

1869 it appears, that measure had been introduced in parliament for the rivers. Since that date for salmon arose in early met by foreign men catching power this country, as was d license duty. The e duty in 1869 was amount was £10,448, an percent. But though ers has increased salmon has not roportion. As a matter increase at all for Mr ere. may have been as re are now, and, indeed, well acquainted with the n personal knowledge, rivers was very much at the present time. the Shannon had not stry. Rock structures removed and as a conse- ved themselves from e tributaries and so out ction. From various most valuable industry and development. It oh many sources of rent. What would Castle- fishery industry? and out of several hundred ive spots in this country ght almost say its ex- n its fishing. It is a ners cannot be expected s affairs are at present- he meeting that "Pri- ct had been approached dea of starting private fit of the weir owners, answer was that they spend money to breed o the rivers without any Blackwater a hatchery irs Foley," and, asks Mr is encouragement they etors held an inquiry, ting power 36 hours in d not curtailed a single Phelps did not mention at this stage of the form Government assist-

**SUPPOSED LARCENY OF A BICYCLE.**—This morn- ing a man named Joseph Cullen, described as a thimble-rigger, was arrested by Sergeant Quin on suspicion of the larceny of a bicycle. While on his way to pay his daily visit to the work- house this morning the Sergeant met Cullen, who was in possession of a valuable bicycle. Not satisfied with the explanation which Cullen was able to give, the Sergeant dispossessed him of the machine and took him into custody.

**FOREIGN MISSIONS.**—It will be seen by adver- tisement that the annual Foreign Missionary Sermons will be preached to-morrow in the Methodist Churches, George street, and Bedford Row at morning and evening services. The preachers will be the Rev J. Rhodes, West Africa; Rev W. Meara, and Rev T. Greer. On Monday evening a public Missionary meeting will be held in the Methodist Church, George street, when addresses will be delivered by the Revs J. Rhodes, W. R. Haskins, M. A. Dunganvan, and others.

**FUNERAL OF MR MICHAEL O'CONNOR.**—The funeral of the late Mr Michael O'Connor, Athlunkard-street, took place to-day. The re- mains were removed from St Mary's Roman Catholic Church this morning at half-past ten o'clock for interment in Mount St Laurence Cemetery. The cortege was of very large propor- tions, being composed of a large body of ac- quaintances and comrades, as well as many pro- minent citizens. The representative character of the procession testified to the esteem in which the deceased was universally held.

**"THE MIKADO."**—The opera practices under the conductorship of Mr Kendal Irwin, are rapidly assuming quite a finished appearance, and everything points to a very successful produc- tion. The committee have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr Scott Russell, now playing in the new opera in the Savoy Theatre, London. Owing to the great demand for seats and the heavy expenses of production, the com- mittee are compelled to increase the admission charge in dress circle from 4s to 4s 6d. This has been willingly acceded to by the public, who have applied largely for seats, even before book- ing had opened.

**ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.**—Fifth Sunday in Lent.—Morning Prayer, 11.30; Venite, Tucker; Chants, Dupuis in A and Woodward in D; Service, Te Deum and Jubilate; Benedictus, Dykes in E; Hymn, No 599, "Now the labourer's task is o'er"; Communion Service, Dykes and Barnby; Preacher, The Dean. Evening Prayer, 3.30; Chants, Flintoff in E mi, and Gauntlett in E flat; Service, Magnificat and Nunc dimittis, G F H Rogers in E flat; Anthem, "Blessed are the departed," Rev. xiv. 13, Spohr; Preacher, Rev T F Abbott, B D, V C; Hymn after sermon, No 347, "For all thy saints, who from their labours rest." Weekday services at 11 a m and 3 p m daily. Litany on Wednesday and Friday.

**ASSAULT ON A CONSTABLE.**—At the Police Court to-day, before Mr Hickson, R M, a young fellow, named Michael O'Donnell, from Boherboy, was charged at the suit of Sergeant Beckett, Cer- bally, with having assaulted Constable Benson at

Protestant Young Men's Association, Limerick and the Association at large.

"The Archbishop passed away peacefully at 6.30 this morning.

"Yours faithfully,

"T. R. S. COLLINS.

"Archibald Murray, Esq."

### ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL ORGAN RECITALS.

There was a large attendance at Mr F Mus- pratt's organ recital this afternoon, and the pro- gramme was highly appreciated. An appropriate selection at the present moment was the March Funèbre et Chant Séraphique (Guilmant), a noble composition which told forth most im- pressively, and with truly fine effect. Mrs Hammond, who possesses a soprano of much power, sang with great taste "The King of Love" (Gounod), and "Glory to Thee," by the same composer. Mr R. Evans, who was in fine voice, sang "The Shadow of the Cross" (Barri) in his usual finished and most effective style. The Intermezzo "Day Break" (Gaul), and chorus, "Hark, hark, the cymbals clash" (Ruth) was a very bright and melodi- ous item. The others were as follows:—Fantasia, Topfer; Adagio in E, Merkel; and Prière (F major), Guilmant. The final recital will take place on next Saturday afternoon, 10th April, at 3-15.

### LITERATURE.

**"IN THE SANCTUARY."** By Rev Francis Meredyth, M A, R D, Precentor of St Mary's Cathedral, Limerick: G McKern and Sons.

We cannot call to memory any similar attempt to render the Liturgy into verse. Our sacred poets have in general confined themselves to versifying passages of Scripture, and one in particular has given in the "Christian Year" a poetic sum- mary of the Church's teaching for each Sunday and holiday. The volume of Christian Poetry is now enriched by the Precentor's efforts towards presenting the prayer and collects in a poetic form. The task was a difficult one, exceedingly difficult indeed for it is impossible to see how the condensed re- ligious thought of centuries could be so well ex- pressed in any other form of words than that which has been sanctified by loving use of generation after generation of pious souls. The Rev Pre- centor Meredyth has kept close to the invaluable phraseology of these sacred possessions, and whilst breaking up the lines into metre has preserved the meaning and the spirit of these sacred compositions. The General Cor- fection and the Te Deum, the General Thank- giving and other prayers together with selection from the Collects have been versified with great poetic ability, and in a reverent spirit, which, whilst presenting well-known words in a new form, still retain the aroma of humb- le worship. To these are added a Triad of Sacred Poems—namely, "Nunc Dimittis," "A Dying Conqueror's Last Words," "Susperis and Heaven"—the whole forming a little volume full of quiet devotional sanctuary thoughts, expressed in loft- y and becoming diction.

The Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, writing Precentor Meredyth with reference to his new book, "In the Sanctuary," says—"It is a very ingenious idea, and most ingeniously executed. The Rev Frederick Langbridge, also recogniz- ing the deftness of the touch which has been