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### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, CATHERINE PLACE.

Minister, Rev D Tilsley.—Sunday, March 23rd.  
—Morning service, 11.30 a m; Evening service, 6.30 p m. Bible Class every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All are affectionately invited.

### SALE OF DISTRESSED LADIES' WORK.

We learn that a sale of distressed ladies work and valuables is to take place at the Athenæum on Saturday, the 20th of April, and that, as on a previous occasion, there will be a stall for Limerick Lace at it. We have a lively recollection of the excellence and cheapness of the goods exhibited at the last sale, where everyone got full value for his money. We wish the sale every success, and are glad to hear it is being warmly taken up by all classes and all creeds.

### MR JOSEPH O'MARA.

The London correspondent of the *Freeman* says:—"Sir Augustus Harris has engaged Mr Joseph O'Mara as principal tenor for the forthcoming English Opera season at Drury Lane, commencing at Easter. Mr R Green has been engaged as principal baritone. Mr O'Mara has also been retained by Sir Augustus Harris for the Covent Garden Grand Opera season, the dual engagement extending over the period between Easter, and the close of the London season. Mr O'Mara is to be congratulated on receiving such an important recognition of his musical capabilities."

### DEATH OF A DISTINGUISHED IRISHMAN

We regret to observe by the *Argus* the announcement of the death of Mr James Warren, late Town Clerk of Hawthorn, Australia. Mr Warren went to reside in Bendigo in 1853. He was Chairman of the Marong Road Board, afterwards clerk of the Huntly Road Board, and subsequently secretary to the Huntly Shire Council. He was also a distinguished engineer, and enjoyed the respect and confidence of all with whom he came in contact. The late Mr James Warren was brother of Mr Edward Warren, who for many years was connected with the Provincial Bank in Limerick—a most affable, popular, and capable gentleman, widely known by the gentry of this city and county; and we are pleased to learn that Mr Edward Warren has for a considerable period held the important and lucrative position of secretary of the Huntly Shire Council, to which he was appointed when his brother was elected Town Clerk of Hawthorn about fifteen years since.

### FIRE IN CLARE CASTLE.

Our Ennis correspondent writes that a destructive fire took place in Clare Castle last night, where some extensive premises belonging to Mr Pat McSherry, one of the leading merchants of the place, were burnt to the ground. The house was a three-storied building, and Mr McSherry, up to the time of obtaining a license for his new hotel at the opposite side of the main sheet, carried on a very large grocery and spirit business there. Latterly the house had been used as a store for flour, meal, corn, etc.

### POOR LAW ELECTIONS AT NEWCASTLE WEST.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

The scrutiny for the contested seats in this Union took place in the Board room yesterday, and resulted as follows:—

electorate were recorded, and in so far as it is possible to analyse the result before the votes are formally counted, the bulk of opinion is in favour of victory for Mr Coffey. The scrutiny takes place to-morrow (Saturday).

It is stated in Limerick this evening, that Mr Coffey has been elected by some hundreds of a majority.

### IRISH V AMERICAN PIGS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

SIR:—Referring to my letter on the above subject, which appeared in your paper a few months ago, I see by the Washington report of the United States department of Agriculture, that there is a decrease in the number of pigs of 1,040,782 as compared with January, 1894. American hogs are still being slaughtered indiscriminately owing to the short supply of suitable feeding material and as a result light hogs are now being sold at under the price of heavy animals, whereas in former seasons when the light hogs were not so small as at present, these commanded a higher price; it is therefore evident that the number of heavy animals available in America later this year will be much shorter than at present and if our farmers will "bide their time" and not sacrifice their pigs now, they should have a satisfactory addition to their capital from the enhanced prices which I have every reason to expect will be obtained for Irish pork during the Summer and Autumn of this year. I have been speaking to a number of people in the Pork trade and they are all of opinion that as we approach the summer we shall see better prices for English and Irish pork, owing to the falling off in the supply of American. Farmers have been turning their attention to the breeding of a better class of Horses and Cattle. They would do well to improve the Pig also. Yours truly,

— ABRAHAM NEILL.

P.S.—American hogs have advanced 10 to 15 per cent in value during past two months and the present price of heavy animals is higher than price current at this date last year.

New King street Steam Corn Mills.  
Belfast, 21st March.

### DEATH FROM STARVATION.

Yesterday Mr Wynne E Baxter, coroner, held an inquest at the Poplar Town Hall, respecting the death of William James Knight, aged 80, an excavator, lately residing at 5, Morris-row, Bromley.—Elizabeth Knight, a poor-looking old woman, stated that her husband had been unable to work for two years. He had been very queer, and on Wednesday he died.—The Coroner: How much have you had to live on?—Witness: Oh, very little. Only what friends give us.—The Coroner: How much was that? 5s a week.—Witness: Oh, dear no, sir. We may have had 2s or 3s a week.—The Coroner: And how much did you pay for rent?—Witness: 3s, but we could not always pay it.—A Juror: A fair case of starvation.—The Coroner: Did you ever apply to the parish for relief?—Witness: Yes, sir, once, and they refused us, but said we could go into the house. We could not do that, sir. We did not want to part.—The Coroner: What did you have to eat on Wednesday?—Nothing that day, sir (sensation).—A Juror: These are the people who ought to have assistance from the parish.—The Coroner: Yes (to witness) Here's 10s worth of tickets for food.—The witness completely broke down, and her sobs prevented her speaking.—Dr Henry McCormack, of 42, Guildhall road, Bromley, said that death was due to syncope, accelerated by want of food. The wife told him they had had nothing to eat the day he was called in, and very little before.—The jury returned a verdict of natural death,

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