

One-third of the ordinary shares will be allotted to the vendors, and the remainder, both of preference and ordinary shares is offered for subscription to the public. The list opens to-day and closes on Friday next. The business is that of the manufacture of emery, black lead, glass, emery, and flint papers, and especially that well known brand of knife polish called the "Wellington," and recognisable by the public from the well-known profile of the Iron Duke, which it has long borne. The business was established in 1833, and has been carried on since 1874 at the Wellington Mills, Westminster Bridge Road. Full particulars will be found in the advertisement, by which it will be seen the average annual profits have for the last three years amounted to nearly £28,000, and can afford to pay 10 percent on the ordinary shares after providing for the dividend on the preference shares, and still leaving a balance of over £7,000.

On Saturday last Mr John Brown, auctioneer O'Brien's Bridge, disposed of the farm of Kinnagee, near Newport, to Mr James Clifford, Silvermines, for £470 and fees. The farm contained 33 acres.

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—On Sunday a young man named Martin Hayes, aged 18, residing in the Abbey, attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat. It appears that the man had been drinking, and that he made the attempt on his life whilst suffering from the excitement of a domestic quarrel. He was treated at Barrington's Hospital, but the wound is not considered dangerous, having been inflicted by a blunt instrument.

PROPOSED EXCURSION TO FENIT.—A correspondent writes to the *Kilrush Herald* suggesting that the Lower Shannon Steamship Company should run an excursion by their new steamer "Shannon" to Tralee and Fenit this year. Some few seasons back these trips were occasionally run, and we believe pretty largely availed of by Limerick and Kilrush people. We have no doubt very many excursionists would be glad of another opportunity of enjoying the wild and striking scenery along the coast, as well as benefiting by the bracing sea-breeze. Mr Conington, who is always anxious to cater for the enjoyment of the public, will, no doubt, give the matter his consideration.

DANGEROUS ASSAULT.—On Saturday night a man named Daniel O'Halloran was admitted to Barrington's Hospital, suffering from a dangerously fractured skull, alleged to have been inflicted by Patrick Reddan. It appears that O'Halloran and his brother were drinking in a public house in Ellen street, when some dispute arose. Reddan, who was also there, interfered, and, lifting a pint measure, struck O'Halloran on the side of the head, cutting it terribly and causing a severe fracture. He was at once conveyed to Barrington's Hospital. Dr Mulcahy, who treated him, pronounced the wound to be dangerous. On Sunday Mr Guinane, J.P., attended at the hospital and took the injured man's depositions. Reddan was arrested and remanded.

REJOICINGS AT THE CONDENSED MILK FACTORY.

There were great festivities at the Condensed Milk Factory on Saturday evening, the occasion being the return to town of Mr Joseph W Cleve and his bride. The employees very energetically set about giving the happy pair a hearty reception, and accordingly triumphal arches spanned the roadway, and flags and banners were arranged on the top of the factory. At night there was a brilliant display of fireworks, which reflected very great credit on the official who carried out the arrangements. Mr and Mrs Cleve were accorded a most warm-hearted and respectful greeting.

METHODIST CHURCH.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

The annual Synod of the Limerick District opened to-day in the Methodist Church, George street, the Rev J Woods Ballard, Chairman of the district, presiding. There was a large attendance both of ministers and laymen. The returns showed an increase of twenty in membership for the district, and the finances have also increased. The following resolution was passed unanimously and signed by the Chairman and Secretary, Rev S Weir:—"That this Limerick District Synod assembled in its annual Session desires to place on record its strong conviction that the Home Rule Bill now before the Imperial Parliament would be most disastrous to the spiritual and material prosperity of this country, and most cordially to adopt as its full expression of opinion those resolutions prepared and issued by the Committee of Privileges." Copies were ordered to be forwarded to Lord Salisbury, Mr Balfour, Mr Gladstone, Mr Morley, and Mr Chamberlain. The District Temperance Meeting will be held to-night at Bedford Row Chapel. To-morrow the Conference will be continued, and the Rev Robt Boyd, M.A. Parsonstown, will preach in George-street Chapel at 8 o'clock to-morrow evening.

proving the truth of my statements.
"I am, sir, yours faithfully,
"S. O'MARA
"To Robert Fogarty, Esq., C.E."

SAD DEATH IN THE CITY.

Last evening Mr Coroner Clery held an inquest in the County Courthouse on the body of Mrs Margaret Stackpole, whose death occurred in the Limerick Workhouse on the 29th ult, under sad circumstances.

Head-Constable McNinamon, assisted by Sergeant Thomas Beatty, appeared for the Crown. Sergeant Beatty stated that the husband, who is sexton of St Munchin's Roman Catholic Church, alleged that on the morning of the 18th ult his wife received some injuries, while removing some forms in St Munchin's Church with Mrs Hewitt.

