e Birmingham correspondent of the Press iation has authority for contradicting the t which has received publicity that Mr. berlain's health is not satisfactory. Mr. berlain, who is now at Highbury, is ing excellent health.

asgow sugar merchants have been notified Herr Licht, the eminent statistician, esti- s that the Continental beet sugar crop will a reduction of 20 to 25 per cent. on that st year. The reduction is due to the ght, which still continues.

guard on one of the trains of the Tynemouth ch of the North-Eastern Railway put his out of the window of his van as the train nearing North Shields on Friday night, and in contact with a buttress of a bridge. skull was badly injured, and he died ly afterwards.

ne field operations of the First Army Corps ne Thames Valley came to an abrupt con- on on Saturday, when the troops were enly ordered to return to their barracks at rshot owing to the funds at the disposal of general officer commanding running out.

arah Jane Buttling (33), of Chalgrove-road, kney, died accidentally at the German pital, Dalston, under chloroform, but before mencement of an operation for appendicitis. e authorities, according to medical evidence ne inquest, say one person in 3,000—others in 10,000—dies under the drug.

ir R. Wright, whose death is reported, only ntly resigned his position as a judge in the h Court. He was a brilliant scholar, and, ously enough, never took "silk," but had a e lucrative practice before being made udge than any junior member of the Bar ng the present century.

he death is announced from heart disease Colonel W. W. Knollys, the elder brother of d Knollys, and the eldest son of the late eral the Right Hon. Sir William Knollys, deceased served for many years in the 93rd hlanders and latterly had held the position ecretary to the Alexandra Trust. He was wn as a military writer, and on many occa- is represented the "Times" newspaper at at manœuvres in France and Germany. The eral took place to-day at eleven o'clock, the e of interment being Brompton Cemetery.

THE PEASENHALL MURDER.

he police believe the story of the soldier in rer prison that he murdered the girl Rose sent is true, and the case is to be re-opened. will be remembered that a local preacher ied Gardener was twice tried for the crime, after the jury had twice disagreed Treasury decided not to go on with the pro ution, and Gardener was released.

A T.C. FOUND DROWNED.

(By Telegraph To-day.)

Herbert Gadsby, member of the Highham rars Town Council, was found drowned in river Nene torday.

carbonic acid, laudanum, rat poison, strychnine, drowning, and the dagger, but finally returned to carbonic acid, which at the second attempt proved successful.

SHOP HOURS ACT.

In view of the movement in Limerick for a weekly half holiday it is satisfactory to note that amongst the Bills passed in the last session of Parliament, and which have received the Royal Assent, is one entitled the Shop Hours Act. The Act, which provides for a weekly half holiday, will shortly come into operation, and doubtless bestow a boon on those whom it is intended to serve.

THE DROWNED SAILOR.

The interment of Douglas Campbell, who was found drowned in the Docks as previously reported, took place this morning at St. Munchin's Church in the presence of his relatives who are very respectable people and who came over from Glasgow specially for the mournful ceremony.

LIMERICK DOCTOR'S DEATH IN ENGLAND.

The death took place at South Bank, Yorkshire, yesterday of Dr Fitzgerald, after a brief illness. The deceased gentleman, who was brother to Rev. Father Fitzgerald, P.P., Mungret, and Mr. P. Fitzgerald, Rosbrien, had built up a large practice in South Bank, where his untimely demise is keenly felt. He was married to Miss Emily Cusack, daughter of Mr. Michael Cusack, George street, to whose family the shock came with acute pain, and with whom the citizens condole in the sad affliction that has befallen them.

TRAFFICS.

(By Telegraph To-day.)

Highland—decrease, £429.
Great North of Scotland—decrease, £459.
South Eastern—decrease, £645.

ROW BETWEEN CREAMERY LADS.

It is reported from the Feenagh district, Co. Limerick, that a row took place between two lads, aged about 14 years, who were engaged by farmers carting milk to a creamery. One of the lads is reported to have kicked the other in the stomach, and afterwards assaulted him with a knife. The injured boy is under medical treatment.

ALLSOPP AND SONS.

(By Telegraph To-day.)

The annual meeting of Allsop and Sons was held at Cannon street Hotel to day. The report was adopted after a lively discussion, in which a number of shareholders critised the management, complaining of the loss in the year's working. It was decided to grant borrowing powers of a hundred thousand pounds. A resolution demanding investigation of accounts with a view to action against those responsible, was submitted, but ruled out of order owing to insufficient orders.

who lived together were ad Kay during a quarrel attac a hatchet. Since his cond been calm and resigned, an remarked to the prison cha happy." He walked firm Billington was the hangman was satisfactorily carried o

THE LAND

TEXT AS AI

The following is the text o in Committee to explain and the Irish Land Act, 1903, wi ment and application of the by the said section:—

Be it enacted by the K Majesty, by and with the ac the Lords spiritual and ten in this present Parliament a authority of the same, as fol

1 Any land wholly or p to the Land Commission o tricts Board may be regarde purpose of payment of an section 48 of the Irish Land

2. The percentage men section 48 may subject to tained in the proviso to sub-section 4 thereof be pai than the Congested District vendor is a person entitled t in the land sold or is a tru not so entitled, and s ve shall be held by him on the ing the purchase money.

3. (1) Where the vendor i a person having the powers under the Settled Land A percentage shall subject to the said section 48 mentio ceding section be returned proper moneys and for his free and discharged from lands sold or the purchas from any trust affecting the

Provided that where the exercising any power of sale person of unsound mind or vendor is a lunatic or pers selling pursuant to any ord Chancellor the percentage sh use and benefit of the same same trusts as the case may person of unsound mind or i be were not under any disab

Provided also that whe husband and wife exercising of a tenant for life under sec Land Act, 1882, the percen by them jointly for their ow and discharging from all c aforesaid.

(2) The expression "lun has the same meaning as in tion (Ireland) Act 1871.

4. This Act shall be const Irish Land Act, 1903 and n Land purchase Acts and shall be construed and shall date of its passing as if this part thereof.

5. This Act may be cit Act, 1904.