of Roxborough, Loughrea, as a Deputee Lieutenant for the County of Galway.

Michael's Church—To-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, Divine Service with sermon by Rev. A. G. Ryan. Subject: "Personal Purification."

Magistrates present at the City Police this morning were Messrs J B Irwin, R.M., and William Boyd. Only two cases of drunkenness were dealt with by the Bench.

Captain H P Russell, 2nd Brigade South Division Royal Artillery, has been appointed Lieutenant, in succession to Captain A L Pringle, Royal Artillery, who resigns that appointment.

Sub-Commissioners for Clare county will sit at the Court House, Ennis, to-morrow, 2nd inst. to hear applications to fix judicial rents. It is expected that it will take a month to dispose of the cases listed for hearing from the district.

the most intense interest by all parties. The leaders of the dominant "Nationalist" party are using every effort to record all their available votes for the purpose of maintaining their present supremacy at the Board. It is to be hoped, however, that all who have the true interests of the city at heart, no matter whether they array themselves under the Conservative or the Liberal flag, will be present, and accord their votes in favour of those deemed worthy of filling the three important chairs referred to.

Our obituary notices contain this evening an announcement, which we insert with much regret, of the death, at a very early age, of Mr John D Phillips, Divisional Inspector of Police. The deceased gentleman resided for several years at Adare in this county, where he surrounded himself by a host of loving friends, who now mourn his premature removal. A most peculiarly efficient and painstaking officer, he rapidly commended himself to the favourable notice of the constabulary authorities, by whom, as by all with whom he came in contact, he was esteemed as a friend and valued as an adviser. It is highly probable that his great and increasing exertions for the detection of crime and repression of agitation in some of the wild regions of Connaught, planted in his fine physique the germs of the disease which has had such a fatal ending. We sympathize with his sorrowing friends, and his three motherless children. The mortal remains of the deceased gentleman will be interred at Clonmel on Thursday, and the funeral will meet the 11 o'clock train for that place.

THE MACKEREL FISHING.

Most favourable accounts reach us of the mackerel fishing on the west coast of Ireland. Large takes of the finest fish having taken place. The efforts of the fishermen of Kerry have been very substantially rewarded. The first catch of any importance was on the 26th ult, when 81 boxes were despatched from Smerwick to Foynes, and thence by the Waterford and Limerick railway to Limerick from whence they were sent to Dublin for distribution to the various North of England markets. On the 27th 533 boxes, or about 50 tons of fish were despatched from Smerwick, and these also found their way to Dublin. On Friday, the enormous quantity of close upon 100 tons was landed at Smerwick, and despatched to Limerick and thence to Waterford, en route, via Milford, for London. On the 29th, 560 boxes, taken at Smerwick, were received at Limerick, and forwarded to Dublin. The fish were very fine, of superior quality, and the prices vary from £3 to £3 10s per hundred. Such large supplies at the commencement of the mackerel season, when prices are generally high, are necessarily a source of wealth to all parties interested. Smerwick has, undoubtedly, as yet, proved itself to be the leading fishing station upon our coast and we are informed that Mr Corrin, of Peel, principal owner of the Manx fishing fleet, who was mainly instrumental in opening the Smerwick trade, has pronounced it as his opinion that of all the fishing grounds upon the Irish coast that of Smerwick promises to become the chief depot. We understand that Messrs Wood and Co, of Foynes, are most enterprising in disposing of the fish to the best advantage of all concerned. It is regretted that railway communication between Smerwick and Tralee does not exist, because if it did the necessity of employing steamers, which is most expensive, to transport the fish to Foynes and other ports would thus be dispensed with.

Vernon, sat in the Court with the hearing of fair rents adjourned from the sitting of the 17th inst. any last.

At the sitting of the court announced that he would hear some cases on Wednesday.

ESTATE OF MR

There were four appeals from this estate, which is situated in the neighbourhood of Newcastle. The solicitor, Charleville, opposed the claims of Mr D Leahy, solicitor for the tenants.

Michael Hunt, tenant of 31a St. 26p statute; rent, £12 10s; judicial rent £8 10s.

The tenant deposited the £15; his holding was 1 year and 18a taker of which his rent was 180 men in reclaiming a rent was fixed four years additional land; Mr O'Connell the year before he got it.

In answer to Mr O'Sullivan stated he offered the land holding in 1882; the land subsequently at £12, but refused to accept; he got towards the building of the landlord.

John Quinn

Area, 32 acres. Rent, £16 10s.

The tenant stated he had months ago on the death of the landlord, evidence as to the improvement holding, which consisted of 1000 ft of land.

The tenant's valuator stated the fair rent would be £14

Mr O'Shaughnessy—Auctioneer?

Witness—I am.

Mr O'Shaughnessy—Petent to value land?

Witness—I think so.

Maurice W. Area, 52a St. 20p, statute, £25 15s; judicial

The tenant stated that since 1849; the rent was £25 15s; he contributed £99

drainage and other improvements.

The tenant's valuator stated the fair rent would be £17 14s 6d.

Daniel O'Connell

Area, 44a Or 32p, statute valuation, £22 10s; judicial

Mr P J Duhig, C.E., tenant at £28 6s 8d.

case was £20 11s 6d; found it. In Hunt

£10 13s 9d.

The landlord, Mr O'Connell, gave evidence of each case, as given by the Commissioners.

The tenant paid with the grant never brought a new object was to increase

tenants as comfortable as possible. Mr Vernon he said he improved his land

Maurice Woulfe's case was £20 11s 6d; found it. In Hunt

£10 13s 9d.

The landlord, Mr O'Connell, gave evidence of each case, as given by the Commissioners.