

he last ten or fifteen years the governments, whether of Gladstone or 7, had been endeavouring to outvie in throwing away the means by which crime can be detected, and the life of the Irish peasant or landlord protected. The informer are over. The end of the story shows that an English Ministry is not trusted to protect its instruments, and the action of the Government in releasing criminals is sufficient to convince the public force that detection is not wanted, and as the murder of mere Irish, helps on the policy of English Radicals now as it always

glad to notice that Limerick will uphold its place at the World's Fair for its lace—lace is not to be found elsewhere but by local operatives. The school which since its formation some 30 years ago has been doing such an important work in promoting the Limerick Lace Industry, will be presented at the Exhibition, and in addition this another consignment is about being sent by Mrs R. Vere O'Brien, who, it is unnecessary to say, has taken for a long time past the keenest interest in the matter of lace. Mrs O'Brien has had constantly employed a number of workers who represent some of the old lace factory hands of bygone days, and have just turned out several fine specimens. These have been on view for the past few days at the house of Mrs New-street, under whose supervision the work has been carried on. One and all of the specimens are each beautiful works of art, the floral ornamentation is delicately traced, the same old designs have been reproduced in a perfect and skilful manner. A number of people have seen the lace during the past few days and bestowed on it the highest praise. There are four beautiful specimens of tambour work to match. One is a curtain for a baby's bed and another a quilt lined with satin, and so on. We also noticed in tambour work a very pretty founce of a trellis pattern worked on a very clear net. Another exhibit is a reproduction of tambour of old Brussels lace, and we also noticed a rich and heavy pattern in cream colour worked on Bretonne net. In black lace is a beautiful specimen in which trailing flowers are worked out in the most artistic manner, and a new black founce in tambour work may also be mentioned. A scarf of very striking design in white lace is also on view. It shows a diamond pattern at each corner, with a harp in the centre, and the shamrocks are plentifully interspersed throughout. A very handsome white, or cream, scarf of floral pattern, with bunches of blue and pink berries, deserves special mention, as also a white scarf copied from Chantilly lace. Amongst the other articles are a handkerchief in needle run work, which is a very pretty idea; a cream-color fan

club who were present were—Mr N A Brophy, President; Mr R J Lee, Mr T H Kenny, Mr A Murray, Vice-Presidents; Mr B Plummer, Captain; Mr J G Wilkinson, Vice-Captain; Mr Bruce Murray, Hon Secretary and Treasurer; Mr W DeCoursey, Mr P Cronin, Mr J H DeCoursey, Mr R Nash, Mr T Ewart, Mr J B Kennedy, Mr A E O'Keefe, Members of Committee. Mr R C Baker, Alderman Counihan, JP; Mr Casey, Mr H A Earls, Mr J Ewart, Mr J F Egan, Mr M Egan, jun; Mr W B Fitt, Mr J Goodwin, jun; Mr J S Gaffney, Mr J P Gaffney, Mr S Hastings, jun; Mr A Hall, jun; Mr J P Hall, Mr Austin Hall, Mr J Haydon, Mr P Hamilton, Mr C R B Heaton-Armstrong, Mr F A Johnstone, Mr R Kane, Mr W P Ledger, Dr Malone, Mr T H Mackern, Mr J McNamara, Mr M S McCoy, Mr T Maguire, Mr J MacAuley, Mr P O'Meally, Mr C S O'Donnell, Mr P E O'Donnell, Mr G Owens, Mr H Russell, Mr J M Stack, Dr Shanahan, Mr R F Walker, Mr F R C Whidden, R N. The following attended as representatives from the Shannon Rowing Club—Mr P J Sheahan, Mr J Daly, Mr P Hogan, and Mr J Clune.

#### DEATH OF MRS K. M. HANRATTY.

The announcement of the death of Mrs Kathleen M. Hanratty, which took place at her residence, the Limerick Terminus, on Sunday evening, has evoked much regret amongst her many friends and acquaintances, and the utmost sympathy is expressed with her husband, Mr Hanratty, who is a late member of the police force and was very popular amongst his comrades and all classes of the citizens. For the last eight years Mrs Hanratty (nee Miss Clancy) had the management of the refreshment rooms at the Terminus, and some time ago she got them into her own possession. The immediate cause of death was congestion of the lungs, which developed from a severe cold which the deceased contracted some short time ago. The remains were conveyed to St Michael's Church last evening, being borne on the shoulders of Mr Hanratty's late comrades. The interment took place this afternoon at three o'clock in St Lawrence's Cemetery. The cortege was very large, and its representative character testified to the esteem and respect in which the deceased was held, and to the sympathy felt for her husband. The coffin was strewn with wreaths sent by the deceased's friends and relatives, and very artistic ones were sent by her husband and his brother Patrick, as well as a beautiful one by the members of the local Constabulary force. Rev Dr Hallinan, Adm., officiated at the grave.

#### THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF VICTORIA.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, who takes the position of Attorney-General in the newly-formed Victorian Ministry, is (says the London correspondent of the *Freeman*) the second son of the late Right Hon Sir Michael O'Loughlen, who was raised to a baronetcy in 1838, and who was the first Catholic elevated to the Bench since 1688. The O'Loughlens belong to a well-known Irish family. Sir Bryan's eldest brother, Sir Colman O'Loughlen, represented County Clare from 1863 to 1877, and was Judge Advocate General in the Gladstone Administration of 1868-70. Sir Bryan finished his education at Trinity College, Dublin, taking honours in classics and mathematics. He was called to the Irish Bar in 1856, but six years later decided to sail for Melbourne, where he speedily rose to be Crown Prosecutor, a post he held for many years. In 1877 he sought Parliamentary honours, and stood as an advanced Liberal, but was defeated by a narrow majority.

Morrison, The Mayor presided with loud cheers. In opening said he thanked them for the cour they had paid him in asking at their meeting, and he thanked for the hearty reception they was proud in his capacity as a privilege of presiding at a meeting late their fellow citizen, Mr J release (cheers and a Voice—long until we have John Daly was only the beginning of a general release of the political prisoners. The independent Irish Nationalists (cheers), and they thanked the Limerick Amnesty Association for the foundation stone for a new (cheers). From a very young years ago, amongst an honest faithful body of young men, companions of some of those organisations had swelled and again resounded with the sacred. They were told they had no right to the release of the political prisoners they did not agitate for the gaol. It was agitation, an orderly conduct and orderly behaviour meetings that had released was their future good conduct. John Daly before long (cheers) right, each and every one duty as men until such time would enjoy the freedom of (applause). They were told of Irish politicians that the system of agitation, but up for their release they would. Some said they had no right to leave at home. Others said that natives in the House had no right to ask for the release of somebody asked their release would never enjoy freedom. High Sheriff to propose the

The High Sheriff, who said he was perfectly satisfied with the innocence, which was proved in the dock. He begged the Nationalists of Limerick to tender our worthy fellow our heartfelt congratulatory Portland prison after his release for the crime of loving Ireland.

Alderman Rierdan seconded and expressed his belief in James Egan. It was really wonderful that prisoners had survived and was very glad to join with James Egan to liberty was not in a position as John Daly on his release, but by instalments, and by mercies.

Mr John M'Enery said the story of James Egan was, in fact, the story of the struggle had made against foreign domination. The release brought joy to his heart, and to his countrymen. No man could be a man with a high and proud spirit for nine weary years the servitude in an English county ville had passed away, a prisonment, and another known to the true men of P. W. Nally (cheers). They were able to congratulate one another on their