

foreseen, and has only made itself
the operations of the Land Act
orce. A paragraph in the report sets
the increase in the arrears and in
mortgages has during the year run
£7,000, bringing the total under
nearly £140,000. Landowners on
of their properties lose in most
rent for the current year, having
d to wipe it out or add it to the
money. In either case they are
the means of paying their mortgage
The Representative Body is not,
without hope that it will be possible
a considerable proportion of these
ng with the repayment of their
cially where estates are in a solvent
But even under the most favourable
ces some loss arising from this cause
oked for, and there is, therefore,
additional reason why the Auxiliary
ld receive all the support claimed

WARDEN "LAW."
ter appointments of churchwardens
notice several very quaint points of
ng the office. A churchwarden alone
out of a church a brawler or disturber
vice, but in doing this he must use no
ry force, and he may even remove a
r from one seat to another, provided,
no unnecessary force is used. But,
all the church may be, the church-
is no power to prevent an inhabitant
frisk entering his church for divine
Perhaps the most peculiar of the rules
y legal precedent is that, while the
are the property of the church,
they have no right to have the bells
y particular time unless the minister
consent.

AND TURN ABOUT.
ns continue to be made to the Govern-
cumulation of responsibilities. It has
led that contempt of court must be
, or at least be greatly restricted. This
a the dignity and authority of the
to be undertaken at the instigation of
who have suffered by reason of their
for the law. Following that we have
and specious promises from the Prime
of licensing reform for next session,
to tackle the whole question of the
affie, if we read the Prime Minister,
It is to put to rest agitation, not for a
but for generations. In thus com-

boasting of the permanence and
power of his contemplated legislation
e Minister forgets that what he is doing
nother Government may do to-morrow,
ing an example which is not only open
cessors to follow, but which they will
fied in self-defence to follow. The
inister in this session going to undo and
Conservative legislation on education.
sion he is going to undo and reverse
ative licensing legislation. Possibly he
lates his party remaining in power for
so, he is deceived, even as his party
The people at the late (General Election
el of fortune will turn, and at no distant
ll replace the Conservative party in
Will it not then be the duty of a Con-
Government to restore the enact-
which a fickle Radical Government has
d? It is a misfortune that this should
t the blame rests with the Radicals.
choose to reverse good Acts of Parlia-
e Government but to reverse in turn the
als leave behind them.

OPTION.
temperance reformers are speculating
bether they will have to be contented
ecentral legislation, or will have the
nity of welcoming a Local Option
some thoroughgoing measure of that
perhaps the safest thing is to follow the

AND NOTIONS.

ANOTHER IRISH INJUSTICE.

It has been ascertained that for a long period Ire-
and has been paying all the stamp duty imposed
on patent medicines by an Act of George III.,
whereas this duty is expressly confined to Great
Britain by the statute. It is estimated that this
country contributes £25,000 a year to the British
Treasury as a result of the illegal levy.

WHAT THE EDUCATION BILL MEANS.

At the present moment an extract from Dr.
Shadwell's book on Industrial efficiency should help
those who do not see what the trend of the Bad
Birrell Bill will be, to realise what "undenominational
religious teaching" means in America. A
page 390, vol. 11, he says—"The gradual dropping
of religion is a feature of the utmost importance.
It is said that the religious difficulty has been
'disposed of,' and that is true. There is no religious
question in the public schools, and no religion.
Dogmatic, that is, denominational, teaching was
given up to appease sectarian animosities and Bible
reading substituted; that has been quietly dropped
by degrees and the foundations of Western civili-
ty have, in effect, disappeared from the public schools.
Pari passu attendance at Sunday schools has dropped
off. It is easy to dispose of the religious difficulty
by disposing of religion. In like manner the educa-
tion difficulty is disposed of in the Andaman
Islands."

WHAT IT WOULD LEAD TO.

Further, Dr. Shadwell gives the opinions not of
himself, but of the Presidents of the leading
American Universities, who point the results of a
'Godless education':—"To the corruption in
public life, the growth of lawlessness, violence and
juvenile crime, the increasing prevalence of divorce,
the taste for foolish, false and degrading literature,
for immoral and unwholesome amusements, to the
want of reverence and the failure of the churches."
Vol. II., page 392. Surely the people of this country
will pause before they permit the Government to
take the first step on the road to "no religion."

"THE RULING PASSION STRONG IN DEATH."

There's nothing like the business instinct, but it
need not necessarily follow men to the very brink of
the grave. It did in the case of a St. Petersburg
cooper who did an extensive business. By his will
he directed that the body should be buried in one of
his own casks. He constructed it himself, and
Clarissa Harlowe-like, lived for over a couple of years
with his coffin in his house. Just before the funeral
the body was frozen, and then casked. This is being
"wrapped up in one's business" with a vengeance.

LADIES SHOULD NOTE.

