

actions, and some even if they had... Upon the bridge, wharfs, and houses by the river's side stand great numbers to see and laugh thereat.

CHIPS OF SATIRE AND SENSE. Proud looks make foul work insafe faces. Rule for bankrupts—The Aesthetic Life. Cultivate wit, use it on the side of truth and justice, and hinder it so that it wounds nobody.

PENITENCE. Bending, Lord, before Thee, Humbly we adore Thee; All our sins confessing, Craving now Thy blessing.

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BALLINACURRA SEWERAGE COMMENCED TO-DAY. Within the next four months—the time estimated to complete the work—Ballinacurra will be in possession of a perfect system of sanitation.

ALLEGED MOONLIGHTING OUTRAGE IN CLARE. The police authorities in Kilrush have received information of a moonlighting outrage at Single Monmore, four or five miles from this town, on Sunday morning.

WORK FOR THE DENTIST. Anne Kiteon has been appointed on probation for six months as third class attendant at Clare Asylum, on conditions that she would get in a set of teeth, as in the medical examination her teeth were found to be defective.

WHY WAS HE SUMMONED? Thomas Scully, who went to the assistance of an old man named Flanagan, attacked on the street by a powerful building fellow, named Russell, had forthwith to box the coward.

THE PAD DOGS—SATURDAY LAST. As we are near the end of the season purchasers seemed anxious to fill up, consequently demand was higher and better than last year.

CHARGE OF INFANTICIDE. At a special court held at Kilrush on Saturday, before Mr. Harper, R.M., an inmate of the Kilrush Workhouse, named Harry Reid was charged with doing away with a male child, as birth recently at the Workhouse, the subject of an inquest as already reported, to the next Clare Assizes.

FOR CHARITY. At the Mark Hospital, on Saturday next at 3 o'clock, a grand entertainment will be given in aid of the Braf Hospital and Knocknour Nursing Association.

NOTABLE LIMERICK MAN. The Georgetown, British Guiana, "Argosy" states that Mr. J. J. Nanan, Solicitor-General, British Guiana, has been appointed to act as Justice of the Peace in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Justice Smith, who has left for England.

NATURE STUDY—LEAVES OF TREES. The great demand, especially from school teachers for the novel publication recently announced by the Country Press, of 19, Ballinacorney, Kesh, Co. Wick, of the simple, representative, and ever popular series of "Leaves of Trees," is a proof of the interest of the public in the study of the life of trees.

OUT AND ABOUT

Martin Kelly has been appointed attending at Clare Asylum by eight votes, against two for James McKay and two for John Waters.

At Kilrush Party Sessions on Monday, a youth named Conroy, Pound-street, was sent to prison for a month for stealing a watch and chain value £2 from Captain Storey, of the coasting steamer "Co. Clare."

At the Ballingarry market, the price of hay varied from 45s. to 70s. per ton; mangolds, 20s. per ton; potatoes, 6d. per stone; white cots, 18d. per stone; black oats, 1s.

There are 382 inmates in Kilrush Workhouse, an increase of 36 on last year.

Kilrush Guardians have a credit balance of £200 after authorising payment of £1,340 on Saturday.

The Quin band has been lately re-organised, and for the past few months has been under the able conductorship of Mr. Tidswell, Dublin, late deputy conductor in Ireland Own's Band, which toured in America.

Mr. E. F. Hickson, R.M., attended at the Police Court this morning. There were 10 cases for hearing.

Miss Mary Anne Harriman, of Kilmihill, who had been elected a nursery attendant at the meeting of the Kilrush Guardians, declined to accept the office on Saturday and it was stated that the tempers were at the bottom of this.

Mr. Michael Davitt, who has been seriously ill during the last ten days at his residence, Dalkey, was unable to sleep last night without opiates for the first time since the illness began.

Sir Wm. H. Findlater, J.P., D.L., senior partner of the firm of Findlater and Company, solicitors, Dublin, died yesterday at his residence, Fernside, Killiney, Co. Dublin.

Mr. P. J. Clancy, the popular master of the Ballinacurra Union Workhouse, was cordially thanked by the members of the Board, when he resumed his official duties after his recent serious accident.

By their victory over Garryowen by a goal 1 try to nil, in Limerick on Saturday, Cork Constitution retained possession of the Rugby Football Munster Senior Cup.

