

has been tested in Limerick.

Clonlara fortnightly petty sessions were held yesterday before Captain Keogh, R.M.; Mr. Runt, and Mr. Hugh Westropp. The cases discussed were of no public interest.

We understand there will be a special meeting in connection with the Bible Class in the Lecture Hall of the Protestant Young Men's Association on Monday next, at 8 o'clock, when an address by the Rev. Thos. B. Robertson, of Newmarket-Fergus, will be given. The meeting, which will be for men only, will be free to all who wish to attend.

SALE OF A SMALL FARM.—To-day Mr. F. W. McCarthy, auctioneer, sold the interest in the small farm at Cloughakeating to Mr. Thomas Kelly for £117 and fees.

THE ALTON TESTIMONIAL.—The subscribers are to meet at the Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, 28th inst., at 3 o'clock, to present their testimonial to Mr. Alton.

LITERARY CLASS PROTESTANT YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.—Last evening Mr. Joseph Alexander read his paper, the subject of which was "How to read character from the face." Mr. Alexander's paper was a careful and thoughtful exposition of the science of physiognomy and was illustrated by diagrams sketched on a black board. The room was filled to overflowing, and the sitting accommodation was quite exhausted. The Essay was lectured to with the closest attention, and the inclusion appropriate comments were made by Messrs. Bennis, Boyd, Goodwin, Hanna, and others.

SERIOUS ASSAULT.—Last evening, a woman named Jane Scanlan, Lady's Lane, was conveyed to Barrington's Hospital, suffering from a serious wound on the head, alleged to have been inflicted by a man named Macnamara. Her depositions were taken at Barrington's Hospital this morning before Mr. J. J. Cleary, when she stated that at about a quarter past 10 o'clock last night she was attacked by Macnamara, and struck three times on the head with a tongue. By the third blow she was knocked senseless. She gave no provocation for the assault. Macnamara was detained in custody until Friday.

CITY CLUB.—The annual general meeting of the members of the City Club was held on Thursday last. The report and statement of accounts having been read, were unanimously adopted. The following officers and committee for ensuing year were elected:—P. E. Bourke, High Sheriff, president; M. R. O'Connor, M.D.; M. Darr, and W. P. Ryan, C.E., vice-presidents; T. O'Brien, hon. treasurer; J. G. Wilkinson, G. R. Ryan, C.E., hon. secs. Committee—A. E. O'Keefe, H. Megee, E. G. Fitt, P. F. Graham, M.D.; F. Pollexfen, Richard Smith, P. J. Barry, T. Edger, E. C. Winter. V.S.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.—Septuagesima Sunday—Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul—Matins, 7.30 o'clock.—Venite, Turle, in D; Chants, Lord Ormington, in D, and Hayes, in G; Service, Te Deum and Jubilate, Garrett, in D; Hymn, No. 18; Communion Service, Garrett, in D; Offerory Sentences, Barnby; Preacher, the Precentor. Ven Song, 8.30 o'clock—Chants, Alcock, in A, and Aldriche, in A; Service, Magnificat and Nunc mittis, Garrett, in D; Anthem, "Wherewithal call a Young Man?" Ps. cxix. 9, Sir J. Elvey; Preacher, the Archdeacon; Hymn after Sermon, No. 347. Weekday Services at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily. Litany on Wednesday and Friday.

The Cleansing Committee met yesterday to consider the matter, the Mayor presiding. Also present—Aldermen O'Mara and Ryan; Town Councillors Anglim, Begley, Donnelly, Hartigan, Kenna, W. J. O'Donnell and Moran. Messrs. Wm. E. Corbett, City Surveyor; James Forrest, Inspector Cleansing Department, and A. C. Wallace, Secretary of Committees, were in attendance.

The demands of the men having been considered, a resolution was passed stating that the Committee considered them unreasonable, and they requested Mr. Corbett to issue placards at once for men to cleanse and repair the streets. Placards were accordingly issued for 16 carters, 30 sweepers and depot men, and 6 stone spreaders, but up to this evening no new hands have been obtained.

Meanwhile the strike continues, and the streets are in a deplorable state. There are inches of mud on the crossings, not to speak of the roadways themselves, and even in George street and Patrick street, ashes and shop refuse have not been removed for two days. The unfortunate pedestrians have to paddle away through the mud as best they can, and the strike is all the more inconvenient to the public in consequence of the inclemency of the weather. Of course the Corporation officials are powerless, and they cannot be blamed, but we trust the matter will be arranged some way or another immediately.

