

£3,000,000 which they were devoting then to the paying off of the National Debt. The proposal is now made to reduce the income tax by 1d in the £, but the income tax payers will still be called upon to pay 7d in the £, and shall at the same time be paying £5,000,000 a year of debt instead of £3,000,000. This is plunging the financial knife well into Mr Gladstone's reputation, and our financial position is not now what it was in 1874. The expenditure of to-day he attributes to Mr Gladstone's Government, which, under pressure or under conviction, proposed the large addition of £6,000,000 for the navy and for other purposes, and now the members and supporters of that Government take the present Government to task for their financial immorality, because they propose to meet the additional expenditure that had made so heavy. "Economist as I am," said Mr Goschen, "I consider that when ships have been built they should have guns, and that the guns should be provided with ammunition. I believe that last year the ammunition was seriously cut down, and in consequence new ammunition has to be provided, for if you have got new guns you must have new ammunition for them. Nor do I believe that the country will be satisfied unless you have got the coaling stations for your vessels abroad. I have always spoken in favour of economy, but I have never favoured it so far that it would reduce the services in efficiency or create panics." The criticism of Mr Gladstone and Lord Randolph on the Budget have thus ended in smoke, and the working of the Government is so much the easier.

Sergeant Hynes, who for the past four months was stationed at Mary-street, has been transferred to the Depot, Phenix Park, Sergeant Breen, William-street, taking his place.

We understand that Mr Eyre H Ievers, son of Mr J Butler Ievers, JP, Glanduff Castle, has been appointed to a Second Lieutenantcy (Supernumary) in the 4th Battalion Royal Irish Fusiliers.

In the Queen's Bench Division yesterday, before Mr Justice Johnson and Mr Justice O'Brien, Mr Hewson, in the case of the Queen v Daniel Sheahan, applied to admit to bail the prisoner, who is in Tralee Gaol, on a charge for the manslaughter of J Hayes on St Patrick's Day in a drunken row at Listowel. Mr Hart, for the Crown, did not oppose, and the motion was granted.

RAGGED SCHOOLS BAZAAR—It will be seen by advertisement that the annual Bazaar in aid of the Limerick Ragged Schools will take place in the Protestant Orphan Hall, on Thursday and Saturday next. On the latter day there will be a special attraction in a promenade concert, and also in the presence of the splendid band of the Leinster Regiment, which, with the kind per-

HURLING—Hurling matches were played on Sunday between the St John's Hurling Club and the Grocers' Assistants do., in an enclosure off the Circular Road. St John's beat the Assistants by six goals and several points to ten points. St Michael's Junior Hurling Club also played the Ballysimon junior team, the game resulting in a draw after two goals and two points had been recorded for each team.

PRESENTATION AT NEWCASTLE—Yesterday evening the parishoners of Newcastle West presented Miss Pierce with an elegant drawing-room clock, in recognition of that lady's efforts to improve and sustain the parochial choir. The presentation took place at the Provincial Bank, in the presence of a large number of the subscribers. Mrs Pounder, to whom the credit of originating the well-deserved compliment is largely due, referred in a few graceful and well chosen words when making the presentation, to the earnest and painstaking efforts of Miss Pierce, and to the success which had attended her endeavours to increase the efficiency of the choir. The Rev Canon Vance, Rector, in a few appropriate sentences, returned thanks on behalf of Miss Pierce, and the proceedings terminated most satisfactorily.

SAD FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE RAILWAY.—An accident of a harrowing nature occurred at the Waterford and Limerick Railway Terminus this morning. It appears that the express train from the Limerick Junction, which is due at the terminus at 11 o'clock, had just arrived at the platform, when a youth named Patrick Fitzgerald, aged about 14, who had been in the employment of the company, accidentally slipped off the platform on to the rails, and before anything could be done a waggon passed over his body, cutting off the unfortunate child's legs and mutilating the body so much that the poor little fellow died immediately. The deceased was conveyed with the utmost possible despatch to the waiting-room, where the body was subsequently identified by his father and mother. The coroner has been communicated with, and it is understood that an inquest will be held to-morrow, at 12 o'clock. We have been informed that the deceased was a bright little fellow and was manfully earning what little he could in order to assist his family, so that additional sympathy is experienced by the melancholy occurrence. It may be mentioned that a woman stated that she saw a tall man throw the deceased off the platform. A porter named Patrick Byrne has been arrested in connection with the fatality.

ATHENRY RAILWAY PURCHASE BILL.—The case of the Midland Great Western of Ireland Railway Bill (Athenry Railway) came before the Examiners in London yesterday, Mr Parker in the chair. Mr Saunders, QC (Mr Mails, Parliamentary Agent), appeared for the Great Western of England, who petitioned to be heard against the Bill; and Mr Pember, QC (Martin and Leshe, Parliamentary Agents), appeared to oppose the application. The Bill is promoted by the Midland Great Western, to take over the Athenry Railway, and they assert that there was no priority of contract between the Great Western and the Athenry Company. On the other hand, it is contended that, having established a line of steamers between Waterford and Millford, they were entitled to be heard against the Bill, which was an amalgamation Bill, and that in amalgamation Bill it had been estab-

CLARE INTELLIGENCE
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

THE VIOLENT ASSAULT ON PETER SWENNEY
On Sunday morning Sergeant O'Connell and a party of police from Crusheen at 1 o'clock to an adjoining town distant, and arrested in their men, named Hehir and Clune, violent assault committed on by a hurling party, on Patri for the protective interveni Gleeson, C.C. the policeman murdered. They were mar at one o'clock Mr Kilkelly, court of inquiry at the poli prisoners were brought up ar being sufficiently convales the County Infirmary, wher under medical treatment. Hehir and Clune as being c sailed him. Mr O'Meehan, have them admitted to bail pursued in the case of which was acceded to. It investigation will take plac Crusheen Petty Sessions.

CONSTABULARY
For the past few days, b County Inspector of Clare the Police throughout the place, the most efficient s of crime being selected for where their services v Amongst the latest from I stable Cornelius O'Shea, t where experience is requ force will, no doubt, rece ance through his wel and ability. He bears th the force, and was deserv comrades and the inhabit the past four years. By t recognised as deserving of his promotion is not far d at Ennis by Constable De has been transferred from

ENNIS TOWN CO.
Notices have been serv Commissioners at suit of t opponents, that the motio their election in connecti wards, is fixed for hearin on the 29th inst.

KILRUSH UNION
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

The guardians, in at weekly meeting of thi Gibson (chairman), Me J P; Daniel Molony, J Thomas Mescall, Anth Haugh, Thomas Crowl Michael Devine, Mich Morrissy, Daniel Gro Thomas McCarthy, Tho Denis Collins, Michael Michael Behan, Michae Drs Cunnihan and 1 Local Government Ins tendance.
Number of paupers previous Saturday, 316; 2; number remaining fever hospital, 5; infir Received during the