

while the latter spoke on the Church, Rev. W. B. Merrick the subject of Colportage, and a zen up in aid of the District Col-

morning the members of the ministerial—joined in the reception, administered by Rev. J. Rev. B. E. Gentleman. The social business of the Synod was to, preceded by a conversation the work of God in the tone of the conversation was sidering the circumstances under tant work is carried on in the sports of the Home Division s were fairly satisfactory, and sistentation fund of the church consideration from the people. ing of the Clare Mission was d discussion, and a resolution was ference to it. The question of a nerick also came up for considera- ing circuits applied for grants sion Fund—Limerick, Clough- kane, Rathkeale, Ballinasloe, lowing lay gentlemen were elected es of the district to the coming rk: Messrs R. Hanna, F. P. Cooke, Humphries, J. Shier, Alex. r Lynham, M. D., and T. R. Hill. itage was elected supplementary e, and Revs. W. B. Merrick and supplementary representatives. e, B.A., received permission to ce. Rev. B. E. Gentleman and Isford were nominated as repre- he Orphan General Committee, as elected as representative to the s the Orphan Society. Rev. J. s elected representative of the tationing Committee of the Con- ren's Fund, Chapel Fund, Super- business were also attended to. ew church were approved, and ms of business being transacted, ough to a conclusion. gratulation was then passed to aid on his attaining his ministerial s in active work.

a large public meeting was held Methodist Church, when Rev. R. preached before the district from "Man receiveth sinners." There tendance and a good influence. iness had to be transacted after- synod closed at a late hour.

OUTRAGE IN A ARE CHURCH.

Ennis, Thursday.
ched here of a horrible sacrilegi- hich was committed during the any Parish Chapel, East Clare. been made to wreck the hand- ar. The pretty marble arch e Tabernacle is almost shattered portions of bricks piked away. e Tabernacle was also injured, ing been made evidently by the mash it open by means of some ich were lying on the altar. The orn away, a hole being burned

and January last seven poisoned pieces of money and sentenced to two months' imprisonment in default of paying a fine of £5 that was then inflicted.

Mr. Moley, solicitor, appealed to the magistrates on behalf of Meade, whose recognisance was sought to be estreated, to have the case adjourned for three months, as in the means time Meade, who was in delicate health, intended to recoup his sureties in the amount by which they were held responsible, and which had been estreated in full last court. He trusted that the reasonableness of his appeal would have the desired effect upon their worships.

District Inspector Morley having no objection, it was decided that the case should stand over for six months.

LIMERICK NO 1 DISTRICT COUNCIL.

An adjourned quarterly meeting of the Limerick District Council (No. 1) was held today in the County Courthouse, Mr. Wm. Nunan, J.P., presiding, and there was a large attendance of members, with Mr. Horan, County Surveyor, and Mr. J. Guinane, Clerk of the Council. There were 103 contracts for maintenance, and four for new works. The question of direct labour cropped up incidentally in connection with some of the tenders, but for the most part, where there was more than one tender the contracts were accepted. A motion by Mr. Naughton to adjourn the consideration of the tenders was not accepted. In a few cases where the laborers sent in tenders they were accepted as contractors.

AWFULLY SUDDEN DEATH.

An awfully sudden death is reported from Croom today. A woman named Alice Kennedy, wife of Patrick Kennedy, who is employed at Sir David Roche's, Carass, was visited by a neighbour when she complained that she had a pain in the stomach. She, however, made light of her ailment, and said she would get up. She did so, but immediately on rising fell dead. The sad event has evoked much sympathy in the district for the bereaved husband.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE LIMERICK BUTTER CASE.

THE OTHER SIDE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.
SIR,—Re your report of the butter prosecution case in Limerick for excessive water in butter consigned by us to Mr. Robert Gibson, and as our names appear in this report in anything but a favourable light, we shall esteem it a favour if, for the sake of common fairness, you will publish our version of the transaction, as we were in no way represented at the trial, and had no means

evening, with the usual crowd of men surrounding him. To these he was adventures since he last saw them.

"There nivr was such a city as Lir th' wurrkin' man," he said, "He's there. Whin I went there, furst lab'rrers sthruck—an' not fur a rise ayther."

"An' what did they strike fur, asked one of his hearers.

"Well, ye see, thir wurk wass hea coorse, created a great sweat. So manded that theh shud get an hou to

SWIM IN THE SHANNON.

so as theh eed clane thimselfes. ca-pit-alists who hed bin prachin' a long on th' dirtiness an' onsanitar'y wurkers, turned right roun' an' seh other trends an' other wurkmen n dirty as bedamin, th' dookers av Lir as fine an' as clane-skinned a body cud be foun' anywhere. An' th' dock signs av waverin' at these slusterin' might hev become wake-kneed if pointed out to thim that thir count disignated as th' durty Irish wherive hed got a grip. So theh hurled th' into their teeth, an' struck out for th' day's wash. An' theh got it, an' go' time fur it too."

"Gorra, that wus grahd, Paddy theh dip into the water an hour a c asked one of his auditors.

"Naw. Is ye know, freedom's b begun can nivr be inded. Th' wad too wake fur thim, an' thim they c porter. An' whin I wus lavin' they v an' swimmin' in whisky—an' thir still goin' on. Begor, if enny ov ye what freedom wud be in th' ould co wance we get home Rule, ye shud go t Iverybody wants to wurk under the C an' whin wance yer there, yer job's t

"How's that, Paddy?"
"No wan dar dischargs ye. They watch or kind of polisimen, that's s nobody, thimselfes included, to wat at night They're ilycted by the Corp whin th' inspector melks a complain wan av thim, the Council

CALLS UPON THAT MAN TO RES

An' he resigns, an' goes out wid t air av resignation possible. An' he stair till the inspector comes out, s tries all he can to swape the stairs v supayrior officer. Oh, boys, but An' th' street swapers won't swap raimin' for fear av hurtin' thir healt its dry for fear av ruinin' thir c An' th' ratepayers go to the Coun bekos theh tek an intilligint interis cipal politiks, and if thir rprisintit vote an' act straight theh hammer theh get him outside. Begorra thir kneed Stalwarts there. There's no h or, if there is, nose splittin' or he comes on as the second coorse."

"It must be glorious to live there
"Av coorse it is—fur ivirybo bloated taxpayer, who's to peh l rates. Baygorrah, it was that glo left it."