and despatch. The Vice-Chairman, urley, J.P, has also given proof of his l courtesy and wide knowledge of irs, and his re-election to the office o be expected as a tribute to his with the members of the Council.

ns Bill endments.

esult of a conference of labour mem- at the House of Commons a series of nts to the Old Age Pensions Bill will be by members of the group seeking to operation of the Bill in a very large he amendments will involve the lower- age of benefit to 65, the abolition of ation in the cases of persons cohabit- emoval of the income restriction, and in weeping away of all barriers to pension up by the Bill. The Chancellor of the r will have a busy autumn.

reat Personalities.

esent moment is furnishing a remark- ustration of the potency of that self- dividuality which Lord Rosebery at advised his Learers to cultivate. The an Convention at Chicago is, says the g Standard," dominated by the per- of Mr. Roosevelt. He has only to lift a be elected Republican candidate for idency. Some of his admirers a few ago went so far as to constitute them- nto an association pledged to work for manent instalment as President, with o nominate his successor. Refusing the ent post, he has practically adopted the ggestion. Mr. Taft is his nominee, and ne-tenths of his prestige to that influence. ier triumph of individuality is seen in y. The most popular man in the and is the Kaiser, who celebrates to-day ntieth anniversary of his accession. At was far from popular. The nation was ned by his frankness of utterance, and ed at his assumptions of Divine Right. id his zigzag policy in home affairs age confidence. By sheer force of per y—like President Roosevelt, the Kaiser is "live" all-round man—he has worn down n and antipathy, until he is now the most r monarch Germany ever possessed.

EWS-NOTES AND NOTIONS.

LIGHT UP.

ians and others liable to prosecution under the

To be Opened To-morrow.

At two o'clock to-morrow the Shannon Carnival will be formally opened by Lady Cleeve, in presence of the Mayor and Corporation, and, let us hope, a very large attendance of the citizens. Everything in connexion with the work has been completed, and there is every indication that the Fete will be a great success.

The stalls and side shows have been arranged with every care, and the appearance of the interior of the Markets shows that attention to detail has not been overlooked.

The Cafe Chantant, which will have Mr. Paul Bernard as impressario, is certain to attract big audiences at all times during the run of the Carnival. The engagements include such well-known entertainers as Miss Treacy, Miss Lennox McGee, Miss Queenie Ryan, Miss Bella White, Miss Rita Kavanagh, Messrs. Sealy Jeffares, Dugald Blue, Fred A. Jeffs, and — Pomery and Frank Perry, as well as a host of local talent.

The Great Southern and Western Railway Company will run excursions into the city at low fares, and tickets will be available up to and including Monday 22nd. A list of the places from where excursions will be run is given in our advertisement columns.

THE INDUSTRIAL MOVEMENT.

At the meeting of the Limerick Chamber of Commerce yesterday, Sir Alexander W. Shaw, presided in the absence of the President, Sir Thomas Cleeve, who is in England and for whom the Secretery apologised, the following resolution was unanimously adopted :—

" Resolved,—That this Chamber of Commerce views with satisfaction the successful efforts of the Vice-President of the Department of Agriculture (T. W. Russell, Esq.) to promote Commercial Industries, on which the future of every country depends."

SUDDEN DEATH.

A woman named O'Brien, the wife of a farmer living in Thomondgate, was found dead in bed yesterday morning. The deceased appeared in the enjoyment of her usual good health on Sunday night on retiring to bed. She did not wake at the accustomed hour yesterday, and when one of her children went to call her, she was dead. Death is attributed to syncope.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL.

Second Reading Moved.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Lloyd George, in moving the second reading of the Old-Age Pensions Bill, said the Government did not pretend that the scheme proposed solved the whole problem. It was purely a first step, and was necessarily an experiment. Those who criticised most severely the disqualifications which had been introduced were those who opposed the principles of old-age pensions at the expense of the State at all. The first general criticism against the scheme was that it was not contributory, but he demurred altogether to the artificial distinction between contributory and non-contributory schemes. So long as people paid taxes on sugar, tea, and other commodities there could be no such thing [illegible] contributory scheme. Most social

her friends who helped her delivered by General Sir Wm. Cleeve for plants, Mr. P. J. Ly on stage, and Mr. Fogerty for

A carpenter named Wm. Glounthane created some sens over Patrick's Bridge, Cork was rescued and treated at the

Much damage is reported to to orchards in the County plague of caterpillars, which stripped the fruit trees of leave

The Intermediate Examina in Limerick yesterday and will a fortnight. The number of e and up to the average of form

At an ordination at St. Fin Cork, the Rev. S. L. Swanze Midleton, was admitted priest

Mr. J. G. M'Sweeney, Lo Inspector, yesterday opened Thurles into an improvement s by the local Rural District which they propose to erec cottages, and acquire additio an expenditure of £15,663.

SALE OF CLARE P

An application in the matter Michael J. Devine, situate ne Clare, came yesterday before Wrench, Estates Commissione

Mr. A. M. Sullivan (instruct Kelly) appeared on behalf of puisne incumbrancer, to show sale to the Land Commission.

Mr. Cullinan, solicitor, on be said his position was that undertaking to purchase, it ther for the Estates Commissi

Mr. Sullivan said the p inadequate, and at that pric not get a farthing of his incu at a fair price for the estate Council mentioned that the es of 24 acres 3 roods 24 perche numbered thirteen, so that small plots. The land was s Kilkee, and was exclusively Proceedings were still pendin sale in Mr. Justice Barton's put on the proceedings to ex sell to the tenants, and he g to £679, but he was now offe Land Commission for £508.

In the course of arguments as to the right of the person, mortgaged, as to have practi the purchase money, to make sale which would bind the whether, once the Land Com to a price it was absolutely b without consulting all the pe

The case was adjourned til so that counsel might be hea vendor.

CATTLE DRIVI LIMERI

A cattle drive has taken town, within a mile of K and another in the vicinity been watched by the police time, and it will be rememb May three parties were ord