Mr. Charles Mahon Hagen, a retired captain of the Clare Militia, died at his lodgings, 9 Upper Pembroke street, Dublin, on Sunday. It was understood that he deceased, who has no living relative in Ireland, was in receipt of an annuity of £300 from a Clare estate, and is survived by two brothers, one resident in Barrow-on-Furness and the other in Malacca.

A marriage has been arranged and will take place in the summer between Bernard, only son of Francis Darwin, of Madingley Road, Cambridge, and Ethnor Mary, elder daughter of the late William Thomas Mousell, late Resident Magistrate, Cambridge, and of Mrs. Mousell, 95 Elm Park Gardens, London, S.W.

At Kinnia markets on Saturday the following prices were obtained:—Hay, 40s to 60s per ton; awn, none; mangolds, 15s to 17s per ton; read, 4s per ton; oats, 11d to 1s per stone; potatoes, 4d to 5d per stone; firkin butter, 57s to 63s.

AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

DICKENS DRAMATISED. Knowing what "Tribby" is like, and the capabilities it demands, we should imagine that Mr. Roy Jackson's Company at present at the Theatre Royal will present that play admirably to-night.

The Company contains some talented artists—provided that the characters "fit them"—notably Mr. Jackson, whose Jewish portrayals are cleverly effective, Miss Kittie Douglas, one of the most "natural" and therefore artistic actresses we have seen for a long time, Mr. Edwin Beverly, who is a powerful actor, and as a funny man Mr. C. Daval should do well; Miss V. Leborough possesses a nice voice and sings well, and the other members of the Company are fairly capable.

But for a Monday night's (initial) performance, it was a mistake to stage "Oliver Twist." True, the gallery and the pit (the e were not above half a dozen people in any other part of the house), gave warm evidence of the appreciation of the "heroic" of the heroine, applauded the villainy of the villain, and laughed (often in the wrong places) at the absurdities of the "comic" characters. "Tribby" is a very slender piece, and in its form as presented last night is not worth possessing. "Oliver" is a very slender piece, and in its form as presented last night is not worth possessing.

THE INQUEST—A VOTE OF CONDOLENCE. This afternoon, in the County Courthouse, Mr. Coroner Clery, M.D., held an inquest on the four bodies recovered—namely, Thomas Browne, Edward Browne, Thomas Creamer, and Joseph Lynch, who, with Francis Conroy, lost their lives in a boating accident on Sunday evening near Coonagh Creek.

Sergeant Power conducted the inquiry, and there was a large attendance in Court during the proceedings. The following comprised the jury—Patrick Mulcahy (foreman), Thomas Gleeson, Thomas McNamara, Thomas Bourke, John Moloney, James Hickey, Patrick Flanagan, Michael Graham, Thos. Collins, John McMahon, Martin Barry, Jas. Allen, and Patrick Collins. Michael Punch, the survivor of the fatality, in reply to the sergeant, stated he accompanied the deceased on a pleasure trip in an open boat on Sunday last. They went as far as Mungret, and returned homewards at 3.30.

Sergeant Power—When you went to Mungret had you any drink? Witness—Lynch had two drinks each; three temperate, and three immoderate drinks. All the party were sober, and having come across to the North shore they stepped on the mast, and proceeded under canvas, and after going a short distance the boat was struck by a squall, and filled with water, and turned over on her starboard side. They were thrown into the water, and when witness came to the surface, after immersion, he struck out for the boat, and clung to her. Saw Lynch and Edward Browne struggling, and pushed each other, which they took.

Sergeant Power—Which of the two was the first to disappear? Witness—Lynch, who went under after three minutes. Did not see Francis Conroy, Thomas Creamer, or Thomas Browne after the catastrophe. Witness got on to the top of the boat as best he could, and while she was drifting threw off his clothes, with the object of swimming ashore. When he got within fifteen or twenty yards of the sloop he swam thereon. The sloop—There is no use in going further evidence. This unfortunate affair was an accident simply and solely. It was a very melancholy thing indeed.

Another Body Recovered. This evening about half-past four the body of Francis Conroy was recovered and brought to Limerick.

A Commendable Movement. We are glad to see that a Provisional Committee has been formed for the purpose of...

Bank Holiday.

SHANNON BOATING DISASTER.

Five Lives Lost—Recovering the Bodies.

