

g to Holmsted, there chanced a which overthrew houses and rent of Lincoln from the top down—buildings were thrown down at any later parts of the Temple St. Paul's were destroyed. In 1371 Northamptonshire, was removed from its resting before its highways, houses in 1350 London had a severe plague which cleared the inhabitants out of their

SHIP FLEET FOR RUSSIA.
 signified his assent to the petition of the Yacht Club, submitted by the Minister requesting his Majesty to open an Act in relation to provide funds for the construction of a fleet. The statutes of the club provide that in time of war the fleet would be taken into the service of the Government for the purpose of national

VOYAGE OF 220 DAYS.
 Messrs. Weir and Co., of Glasgow, have received from Santa Rosalina (?), stating that the ship Springback has arrived there after a voyage of 220 days, from Hamburg, which commenced June 2 last. During the voyage three persons died—Mrs. Royd, the wife of the captain, and two of the crew. The vessel was only 10 days from being given up for lost.

MINISTER AND PARTY POLITICS.
 The Minister who called the attention of the Secretary to a New Year's letter from J. C. Brodie, M.P. for the Reigate constituency, to his constituents, stating that the nation have found in Mr. Asquith a Minister of the highest talents, has been severely criticised from Lord Knollys in these terms: "I strongly disapprove of his name being used in circulars. I need hardly say that the Majesty's name did not appear in the letter which you forwarded to me with his

DESTRUCTION OF COTTAGES.
 The trouble comes from the Potteries of the block of small cottages which had been built on the site. The process (says the "Evening Post") was gradual. The floors were first taken up, then the roofs and other woodwork, and finally the walls were razed, and nothing left but the foundations.

AND ABOUT.

Handeaur, 2nd Life Guards, has been discharged from visiting the Earl and Countess of Dunraven at Adare Manor. In the Petty Sessions and Town Court, of Doonmore, was prosecuted by the Attorney General for criminal libel against the Rev. Dr. Keenan.

FUNERAL OF MR. EDWARD WILLIAM O'BRIEN, D.L.
 (FROM OUR REPORTER).

The funeral of the late Mr. Edward William O'Brien, D.L., whose death occurred at his London residence, on Thursday, took place yesterday. The remains, which were enclosed in a heavy oak coffin, arrived at Ardagh on Sunday evening by the half-past four train. They were met by a large concourse of people, and taken on the shoulders of the tenantry of the estate to Cahermoyle, a distance of a mile. The coffin, which bore the inscription:

EDWARD WILLIAM O'BRIEN,
 Born, 24th January, 1837;
 Died, 21st January, 1905.

rested overnight in the hall at Cahermoyle House, was taken out yesterday a little before noon, and conveyed on the shoulders of the tenantry, and followed by a large and representative cortege. At the church the remains were received by the Rev. Canon Vance, Rector, Rathronan, who officiated. At the close of the service the coffin was then transferred to the family vault close by, where rest the remains of the deceased gentleman's father, Mr. William Smith O'Brien, who died on the 18th June, 1864, after a career full of interest in Irish history. The Rev. Canon Vance also read the concluding part of the Service at the vault, which closed the final chapter in the life of a gentleman who was held in the highest esteem by the residents of Ardagh, and whose social status was recognised all over the country.

The chief mourners were—Mr. Dermot O'Brien, Mr. Conor O'Brien, and Mr. Aubrey O'Brien (sons); Mrs. Arthur Cane, Miss N. O'Brien, Miss Kitty O'Brien, and Miss Margaret O'Brien (daughters); Mr. Arthur Cane (son-in-law), Mr. Donough O'Brien (brother), Dr. Brian O'Brien, Mr. R. D. O'Brien and Mr. Edward Gwynne, F.T.C.D. (nephews), Mr. Robert Vere O'Brien, Ballyalla, Ennis (cousin).