Of all hideous and barbarous monstrosities there
is nothing worse than the whole bird's skin one sees
in ladies' hats. Deformed, crippled, crumpled,
broken, goggle-eyed, and dyed, they are terrible
and pitiable caricatures of that which has once been
so replete with such exquisite beauty and delicacy
of line, symmetry, and colour. If ladies only knew
how it detracts from their otherwise good looks to
have such miserable deformities on the top of their
heads, the efforts of those who are trying to prevent
the slaughter of birds for merely decorative purposes
would be considerably assisted.

A NEW VIEW OF THE JACKDAW.

The jackdaw is not the sort of bird which would
get the credit of performing a kindly action, as he is
generally associated with thievish ways. The action
of a jackdaw in County Antrim, however, should
help to place the family in a better light. A bird of
this species was seen very often going to a magpie's
nest, and being watched, it was found that the
jackdaw was most industrious in collecting food, all
of which it conveyed to the young magpies. It is a
most extraordinary and unusual circumstance for
one bird to feed the young of another.

POSTAGE TO FRANCE.

The change in the system of French stamps in
connection with the introduction of penny inland
postage came into effect on Monday last. The new
two sou stamp is the least part of the change, which
will involve the designing of at least two other new
stamps, and the disappearance of several more. The
stamps for 30 and 40 centimes will disappear, as well
also as letter-cards for 15 centimes. The new stamps

The boughs that bear most fruit hang lowest.
Men wouldn't flatter, if women didn't flirt.
Some men are never home long enough to get
home sick.

Many a fellow has discovered the difference
between loving a girl extravagantly and loving an
extravagant girl.

THE SHANNON BOATING DISASTER.

FUNERAL OF THE VICTIMS.

The spectacle that Limerick beheld yesterday
when the five victims of Sunday's boating disaster
were removed for interment in Mount St.
Lawrence Cemetery is, one might almost say,
without a precedent in the records of the city.
There was an appearance of grave solemnity
about the whole proceedings, which the public are
not likely to forget for some time to come. In
the vicinity of St. Michael's parochial church
where the remains of four of the deceased had
rested overnight, the scene for an hour prior to
the transference of the coffins to the hearse, was
touchingly impressive and solemn. A huge
throng of people of all grades assembled in
Denmark street, and along the route of the sad
procession thousands lined the sidewalks. In
fact so great was the crowd that it was with the
utmost difficulty that one moved along William
street. At half past three o'clock the
bodies of Thomas Browne, Edward Browne, John
Lynch, and Patrick Creamer were taken out from
the church, and in this order the cortege moved
on to Patrick Street, where it was joined by that
of Francis Connery from St. Munchin's Church.
As the cortege, which was of immense propor-
tion—composed of all classes of the citizens from
the Mayor downwards, wended its way to the
cemetery the blinds off the different houses en
route were drawn, and those who witnessed the
solemn pageant from the sidewalk reverently un-
covered their heads. At the cemetery the burial
service was read by the Dean the Very Rev. F.
R. St. John, P.P., V.G., St. Munchin's, and in a
little plot allotted to themselves the five deceased
were laid to rest amidst every manifestation of
sorrow and regret.

Some choice floral tributes were sent by sorrow-
ing relatives and friends.
In addition to the Dean, the clergy present
were: Rev. J. M. Cregan, Adm.; Rev. J.
O'Shea, C.C.; Rev. P. Casey, C.C.; Rev. J.
O'Connor, C.C.; Rev. Fr. Carroll, C.C.; Rev. F.
Devane, C.C.; and Rev. J. Lee, C.C.

VOTE OF CONDOLENCE.

At the meeting of the Corporation Committee
last night, the Mayor presiding, it was proposed
by Councillor Kerr and seconded unanimously—
"That this Whole House Committee of the
Corporation, being the first meeting of that body
since the awful calamity in the Shannon on Sun-
day last by which five young citizens lost their
lives owing to a boating accident, do, on
behalf of the citizens, to express our heart-felt
and deepest sympathy with the relatives of the
deceased, and that this expression of sincerest
condolence be conveyed to the distressed families
and recorded on the minutes."

THE SHANNON FATALITY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR—Everyone sympathises with the
poor people who have lost their breadwinners, as
you of feelingly said in your issue on Tuesday.
I am sure the appeal made for them will not be
in vain, if it is for them, but I regret to see it
announced that some of the money to be raised
for it is to be used to put up a memorial stone. No
one will grumble that the Appeal Committee
saw to the funeral expenses, but a costly stone is
a different matter. Is it wise to use the funds
in this way? and won't it stop the hand of
charity if persisted in? Many would give, I am
sure, to help those to live who have lost their
breadwinners, who will hold their hands if the
money is used for any other purpose. I hope the
collection will be a satisfactory one—for it is in
good hands—but let it be for the help of the
living, rather than for the dead, for I think the
newspaper reports will be sufficient record of
the memory of the five poor men who cannot be
helped by the most elaborate memorial. It seems
to me to be a pity when the bereaved families
ask for bread to offer to give them a stone.

