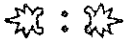


cept Rembrandt, he returned late in arlem, where he died in 1682.



and Flower Culture.

resting experiment is being made at on-Tyne with the object of fostering a ture and beauty among school children. h British Academy of Arts in that city l child gardeners at work in the slums, ng their home with flowers, the for which have been given y the academy. In September will bring their window-boxes and pots which they are now carefully tending, ibition, which will be held in the hall of e city's schools. Prizes will be given for

The movement has been successfully ted, and will later on be extended to and other populous centres of the United

For the purpose of developing this for beautifying the homes of the poor iding an innocent and interesting hobby ung, the North British Academy of Art, nted a sum not to exceed 50gs. The are appealing to the heads of every school Britain to induce their scholars to enter mpetition.

S-NOTES AND NOTIONS.

LIGHT UP.

ts and others liable to prosecution under ts on Vehicles Act should light up to-night to-morrow night at 9.29, and on Saturday 9.29.

THE AMERICAN INVASION.

dition to the passengers already landed in from America by the Atlantic liners, it stood that the Baltic will supplement the by 530 on her arrival at Queenstown on y night.

HORSES WORTH £1,000,000.

tated that the entire value of the horses at Ascot during the week amount to near 00. The value of the actual entries is d at more than £2,000,000, but from it be deducted the usual number of non-

LORD KNOLLYS.

understands that Lord Knollys will hold e of private secretary to King George in ion with Sir Arthur Bigge for only a short he wishes to retire from duty altogether, ollys has consented to hold his place a ger, as his services are of great value

LIMERICK HORSE SHOW.

It has been generally conceded that Limerick occupies an unique position as a horse breeding county. There are many who consider it one of the leading counties in Ireland in this respect—and there are very few who will not subscribe to what has been generally admitted. For an instance of this one has only to look up the racing records from which it will be seen that the produce of County Limerick stud farms average a splendid total in the calendar. Again at the Royal Dublin Society's Shows Limerick stands out pre-eminently among the list of winners, while at home and in the other southern shows we have much cause for congratulation. On the 21st and 22nd instant the Annual Show which has met with such a large measure of success since its revival will be held at the Markets Enclosure, where the executive have fitted up and fully equipped accommodation for horses. Looking down the catalogue it is satisfactory to note that this year's fixture is representative in every way, and contains a very large number of entries. The section devoted to horses is well up to the average in entries, while that assigned for cattle is in excess of those of last and former years. The butter section is also a creditable side of the Show, and the same applies to the implements which have been sent in from several firms of standing. The new branch for poultry has been liberally subscribed to, and, on the whole, it is safe to assume that the forthcoming fixture will be an all round success, and help to stimulate producers and exhibitors in the direction of perpetuating a show launched under bright auspices, and worked on sound business lines.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES A. BOYD.

We regret extremely to record the death of Mr. James Alexander Boyd, brother of Mr. John Boyd Secretary of the Harbour Board. Deceased, who for many years was a member of the clerical staff of the Condensed Milk Company, Lansdowne, became suddenly ill on Saturday morning and passed away early on Tuesday from heart failure. His premature demise is sincerely regretted by very many friends. Mr. Boyd was a very talented and cultured musician, and had been for a long period up to the time of his demise organist of St. Munchin's Church, having previously held a similar position in Trinity. The funeral, which took place for St. Mary's Cathedral was private. The officiating clergymen were—Rev. T. B. Robertson, Rector of St. Munchin's, and Rev. T. F. Abbott, St. Mary's.

FARMER DROWNED IN THE SHANNON.

At an inquest held in Athlone on Tuesday on the body of a man taken out of the Shannon at Carrick-O'Brien on Sunday evening, it was identified by his son as that of John Henry, Multy-farnham, County Westmeath. He left his home and went into the village on Friday, June 3rd, and had been since missing. He was traced as far as Castletown and Moate. It is not known how he got into the river at Carrick-O'Brien. It is thought he may have fallen in at Athlone, and as the flood gates were up at that time, that he was carried down the river.

the President of the Conference Perkins, in the chair.

In the name of the Conference, I B. A., as Secretary, introduced Rev. as President, and the latter addressed and said how deeply he regretted of his colleagues, H. J. Foster, scholar, who had just been called a death was a great loss to English B also referred to the different co which Methodist work was carried and Ireland, and said he bel Methodist Church in this country excellent work.

The President of the Conference the ministerial representatives from Conference, Revs. J. E. Waker Young, each of whom briefly addressed

Revs. W. S. Carey, B.A., and were appointed to draw up the P and the Committee on Obituaries, M. Kerr as convener. The Com toral Efficiency was also re-appointed James Grubb as convener.

The Committee on Memorials year appointments was re-appointed J. O. Park, B.A., as convener.

The Conference was resumed by transaction of ministerial business Perkins, in the chair.

The following candidates for the reported on by the Chairmen of District Synods, and approved: Johnstone Hunter, Alfred Welsh Howe, Percy L. Shipway, R. McC Alfred Harbinson, B.A., and Wes

The question of pastoral efficiency considered at some length, and was paper of considerable ability and "Ministry as a Training School of Rev. G. L. Webster, M.A. Having perils peculiar to the ministry, he to the elements in it that led to and manifestation of character. in their companionship or bond of their call to the work of the ministry from political entanglement as a life made a constant challenge to in their intellectual and spiritual The discussion was continued by Weir, R. C. Phillips, W. B. Lampl Green, and closed by Rev. Dinsdale The conference adjourned.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

The Missionary Conference devoted yesterday to the consideration of missionary problems in relation to the world, in connection with a mission in which it is suggested International Committee should number of delegates gave the missionary work in various lands showing the need which exist effort.

COUNTY LIMERICK ASSOCIATION

The summer meeting of the at in the Carnegie Hall, Rathkeale 25th inst., at 12.30 o'clock. A large attendance of the Associated County is expected, and those districts are cordially invited.