

atives are tied behind their backs by Government regulation, their eyes are blindfolded the Executive lest they should use their moral powers and bring the criminal to justice by the only way in which he can be caught. The result is the people believe the secret societies to be more powerful than the Government of the land, and they naturally obey the stronger power and give their allegiance to it.

The law of the societies they know, the law of Mr Morley they laugh at. Hence, as it was stated at the meeting, "a large proportion of the population is decidedly in sympathy with criminals, and has screened them not only from the committal of crime, but in escaping detection, by placing obstructions in the way of the police." All this is well known, and has been public property for years, and as long as the commission and detection of crime in the County of Clare was concerned, the Government of England was not in the slightest degree more than that of Mr Morley. There is nothing to choose between them, unless one had a Crimes Act which he did not have, and the other threw it away as useless.

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

are glad to notice that Limerick will uphold its name at the World's Fair for its lace—lace made elsewhere but by local operatives. The Limerick School which since its formation some years ago has been doing such an important work in reviving the Limerick Lace Industry, will be represented at the Exhibition, and in addition to this another consignment is about being sent out by Mrs R. Vere O'Brien, who, it is unnecessary to say, has taken for a long time past the liveliest interest in the matter of lace. Mrs O'Brien has had constantly employed a number of workers who represent some of the best old lace factory hands of bygone days, and have just turned out several fine specimens. These have been on view at 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, some old designs have been reproduced in a perfect and skilful manner. A number of

Fitzgerald, J.P., 32; Peter Griffin, Attavilla, Rathkeale, 27; J Hartigan, Brures, 30; F Morris, Springfield, Bunratty; J P Morrissey, Victoria Terrace, 54; Michael O'Brien, Mallow street, 36; and W L Stokes, Mulgrave street, 86. Mr T H Cleave, J.P., presided at the ballot and declared the foregoing elected.

#### ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY.

At the meeting of the Royal Irish Academy, yesterday, at 4 o'clock, the President received on behalf of the Academy, oil portraits of the Right Rev Charles Graves, D.D., Lord Bishop of Limerick (President of the Academy, 1861-1866), presented by himself; of the late Rev James Hen-thorn Todd, D.D. (President of the Academy, 1858-61), presented by Charles H. Todd, Esq., Q.C., LL.D.; and of the late Right Rev William Reeves, D.D., Bishop of Down and Connor and Dromore (President of the Academy, 1891-2), presented by the subscribers.

#### DEATH OF THE STORE-KEEPER OF LIMERICK BOAT CLUB.

A faithful old official has passed away in the person of Thomas Kinnane, Store-keeper of the Limerick Boat Club, who died at Barrington's Hospital on the 21st instant. "Tom," as he was familiarly known, was for 23 years connected with the club, and his care and attention to his duties were always recognised, and he was held in the highest esteem by the members, and by a large section of the public, to whom his name was a household word. The funeral, which took place yesterday at Mount St Laurence Cemetery, was large and representative. The members of the 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 Coughlan, JP; Mr Casey, Mr H A Earls, Mr J Ewart, Mr J P 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 Hayden, 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

been incarcerated for the years under the Treason Felony demonstration was organised by the Limerick Amnesty Association, a leading part in the agitation, and although the intelligence of the occasioned gladness to both the Nationalist party it was not possible that only a few took no part in it. Yesterday evening posters were being put up, indicating that the meeting would be held in front of the Nelson Monument, but owing to the hour when the procession started, the inclemency of the weather, this was abandoned, and the Town Hall was available for the purposes of the meeting. Some time before nine o'clock a procession of the Limerick Amnesty Association, preceded by their Town Hall, torches and tar barrels, joined in the demonstration by the processionists. At the Town Hall, a large crowd, joined in the demonstration, and the attendance at the meeting was very harmonious. Amongst those present were—The High Sheriff (Mr B. O'Donnell), the High Sheriff (Mr Alderman Riordan, Thomas O'Gorman, Limerick Amnesty Association; James J. O'Connell; John Crowe, A. J. Morrison, Henry Matthews, R. Gleeson, J. McEnery, J. McNamara, P.L.G.; D. J. P. McNamara, D. Kenneally, T. J. O'Mara, &c.

On the motion of Mr Gilligan, Mr Morrison, The Mayor presided and with loud cheers. In opening the meeting, he said he thanked them for the distinction they had paid him in asking him to be at their meeting, and he thanked them for the hearty reception they had given him. He was proud in his capacity as Mayor to have the privilege of presiding at a meeting of the late their fellow citizen, Mr James Hanratty, in release (cheers and A Voice—"In long until we have John Daly.") The meeting was only the beginning of a general demonstration for the political prisoners. They then elected Mr J. P. O'Mara as their president. The independent Irish Nationalists (cheers), and they thanked their friends for their presence, the Limerick Amnesty Association, and they thanked them for the foundation stone for Amnesty (cheers). From a very humble beginning, some years ago, amongst an honest and faithful body of young men, the friends of the political prisoners of the Limerick Rowing Club had swelled until the demonstration resounded with the sacred name of John Daly. They were told they had no right to agitate for the release of the political prisoners, they did not agitate for them in the gaol. It was agitation, and it was an orderly and lawful conduct and orderly behaviour. Meetings that had released James Hanratty was their future good conduct that they had before long (cheers). It was right, each and every one of the duty as men, until such time as they would enjoy the freedom they had (applause). They were told by a number of Irish politicians that they were a system of agitation, but unless they were released they would never be free. Some said they had no right to agitate at home. Others said that they had no right to agitate in the House of Commons. They had no right to ask for the release of the political prisoners, the fear of embarrassing the Government, somebody asked their release they would never enjoy freedom. He asked the High Sheriff to propose the first resolution. The High Sheriff, who was called on, said he was perfectly satisfied as to the innocence, which was proclaimed