

judicious management they may get through the present session, and so secure another year of office. After that the Deluge.

Mr Hickson, R.M., made his first official visit to the Police Court this morning. There were no cases for disposal.

During the past week sportsmen had a good time of it in Tralee Bay with wild duck. One gentleman shot a very large number, and is of opinion that over sixty wounded ones got away from him.

**MANCHESTER REGIMENT (63RD).**—The Regiment will leave Preston next autumn or winter for Aldershot, to be got ready for foreign service. It will probably go out after about two years at the camp.

**COURT OF CONSCIENCE.**—We have been requested to state that by order of the Mayor the Court of Conscience will, in future, be held in the City Court House at ten o'clock on Thursdays. Summonses will be issued at the Town Hall as heretofore.

**A MUNIFICENT GIFT.**—The Most Rev Dr M'Redmond, R.C. Bishop of Killaloe, has contributed the generous sum of £20 for the benefit of poor children attending the Convent Schools of Birr, Ennis, Kiltrush, Nenagh, Killaloe, Kilkee, Tulla, and Borrisokane. His Lordship's munificent gift will be most acceptable at the present time.

**DEATH OF A CENTENARIAN.**—There has just died at Pallaskenry, after a short illness, a man named Thomas Downes, whose age is stated to have been close on 102 years. The deceased, who was a butcher by trade, had a distinct recollection of many of the stirring events at the commencement of the present century. Up to a few months since he had enjoyed excellent health.

**CONCERT AND ASSAULT-AT-ARMS AT NENAGH.**—A few evenings since, at the Lecture Hall, Nenagh, a most successful Concert and Gymnastic entertainment were held. More than ordinary interest was attached to the proceedings from the fact that the members of the Ladies' Calisthenic Class gave their first performance, and a highly creditable one it was. There was a large and fashionable audience.

**TOWN COUNCIL.**—The election of Town Councillor for the Shannon Ward, in room of Mr Bryan O'Donnell, resigned, has been fixed by the Mayor (Mr Wm M Nolan) for Monday the 4th March. Friday next, the 22nd instant, will be the last day for receiving nomination papers. The vacancy is likely to give rise to a three corner contest. Mr Nolan's appointment as Mayor leaves a vacancy on the Harbour and Market Trustees, of which he will now be an *ex-officio* member.

Mr J B Irwin, R.M.—Mr Irwin, R.M., has left town to take up his duties in the County Meath, which will be his future district. His departure from Limerick, where he has resided for a period of over ten years, is much regretted by the magistrates of the several petty sessions courts with which he was so intimately associated, and also by the public generally. We wish him every success in his new sphere of duties, and feel certain he will be as popular in his new district as he has been in Limerick. Mr Hickson, R.M.,

judgment of the Lord Chief Baron, holding that an action was not maintainable against a county surveyor because of his omission to enforce the 54th section against a defaulting contractor. Special notes are given, as well as important rulings on the Barbed Wire Act of 1893. One of the features in the new edition is the important decision of Mr Justice Andrews, in *re Coleraine Commissioners*, in which that eminent judge clearly held that the word "repair" in sections 20 and 52 included the sweeping of the surface of the road. Then reference is made to the case of *Doherty*, in which the "practice prevailing in most counties of contractors applying before completion of their work for payment, County Surveyors certifying therefore, and Presentment Sessions approving thereof, has been set aside and declared illegal." Mr Brett also refers to two cases affecting the presentment and levy of county cess, one of which, that in *re Thurles Town Commissioners*, is no doubt within the recollection of many of our readers. From what we have written it will be seen that this able and very meritorious work is of the greatest advantage to the legal profession and the public, and we have no doubt that the second edition will be in as high demand as the first proved to be. The price is 7s a copy.

#### THE PALL MALL MAGAZINE.

The February issue of this high-class literary magazine contains a number of very artistic illustrations and contributions from several writers of the highest eminence. Amongst them may be mentioned "Colombe," a story of Normandy, by Minnie Buchanan Goodman. "Through Apple Land," by E. E. Macnaghten. "Westminster," by Walter Besant, in which we find a very interesting description of Royal palaces existing at various periods of history. "Looking at the Summer Palace," is the title of a paper by "China Jim." "Joan Haste," by H. Rider Haggard, reaches its twenty-first chapter. At the end of the magazine is a humorous skit on the House of Commons, in which Sir Wm Harcourt appears in a "Who'll tread on the tail of my coat" attitude.

The March number is equally attractive both from an artistic and a literary standpoint. Amongst the articles are, "A Mysterious Bridegroom," by Mrs Oliphant; "Ten Days in Burma," Lady Sykes; "Who were the first players of Polo?" A. M. K. Dehavi; "Fox-hunting. No. III.," George Roller; "The Census and the Condition of the People," W. H. Mallock; "Cavalry in the Waterloo Campaign," Major-General Sir Evelyn Wood; "Westminster," Walter Besant, in which we are presented with a view of the interior of both Houses of Parliament as it existed at the beginning of the century. "The Humours of the Month" consists of a sketch bearing a decidedly wintery aspect for the Government. It is thus described—"During the lenten season the monks of old were dependent on their stew ponds for the means of subsistence. So, in later days the three principal members of the Government—despite the cruel frost in the Midlands—having broken the ice, are angling for the Nationalist, the Social Democrat, and the Total Abstainer, whilst a little apart, the member for Northampton is engaged on his own account. A figure in the middle distance is on his way back to St Stephen's, the towers of which are just visible on the horizon. The lurid clouds betoken the gathering storm." The magazine is excellently printed, the letterpress being beautifully clear, and the paper is of a very superior quality. It is excellent value for one shilling.

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