

public for talented acting, and the mounting and dressing of both plays were exquisite.

STER-GRIME OPERA COMPANY

Music lovers are promised a rich treat at the theatre Royal next week, when the famous Ster-Grime Opera Company—which has so often delighted Limerick audiences—will give us a week of high class opera at the usual prices. Monday night, October 1st, the company, which consists of 25 artistes, will produce Wallace's ever popular "Mariana"; on Tuesday night the "Lily of Killarney"; on Wednesday night and Saturday, matinee, an old favourite, "Les Cloches de Corneville"; on Thursday, a Fille de Madame Angot; on Friday, "The Armen," and Saturday night, Balfe's delightful Bohemian Girl.

IRISH INSANITY.

HOW IT IS CAUSED.

Referring to this matter with which we dealt in our leading column on Tuesday, the "Evening Standard" says—The Celtic temperament, according to a report of the Irish inspectors in New York, is peculiarly liable to insanity under the most strange conditions. The Irishman goes mad to make his fortune. He leaves behind him the good humour and peace of mind characteristic of the Irish peasantry. The struggle for life in a foreign land preys on his mind. He becomes insane, and like a hunted animal, strives to return home. If so fortunate, he swells the Irish lunacy returns. If not, he seeks refuge generally in an American asylum. It is a sad story, which somewhat discounts the usual theories of insanity. The causes are occasionally drawn from us of Irish temper and happiness in America. The causes of insanity, however, are far to seek, and in considering the Celtic temperament is to be traced up too wide a field of cogitation and argument. The inspectors' very material suggestion is probably more sensible than any racial theories. They say that the inauspicious dietary and other privations of the majority of the population of Ireland, when acting over many generations, have led to impaired strength of the nervous system. In other words, Ireland's food is suitable for the land and strife of America.

MARRIAGE OF MR DE VERE.

The private chapel of Auckland, Castle the King was solemnised yesterday afternoon of Isabel Monk, daughter of the Lord Bishop of Durham, to Mr. Stephen Vere de Vere, Esq. Chase, Ireland, son of the late Major O'Brien, of the 16th Rifles, and great nephew of the late Mr. Aubrey de Vere, the

A HOME PICTURE.
(FROM A FAR-OFF LAND).

A happy little home when the sun shone out, the busy little mother got the children all in a row; Johnny fetched the water and Tommy brought the wood, Billy-boy tied both his shoes, as every laddie would—Daddy rocked the cradle with a clatter and a rattle, and the little sister grew so pretty and so rosy.

When the sweet peas and the morning glories climbing round the door, the tender vine of shadow with its length rose over the floor. The "pines" and the roses, and the quiver of the grass, the cheery call of friendship from the neighbours they pass. The soufflé and the shouting and the little sister's laugh, the rabbit starts up somewhere, and her "great lips" scamper off.

A happy little home when the twilight fell, along the meadow rang the old cow bell, the tinkling that is music through the rushing of the years—see the little mother in the tremble of the dress, hear the happy laughter as she cries, "The boys have come," we know she's getting supper in the happy little one.

NOTICE TO OUR READERS.

In consequence of the number of advertisements received to-day we are obliged to hold over two items, and letters till our next

A DALLIENI DIFFERENCE.
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

At the meeting of the Glin School Board on Tuesday, Messrs. Bannatyne, Limerick, tenders to supply, carriage paid, at Glin School best baking flour at £1 3s 10d per sack, 5d per sack to be allowed for returns. Messrs. Glynn and Sons, Kilrush (present contractors), tendered at £1 3s 11d per sack. Mr. Wall proposed and Mr. Galvin seconded that Messrs. Glynn be declared contractors. Mr. Mulqueen proposed and Mr. Hayes seconded that Messrs. Bannatyne be declared. On a poll Messrs. Glynn got the contract by 10 votes to 8.

THE LATE MR. JOHN CLUNE
J.P.

CORPORATE CONDOLENCE.

At a meeting of the Public Health Committee last night, Alderman Prendergast presiding, the following resolution was adopted unanimously, on the proposition of Mr. O'Malley—"That we regret the death of Mr. John Clune, J.P., who was for many years member of this Corporation. A man whose public actions were always actuated by honesty of purpose and integrity of motive, and who in private life was an upright, independent and worthy citizen, beloved by his family, and respected and esteemed by every body."

