

intricate negotiations respect- which we are involved with army. The Queen's Speech e, be perused with more terest. The above-mentioned started to. The war between France has been concluded by a high the territorial relations of us are left "practically un- gh the Turkish army is at pre- sition of Thessaly. It is hoped n of the autonomous govern- s will be settled "before long." have been sent to Egypt to r position against the Khalifa, commerce has been concluded r of Abyssinia. As the West h have been brought to the g to the Continental bound- is timely to hear that assis- given to the sugar growers to present crisis. The Frontier referred to, and the necessity punitive expedition. A portion s, we learn, have not yet sub- elsewhere the operations have o a successful close." In India causes anxiety, but the famine lered at at end, and there is pitate a prosperous year, both and commerce, throughout that sion of Western India. The des with the enumeration of a ous measures of home legis- ll be seen that no reference made to China, or the sitions. As these arrange- still pending, perhaps no could be adopted. The as to be taking a leaf out of the ntian and is playing off the great snt the other. The diplomatic s holding a hand must be a and probably Lord Salisbury s own counsel as long as he

ING ON THE SHANNON.—Owing rains, fishing on above at Lime- mence until yesterday. Mr A captured two splendid fish, 40lbs netively, on Mr Eyre Powell's. On the same water the fishermen sba. The water is now in fine at a good season is anticipated.

Church.—On to-morrow (Wed- g a public meeting of special

Harley, Rev Canon Galway, LL.D.; Rev Mr Leslie, Waterford, and Rev Canon Line, St Patrick's Waterford.

The coffin was of beautifully polished oak, with brass mountings, and was preceded by a carriage bearing numerous floral tributes of handsome and unique designs. Amongst the clergymen present were—Right Rev Dr Meade Bishop of Cork, Cloyne, and Ross; Very Rev Dean Bruce, Rev F W Ainley, Rev Mr Aitkin, Rev Mr Kerr, Rev Dr McCheane, Rev G C Quick, Rev Canon Bolster, Castlemartyr; Rev Canon Daunt, Rev Canon Knox, Rev Canon Wilson, Rev G P Quirke, Rev J Worthington, Rev Mr Rogers etc.

Rev J H Leslie, Mr J Twiss, and Rev Henry Line attended as a deputation from the Waterford Y M C A.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

A SINGULAR DOCUMENT.

This afternoon Mr Coroner Clery held an in- quest at the Workhouse on the body of Francis Keane, a carpenter and a native of Limerick, who died last evening shortly after being removed into the hospital.

Mr Hetreed, D.I., assisted by Head Constable Feeney, conducted the inquiry.

Evidence was given that about six o'clock last evening the deceased was found in an insensible condition in a water closet at the railway. He was taken in charge by Constable Lavelle and driven to the Workhouse.

Henry O'Neill, Catherine Place, stated he knew deceased for about ten years and saw him about 11 o'clock on Saturday last in Cecil Street; up to that he had not seen him for a year and a half; he stated he had been in hospital for a broken leg, but did not mention what hospital; witness scarcely recognized him on Saturday, he was thin and wasted; he was a native of Limerick, and witness was afraid he neglected himself judging by his appearance; he told him he had been in Limerick only three days.

Mr Dundon, Master, said that the deceased was brought to the Union last evening; the doctor and priest were immediately sent for, but he died almost on being received; on a search of his clothes a card was found which contained the words: "I never belonged to any secret society, nor did I ever inform on any one. I am afraid those fellows who are after me will murder me." These words were written on an ordinary relief ticket, which bore the date "2/2/98"; he had been in the hospital suffering from a sore leg, having been admitted on 29th January, and he took his discharge on 1st February.

Dr Nolan deposed to a *post mortem* examination made by himself and Dr Mulcahy.

The Coroner—There is an insinuation that he died of starvation. Did you find any food in the stomach?

Dr Nolan—Very little.

Dr Mulcahy—The man was badly nourished; the stomach showed indications of that.

Dr Nolan submitted a report signed by Dr Mulcahy, which stated that death was due to syncope. The deceased was in a very low condition from want of nourishment and this must have affected his mind, and caused him to write as he did on the card.

The jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes, and complimented railway porter Lynch and Constable Lavelle on the promptness with which they removed the man for medical assistance.

THE RECENT FIRE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

companies were even in competi- present time, as the Great Southern are carrying goods via Fermoy and and with the Clyde Company they s them to England. That had being twelve or thirteen months, and he was so much better for Limerick to go on. The more opposition in ti companies they had the better. It is good for the Waterford and Limer holders that that was so, because would go down. He could not agn chairman that the Waterford an people were treating Limerick as t and he quoted the instance that th merchants in Manchester were o ainst them, because the Wal- rick Company apparently did e of steamers put on from Wat- uip Canal.

Mr Shaw said that the Waterford s Company had favoured the Emer steamers from the beginning.

After some discussion on this point Mr McDonnell proceeding, said think it was a question for the traders to consider whether a larger dividend was made by the Waterford rick Company. He thought the ques was whether it would be an advant two routes or services from Limerick one.

The Chairman—I have not got a Waterford and Limerick, but as you in the question between the Great S the Waterford and Limerick, a great think it would not be to the s Limerick.

Mr McDonnell—In the past I have best to support the Waterford and Limer had my sympathy at all events, beca that two lines to Limerick are better

The Chairman—Well, I think two- ing goods and cattle to England is b Limerick people than one.

Mr McDonnell—That is what I th

The Chairman—And if the Great i hold of this Dungarvan line the other have no chance (hear, hear).

Mr Quinsaid he agreed to a certain Mr McDonnell, but, taking the ques anything that would injure the Wa Limerick would be a loss to the cit should take that into account. The questions, however, he would like to upon. The Great Southern Compan he could make out, made an offer to more line. Would the Waterford a Company be prepared to make a co It is hard for us to say why ought n Southern and Western Company he when there is no other purchaser.

Mr Shaw—There is another pu Rosslyn Company.

Mr Quin—I think Mr MacDonne about the London traffic. If the Gr took up this line I think that the in Great Western of England would l Great Southern. They are at pre from Milford to Waterford, and th would they abandon that?

Mr MacDonnell—I understand th run a better service from Waterford.

The Chairman—That is what you but have you any guarantee. We what arrangements the Great Southe with the Great Western.

Mr Quin—Supposing they throw t with the Great Southern then that co have a complete monopoly.

Mr Shaw—That is it.

Mr Quin—We could then only s