

Compton, do not visit us every day. It is pronounced an entertainment such as, for all round completeness, is seldom exceeded, even in London itself.

SHANNON HOTEL, CASTLECONNELL.—The following are now staying at the above hotel:—Mr. G. C. Williams, Mr. G. W. Greenhill, Mr. W. C. Jones, Mr. W. Piers Jones, Mr. Guy Francis, Hon. E. and Mrs. Gibson, Mr. E. T. Ingham, Mr. J. L. Ingham, Mr. J. W. Stancliffe, Sir P. C. Walker, Bart. Departures:—Mr. J. M. Sing, Mr. R. Sing, Mr. T. Brooke.

RATHKEALE QUARTER SESSIONS will commence next Thursday at 11 o'clock (entry day Monday next). Crown business, ejectments, and undefended civil bills will be taken. On Friday, malicious injury applications for the division of Rathkeale and undefended civil bills. Saturday 19th, defended civil bills A to G. Monday 21st, land and equity sessions. Tuesday 22nd, defended civil bills H to Z.

PETITIONS against taking lands were before the No. 2 District Council to-day from Mr. E. Hennessy and Mr. P. Cusack, of Quinpool and Gillogue. After a long discussion it was decided by 5 to 4, (Messrs. Lane, McNamara, Frost, Vaughan, and Madden, for), Captain O'Brien, Fitzgerald, O'Regan, and Corry, against), to oppose the petitions. Messrs. Stritch and Heffernan did not vote.

SUDDEN DEATH—John O'Brien, aged 60, a carter, in the employment of Messrs Bannatyne and Sons, and residing in Garryowen, became suddenly ill while engaged at his work yesterday forenoon, and died almost immediately. At the inquest last evening, Dr Shanahan deposed that death was due to heart disease. Verdict accordingly. Deceased, we learn, had two sons at the front, one of whom was killed sometime ago.

LIMERICK MUSICAL SOCIETY.—Our readers will see by an advertisement in another column that the second concert of the season in connection with the Musical Society is fixed to take place on Friday, April 25. Those who remember the excellent treat provided at the last concert will need no reminder to induce them to attend the next. To those who did not attend, a glance at the printed programme should be sufficient indication of the rich musical treats provided by the society. The band and choir will number about 100 performers, and the conducting will be in the able hands of Mr. Kendal Irwin.

FISHING AT CASTLECONNELL—On Doonass Mr. G. C. Williams killed 5 salmon, 12½, 19½, 24½, 20½, 23½lbs. On Prospect Mr. W. Piers Jones killed 2 salmon, 36 and 39½lbs. On the same water Mr. Guy Francis killed 1 salmon, 31lbs. On Newgarden Mr. Guy Francis killed 1 salmon, 10½lbs. On Hermitage Mr. W. C. Jones killed 2 salmon, 26½ and 27½lbs. On the same fishery Mr. Guy Francis killed 2 salmon, 20 and 36lbs. On the Castle fishery Mr. J. L. Ingham killed 1 salmon, 33lbs. On the same fishery, Mr. T. Brooke killed 3 salmon, 20, 26½, and 40lbs. On the Worldsend Mr. J. L. Ingham killed 1 salmon, 31½lbs. On the same water Mr. S. C. Vansittart killed 2 salmon, 22 and 37lbs. On Landscape Hon. E. Gibson killed 1 salmon, 21½lbs.

LIMELIGHT MISSION IN THE THEATRE.

COMMENCING ON SUNDAY.

The Theatre Royal will be the scene of some unique gatherings, the building having been obtained for a week's special Mission by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sims, the well-known Canadian Even-geologists. Every seat in the building will be free,

otherwise horribly mutilated in a most barbarous fashion. The animals were the property of Patrick O'Shea, and James Lynch, both of whom reside in Chapel Lane, Rathkeale. On the outrage being reported to the Constabulary, District-Inspector Cusack, accompanied by Acting Sergeants Healy, and O'Callaghan, visited the place where the animals were injured, and traced marks of blood. No arrests have been made, but the constabulary are confident of being able to find a clue to the perpetrators of this cowardly outrage, which has brought disgrace on an otherwise, peaceable locality.

ALLEGED MALICIOUS INJURY.

Yesterday a claim was lodged with the Secretary to the Clare County Council by Mr. Thomas Kerin, D.C. Abbey House, for £85 compensation for the malicious burning of 16 tons of hay, and a common cart on which was 16 cwt. more, at Abbey, Co. Clare, on Wednesday night. Mr. Kerin is one of the most popular men in the Ballyvaughan district, and it is difficult to assign a tangible reason for the outrage.