Yours truly,

SYMPATHISER.

April 13th, 1906.

REFUSED RELIEF.

The Killadea Land and Labour Association
adversely criticised the Poor Law Relief system
at their last meeting, arising out of a case in
which one of their members, Patrick Hore, a
labourer, with a wife and four children, was re-
fused temporary relief. Hore had applied for
applied for a assistance, was refused on the plea
that he should go to hospital. It was decided
that the matter should be placed in the hands of
Mr. W. Redmond, M.P., while a voluntary sub-
scription was made up for him.

General Stoetzer, commanding the 10th Army
Corps, died on Tuesday as the result of an
apoplectic stroke.

Nine members of the Nenagh District Council
have voted in favour of having the roads main-
tained by direct labour. 20 voted against it, and
12 declined to vote at all.

On Good Friday, and general manifestations
of sorrow, the remains of the late Mr. Willie
Clery were interred in the family burial place,
Ardinacy.

His death took place at the residence of his
father, Mr. Maurice T. Clery, Ballycillane
House, Kilmallock, after a long and tedious
illness, contracted from a neglected cold. He
was a general favourite with all classes, and his
demise is much regretted.

BAMBAATA.

RUMOURED ALLY.

Eshowe, April 17.

It is rumoured here that Sir Samuel's tribe has
joined Bambaata, but the extent of the dis-
affection is not known.

MILITARY IN READINESS

Durban, 9.10 p.m.

The situation which has arisen owing to the
action of two Zulu chiefs, who have refused to
participate in the pursuit of Bambaata, is de-
cidedly serious. Although it was recognised that
disaffection existed amongst the Natal tribes it
has hitherto been considered that the Zulus were
absolutely loyal. The militia at several centres
of the colony have been ordered to be in readi-
ness for immediate mobilisation.

CHIEFS REFUSE TO CO-OPERATE.

It is officially announced that the chiefs
Siraganai and A'Dubi have refused to co-operate
in the measures for the capture of Bambaata.

DISUSED CITY PRISON.

An application was read at the Corporation
Committee last night from the Rev. Brother
Nolan, Superior of the Christian Brothers, for the
temporary use of part of the disused city prison
pending the remodelling of the Christian
Brothers' Schools in Bridge Street for the pur-
pose of a memorial to Gerald Griffin. Pending
the completion of the work it is intended to
utilise portion of the prison and the residential
portion thereof as schools for the boys. The
application was granted.

ALLEGED LARCENY.

A porter named James Cunnison was charged
at the Police Court to-day with the larceny of
some shirts and jerseys the property of Messrs.
Braderick Moriarty, George street, by whom he
was employed. The articles had been missing
within the past six months. Accused was re-
mandered on the application of Sergeant Kelly.

MILITARY BANDS COMPETITION.

The Military Tournament at Ball's Bridge
this year is naturally attracting much attention
in army circles. With the object of providing
the best music for the fête, a tour is being now
made throughout Ireland by Messrs. Morgan and
Hall, of the Coldstream Guards, and Life Guards,
to examine into the efficiency of the regimental
bands. Yesterday the Judges visited Belfast,
and to-day Limerick. This afternoon the bands
of the Dublin Fusiliers from Buncavan, and the
1st Worcester Regiment, Templemore, competed
in the Gymnasium at the New Barracks. To-
morrow the Northumberland, and Leicestershire
Fusiliers Regiments, the latter from Tipperary,
come under the Judges' notice.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT

To-day, at the County Petty Sessions Edward
Danaher summoned Michael Jordan, for assault
at Pennywell on the evening of the 1st April.
Mr. Moran appeared for complainant, and Mr.
Coushan for the defendant. Complainant's
evidence was to the effect that he had charge of
a public house at Pennywell for Mr. O. Ryan.
On the evening in question defendant used
abusive language to him, and struck him on the
chest, and as some people were taking witness
away, the defendant went for him with his
mouth open, and "snatched a piece out over his
eyebrow with his teeth. He had to go to St.
John's Hospital to get the wound treated. He
gave no provocation for the assault. In cross-
examination he said it was Fool's Day. He did
not whistle after the defendant. He knocked
Jordan down to defend himself, but did not kick
him. Another witness was examined in support
of the prosecution. Mr. Henson said that
using the teeth was an unmanly act. They had
heard through of the case, and would impose a
fine of 5s. Mr. Coushan said his client was
treated by Dr. O'Sullivan for five days on
account of the injuries he received on the
occasion.

Jack Steppart's one-time "reception" near
Mint-street is doomed to demolition. This one-
time grand buildings in London, and has stood
for nearly three centuries.