mit them to be brought within war. Japan has been told she way, and although in the first success she was inclined to disshes of Great Britain and Russia tany Japanese vessels appearing would be blown to bits has conthat she cannot safely disregard as of the Powers. It is impostow, or when, this very peculiar to an end. The Japanese can sey can reasonably expect from further prolonging hostilities ly hope to improve their position.

making Thursday, the 27th Deral holiday in the city, is suggested. ident whose letter we publish in nn. The concession he asks is a reasonable one, all the more so y to observed from another letter blish this evening—the monster es have granted Thursday as an liday to their employees. What ed in favour of the drapery assisvith equal fairness be pleaded the employees of the larger and implement houses. They are ng body, whose business confines e most part at least, within doors of the week to the other, and cerng that could be done to make their ation as happy as possible would be right direction. If all the large uld consent to close their houses, result to any individual, nor will f sufficient notice be given them, r. We feel certain that the the various firms will consider the ir-minded and liberal fashion, and ght to the facts which our corresairly puts forward for their consi-

centor's letter on the late Mr Evans, ord "judging" should be read and for the second "prominent," it."

s D Clifford, Chairman of the Croom uardians, and a member of the Glin ichool Board, has been sworn in a the Peace for the county before Mr. Kelly, J.P.

HILL CONVENT—The Most Rev Dr to-day performed the ceremony ing the annual prizes to the day aurel Hill Convent. Several clergylarge number of friends of the young present. An interesting programme grouph.

r—On yesterday a man named Michael admitted to Barringtons' Hospital our a contusion of the abdomen. The in had been employed as shunter on rford and Limerick Railway, and is injuries through being accidentally ween two wagons. He is progressing under Dr Mulcahy's care.

# ALLEGED MALICIOUS BURNING OF HAY.

A claim was yesterday lodged with the Secretary to the Clare Grand Jury, by Mr Charles Heaton-Armstrong, Limerick, for £100, for two cocks of hay, containing about 50 tons, and one stack of bedding, containing about 4 tons, the property of Mr John Vandeleur Phelps, which it is believed were maliciously set on fire and destroyed at Doon, Kilseely, Lower Tulla, on Friday night last.

A special meeting of the Broadford Trade and Labour League was held a Sunday night last, Mr O'Loughlin in the chair. The following resolution was proposed by Mr Martin Kennedy, seconded by Mr John M'Mahon, and passed unanimously:—"That we, the members of the Trade and Labour League, condemn in the strongest possible terms the outrage committed in this neighbourhood on Friday night last by some unknown miscreant, who maliciously burned two large ricks of hay, the property of J V Phelps, Esq, who is landlord of the district, and always deserved the esteem and friendship of the poor and his tenantry. Mr Phelps is an exceptionally good landlord; he gives employment throughout the year to numbers of labourers, distributes £20 to the poor of the locality every Christmas through the R C clergymen, and as for processes and evictions they are unknown on the estate."

### A STEWARD DROWNED.

This afternoon the body of a man was found in the Floating Dock by a yachtsman named Behan, who was sailing about in that part of the dock. The deceased, whose name was Piet Somers, had been employed as steward on board a German vessel called "The Wainstraut," which arrived in the docks about five weeks ago, and took her departure three weeks since. In the interval Somers disappeared, and the matter was reported to the police, but no trace of the missing man could be found until the melancholy discovery to-day. The body when found was in an advanced state of decomposition. On the news being conveyed to the Dock police, Constable Connell proceeded to the place, and had the body conveyed to the Morgue. The City Coroner was communicated with, and an inquest will be held to-morrow.

#### SERIOUS AFFRAY IN CLARE.

On Monday evening two men named James Kearney and Christopher Costello, were admitted to the County Infirmary, Ennis, suffering from severe injuries received in a row connected with the erection of bounds on the lands of the former at Cloontybonniv, Connolly. Several members of the families were engaged in the row. James Kearney received a blow of a spade over the left temple, which caused a fracture of the skull. Costello's wounds were not so serious. Two men named Michael Kearney and Thady Costello have been arrested, and were brought before the injured men at the Infirmary yesterday, and after the depositions of the latter had been taken by Mr A Newton Brady, R M, they were remanded to next Petty Sessions without bail.

For the Christmas Holidays, all Photographic Goods, Plates, Developers, Solio Paper, &c, &c, can be had at JOHN LAIRD & Co's, Pharmaceutical Chemists, 118 George street, Limerick.

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.—Madam Worth's Celebrated Guinea Corsets (black 25s) may be obtained from her Local Agents, Messrs Cannock and Co (Limited), Limerick. Dec. 1

Annual contains a complete record of the general, and commercial events of '94 British colony in the world. The art, educational progress, engineering project graphical progress, the law, literature politics, science, and theology of the year made the subject of special articles by co authorities in their several departments maps included last year were much com and accordingly maps have again been i showing the progress of Arctic explorat political divisions of Africa and of Austr effect of recent agreements on the boun the Congo Free State, the Cameroons, Congo, French Soudan, the Niger territo British East Africa, the war between C Japan in Korea and China, while, in videlimitation during '95 of the new bufl between Siam and Burmah, the map of been re-inserted. "Hazell's Annual" is that no establishment should be withou

#### THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRO

SIR—Please allow us, the undersigned tation," on behalf of the assistants of large drapery warehouses, through the of your highly esteemed journal, to trespective principals and managers for the kind action in granting Thursday, 27th an additional Christmas holiday, to ployees, in response to our appeal.

This generous concession speaks for it we gratefully acknowledge and accept if It will again, as in the past, tend to put the mutual feeling of "Peace and good tween employer and employee, hitherteacteristic at this festive season.

Wishing, sir, our respected princ managers a sincerely happy Christu Bright and Prosperous New Year.

We are, yours very faithfully
T R HARNETT,
A GLEESON,
D ENRIGHT,

Wesses Todd & Co

J LEYDEN,
J HEALY,
W H WALPOLE,
Company

M O'Loughlin, Messrs J McBirney

## THURSDAY 27TH AS A GENE HOLIDAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMEBICK CHI DEAR SIR-As the proprietors of Monst r Drapery Houses have gener sented to close their establishments on next, the 27th inst, I feel confident the prietors of the other large concerns classes of business will be generous make the same concession, and as an er a business which embraces a large hands, I believe the extraday would boon to many like myself, whose frience great distance. As a further reaso holiday, I am sure that, coming as it the Christmas trade is over, the extra not cause either loss or inconvenier sure, with the support of the Mayor other influential gentlemen, the idea I will be successfully carried into effect.

Trusting, that with your usual kin will insert this, and that the proper stat once taken to secure this much ression.

I am. Sir, yours truly,
ONE FAR AWAY PRO

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The Fitzgerald divorce suit concluday atternoon. The jury found a veromrs Fitzgerald and Captain Booking farthing damages against the co-respon