A boating disaster, almost without parallel in the history of modern Limerick, occurred on the Shannon on Sunday evening. At half-past twelve a party of six young men—pleasantly bent—went for a row in a gondola as far as Terroe, which was reached at 2 o'clock. After resting ashore for a short time, the little group prepared to return, and with the object of sailing back, pulled across to the north shore.

A square, lug sail was accordingly hoisted, and, served by a fresh north-wester breeze, but running against a half-tide, all went well until Coonagh Creek was reached. At this dangerous point, known as the "hole," the frail craft was caught by a gust of wind and upturned in mid-stream. The entire number was thrown into the water, and although a gallant effort was made by each to save his own life, only one survives to tell the sad story of how his companions went to their doom. His name is Michael Punch, of Penebe's Row, Ellen street.

The names of the drowned, who are all unmarried, are—Francis Conroy, 24, labourer, Thomondgate; Thomas Browne, 26, coachbuilder, and Edward Browne, 24, labourer (brothers), Little Back Street; Thomas Creamer, 28, shop porter, Ellen Street; Joseph Lynch, 27, van driver, Deans Street. When the melancholy news reached the city about seven o'clock, a number of boats proceeded to the scene with the object of finding the bodies, but despite a careful search the volunteers returned next midnight without picking up any of the remains. Approaching low water stage yesterday the search party renewed its labours, and at three o'clock returned, having picked up the younger Browne close to the scene of the fatality. This morning at eight o'clock the body of Lynch was picked up, and that of Creamer an hour later. Throughout Sunday night and yesterday the calmness of the water was the sole topic of conversation in the streets, and much sympathy is felt for the bereaved families whose houses have been besieged by the curious as well as by friends coming to offer their condolences.

In a chat yesterday with the only survivor of the tragedy, a representative of this paper was able to glean the facts that led up to the disaster. Punch states that when the accident occurred Conroy was steering. Suddenly a heavy puff filled the mast, and in an instant the boat was jibed over. When he rose, he saw five yards from the upturned craft, which he made for. He saw his companions struggling in the water, and knowing that Lynch was unable to swim, threw him an oar which he grasped. He then saw another oar to Edward Browne which he was able to take. He did not see the others as all, and, having done what he could with the others, he got ashore the capered boat, where he remained for the best part of an hour, drifting all the time towards the shore. In an exhausted condition he divested himself of his clothes when about twenty yards from land and swam in. First aid was rendered by Mr. Roger O'Neill, cooper, Chapel street, who happened to be on the bank. The latter wrapped his coat about the survivor, who was afterwards taken to Mr. Moloney's, Calverton, and from there home.

Punch says the whole thing was over in five minutes. The last he saw of his companions was their caps floating on the water. The swimming powers of Conroy, Creamer, and the "Brownes" were all to so avail in the strong current and in cold water.

Mr. O'Neill's version of the catastrophe was sought by our representative, and he says he did not see the accident take place. He observed Punch on the side of the boat, but was unable to render any assistance, and saw two other figures in the water. The only thing he could do was to look for a boat, but unfortunately there was none on hand. He said it was his custom to walk the bank almost every Sunday evening at the time of the accident, and never before was either of the two crews visible to him. He rendered all the assistance possible to Punch after coming ashore, as did a Captain Fuge, who was most solicitous in his attentions, while Miss Moloney could not do more for the youth.

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SCHOOL CHILDREN AND SLEEP.

ITS AFFECT ON MENTAL DEVELOPMENT. A discussion has for some time been proceeding in the non-medical Press, the full importance of which has been to a great extent obscured by the urgency of political strife during the preparation for a general election. This discussion has had reference to the question whether the time allowed for uninterrupted sleep in many schools is really sufficient for the needs of growing children, and it was originally started by a memorial from the Association of Medical Officers of Schools, founded upon a paper read before that body by Dr. Achard. The conclusions of the discussion has served to bring into curious prominence the feelings of large numbers of persons, and among them, of many eminent members of the teaching profession to realise that in the present state of knowledge, no avoidance between "bodily" and "mental" areas is possible.

STOP PRESS NEWS.

WESUVIUS. Naples, Tuesday—Conditions to-day are normal in Vesuvian districts, save for rain of ash on Ottaviano and St. Agostino.

FRENCH COAL STRIKE. Lens, Tuesday—Coal fields continued in disturbed state last night, and several strikers were arrested.

Benjamin Nicholls, labourer, was remanded at Wolverhampton to-day charged with murdering his mother, aged fifty-three.