A meeting of the strikers was held at their society rooms, Carr street, to-day. The chairman, Michael O'Connor, explained the circumstances of the dispute, and said all they wanted was to get paid for their labour and nothing more. They would not go back to work until they got that. Another speaker declared that they were the worst paid Corporation labourers in Ireland.

THE CONDENSED MILK FACTORY STRIKE.

The strike of employees at the Condensed Milk Factory still continues, but there appears to be a prospect of an early settlement. Messrs. Shields and Whelan, of "the Gas Workers' and General Labourers' Society," to the local branch of which the strikers belong, have had an interview with the Messrs. Cleave, who have offered to select from among the hands as many as they can find employment for at the present season. As it is, the work with the present reduced staff can, so long as the dull season continues, be carried on without much difficulty. They are assisted by some outside hands, and the firm are in possession of numerous applications for employment since the strike began. The company are evidently anxious to do the best they can for their former employees, judging by the offer they have made, and we trust that there will be an amicable settlement of the dispute without delay. There has, however, been no definite arrangement up to this evening.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Mr. Joseph Foster died at his residence at Feehenagh, near Newcastle West, on Wednesday, having fallen from his cart on his way home from Newcastle West on Saturday, by which he received severe injuries. The funeral of the deceased took place yesterday and it was very largely attended.

COLEMAN'S LIEBIG'S EXTRACT OF MEAT AND MALT WINE.—A 2s 9d bottle of this celebrated wine sent free by Parcels Post for 33 stamps. Over 2,000 testimonials received from medical men.—**COLEMAN & Co., LIMITED, NORWICH.** Sold everywhere. Nov 2.

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accordance with a legal opinion publicly maintained, that the business is corporate property. By a lease of February, 1855, the Corporation Athenæum to three trustees, London, and whose places have never held the building as expressed before me "for the purpose of an institution for promotion of art," and a subsequent clause provides "that if the said trustees the Athenæum shall use, or permit to be used, the said premises otherwise for said Athenæum and the purposes thereof, or for the promotion of literature and the fine arts, or the diffusion of information, that it shall and it shall be lawful for the said Corporation and its officers to enter upon the said premises at any time, and the same shall be the same again as if the grant had been made." Through the kindness of Mr. Connolly, our law adviser, I have had the opportunity to peruse the papers lately submitted on the question, and Mr. D. F. in the course of an elaborate pointing out difficulties of a legal nature lays it down in the initial sentence—"In my opinion there has been a breach of the covenant in the lease and a right of re-entry has arisen in favour of the Athenæum as latterly conducted and carried out in accordance with the meaning of the Act. The effect of the constitution of the statute is all doubt." Nothing, I submit, can be more definite or plain on the general question of an irresponsible occupation of the premises, an absolute violation of the trust by the lease of 1855, the revision of which is limited to the Corporation, and either by common sense or public opinion I do not desire, if it can be avoided, that a question should be made the subject of a public dispute, and I believe we are perfectly capable of settling it by mutual agreement. I desire to see the persons who claim to have any interest in the Athenæum, should meet the Corporation at each side all hostile requirements, and I estimate, on a fair scheme being devised, that a profit of over £300 per annum, derived from a Corporation levy already passed, would be immediately available to endow a public library and school of art, and I trust I have not trespassed at all, but my desire in any way to forward and protect the rights of the public renders this letter an imperative duty.

I am, very faithfully,
FRANCIS
Alfred C. Wallace, Esq., Town Clerk.

THE DUBLIN, WICKLOW, AND WEXFORD RAILWAY.—The directors of this railway have resolved to recommend the payment of a dividend on the ordinary stock at the rate of 5 per cent per annum for the half-year ending on the 31st of December, 1890, carrying over to next year £27,300 and to locomotive renewal subject to audit.

Why not take advantage of a good thing this month only, to make your Spring Goods. Remember, 5s. gloves, silk handkerchiefs, &c., come at 4s 6d. Bear in mind 1 pair of boots, leggings, fancy vests, &c., come at 8s 6d. Don't you forget boots, rugs, &c., less 20 per cent. Some splendid 50s waterproof coats, come at 40s.—**C. CONNOLLY, Thomas-street.**