MEETING POSTPONED.

The public meeting of the citizens summoned to be held in the Town Hall to-day in furtherance of the Irish Parliamentary Fund was not held owing to the death of Mr. John Clune, J.P.

POPE LEO XIII.

The transportation of the body of Pope Leo XIII. from St. Peter's to St. John Lateran will not say a Reuter's Rome message, take place as soon as had been stated, as there is a project for making the removal coincide with the completion of the restoration of the ceilings of the Basilica, which will take two years more at a total expenditure of £280,000.

SEIZED AT HIS POST BY DEATH.

Captain Alfred B. Wall, of Tarbert, Co. Kerry Master of South Arklow lightship, had a paralytic seizure on board his vessel last week. A passing steam collier took him aboard, and a cast-iron boat, which met the collier, conveyed the captain to the boat-house, where he was visited by Dr. Hamilton and a clergyman, but despite all that could be done death occurred a short time later.

COUNTY SLIGO OIL WELL.

A pump, the property of Mr. Christopher Smith, Ballymote, Co. Sligo, which had been exhausted of water owing to large quantities being consumed for building operations, on Friday last began to give forth oil of an excellent quality. The oil, which is believed to be petroleum, can be used for illuminating purposes without refining.

FIRE AT ARDPATRICK.

On Sunday afternoon a rather destructive fire occurred near Ardpatrick, when a hay stack, about 30 tons, and a hay barn, the property of Timothy Dineen, D.C., was entirely burned, it being impossible to put the fire out until the whole stack was destroyed. The hay barn, fortunately, acted as a great fire screen to Mr. Dineen's dwellinghouse, as a stiff wind was blowing the fire in its direction, and it is only a short distance away.

FUNERAL OF MRS. GOGGIN.

Yesterday morning the remains of the late Mrs. Agnes Goggin, of Wellington Terrace, were laid to rest in the family grave, Crafoe. The deceased lady, who had attained a ripe age, was relict of the late Mr. Edward Hodges Goggin, of Burton Hill, Co. Clare. The funeral left Wellington Terrace at 11 o'clock, and, outside a small circle of friends, was not generally attended. The chief mourners were—Colonel Goggin, son, and Mr. W. B. Fitz, grandson-in-law. Rev. J. T. Waller was the officiating clergyman.

CRUELTY TO POULTRY

...row at 4 o'clock instead of to day, in consequence of a Free Library Committee having to be held to-day.

At the fortnightly pig fair in Tralee there were 850 pigs in market, prices ranging from 4s. to 5s. per cwt.; 600 conchams, which sold freely from 25s. to 35s. each.

John Dwyer, who was found guilty of glass-breaking at Waterford Sessions was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.

The Lord Lieutenant was invested with the insignia of the Most Noble Order of the Thistle by the King at Balmoral yesterday.

There was a very large attendance at a meeting in Nenagh on Sunday night to reorganise the local branch of the Gaelic League.

The Labrador mail boat arrived at St. John's (Newfoundland) yesterday, bringing back 400 fishermen who were shipwrecked during the recent hurricane.

Patrick Kelly, a County Mayo farmer, was gored to death by a bull yesterday, his body being shockingly mutilated.

Corporal Jos. McCabe, Royal Irish Fusiliers, stationed at Armagh, blew the top of his head off yesterday morning. It is believed to be suicide.

The memorial erected at Killarney to the memory of the officers and men of the Royal Munster Fusiliers who lost their lives on active service between the years 1881-1902, was unveiled yesterday.

Sir Richard Tangye, F.R.C.S., is lying dangerously ill at his residence, Coombe Ridge, Kingston Hill, Surrey.

The death has occurred at Osborne, Isle of Wight, of Colonel F. J. S. Lecky, late of the Tipperary Artillery Militia. Deceased succumbed to pneumonia on Monday.

Lord Montagu entertained the teachers of the surrounding districts at Mount Trenchard on the 22nd inst. The teachers came from a radius of ten miles, from Askeaton on the east, to Glin on the west.

