

CAPTURE OF A LARGE SALMON AT CASTLECONNELL.—Yesterday the fishermen on the Hermit water, which is rented for the Spring months by Mr W C Jones, had an exciting bout for a very heavy fish, which they succeeded in landing. When weighed it turned the scales at 40 lbs, and though heavier fish have been taken before, yet it is seldom that one of even 40 lbs is secured so early. So far the season has opened well, and we hope that sport will continue to improve during the season.

MICHAEL'S CHURCH—SEASON OF LENT.—On Wednesday, Services 11.30 and 8 p.m. Daily Morning Prayer (except Saturday) at 11.30 with short addresses during Holy Week. Weekly celebration each Sunday at 8 o'clock. Week-day Lectures—On Fridays at 11.30, after Morning Service—Feb 21st, The Archdeacon; 28th, Rev R Ross-Lewin; March 6th, Rev A H Tinson; 13th, Canon O'Brien; 20th, Rev W M Kealey; 27th, Canon Hackett. Also on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. Subject—"The Holy Communion"—A privilege to be fulfilled, a privilege to be enjoyed, a memorial of Christ's death, an act of self-dedication, a sacrifice of praise, a means of grace.—S. Matt, xvi, 24-25; S. Mark, ii, 20, 23.

## ELECTION OF BISHOP OF ARMAGH.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

The Synod of Armagh met to-day for the election of an *ad interim* Bishop of the Diocese. The result was that the Dean of Armagh (Very Rev George A Chadwick, D D) was elected. The bishops will meet in Dublin on the 25th instant for the purpose of electing one of their number to the Primacy, and the newly-elected Bishop of Armagh will then become Bishop of the See vacated by the new incumbent. Dean Chadwick was ordained in 1863, appointed to the diocese in 1878, and became an archbishop in 1886.

## CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE IRISH PARTY.

DILLONITES VICTORIOUS.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

London, Tuesday Evening.

The Members of the Irish Parliamentary Party met this afternoon meeting at the House of Commons to elect a leader. Among those present were Mr Justin M'Carthy, Mr T Healy, and Mr Dillon, as well as most of the other members.

The Press Association, in a later message, states that Mr Dillon was elected Chairman of the Irish Parliamentary Party by 38 votes to 21.

## JOHN'S HOSPITAL, AND MAGDALEN ASYLUM.

INTENDED FANCY FAIR.

We learn that a meeting will be held in the Athenaeum on Saturday next at three o'clock, for the purpose of arranging for the holding of a Fancy Fair this year in aid of St John's Hospital and the Magdalen Asylum, institutions which are deserving the best support of the people of the city and county. The secretaries of the undertaking are, Lady Emily, The Mayoress, Mrs B Barrington, Mrs Quin, and Mr J O'Grady. We have no doubt that the project will be taken up most energetically, and if carried out on the lines of "Garryowen" is certain, like it, to be a pronounced success.

M. DE GREEFF'S RECITALS.

A small but eminently critical audience was

## DEATH OF MADAME O'GRADY.

We deeply regret to record the unexpected and premature demise of Madame O'Grady, wife of The O'Grady, J.P., of Kibballyowen, county Limerick, who died on Sunday last after a brief illness. She was taken ill from influenza about a week ago, and though under the skilful care of Dr Gubbins, Hospital, and Dr Malone, Limerick, and the most tender care of her family, the end came rather unexpectedly, and she has passed away to the inexpressible grief of her domestic circle and friends. Madame O'Grady was a lady of varied attainments, and in fancy carving she was particularly clever. In this art she took a great interest, and was always ready to give lessons to those having a taste for the avocation. To the poor she proved a genuine friend, and her loss will be sorely felt by all who needed her help. The greatest sympathy is expressed by all creeds and classes with The O'Grady in his bereavement.

### THE FUNERAL.

(BY TELEGRAPH FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Bruff, Tuesday.