The clergy present were—The Right Rev. Dr. O'Connell, Lord Bishop; Rev. Canon Vance, Rev. J. Hallinan, P.P., Ardagh; and Rev. J. O'Shaughnessy, P.P., Knockaderry.

Among the general public were—Mr. William Waller, D.L., Castletown Wailer; Mr. Thomas Rice, Limerick; Dr. Thos. Hayes, Rathkeale; Mr. Richard Coplin-Langford, J.P., Kilscoff; Mr. T. S. Deane, Rathkeale; Captain Langford, D.S.O.; Colonel Morgan, Mr. Crawford Langford, Mr. Henry Massey, Mr. John M. O'Grady, Rathkeale; Captain J. White, J.P., Nantewan; Mr. J. Norman, Rathkeale; Mr. E. K. Sheehy, Newcastle-west; Mr. P. J. O'Farrell, Irish Co-operative Agency Association, Limerick; Mr. S. J. McDonagh, Foynes; Mr. John M. Donovan, Grouse Lodge, Ardagh; Mr. J. O'Connor, Foynes; Mr. M. G. Barry, J.P.; Mr. O. Curtin, V.O., Rathkeale Board of Guardians; Mr. John Magner, D.C.; Mr. John Ambrose, T.C., Rathkeale; Mr. Peter Magner, D.C.; Mr. Joseph Magner, Mr. M. Sheehan, T.C., Rathkeale; Mr. J. Scarian, Kilscoff; Dr. Ambrose, Newcastle West; Mr. J. Egan, Mr. R. Magner, Mr. James Ryan, Mr. T. Ryan, Mr. P. Condon, J.P.; Mr. E. P. Hartnett, Mr. T. Mulcahy, T.C.; Mr. John Phelan, T.C., Newcastle West; Mr. P. Donovan, Mr. T. D. Cowper.

Wreaths were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keenan, the members of the family, and the Hon. L. M. O'Brien, London.

CITY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

DUNRAVEN SCHOLAR

Mrs. O'Brien's Munificence

A meeting of the City Technical Committee was held yesterday, the following members present—Mr. Joyce, B.A., C. Close, B.A., J. Mc Griffin, B.C., E. J. Long, B.C.; Mrs. Brother Nolan, Messrs. P. Lynch, C. O'Brien, B.C.

TECHNICAL TRAINING AND INDUSTRY

The Department forwarded a reference to the curriculum at technical schools generally, and the desirability of being framed as to meet local requirements. There were difficulties in the way, the thought it would be advisable to have a conference in Dublin on the 6th proximo, by (one to be municipal) to attend the City Technical Institute. In cases where Principal to an institute, the secretary should be the secretary or chief executive.

Mr. Long said if they could in any way scheme it would be well—that was, teaching to the needs of the district. In instances, there were industries that had started in Limerick if they had trained pupils.

The Mayor—One of the great drawbacks had with regard to technical education in this country was the absence of industries, as in England, to which could apply their students.

Mr. Long—The classes are not to be established to bear fruit. But they are to be classes, the pupils of which might be employed in local industries. Mr. Lynch said they must first train the pupils before the pupils had. If they commenced industrial pupils, what were they to do while they were waiting for industries to be started. First get the pupils and once they were started the technical education could supply the apprentices held that the first thing to do was to start an industry.

The Mayor—That is the ground work. Mr. Long said he might mention that years ago he offered to start a boot and shoe trade in the city, and asked to have a class of trained pupils in the industry. It was a Herculean task to start such an industry on account of the absence of trained labour.

Mr. Close said a tanning class was got apprentices, but though the technical education and instruction offered the results were not come.

Mr. Comerton—Ycs. Mr. Lynch said their syllabus was framed as much as possible to meet local conditions. In other districts it was not so, and technical education given only led to emigration. It was the reason the Department were holding a conference on the whole subject, and it would be a success and bear good fruit. Mr. Comerton said they had a very good mechanical engineering class. The students, and of these 18 were from the Great Southern and Western Railway. He was also able to say that they had apprentices to the carpenter's trade.