

floods, in this the case in the valley of the Shannon. In the County of Limerick, like the other parts of Ireland, the information which we have been enabled to glean on the state of the crops is most satisfactory, and the County Clerk also tells a similar tale. A report on the potato crop presented by the Believing Officers at the Ennis Board of Guardians yesterday, showed that while there were some isolated cases of failure, yet, as a general rule, the crop is doing well in every direction. It is a matter of no ordinary gratification to find that the Irish harvest prospects are so encouraging all round, and with a continuance of seasonable weather, there is good reason to hope that the return of 1898 will be beyond the average of recent years. In England the prospect appears to be equally satisfactory with regard to meadows and cereals, though, as in this country the young root crops would be improved by a little rain. In parts of Wales the farmers have been unfortunate with regard to these latter crops owing to the cold and wet weather which lasted into mid-June. Re-sowing became necessary in many districts, and, in addition, the fly had been pursuing its destructive work to a serious extent. The oat crop suffered from wireworm, and it is declared that in one particular county the charlock pest is prevalent to an extent seldom experienced. So that in some important respects the conditions have not been the brightest for the Gallant Principality. Scotland, too, has suffered from adverse weather during the spring. We notice from the latest review in the Times on agriculture, to which we have already referred with regard to Great Britain, that "in a number of counties the oats crop, especially on broken-up land, has had a hard struggle against the attacks of wireworms and leather-jackets. The turnip-fly has been very active, even in counties as far apart as Ross and Dumfries, whilst extensive re-sowings of root crops have been necessary in Aberdeen and Banff. In certain counties—Caithness, for example—continued wet delayed re-sowing, and as a consequence considerable breadths have been seeded at an unusually late date for so high a latitude." Still, it would seem that the general outlook in "Benny Scotland" is by no means discouraging.

We can scarcely agree with the arguments adduced at the Corporation at Tuesday's meeting against the efforts which are being made to have the Winter Assizes occasionally held in Limerick. One is that the traders would be

up the appointment of District Manager in Cork of the Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mr Ryan formerly had charge of the station at Bruree, where he was held in much esteem by the public. He was no less popular in Emly, and while his departure is greatly regretted, he carries with him to his new sphere of duties the congratulations of his numerous friends, and the good wishes of the public generally.

THE LATE MR J J O'SULLIVAN, KILMALLOCK.—A large and representative meeting of the people of Kilmallock and district was held on Sunday in furtherance of the proposed memorial to the late Mr J J O'Sullivan. The chair was occupied by Mr Robert Coll, J.P. Letters regretting their inability to attend were read from Rev Father O'Donnell, Mr Thomas A Walsh, Charleville, and Mr H Cagney, Kilsnane. The Chairman said the people of that district felt it a duty to erect a memorial to one who was universally beloved; and he was sure they would raise one worthy of the memory of their departed friend. A numerous and influential committee were then appointed to make arrangements for the carrying out of the project, and substantial subscriptions were received.

GILCHRIST LECTURES IN LIMERICK.

A series of Gilchrist Lectures will be delivered in Limerick towards the end of the year, and are certain to prove of great interest and profit. A communication has been received by the Town Clerk from the Gilchrist Educational Trust stating that Dr Roberts, M.A., D.Sc., intends visiting Limerick on the 23rd September, and will address a public meeting to be convened and presided over by the Mayor. The representatives of the different public bodies and societies in the city will be invited, and also the working men and trade representatives. The subject of the address will be "The origin and aims of the Gilchrist trust, and the relations of its working to some of the educational problems of the day."

SAD DROWNING CASE.

On Monday evening a water bailiff named Patrick O'Brien met his death under peculiarly sad circumstances in the river at Barrington's Quay. It appears the deceased was the only occupant of a boat in which he was about to proceed to his station at Newtown. It is supposed that on his way he was seized with a fit, as the result of an affection of the heart, and his head and portion of his body dropped over the edge of the boat, and while in this position he was suffocated before discovered. Yesterday an inquest on the body was held by Dr Clery, and a verdict of death through accidental drowning was returned. The deceased was about forty years of age.

ROXBORO' ROAD SCHOOLS.

Mr T M Healy will to-day, says the Nation's London correspondent, return to the position of the Roxboro' Road Schools, Limerick, and will ask the Chief Secretary what has been the result on the school of the resolution of the House disapproving of the last scheme of the Educational Endowment Commissioners; have the Commissioners declined to frame a new scheme and allowed the Act to lapse without anything being done, and refused to take any steps to deal with the existing tenant or enforce his covenant to repair; can the legal opinion on which the Educational

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