

MESSINA'S OPPORTUNITY.

site of Messina, with its curving sickle shaped, commemorated in its old name, Zankle, is the 'Daily News') one of the most magnificent world, and the necessity for rebuilding provides a chance of erecting a city to match the.

E. LLOYD GEORGE AND SMALL INVESTORS.

'Economist' states that one of the first hints for the Canadian loan was Mr. Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who has had an application form for a £10 bond in order to show his appreciation of the step taken by the Canadian Government to encourage thrift on the part of small investors.

OLDEST ETONIAN DEAD.

the death has occurred at Great Linford, Newport, of Mr. Joseph Bailey, aged 92, who entered Eton in 1836, and was believed to be the oldest Etonian. He was one of the best known sportsmen in Bucks, and hunted up to his 85th birthday.

DEATH OF A SUNDERLAND CHARACTER.

the death is reported at Sunderland of one of the town's quaintest characters—Charles Hopper, stationer, bookman, antiquarian, and property owner. Most everyone on Wearside knew "Old Charlie," with his broad, short figure, clothed in brown frockcoats and a blue reefar jacket, topped by an old-fashioned Scotch cap, as he wheeled the commercial travellers' samples on his barrow from shop to shop, was one of the familiar sights of the town. He was keenly interested in antiquities, and had at his Spa home a remarkable and valuable museum of rare articles. He was 79 years old.

POSSIBILITIES OF THE BLOTTING PAD.

Who knows, queries a Paris contemporary, what glorious destiny may await the innocent blotting pad. The blotting paper so simple, so cheap, so useful? The blotting paper, we are told, stoppers for pianos are already made, it covers the hammers of pianos, and the tailor impresses it for padding of coats. In electricity it furnishes a perfect insulator, and the jeweller uses it to brighten precious stones. A German manufacturer has now perfected a bathing dress of blotting paper, and it seems probable that such costumes will be greatly in vogue during the next bathing season, for it is believed that the new dress imparts a most pleasant sensation to the wearers.

EARTHQUAKES IN ENGLAND.

The present epidemic of earthquakes, the latest of which is just reported from Asia Minor, is probably causing a good many people to speculate anxiously whether any of them are coming our way (says an English paper). Happily the earthquakes hitherto treated our islands very considerably, though it has now and again given us a fright.

Glin, Major Willington, Captain Leslie, Captain Harkness, Captain Finch, Mr. Kinnear, and Mr. Kinnear, junr.

Since the wreck of the ill-fated Irada off Mizen Head the fishermen and others on the coast have kept a sharp look out for the bodies of the crew. Up to the present the remains of Captain Roberts and of two sailors have been recovered and buried.

While hunting with the Meath Hounds, Colonel W. P. Carson (brother of Sir Edward Carson, K.C.) met with a serious accident. His horse stumbled, throwing him to the ground, and fell on him. Colonel Carson had two ribs fractured, and was also badly bruised about the body. He was conveyed by train to Dublin, whence latest reports are that he is progressing favourably.

At the Corporation meeting on Saturday, Mr. McInerney said he trusted that as the Treasury were now prepared to advance money for the erection of working men's houses in cities, the Mayor would during his year of office see that the scheme as approved by the Town Tenants' League for building on the No. 1 area was adopted. The Mayor said the matter was receiving the attention of the Council.

CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE.

Captain Gbarrier desires to thank "A Friend" per Mrs. Russell (George Street) for kind subscription of £1 towards the "Camp Fund" of the Church Lads' Brigade. Further contributions are needed.

OLD AGE PENSIONS ACT.

Shannon Ward Committee.

A meeting of above will be held on to-morrow (Wednesday), at 3.30 p.m. at the Carnegie Free Library.

DEATH OF MR. HAMILTON GEALE.

We regret to announce the death of a venerable citizen, Mr. Hamilton Geale, which took place at his residence, 1 Lion Mount yesterday at the great age of 95 years. Mr. Geale had a varied and rather striking career. He served as a midshipman at the battle of Navarino in 1827, and in later years was called to the Bar. Mr. Geale has resided for many years in Limerick, with which he was connected by family and other ties. He was a very interesting "reconneur," and was a most kindly and genial gentleman. His death snaps another link between the present and a generation all but passed away. For some time past he had been in failing health. The funeral will take place from his residence on Thursday at 9 o'clock.

THE ITALIAN EARTHQUAKE DISASTER.

Collections were made on Sunday in all the Roman Catholic Churches of the city in aid of the Italian earthquake disaster. The amount subscribed was a substantial one, and it will be forwarded by the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, to the Pope for distribution among the sufferers by the catastrophe.

High Sheriff; Mr A. Hall, solicitor; Mr B. Frost, solicitor; Mr Martin White, Mr J. Quin, Mr John H. Decouroy, Mr E. H. Ebrill, Dr. Pearce, Mr S. Ebrill, Mr P. Coffey, Mr J. Keating V.S.; Mr C. O'Donnell, a Browne, Mr P. Cronin, Mr Mr J. Barry, Mr D. Tidma McDonnell, Mr P. O'Meehan, Mr J. Doyle, solicitor; Mr J. W. O'Donnell, solicitor; Mr J. V. O'B. Kelly, B.L.; Mr D. D. S. J. J. Quaid, Mr J. McNamara, Kelly, solicitor; Mr J. F. Power, solicitor; Mr J. E. Moran, solicitor; Mr T. Enright, R. Wallace, Mr H. Blackall, sol Dodds, solicitor; Mr N. A. B. Brett, Mr M. Doyle, Mr E. N. S. McCarthy, Mr James S. Gaff. The Dean recited the prayers for the deceased lady, who was late owing to a train accident at the result that he did not re 1.30 p.m.

THE CRAUGH TRAGEDY

Inquest on Co Goldrick.

At an inquest, held on 8 Craughwell, on the body of Co who was shot the previous day on an evicted farm, the jury found caused by gunshot wounds. rider, which the Coroner, Dr. C. condemning the outrage in manner, and expressing sympathies of the deceased. Three arrested in connection with it of them have been remanded for the third has been discharged.

MAILS DELAYED

The English mails were some in Limerick to-day owing to being delayed at Mountrath due to being derailed. The mails on train and the delivery was begun.

£7,000 DAMAGES.

The hearing concluded in L of the action brought by Mr Brodt, an American lady, against the South Western Railway Co damages for injuries to herself of her former husband, Mr disaster to the Plymouth exp in July, 1906. The jury awarded £7,000 for personal injuries, for the loss of her husband.

The Kaiser has decreed that the Court Circular, which is now being reduced to a bi-weekly publication in the shortest possible time, should be discontinued. The Kaiser retired a life as possible.