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our monthly calendar and time ed with this evening's issue.

likson, R.M., attended at the to-day. There was only one case, kneness, for hearing.

to Dublin at popular fares for the is announced for Sunday next. The ganised by St. Michael's Temper-

as read from Mr. A. M. Harper, liltown-Mabay Petty Sessions, the receipt of the resolution adopted ates on the occasion of his departure and expressing his thanks for their in his regard.

has been arranged and will take er between Captain Vandeleur, 2nd ly surviving son of the late Hector Kilrush and Cahiroon, Co. Clare, ysey Thompson, eldest daughter of y Knaresborough.

received by advertisement that the will leave Limerick on Sunday a.m. for Kilrush, returning at 7.15 , and 6.30 p.m. on Monday, so that ave full opportunity of spending two e. On Monday the "Shannon" pro- sart and Foynes at 12 noon.

ting of the Board of Management of School on Tuesday, Mr. Patriek ing, Mr. James Costelloe moved his ion to hold the monthly meetings of n future at Rathkeale, and the ings at Glin. On a division it was l votes to 6 to hold the meetings in fore.

ittee of the Rathkeale Co-operative ty, Ltd., had before them at their meeting, Very Rev. M. O'Donnell, residing, the report of the working y for the past six months, submitted rs, Messrs W. O'Brien, Hishon and le Abbey Street, Dublin, showing profit for the period was £33 17s 4d, 8 0s 11d for the first six months of

JGH CASTLE DISASTER

FOR FAMILY PLATE AND RECORDS.

Galway, Wednesday.

r. Thomas Blake, eldest son of Sir ake, arrived in Galway from England, anied by Mr. Gregory Eyre, his w, and Mr. W. N. Binns, B.E., veyor, drove to the ruins of his ances- t Menlough Castle. Several friends arrival and expressed the utmost ith the family in the sad disaster that r them. Search parties are still at very endeavour is being made to re- mains of the late Miss Blake. Until been found no funeral arrangements an It is hoped that the remains may ared, but the prospect at present is . The fire is still smouldering at nd the dangerous condition of the a search work very difficult. The of value recovered so far is an antique jug of peculiar design, the handle of artly broken-off. In the spot where of Miss Blake are supposed to lie several tons of smoking debris from ght feet thick. A large quantity of r was known to be within the castle, me very valuable family records, safe, all of which are buried deeply debris.

, it is believed, was built about the and an additional wing was added Elizabeth's days. It was originally

DEATH OF PRECENTOR DANN, M.A.

Throughout the diocese of Limerick by very many clerical and lay friends the news of the demise of the Rev. A. G. Dann, M.A., Rector and Precentor of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Canada, has been received with very sincere sorrow. Canon Dann, to give him the title by which he was best known in Limerick, and where though severed from it by a residence abroad of many years he was remembered with affection by all who had the pleasure of knowing him, had only arrived with Mrs. Dann and their youngest son at Downend Vicarage, Bristol, the residence of his brother, Rev. J. W. Dann, when he passed peacefully away, having been in delicate health for some time past.

The late Precentor, who was born in Fermoy, Co. Cork, on the 22nd January, 1846, was the youngest son of the late Jonathan Dann. He was educated at Fermoy College, proceeding afterwards to Queen's College, Cork, where he won several scholarships and took out his B.A. and B.E. degrees. The M.A. degree was subsequently conferred on him by Trinity College, Toronto. In 1871 he was ordained for the Curacy of St. Nicholas, Cork, under the late Chancellor George Webster. From this he came to St. Michael's Church, Limerick. In 1876 he became Rector of Killeedy (Clarina), which office he held till the year 1895, when he was invited and accepted the post of Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ontario. In 1903 he succeeded the late Dean Innes as Rector of the Cathedral, of which he became Precentor. He was also a Canon of St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick. In Canada as in this country Precentor Dann was a great favourite with all classes and creeds, his ever cheerful and genial manner, urbanity and kindness of heart winning for him the respect and esteem of a wide circle of friends who deeply regret his premature demise at the age of 64 years. Precentor Dann was an eloquent preacher, an energetic worker, and while in Limerick where many years of his ministerial career were spent, he filled many important diocesan offices. He was also for some time a very popular President of the P. Y. M. A.