The funeral of the deceased lady took place to-day for the family ground at Knockaney. The officiating clergymen were, the Rev Canon Hemphill and Rev J R Mills, Rector of Bruff and Tullybracky. The Rev Chancellor Gabbett, of Croom; Rev Canon Hackett, Kilmallock, and Rev George Luther, Cahernorry, were present. The "Dead March in Saul" was played by Mrs Hemphill as the coffin entered the church, and after the lesson the beautiful hymn, "The Sands of Time are sinking," was sung. Canon Hemphill delivered a most feeling address testifying to the life of charity and goodness of the deceased lady. The funeral was very large and representative, showing the esteem and respect in which the late madam was held by the country families and the general public. The chief mourners were—The O'Grady, J.P. (husband); Major Richard Doyne (brother); Major John O'Grady and Mr W De R O'Grady (brothers-in-law). Amongst those present were—Lord Fermoy, Captain Standish O'Grady, Castleconnell; Mr C Wilmot Smith, J.P.; the Hon Wm C Trench, J.P.; Mr Richard Bayly, J.P.; Capt E Croker, D.L.; Mr Wm M Beauchamp, solicitor; Dr J M Gubbins, J.P.; Dr P J McNamara, J.P.; Mr T G Hare, Mr Jeremiah Shine, J.P.; Mr John Cooper-Chadwick, General Ryan, Scarteen; Mr C E Vandeleur, J.P.; Mr Cecil McLoughlin, J.P.; Mr Arthur White, Mr Edmond Bourke, Local Government Board Inspector; Mr John Van Bevan, J.P.; Mr Joseph Bevan, Glen Bevan; Mr C P Hamilton Roundtree, Mountrath; Mr John Gubbins, J.P., Bruree House; District-Inspector Lowndes, Mr Arthur Lowndes, Mr A C Hinchy, C.P.S.; Mr John Carroll, Chairman Kilmallock Board of Guardians; Mr P Coll, Clerk of Kilmallock Union; Mr M J O'Shaughnessy, Mr James Butler, Mr Geo Bennett, Mr J J Anthony, Manager Munster and Limerick Bank; Mr R M Evans, Manager National Bank; Mr G W Bennett, Mr D O'Leary, V.S.; Mr Wm Connolly, Mr P Whelan, Mr John Harris, Postmaster, Kilmallock; Mr P Fogarty, Mr T Fitzgerald, Mr James Fitzgerald, Mr James Slattery. The remains were enclosed in a handsome pannelled oak coffin, which was richly mounted with solid brass fittings, the plate of which bore the following inscription—"Elizabeth Jane O'Grady, died 16th February, 1896, aged 48 years." The coffin was covered with beautiful wreaths of spring flowers sent by Mrs Major O'Grady, Lord and Lady Fermoy, the Hon Syble Roche, Miss Roche (Carass), Mrs Roche (Dublin), Miss Bayly, Mrs Webb, Mr Arthur White, Mr R Bourke, Mrs T G Hare, Mr and Mrs Hinchy. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr O'Regan, Limerick.

### FUNERAL OF MRS. QUIN.

### CORPORATION COMMITTEES.

Mr Michael Cusack presided at the meeting of the Water Committee, and there were also present—Aldermen A Hall, J J Cleary, D R Councillors—James O'Mara, W E Counihan, McDonnell, Wm O'Connell, P MacDonnell, Donnelly, P Tracey, and the High Sheriff.

Captain Wyld reported that he had sent notice on eighteen householders cautioning them against allowing the water to run to waste on their premises.

The High Sheriff suggested that the Sanitary Officers should assist Captain Wyld detecting the waste of water.

Mr Counihan agreed with the suggestion. The Chairman—All we want is to make officials do their duty.

On the proposition of Alderman Hall a resolution was adopted directing the Sanitary Officers to undertake the duty.

### THE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At the meeting of the Improvement Committee Alderman Cleary, J.P., who presided, said he desired to call attention to the way in which Corporation business was carried on. It is creditable that the minutes of five or six meetings of a committee are not read in council, a proceeding which he held to be irregular. The business of the Corporation could not be properly conducted when the minutes were not brought and read properly and everything taken care of separately. How was a gentleman to hold his head for seven weeks the proceedings of the meetings? When he returned to the council and found things done there in a way that ought to be done. There was business passed at the Committee—contracts accepted, bills passed, orders given for an amount of goods, and he was surprised to see these things ordered and confirmed in council. That procedure induced him to propose a resolution which he was glad to adopt, that "in future no goods be ordered that committee without going before Council." If the minutes were not read and business done properly he for one would resign his position in the Council, for he did not appear at all of how the business was done, and he did not think it honest for him to remain in Council if it continued.

Mr James O'Mara—Would you be surprised to hear that the minutes of the Sanitary Committee have not been read for twelve months.

Alderman Cleary—I suppose that is the case. Mr Corbett—They were not read for twelve months exactly. The last was the 19th February 1895.

Alderman Cleary—I don't blame any one. There seems to be no head to the Corporation affairs.

Alderman Hall said when Mr Corbett was formerly a member of the Corporation there was kept what was called a rough minute book, in which a précis of the business was taken since the moment it was done before the Mayor left the chair he had to sit. Then if a question subsequently arose, that rough minute book could be availed of. Why was not a rough minute book kept now? The minutes that were kept now were not minutes at all, they were most irregular and incorrect, and he asked that an order be made recommending the Council to have a rough minute book kept for the future as heretofore.

The committee made an order accordingly. On the proposition of Alderman Hall it was decided not to specially refer to the Corporation of the minutes of the Improvement Committee which contained a recommendation that the usual allowance be made to the Clerk for putting the Corporate seal on a document, the document being a Corporation document, and the seal the property of the Corporation.

With reference to the claim of a man named Spellacy for £19, on account of injuries to his horse, which were sustained owing to a fall in the road in Thomas street,

The acting Town Clerk read a letter from the Law Adviser, in which the opinion was expressed that the Corporation had no legal defence against the claim, and the only question was the amount of the claim.