

under the dominion of those who are enjoying all the Government of South Africa was to southern portion of the attracted a great deal of re is a stir and activity energy which have caused e itself felt as a very e British dominion. It of unlimited possibili- beyond the dreams thin the reach of e adventurous. Re- lities find no place in and this omission has Mr Redmond. In an dress he asks Ministers lay their policy with le, Land Reform, Com- ase, Reinstatement of he Industrial condition e questions are truly which the overwhelm- Irish people are vitally y will move a second r of Amnesty on the ne has come when the s convicted under the who are and have been ergoing punishment for f insurrectionary move- Ireland, may be advant- The Parnellites have l out of the sails of the section. A "strictly the latter was held in 15 on Monday last, and he Times of the follow- e to give an account of meeting lasted three to the official statement ied in re-electing the occupy the time of the d to abolish the Consul- h is almost entirely a D Sullivan having been ths ago, in consequence

DEATH OF MR. RICHARD A. LAVERTINE B.E.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Richard A. Lavertine, B.E., eldest son of Mr. John Lavertine, of this city, which took place on the 12th instant, under peculiarly sad circumstances. Mr. Lavertine, who had been abroad for the past fifteen years, was returning home from South Africa, accompanied by his wife and child, on a visit to his parents. That joyous and long looked for meeting, was not, however, to be, for when off Maderia, North West African coast, the young gentleman became ill on board the "Norman Castle" and despite all that medical skill could do he succumbed to the ailment with which he had been attacked. We deeply sympathise with his grief stricken widow and respected parents in the poignant sorrow with which it has pleased Providence to visit them. The deceased gentleman had a distinguished and most successful career both in professional and mining pursuits. Arriving in South Africa in the year 1880, he acted as Government surveyor for the district of Pretoria. He served in the Pretoria Carbineers during the Boer war. When the Transvaal was handed over to the Boers by the British Government, Mr Lavertine was appointed Government Surveyor to the Transvaal Republic. In recent years he was extensively engaged in gold mining operations, and acted as Chief Engineer and Manager of the Clewer Gold Mining Estate, Lydenburg, and consulting engineer to several other mining companies, being held in the highest esteem by his employers. The remains of the deceased were interred at Madeira.

THE MASSACRE IN CHINA.

RESOLUTION OF TRALEE SYNOD.

At the Tralee Synod yesterday the Right Rev Dr Graves, Lord Bishop of Limerick, Ardferd and Aghadoc presiding.

The Ven Archdeacon of Aghadoc moved the suspension of the standing orders to bring before the Synod the sad and deplorable massacre of missionaries in China. He was sure it needed no words of his to express the sense of deep horror and pain brought to all their minds when reading how the Church Missionary Society's agents in China had been suffering from the fanaticism of the insurgents in that province. The matter came more home to their minds from the fact that the martyrs were connected with the Church of Ireland, and that the leader, the Rev Mr Stewart, had been one of the most celebrated and useful of modern missionaries, and had in the end laid down his life for the Gospel. He had the honour to propose the following resolution:—

"Resolved—That the news of the massacre of missionaries of the Church Missionary Society in China has been received by the members of this Synod with horror and pain, which are intensified by the fact that the missionary work in the province of Fuh-Kien is supported by the Irish Church people, and that most of the sufferers in the recent tragedy were members of the Church of Ireland. That the Synod feels bound to out-

"A (K) NIGHT IN ARMOUR" AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

The season at the Theatre Royal opens on Monday evening next, when a new and most successful Musical Drama, "A (K) Night in Armour," written by Walter Burnot and Harry Bruce, authors of "The Two Hussars," will be placed on the Boards. The engagement is for six nights, and as the plot abounds with the most amusing situations, and containing specially attractive surroundings in the way of dances and songs, it should attract crowded houses during the week. Mr Harry Bruce, as already stated part author of the play, is a comedian of exceptional talents, and he will undertake the role of "Jem Millbank" the leading character, in the drama, while Mr James Chippendale, an actor of fine comic powers, will take the part of "Bill Newgit," his pal, and another prominent part is that of "Floriline Colville," which will be placed in the hands of Miss Lallah Davis, an actress who is fast coming to the front rank in this particular branch of comedy. The production of the piece is attended with a great deal of expense, and nothing in the way of scenery, and special accessories will be wanting to make it realistic in every sense of the word. The music, written by Peter Wilson, will be performed by an augmented orchestra. The tour has been booked by Mr Alfred Davis, Business Manager to Mr H Bruce, ("The Two Hussars Company"), and who has been connected as Stage Manager with some of the leading London Theatres.

The company is at present filling an engagement before crowded houses at Accrington, and the following description of the play taken from a local paper will be of interest:—

"Great pains have been taken by the authors to make the play as realistic as possible, and Mr Harry Bruce visited Portland Prison by special permission, and obtained photographs of several scenes, so that he has been enabled to place upon the stage settings that are true to life. The first act reveals the convict settlement at Portland with convicts working in the quarries. The warden in charge happens to get injured, and one of the convicts, Jem Millbank, alias "76," arranges that his confederate, Bill Newgit, alias "27," shall circulate the tale that Jem is buried under the fallen debris, so that in the event of his effecting his escape, no hue and cry will be raised after him. As good luck will have it, Millbank successfully escapes, and observing a boat drifting out to sea makes for it with all speed. On reaching it he finds a lady insensible in it, and also discovers a portmanteau containing a suit of clothes belonging to Sir Francis Masham, a gentleman who has been clandestinely courting Floriline, the lady in question. It turns out that Masham had left the boat for a few moments to go ashore, and on his return found to his consternation that the boat had drifted out to sea. A Punch and Judy man named Domino, who is accompanied by the "Sisters Limejuice," two serio-comic singers out of engagement, happen to be on the sea, and Masham gets Domino to