The funeral took place yesterday morning at Christ Church, Downend, Bristol, of which parish Rev. J. W. Dann is vicar. A short service was held in the death chamber, at which only members of the family were present. The service in the church, which was partly choral, was conducted by the Revs. M. Vicars and P. G. Alexander, curates of Downend, "Oh, Rest in the Lord" being played as the coffin was borne into the Church. The first hymn, "On the Resurrection Morning," was one of the late Precentor's favourite hymns. The "Dead March in Saul" was played as the coffin left the Church. On the committal sentences the body was reverently lowered into a flower-lined grave.

Among the mourners were—The widow (Mrs. Dann); Hugh Dann, the only son in England at the time of his father's death; Mrs. Charles Patton (daughter), Charles Patton (son-in-law), Rev. J. W. Dann, and Mrs. Dann, Mrs. Tolerton and Lady Cleeve (sisters), Dr. Alfred Harris (brother-in-law), Frank Cleeve, and Dr. William Harris (nephews), the Misses Maud, Mildred, Mollie, and Dorothy Dann, and the Misses Tolerton (nieces).

A large number of local residents were also present.

The following sent flowers:—Mrs. Dann, widow; Captain and Mrs. Dann, son and daughter-in-law; Mrs. Patton, and the other children of the late Precentor, Mrs. Tolerton, Lady Cleeve, Frank Cleeve, and Mrs. Cleeve, Captain and Mrs. McGillycuddy, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Cleeve, Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Cleeve, Dr. and Mrs. Harris and children, Islington; Miss Tolerton, Cork; Dr and Mrs. Eadon, and the ladies of the Downend Gleamers Union.

PROVINCIAL BANK OF IRELAND.

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The half-yearly general meeting of the shareholders of the Provincial Bank of Ireland was held yesterday at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, the Hon. Wm. Henry Goschen, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding. There was a representative attendance of shareholders, and the following directors were present—Lord Rathmore, Ivor Bevan, Wm. T. Brand, Captain George L. Poe, Alexander B. Leslie-Melville.

The report of the directors, which was submitted for approval, and which has already been published, stated that, including £13,564 10s 11d brought forward from last account, there was a profit of £55,269 6s 1d on the half-year's working, and out of this sum it was proposed to pay a dividend at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum, free of income tax.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, said:—I approach my duty of addressing you on the report with considerable diffidence, because, though I have been in business for a good many years, and have had a training in my own family banking business, this is the first time that I have had to take the chair at a bank meeting. When one takes an opportunity such as this of studying banking business as a whole one cannot help being struck with the growing difficulty of carrying on such business. Ever increasing competition leads to a cutting of rates, which makes one sometimes wonder where banks will be led to in this direction. Consider, too, the suddenness with which changes come over the money market. A few years ago it was possible to take a view a little way ahead. Now this is scarcely possible. The enormous improvement in communication, quickness of transit, and similar reasons, have brought this about. Nowadays, the rumour of a bad crop in Canada, the sudden action of a Government—it may be our own—in issuing a large number of Treasury bills, or the issue of notes by one of the great American railways, is quite enough to have an effect. Another noticeable feature is the increase in the number of new issues. This year has so far been almost a record one in this respect. Formerly a business man with an ordinary knowledge of geography was enabled to consider proposed investments with ease. Now it is almost necessary to have an atlas at one's hand, and a new atlas at that, so quickly do the cities and municipalities in new countries learn the gentle art of borrowing. I will only thus urge that business tends to become more complex. As regards our own accounts we have every reason to be satisfied. From the report itself you will see that deposits, compared with June, 1909, are up £91,676, following upon an increase of £187,746 at June, 1909. The total is £490,000 higher than at the corresponding date five years ago. Advances are higher on the year, that is as compared with June 1909, by £234,302, and, naturally, this has led to investments of money available being slightly lower, £110,782. Circulation at £701,071 shows an improvement by £19,355. Reserve at £355,000 is £5,000 better than a year ago, and bank premises, as a result of the allocation now made, show in this report at £104,076, being a reduction of £7,100 in one year. Dealing with the profit and loss account the gross profits are £2,169 better than at the corresponding period in 1909, the net result being that after payment of usual dividend, placing £5,000 to reserve, and taking £4,000 off premises account, we are enabled to carry forward a rather larger balance. Net profit for this half-year is £41,704, as against £40,561 at June, 1909. It is customary on these occasions to say something about the condition of trade in the country, and one's words, though perhaps of no special interest for the moment, are a record to which at some later date it may be convenient to return when referring to the report of any particular year. The harvest prospects to date are distinctly promising, and though there was some desquitude owing to the heavy rains of June and during the early days of July, more recent weather conditions have

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