Stop Press News, Last Edition Items

(If any important news is received while printing, it will be found in this space.)

THE KING OF SPAIN. The yacht Giffria, with the King of Spain on board, arrived in the Shannon this morning, having been delayed by the fog. The vessel had been delayed by the fog, and was out from Cowes in the Admiralty steam yacht to meet King Alfonso. His Majesty and the English Royal party landed at Trinity wharf and entered an open carriage and drove to Osborne Cottage, and the cheers of a large crowd assembled outside. At Trinity wharf entrance his Majesty passed waving his salute.

YELLOW AND GREEN IN CONFLICT. Oranmore and Nationalists came into conflict yesterday at Annaghmore, Co. Tyrone. The former were laying the foundation stone of a new hall, and the Nationalists were holding a meeting to establish a United Irish League branch. Revolver shots were fired, and a man working in a field was wounded in the leg. Stones were also thrown, and a Head Constable was injured.

PURSUING BAMBATA. Eshowe, Monday.—Colonel Mallesham has his force to Ukandhia Magistrate. Bambata is still supposed to be hiding in the bush.

DEGREE FOR KING EDWARD. Philadelphia, Tuesday.—The University of Pennsylvania will confer the degree of LL.D. on King Edward on the 19th inst.

ATTEMPTED PATRIOT. Arthur Hutebins, 16, described as a cabinet was round-up at Westminster Police Court to-day, charged with attempting to murder his father with a hatchet in Dorset-place, Piccadilly. It was stated that the father was in a serious condition, suffering from six wounds.

EASTER CELEBRATIONS END IN A RIOT. Johnstown, Pennsylvania, Tuesday.—Easter celebrations at Wimbler developed into a riot between coal miners on strike, four persons being killed and many injured.

LORD SELBORNE. Capetown, Tuesday.—Lord Selborne and party arrived at Palmyra Road yesterday, and were to Serowe, Khamassat. Enthusiastically received by the natives.

TEACHERS CONFERENCE. At the Teachers' Conference at Scarborough to-day, Dr. Macnamara moved a resolution providing of proper control for all schools, and of the abolition of creed tests for teachers. Mr. Crowther, a Church of England teacher, moved an amendment in favour of voluntary schools remaining as at present where four-fifths of the parents desire it. After vigorous discussion, the original resolution was carried by a overwhelming majority.

TRAFFICS. Increases—Great North of Scotland, £68; Highland, £31; Lancashire and Yorkshire, £28,848; South Eastern, £18,361.

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SHAW BOOBY CUP. Edward Lyshaw Handicap. No. 11 all down. W. S. Laird ... 18 2 down. Major Willington ... 18 3 down. Lord Dunally ... 18 3 down. E. F. Hickson ... 20 4 down. D. A. E. Kirwan ... 18 7 down. R. G. Flower ... 25 8 down. A. Somerville ... 18 10 down. D. E. Murray ... 12 10 down. C. Croker ... 22 10 down. Forty entered.

LADIES STROKE COMPETITION. Miss F. McDonnell Gross H'cap. No. 106 19 8. Mrs. Pearson ... 112 11 11. Mrs. Harrington ... 138 27 11. Mrs. Smith ... 138 27 11.

OUTSIDE OPINIONS.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—We cannot guarantee to insert letters sent to us on days of publication. They should be sent in on the previous days—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. This column being open to all we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

THE IRISH CATTLE TRADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE. In two articles on "What I Saw at the Cattle Market" and "A Visit to the Quays" the "Weekly Irish Times" of February 17th and 17th gives a terrible account of the atrocities cruelly practised on cattle in the markets and quays of Dublin. It seems to me, says the writer, that nobody interested in the cattle trade cares anything about the cattle, as living, feeling creatures, and his description of the scenes witnessed by him fully bears out the assertion Oxen are shamefully kicked and beaten, milch cows kept standing for who's up, un milked, sheep prodded and hit on the head, and pigs so maltreated as to be sooted with gaping gashes, in bluish red, crusting and re-crossing each other. At the quays the cruelty is equally bad. "Blows were distributed in promiscuous fashion, and rained down remorselessly on the head, the eyes, and the nose, as well as back and flanks of the unfortunate animals."

The brutality of the dovers, as the "Weekly Irish Times" remarks, is such as would detract a savage. Yet all the time there is a law which might be put in force against the offenders, if the police did their duty.

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