

James Griffin, who when arrested for drunkenness by Constable Grady tried to kick him and draw his baton, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment, in default of paying a fine of 40s and costs.

YOUNG MAN CUTS HIS THROAT

The villagers of Castlemahon, on New Year's morning, were shocked on hearing of the sad news that a young man named James Leahy, who resided at the upper end of the village, had cut his throat and died in a few minutes. It appeared Leahy who was a hard-working young man about 23 years of age, of the labouring class, had lived alone, and that morning when his sister called on her way to mass he was all right, but on her return, she found him in a pool of blood, with his throat cut almost from ear to ear. No motive is assigned for that awful act. Dr. T. M. Ambrose (coroner) held an inquest when a verdict of temporary insanity was returned.

OUTSIDE OPINIONS.

* * To CORRESPONDENTS.—We cannot guarantee to insert letters sent to us on day of publication. They should be sent in on the previous days—Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays.

[This column being open to all, we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions it expresses.]

INCOME TAX RECOVERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

SIR,—The Tax Collector is beginning to make his presence felt, but before satisfying his demands your readers should carefully ascertain whether the amounts they are asked to pay are correct.

Having regard to the high rate at which the tax now stands (6½ per cent of the income), it is surprising that so many of the great middle class fail to avail themselves of the relief provided by the Acts. Where profits assessed under schedule D show a falling off for the current year, it may be possible to get the amount of the demand adjusted to the proper amount before payment of the tax; alternatively repayment of the amount overcharged should be claimed.

Where the whole of the income for the year has already been received, claims for repayment of tax overcharged can in many cases now be made for four years, and the sums repayable may exceed £82, even in the case of incomes of £500 per annum.

We shall be pleased to advise your readers, without charge, whether a claim for repayment can be made in respect of income from rents, dividends, interest, annuities, etc., on their sending us full particulars of their incomes and a stamp for reply.

Yours, etc.,

THE INCOME TAX ADJUSTMENT AGENCY, L. D.
Poultry, London, E.C.,
January 1st, 1903.

CYCLES FOR NEW YEAR GIFTS.

To those who may be contemplating presenting Cycles as New Year gifts, Messrs. Cole, Nelson & Co., Patrick street, Limerick, the

bar of lads, Masters Gerald Fogerty, Mathew Waters, and Stenson, was very successful, each acquiring himself most satisfactorily. The evening's enjoyment was much enhanced by the singing of Mrs. Robert Fogerty, who sang "Dry Those Tears," and "My Gentle Child," in her usual attractive manner. Mrs. Hewson sang "Stories" with much grace and expression. Mr. B. Gibson kindly read Tennyson's "Death of Arthur," and this item was much appreciated by all present. A hearty vote of thanks proposed by Masters Fogerty, Waters, and Alexander, was tendered to the Lord Bishop for his kindness in attending and distributing the prizes, to which his Lordship replied in a few pleasant words. "God save the King" having been very heartily sung, the Benediction was pronounced by the Lord Bishop, after which the gathering separated amid hearty cheers for Miss Mercer and her assistants.

Very much credit is due to the Principal, Miss Mercer, for the evident care and attention bestowed on those under her charge, and in her scholastic duties she is ably assisted by Miss Harold and Miss Croston, and in the details of the concert valuable help was given by Mrs. Hewson and Miss O'Neill.

LIVE STOCK SCHEMES.

The Department of Agriculture have issued a pamphlet giving details of their live stock schemes for 1903. The schemes embrace a scheme for encouraging improvement in the breeds of horses; scheme for encouraging improvement in the breeds of cattle; scheme for encouraging improvement in the breed of swine. An important change has been made with regard to prizes for live stock. No provision has been made in these schemes for this purpose, but shows recommended by a County Committee, at which prizes for live stock, poultry, industries, farm produce, &c., are offered, may be subsidised jointly by the Department and the County Council, subject to certain conditions to be embodied in proposals which the Department will issue separately. Twenty thousands of this pamphlet have been printed, and anyone interested may obtain one free on application to the Department, Merrion Row, Dublin.

DEATH OF AN IRISH PRIEST IN TRINIDAD

We regret to record the death of Father Frederick N. Griffin, P.P., St. Joseph, Trinidad which occurred at the Presbytery, St. Joseph, on Wednesday, 26th November. The deceased priest was born in county Limerick, Ireland, on November 13th, 1861, and belonged to the same family as the well-known novelist and poet, Gerald Griffin (author of the "Collegians," etc). The late Lord Justice Nash, Law Adviser to the Crown, 1880-5, and the last Catholic Lord Chancellor of Ireland, 1885-6, was his maternal uncle. Father Griffin was the youngest of four sons, all of whom entered the priesthood, two of whom still survive, one in the United States and another in France.

Death was caused by consumption, from which the rev. gentleman had suffered for five years.

IMPORTANT TO MOTHERS.—Every Mother who values the Health and Cleanliness of her Child should use HARRISON'S "RELIABLE"