Mr. Thomas Samuel Heard, Rosadoban, Kenmare, has been appointed a Deputy-Lieutenant for County Kerry, on the recommendation of the Earl of Kenmare.

Mr. Leon Verhaege de Naeyer, Belgian Minister to the Quirinal, died yesterday morning at Grezdoiceau, near Wavre, where he had been staying on leave of absence.

Captain B. Vincent and Lady Kitty Vincent have arrived in Ireland on their honeymoon, which they are spending at Summerhill, Castleconnell, the bridegroom's old home.

By the death of the Earl of Leven and Melville, who left estate valued at £1,300,000, the Exchequer benefits to the extent of a quarter of a million. The falling in of seven millionaires' estates within five months breaks all records since the imposition of the death duties.

A criminal named Clark, who has just died in Geelong Jail, Victoria, N.S.W., is believed to have held the record for length of imprisonment, his sentences having aggregated fifty-two years. His offences ranged from burglary to passing spurious coins.

As Princess Waldemar was driving from Copenhagen to Bernstorff she fell from her gig owing to the horse stumbling. She sustained some injuries to her face which bled a good deal, but the wounds appear to be only superficial.

Yesterday the Bumblepuppy Gymkhana attracted a large number of people from the city and districts adjoining to the Exhibition. There were also about a thousand persons present from Mountmellick and Monaghan.

Sir J. A. McCallagh, in his medical inspection report to Ennis Guardians, complains of the condition of some of the dispensaries, and recommended several improvements, which the Guardians yesterday decided to have carried out.

Ennis Guardians yesterday acceded to the request of Dr. Coghlan, M.O. to have an inmate sleep in certain of the wards which were some distance from the infirmary, and only visited at certain intervals by the night nurse.

The Exchequer returns from April 1st to September 22nd were—Receipts, £57,105,976; expenditure, £58,114,720; balances, £7,744,633. Corresponding period of last year—Receipts, £55,812,069; expenditure, £60,103,394; balances, £9,442,382.

Administration of the estate and effects of Mrs. Mary Bourke, of Ferroneigh, Valencia Island, County Kerry, who died on 26th July last, leaving personal estate valued at £238 7s. 9d., has been granted to her husband, Mr. John Bourke, of Valencia Island.

In response to an advertisement issued by the Kildysart Guardians, inviting offers for the purchase of the workhouse horse, there was only one received, viz., from John Sheahan, of Lackinohama. His offer of £16 10s. was accepted.

Also ran—Elan 3 to 1 agst win

Mildew II.
Cradle Song
Turpitude
Also ran—Sib,
Sir Frusquin, Tac
Bridge, Lamgerich
Betting—9 to 2
Turpitude, 7 to 1
JOCKEY

Beppo
Keystone II.
Plum Tree
Also ran—Garc
2 to 1 on winne
Polymelus was
guineas.

SNAIL
Melayr walked
DOUBLE
Fort Myers beat
Betting—33 to 1
WELT

Vedas
Watford
Jelly
Also ran—Rose
5 to 1 agst winne

EDINE

BUCCLE
Be Very Wise
Ferieque
James
6 to 1 agst winne

MONTE
Lychnobite
Muted String
King's Letter
11 to 10 agst win

LOTTHIA
Speculor
Powder Puff
Don Q
Betting—7 to 4 c

PINKIE AI
Kilblair
Lothians Quee
Orphan Boy
Betting—5 to 4 o

LAVENI
Salford
Red Warrior
Simmerlift

Betting—9 to 4 o
SPORTSM
Titania
Haddington
Dady Essence
Betting—6 to 4 ag

NEW LINKS A

Two interesting local Tuesday at Thomood opened by Mrs. Bulger silver cup for Mrs. Bulger, and for ladies presented by popular secretary to the Links, which ran Spas and Baths, are very present number nine 1 time to enlarge them in professional champion speaks highly of the g Here are the details: Gentlemen's Cup, p Dr. M. J. Bulger, Lon Lieutenant Kirwin (9) (16), 99; H. G. Castle (7), 97; E. H. Pears M'Dowall (10), 102; G. Burns, Lindon (18), 10 H. Valentine, Scotland 132. Also entered—7 Ross Rose, Dr. Brown Butler, A. Hamilton, H. P. Morris, and A. C