

them not guilty of murder but minimised the crime to manslaughter. He need not recapitulate the facts of the case, but William Ward had a quarrel early in the day with a man named O'Grady, and was put off the premises by the station master. In going away he said "I am single-handed now, but I will be double-handed soon." Eventually he found an ally in Timothy Casey, who came back to beat Grady or anyone who came between them and their object. Unfortunately the station master who was described as an estimable citizen doing his duty towards everybody, was met by them, and at their hands lost his life. His lordship regarded it as a very bad case, and the sentence he would pass on each of them was that they be sent to penal servitude and kept there for five years.

The prisoners received the sentence with perfect calm, and were taken below.

AN ABOMINABLE CRIME.

Timothy Sheehan, found guilty of a criminal assault on a girl under 13 years of age was then placed in the dock.

His Lordship, addressing him, said—Sheehan, you were found guilty of a loathsome, disgusting crime—an abominable crime. The sentence of the Court is that you be kept in prison for two calendar years, to date from the 9th August.

DROMINACOLLIG RIOT.

James Cronin, Cornelius Leary, and Daniel Leary, found guilty of riot and unlawful assembly at Drominacollig in September were next put forward.

His Lordship said the prisoners, with two others, who were acquitted by the jury, were part of three hundred, who assembled at a place called Drominacollig, in the County Cork for riot and unlawful assembly. He regarded that lot as a serious and grave one, as it affected the peace of that district. The jury had recommended them to mercy, and as well as his lordship recollected, the ground on which they made the recommendation was because there was no act of violence proved against any one of the prisoners. He always paid great attention to these cases, and gave every consideration to the recommendation of jurors. None of these three had been seen throwing a stone, but they were of the crowd. He thought he was passing a very light sentence on them when he sentenced each to three months' imprisonment with hard labour. He hoped it could have a good effect on the peace of the country. He was sorry to see three respectable men in the dock, and let them not imagine they were heroes because they took part in that riot. They were simply law-breakers.

CORK CITY.

CORK P.O. CASE

James Charles McCarthy, convicted of embezzlement from Cork Post Office, next received sentence.

His Lordship alluded to the great ability and attainments of prisoner, which were shown in the manner in which he conducted his own defence. After deploring the fall of the prisoner from honesty, his lordship said he could not pass a less sentence than twelve calendar months on him.

A PROFESSIONAL.

Mary Anne Sullivan convicted of the larceny of trousers from Mr. Drew's tailoring establishment, Cork, was sentenced to six months imprisonment to date from the 24th October.

CHILD NEGLECT.

Jizzie O'Callaghan found guilty of child neglect with being a habitual drunkard was ordered to be committed to the Inebriates Home at Ennis for two years.

CO. TIPPERARY.

FIVE YEARS.

James Clear, found guilty of seducing a married man, was sent to penal servitude for five years.

with which he could disagree, and in some cases they rose to their duty manfully. He thanked the jurors of the City of Limerick for the splendid service they had done the cause of justice.

DEPARTURE OF THE JUDGE.

His Lordship left, by the 1.15 train for Dublin, and was accompanied to the station by the High Sheriff and Sub Sheriff. The guard was composed of Royal Artillery and Mounted Police.

IRISH LACE BALL.

TO ENCOURAGE IRISH INDUSTRY.

We are authorised to state that during the approaching Dublin season their Excellencies intend giving a special "Irish Lace Ball," at which ladies will be requested to wear dresses trimmed with Irish lace or crochet, and gentlemen will be requested to attend in court dress, with Irish lace "jabots" and ruffles. It is also hoped that on the same occasion use will be made of Irish poplins and Irish embroideries when this can conveniently be done. A feature of this ball will be several sets of lace quadrilles organised by various ladies, a different kind of Irish lace or crochet being used by those taking part in each set. Eight-handed Irish reels and jigs will also be danced during the evening. Later in the year their Excellencies hope to have an "Irish Tweed Afternoon Party."

DISABLEMENT AVERTED.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO-DAY.)

The threatened disablement of the London Scottish has been averted.

UNSUCCESSFUL CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO-DAY.)

By a majority of two to one the Appeal Court to-day decided that the Master of Science employed in a chemical works, who died from injuries sustained in his employment, was not a workman, although he performed manual labour, and that his widow was, therefore, not entitled to compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

DEATH OF A YOUNG PRIEST.

Deepest sympathy is felt for the bereaved family of Rev. J. J. Hayes, whose death was announced by cable from Australia on Saturday at the early age of 25.

The rev. gentleman was a native of County Limerick. He was a most successful student of All Hallows's (Dublin) College, and only two years ago was ordained at Victoria, where he was appointed curate to his brother, Rev. M. Hayes, O.M.C.

Though Fr. Hayes had been in indifferent health for some time past, his death was altogether unexpected, and a great shock to his numerous friends in his native county where the untimely end of his young and useful life is deeply mourned.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

If "Guarantor" will send his name and address (which was not enclosed in either of his letters), he can have his letter returned to him. We cannot undertake the responsibility of handing to a contemporary a communication which we ourselves decline to publish on account of its libellous contents.

once court this morning. There are

Messrs Hickson, R.M., and Brya presided at the County Petty Sessions. Thomas Doyle was sentenced to three hard labour for the alleged ill-treatment of James Doyle, a child under year of age.

Mr. John Ryan (Killenure) was to Mr. Hickson, R.M., sworn a Justice of Peace for the County of Limerick. He was recently appointed an Inspector of Estates Commissioners, and he served as an ex-officio magistrate while in office of Chairman of the Limerick District Council.

LIMERICK SOLICITORS' ACTION.

A COUNTER CLAIM

In the King's Bench Division on before Mr. Justice Johnson, in *Gaffney v. Bourke*, an application was made on behalf of the defendant, Mr. John farmer, of Woodford, Broadford, Co. an order changing the venue of Dublin to Limerick. The action was Mr. James F. Gaffney, solicitor, of carrying on business as P. S. Connolly solicitors, to recover the sum of £894 foot of a bill of costs; and there was claim by the defendant against the £500 for alleged negligence. The action was fixed for the 10th inst., and urged that Limerick would be the convenient place for all parties to have the In opposition to the application it was the plaintiff, a well-known solicitor of reputation was anxious to have the case speedily as possible. The negligence to the plaintiff had reference to case proceeding of some five years ago.

Mr. Justice Johnson said that, taking into the importance of the case, the venue was out of the question. He thought should take place in Dublin, and he fixed the fourth day of next sittings, the undertaking to supply the plaintiff particulars of the alleged negligence before the 1st day of January, and also to be costs in the cause.

Messrs. Moriarty, K.C., and Patrick (instructed by Mr. John Dundon) appeared for the defendant in support of the application, and the Solicitor General and Messrs. Campbell, M.P., and Phelps (instructed by P. S. Connolly and Co.) for the plaintiff in opposition to it.

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DEATH OF EARL OF SHAN

The Right Hon. Robert Boyle, sixth Shannon, died yesterday, aged 46 monachy Mansion, Aberayon, Cardiff. He is succeeded by his eldest son, Boyle, who was born in '97.