Julia Walsh, chief mid-wife at the Lying-in-Hospital, was first examined. She stated that deceased was brought to that institution on the 18th April; she complained of a pain in her back, which she stated she got by pushing the forms in the church; next morning she stated she felt all right, and left, but returned again on the following Monday, and witness noticed that deceased had signs of a black eye; she was suffering from diarrhoea and vomiting; witness got a prescription from Dr Shanahan, who came to see her the same evening; the doctor found her suffering from fever, and ordered her removal to the workhouse hospital; deceased told witness that the mark on her eye was caused by falling against the bed-post.

Dr Shanahan stated he saw deceased on the 25th April; she was suffering from diarrhoea and vomiting; and had undoubted symptoms of fever; he found a black mark on her right knee, and one near the left hip, and she also had the sign of a black eye; she was suffering from congestion of the lungs, and seemed in a very prostrate condition; her general appearance indicated fever, and he ordered her to be sent to the Workhouse Fever Hospital.

The Coroner—How long did she live?

Dr Nolan said she was admitted on the 25th, and died on the 29th.

Head-Constable McNinamon—Would the wound or mark on the abdomen cause death?

Dr Shanahan—I believe her death was caused by miscarriage, owing to violence in connection with fever.

In answer to the Coroner, Dr Shanahan said deceased told him the form struck her on the right side, but there were no marks on the right side.

Dr J R Nolan gave corroborative evidence as regards the marks on deceased. When brought to the workhouse deceased was suffering from fever which he attributed to violence; he would say the vomiting resulted from intemperance; the immediate cause of death was weak action of the heart.

A Juror said it appeared to him to be a "smothered up job" between the whole of them. The Coroner said if the speaker did not conduct himself he would take steps to have him removed.

Mrs Hewitt stated the deceased could not have sustained the injuries while removing the forms; she left the chapel for a few minutes, and then returned complaining of a pain in her side.

Dr Shanahan said he was positively of opinion that the black marks must have been caused by violence, and certainly, the mark on her side could not have been caused by a form.

Mrs O'Farrell stated the deceased sent for her on the 18th, and complained of a hurt she got while removing a form; she said she was dying; witness never saw deceased under the influence of drink.

Sergeant Beatty—Do you think the deceased and her husband had a happy life?

Witness answered to the effect that beyond ordinary little disagreements, they seemed to live happy.

Dr Shanahan, re-called, said his opinion was that the premature confinement which resulted in the death of deceased and her child, was caused by violence and fever.

Head Constable McNinamon—Do you think the fever was produced by the injuries?

Dr Shanahan—I do not say that exactly.

Head Constable McNinamon—Do you think the violence on the left side would have brought premature confinement without the fever?

Dr Shanahan—It might have.

The Coroner—It is possible that fever might bring on premature confinement?

Dr Shanahan—Of course it is. He believed the premature confinement was due to fever and violence.

Dr Nolan, re-called, stated that he agreed with Dr Shanahan as to the cause of death.

Bartholomew Stackpole, husband of the deceased, stated that on returning from Caherdavin on the 18th ult, he found his wife leaning over the desk. She complained that she was hurt while removing the forms in the chapel.

The jury returned the following verdict—"That death resulted from syncope supervening specific fever and premature confinement."

LORD DUNRAVEN'S NEW YACHT.

Messrs David and William Henderson and Co. launched on Saturday the composite cutter yacht Valkyrie, built for Lord Dunraven, from the design of Mr G L Watson. The vessel is intended to represent our country in the race for the America Cup in the autumn, and will be sailed by Captain Cranfield. She is handsomely fitted up on a similar plan to the Prince of Wales's yacht Britannia.

those military were determined to be more boisterous than the Highlanders.

The Town Clerk—Oh, the Highlanders were a most respectable regiment.

The Mayor—The officers are not to blame, except for allowing their men out at a late hour.

The Town Clerk was directed to communicate with the Commanding Officer.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ELECTION OF LIBRARIAN.

A meeting of the Committee of the Free Library was held yesterday afternoon at the Town Hall for the purpose of appointing a competent person as librarian and caretaker of the Free Public Library about to be opened by the Corporation in Lower Glentworth-street. The salary was fixed at £50 a year with apartments and fuel, and the person to be appointed was required to give security to the amount of £100. There were seventeen candidates, all of whom attended before a sub-committee at two o'clock. The report of the latter was made to the full committee, who met at four. The Mayor presided, and there were also present—Rev Dr Hallinan, Mr P J Lynch, C.E.; Alderman O'Mara, Mr W Spillane, J.P.; Mr P Herbert, T.C.; Mr J Cusack, T.C.; Mr D Begley, T.C.; Mr Edward O'Connell, Mr Donnelly, T.C.; Mr Spaig, Mr W F M'Namara, Mr James Frost, J.P.; Mr John M'Mahon, T.C.; Mr M Spain, T.C.; High Sheriff; Alderman Conihuan, J.P.; Mr J Anglin, T.C.; Mr P E Bourke, J.P.; Mr T McMahon Cregan, J.P.; Mr P Kenna, T.C.; Mr W J O'Donnell, J.P.; Mr S Dowling, J.P.; Mr McKnight, Mr R McDonnell, J.P., Town Clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read,

