

themselves, and they did do to lessen the delay and the strike has not yet spread system, but efforts have been operation, so that the injury may be as extensive as shops will feel the result of the day, for their trade will be diminished. No persons will make Christmas purchases to avoid it, and business will be here. Christmas traffic is the public are put to any inconvenience and annoyance, dark nights is attended with all because the Directors of their duty thought fit to allow who was not a popular whom the others objected. The second question that the public have been ignored in a thoroughly disgraceful and deplorable manner. The deputations have entered a settlement, but without the sanction of the Directors yesterday, in their name, declared their surrender their authority as the hands of the porters, and made up their minds to remain till their demands are completely satisfied. The whole matter of strikes in the city should be examined into by the Chamber of Commerce, in order that such a course may be avoided as far as possible. It should be in the power of the Chamber of Commerce to employers or employees without notice, to remove any person from the city at its very busiest time. The Chamber of Commerce of such a position ought to be in a position to act as an arbitrator in such disputes. The Chamber of Commerce of Limerick is making a noble effort of drawing up an address to the Prince of Wales seems to have been in a state of insensibility and unconsciousness till the day of the next Royal visit. It is to be learned the traders have already met themselves in this matter, and a meeting is to be held to-night to try and effect a

O'Connell, Secretary of the National League, apparently contradicting the following paragraph, which appeared in our last issue:—"At a meeting of the National League held on Sunday last, Father Vaughan, P.P., presiding, the Secretary, by a majority of 65, in a house of 80 members, was ordered to rescind the resolution expressing confidence in Mr Parnell, which had appeared in the *Freeman*."

**COUNTY PETTY SESSIONS.**—The magistrates presiding at the County Petty Sessions to-day were Messrs. J. B. Irwin, R.M., and Wm. F. O'Grady. A woman named Mary Mason was charged with the larceny of a sheet and bolster case, the property of John Malone, labourer, Ballysimon. Sergeant Whelan having given evidence as to the arrest of the prisoner and the recovery of the goods, the accused in her defence disclaimed any intention of larceny, alleging that the articles by some unexplained means became attached to the bag which she had used for the purpose of carrying potatoes. The magistrates could not credit her version of the story and ordered a month's imprisonment. Wm. Behan was fined 10s and costs for drunkenness while in charge of a horse and cart. A few unimportant cases having been disposed of, the court adjourned until Thursday week.

#### DEATH OF MR HAMPDEN WILLIAM RUSSELL.

We regret to announce the death of Mr Hampden William Russell, which took place on Sunday last at the Imperial Hotel, Catherine street, after a protracted illness. His demise removes a familiar figure from our midst. Mr Russell had been about forty years in the Bank of Ireland, and for a considerable portion of that period, filled the position of sub-agent, and on leaving the institution about fifteen years ago, was granted a pension of £300 a year, in recognition of his faithful services. Mr Russell was a gentleman whose judgment and experience were highly appreciated, and he possessed many qualities which endeared him to all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was of a rather retiring disposition—kind and genial, and his unostentatious charity showed how he felt for those who were strangers to the ordinary comforts of life. He married the widow of the late Dr Robert Gabbett, and she died some years ago. It may be added that Mr Russell had been offered the managership of other banks but refused it, his desire being to live in his native city. He was a member of the Club, and most popular in social life. For the past twelve months he had been in failing health, and his death was therefore not unexpected. We sympathise with his relatives in the loss they have sustained. The funeral will leave at ten o'clock to-morrow for St. John's.

#### ADDRESS AND TESTIMONIAL TO DR. MASON.

His many friends in this district will be pleased to learn that on Saturday last Dr S. R. Mason, son-in-law of Mr Jeremiah Shine, J.P., of Ballyma-crease, Limerick, was the recipient of a handsome

crackers, cakes, and notice the creams and are remarkable for exquisite design. Having satisfied the public, he dropped over to

Messrs. P. McCauley, the oldest established hot carpet trade in the city of the firms offering this season. They comprise a magnificent stock of furniture etc.—very many articles, such as floor lamps, brackets, fancy and Japanese fold screens, a variety of Japanese articles numerous to particular

GOODWIN & Co. make novelties in Ceramic at moderate prices—Art Dresden figures, candle holders on view a select stock of designs. The advanced manufacture of beautiful decorative purposes in high class display in show rooms will well

Mr J. F. Bennis, who has got any amount of customers in his line of cakes, jams, and biscuits, in fact, suited for the best quality. As to the series of life, such as Bennis is enabled to supply at low prices.

As usual Mr Woodhams tastefully decorated with an attractive display of Christmas goods. At the same time the requisites will be found in a unique collection of ornaments, fans, etc. attractively displayed in the show rooms of Mr Hanna's, Messrs. others.

We need not do more than to Mr White's so highly appreciated at this season, we have Goggin's excellent 5s in another column, please the most fashionable Egan's whisky of excellent quality.

harm to direct the the fragrant weed to Mr Donovan has so rich a selection in George's

Our local victuallers are meeting the pressing demand at their several establishments.

For hardware, oils, and readers to Messrs. Egan Limited; R. Smith at the grocery department

In addition to Messrs. to be had at Mrs O'Hannan's, and other