

and in "the" creature's side, it rushed the liner immediately it was free, off against the liner's side with wide wings. As the Oriza left the scene of the he water was tinged with the shark's

## MISTLETOE LEAVES.

ably not new to all readers because it is very obvious, but it never occurred to me that E. Kay Robinson in "The Country" if you happen to see a large bunch of which appears to have about two hundred you can mildly surprise your friends by saying that if no accident has befallen any of the number of leaves is exactly 266. If you saw a very huge bunch which had more than 10,000 leaves but not so many as I could confidently state that if it was a woman, the exact number of leaves must

## AMOUNT OF KALD MACLEAN'S RANSOM.

The Contingencies Fund accounts contain a statement that the sum of £20,000 was advanced for the ransom of Kald Sir Harry Maclean, captured by the Germans, and that £5,500 was advanced for the ransom of Mr. R. Abbot, captured by brigands at

## THE OLDEST SURGEON.

The Royal College of Surgeons has sent a congratulatory letter to Surgeon-Major Henry B. Glenelg, South Australia, who was born in Limerick in 1813, and is the oldest member of the college. Surgeon Major Hinton enjoys good health, and takes a walk of five miles each

## THE NIGHT AND ABOUT.

The night of Kerry, who is in London, is the subject of extensive alterations carried out at

A report of the funeral of the late W. Vanderkiste, the list of those who attended should have included the names of Mrs. J. S. Vanderkiste. It should be stated that the late Captain Vanderkiste was Major of the Limerick Battalion of the 1st Brigade since it was founded. It is reported, according to a Dungarvan correspondent, that a man named Dwyer lost his life by falling off the quay in the dark on a rainy night. Cries were heard, and a boy said that he saw a man's head over the water. A book bearing the name "James Dwyer" was found on the quay, but so far the matter is in mystery.

Decorations, illuminations, and other rejoicings are being organized to welcome home to Adare the inebriated evening Lady Ardee and her daughter. This will be the first visit to her ladyship since her marriage.

It is announced that Mr. J. H. Peard, the eldest son of Mr. J. B. H. Peard, died of an operation for appendicitis. He had been Secretary and Clerk of the Course to the Limerick Park Club since July last, and had performed the duties connected with these rules in an efficient manner. He was only in his 37th year.

## ELECTRIC POWER STATION

### Threatened Strike.

The city was threatened with a strike on the 15th of the employees

## DEATH OF SIR THOS. H. CLEEVE, D.L.

With the deepest regret, which is shared by all classes and creeds throughout the city, we record the death of Sir Thomas Henry Cleeve, D.L., City High Sheriff, who passed away this morning at his residence, Sunville House, after a comparatively brief illness. Indeed the announcement of Sir Thomas's indisposition, which first became known just nine days ago, came upon the public with extreme surprise, as he had been amongst us daily, attending the Connaught Winter Assizes in his official capacity, and amongst other functions with which he identified himself was the presentation of the Freedom of the City to the Earl of Dunraven on the 7th December. At first it was thought that Sir Thomas was suffering from a mere passing cold, and everyone devoutly hoped to see his genial and familiar personality amongst us soon again. But unhappily towards the end of last week his illness, the result of an internal complaint, assumed grave proportions. Dr. Taylor was specially brought down from Dublin, and in conjunction with Drs. Fogerty, Kennedy, and Laird, decided that an operation was the only hope of saving the patient's life. This was successfully performed on Sunday last, Sir Thomas going through the ordeal well, and progressing satisfactorily. It was fondly hoped that the strength and vigor which up to the time of his illness he had enjoyed would have enabled him to pull through successfully, and for the first few days of this week his condition was one of encouragement and hopefulness. But after that he had restless nights, his strength became weaker, and last night all hope was practically abandoned. Despite all that medical skill could do, and the loving and devoted care and watchfulness of the members of his family, Sir Thomas gradually sank, and at half-past four this morning passed peacefully away. Death was due to peritonitis.

Sir Thomas Henry Cleeve, D.L., J.P., was the eldest son of the late Mr. Edward Elms Cleeve, of Richmond, Quebec, and was born on the 5th of June, 1844. At an early age he came over here from Canada to join his uncle, the late Mr. Journeaux, in the business of J. P. Evans and Company, and in the course of time he became one of our leading and most esteemed merchants—esteemed not alone for his many excellent traits of character, but for his wonderfully enterprising spirit.

## HIGH SCHOOL

### RICHMOND HOUSE

#### Prize Day.

Wednesday was a "re-latter day" of whichever you care to term it, at Richmond House. It marked the end of the year—once again of that time—that happy day when the lives of the children, and which the older generation can recall with pleasure as happening in our own breaking up for the Christmas holidays, doubtful if any vacation of the year would be so forward to with more pleasure. For not before the little ones all the innocent and merry, the good things and which are inseparable from the Yuletide. A good beginning of the year was made on Wednesday with the concert and prize day. The rooms in which the entertainments were held bore quite a festive appearance as they were with evergreens and mottoes, and what of the children they were dressed in their best "bib and tuckers" beaming with delight and pleasure at the opportunity of showing what they knew. Doubtless they knew a wonderful lot—before their parents and friends went through the excellent which was conducted under the management of Miss Croston, with childish earnestness and glee which was very refreshing and extremely interesting. From the point of view of deportment and literary and musical training, the large number of whom are more than a credit to the school, the highest credit on the Principal of the school, Miss Mercer and her assistants, Miss and Miss Harfield.

Having said so much, we turn to the programme itself, and it may be said at once that where all were so good it is to individualise any particular performer. Master G. Waters set the ball rolling with a very clever recitation of a prologue ascribed children sliding on the ice, which was also to the stage and other subjects. Anniversary Song, beginning with "God," was very sweetly sung by the children and highly appreciated. Miss Croston aroused much laughter by her account of "Peony Jane's Fair." Miss K. Fogerty, who has a very sweet voice, sang "Two Children," and was applauded. Two little "mites," the Winter and I. Jones, next caught the attention of the house in "The Swallow and I," which was very cleverly and dramatically and deservedly applauded. "The Home," a chorus by the senior class. Next came a humorous recitation by Waters, entitled "A Medley," which shows that too much knowledge is a dangerous thing, for the story told who learnt so many pieces by heart and he got mixed up and gave a little thing. The young lady was loudly applauded. Next came a chorus, "Sailing," by the girls, and after this a recitation, "Lit," which was excellently handled by