NEARING PEACE.

The *Daily Mail* says—All the leading Boer Generals are now engaged on the question of peace. No formal proposals have yet been made to the British Government, but we believe that an important announcement is likely to be made in the course of a few days. The two points upon which no concession can be made are the abolition of Boer independence and a general laying down of arms. Everything else can be made the subject of negotiation. There is a most hopeful feeling in well-informed circles.

DEATH OF MR. WM. HENRY WIDDESS.

We regret to record the death of Mr William Henry Widdess, fourth son of the late Mr John Widdess, Probate Court, which took place this morning after a lengthened illness. Mr. Widdess was for some years an assistant at Messrs M'Kern and Sons, where his ever courteous and painstaking manner won for him the high esteem of all with whom he came in contact. The news of his death will be received with regret by many friends. Funeral for St. Munchin's on Monday morning at ten o'clock.

EASTER VESTRY.

KILFERGUS PARISH.

At the meeting of the Select Vestry of the parish of Kilfergus, the Rev. Robert Beatty, M.A., Rector, presiding, the Knight of Glin was elected Rector's Warden, and Captain Harkness, People's Warden.

The following were appointed on the Vestry—Major Kiggell, Captain Harkness, the Knight of Glin, Richard Taylor, William Blennerhassett.

The accounts were audited.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the proceedings.

WHITE SCOUR in Calves has been a scourge in the land for many years, and cattle breeders are strongly urged to take measures for its prevention at this particular season. The remedies necessary for carrying out Professor Nocard's treatment, with a printed leaflet of directions, may be had from J. Laird & Co., Chemists, 118, George street, Limerick.

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TO THOROUGHLY ENJOY THE FRESHNESS AND SUNSHINE OF SPRINGTIME the bodily health must be good—the blood must be purified from the

embark on this suggested scheme.

Mr. Coll said the County Council body to deal with the matter. It was the Fair Commissioners, composed of the County, six from Cork, Kerry, Tipperary, and a few Borough Council could not expend the County establishing the fair in the Borough and no Act of Parliament passed obliging them to do so, so second stage the fairs in his opinion much worse than at present. He was in favour of having the fairs confined to Green, believing it to be a great advantage from a moral standpoint, as those attended would not be surrounded with public houses. Mr. Coll proceeded to argue in favour of the present view.

Mr. Coleman proposed, and it was decided that the matter be referred to a Joint Committee for a further inquiry. **NEWCASTLE VETERINARY INSURANCE.** A resolution from the Newcastle County Council relative to the action of the V.S., in not coming to reside in the County, was adjourned for the attendance of the District Council.

CLERGYMEN IN POLITICS

A resolution was read from the Council advocating the admission of all denominations as members of District Councils.

The resolution was marked "1" and the other matters dealt with were

CREAMERY AT CLONMEL

At the meeting of the District Council to-day a letter was read from the Clonmel Company of Ireland, Limited, stating that they had recently erected an auxiliary dairy at Clonmel, Co. Clare, and as we are anxious to have a creamery for the suppliers at the date, we shall feel obliged if you would be good enough to allow us to connect the same with the main line (the same is small, being an auxiliary) to the Clonlara, and for which we thank you very much.

After some discussion it was resolved to refer the matter to the engineer of health, and the solicitor to visit the place and report, and at the meeting of the Council be summoned to-day to deal with it, the matter being one of urgency.

Mr. Hannon attended for the Clonmel Company.

THE CITY POOR RATE

The Estimate Committee of the Board met this afternoon in the Town Hall, presiding, also present:—Aldermen McNeice, Councillors V. Nash, J. Sheriff, Cuddihy, Shanahan, Guinane, with the Town Clerk, the Law Officer, and the City Treasurer.

The Estimates for the Poor Rate ending 1st April, 1903, was submitted by the City Treasurer, the net amount of same being £7s. 11d., the same having been considered and discussed, and the Sheriff proposed, and Councillor Guinane seconded, that it be recommended to the Council that the Poor Rate of 2s. 10d. in the £ to meet the Board of Guardians (£10,032) be amended, Alderman McNeice seconded, that 3s. 6d. be added to cover the amount of the estimate, and the amendment was declared carried by 7 votes. It was understood that the 2s. 10d. rate of the city would produce £10,029.

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The King has sent a donation of