The Town Clerk read the report of the sub-committee, which consisted of Mr Spillane, Mr Frost, Mr Herbert, Mr P J Lynch, and Mr T H Kenny, solicitor. It stated that having carefully gone through the qualifications of the various candidates who presented themselves, they regretted to have to report that not one of the persons seeking the appointment was, in their opinion, suitable for the appointment. They, therefore, recommended that the committee should re-advertise and increase the salary to £75.

Mr Frost proposed and Mr Kenna seconded the adoption of the minutes.

Mr Donnelly—What guarantee have you that we will have a better class of candidates for £75?

Mayor—You are not bound to give £75 unless you see that they are worth it.

Mr Spillane said that after some time there would be most valuable books in the library, and he considered none of the candidates were suited for the position of Librarian. The sub-committee did not think there was a single one of them whom they would put in charge of a library if it were the property of any single one of them.

Mr McMahon asked if they could not go into the applications now?

The Mayor said it would be paying a very bad compliment to the sub-committee who had spent a couple of hours going into the matter.

Mr Donnelly thought the sub-committee were merely deputed to make a selection, and it was curious they could not make a selection out of seventeen.

Mayor—They have made no selection inasmuch as they could not recommend anyone.

Mr Lynch said that nothing could be more surprising than the ignorance of some of the candidates—they did not know where Gerald Griffin was born, what an average school-boy knew.

Mr Frost said that it surprised the sub-committee very much to observe the utter and total ignorance of the men who came before them. They could scarcely believe it possible that in a city like Limerick, respectable, intelligent looking men such as the applicants could be so thoroughly unacquainted with literature. Some of them could not tell them whether Sir Walter Scott had been an admiral of the Fleet, a doctor, or an author. They were utterly unacquainted with the name of Lord Byron, and the committee put them through other similar tests.

Alderman Conihuan observed that they could scarcely expect to get a man with the qualifications mentioned by Mr Frost for £50 a year.

Mayor—As far as I can judge from the observations of the sub-committee, the sooner we have a public library the better (laughter).

After some further discussion the report of the sub-committee was adopted, and it was decided to re-advertise.

The sub-committee were re-appointed with the addition of the name of Mr Donnelly.

The tender of Mr W J M'Carthy, for alterations and repairs to the library was accepted at £145 10s, subject to the approval of Mr Corbett, City Surveyor.

Adjourned.

DWYACED HOUSES IN KILKEE FOR SALE.—We give preliminary notice of sale by Mr Wm B Pitt, for Dr Bonyne, of three very desirable dwelling-houses, situated in Church Road, Kilkee, for sale about middle of May.

Mr Herbert Clifford, L.D.S., B.C.S.E., Resident Surgeon Dentist, 11, Upper Mallow-street, Limerick. Country patients should make an appointment by writing a few days previous to calling.

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TO DAIRY FARMERS.—Attention is directed to our Special Cures for Scour in Calves—Murrain Mixture, Inoculating Ointment, &c. Also Milking Tubes, Pure Linseed Oil, Flax Seed, Butter Preserver, Horse and Sheep Medicines. J. LATED & Co., Chemists, 118, George street.

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Deceased left a letter on economic grounds, and not consulted regarding his and therefore felt no obligation regarding his exit. He abhorred so-called Christ that his body might be h Medicine for dissection. of this world he would take start in the next, if the greatly doubted. He apolo hotel proprietor.

A verdict of suicide, sanity was returned.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

A GROOM SHOOTS HIS THEN COMM

The Press Association. Whittle, of Holyfield, G was murdered in her b Shellard, who shot her throat, and then after maid shot himself dead.

Later telegrams say: the crime. Shellard had Whittle for many years from Liverpool last nig had retired and went Taylor hearing shots fir Shellard had shot Mrs was lying on the floor.

Taylor, but fired into hi The girl rushed away he later found that Shellard in a bed, cut her thro the body succumbed to h

A further telegram says—A letter found double crime was prem lady is wife of a Tow near Manchester, and it to Gresford in consequ Shellard, who was 40; Shellard has acted as co parents, and a liaison the pair.

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SALE OF LODGES IN

particular attention Lodges in Kilkee, w Limerick on Thursd W M'Carthy, auctior comprise three first-shire House, Strand all facing the bay; house situated in A furniture and appoin 75 years at 20 per an able investment. P columns.