

not spoken of favorably, and it is not to learn that the hay crop, especially wing, has suffered most of all from the the season, the floods doing much low-lying lands. Grass has been well on pastures, but, it is added, that complaints of its being deficient in and innutritious for stock. Such is an the Department's careful and comprehensive down to the 1st September, depressing many respects, but since then a brighter things has presented itself, and though it h to expect that the present, what may tropical weather can repair all the at has been done to the crops, still it it about a much more hopeful outlook farmer than was the case less than a go. There is good ground, therefore, ating that in the end the harvest may be ductive. This is the ardent hope of l city man alike, to whom a successful a matter of vital concern. That goes aying.

IRRENT COMMENT.

and Temperance.

the army manoeuvres, which began in sia yesterday, the Emperor has ordered non-alcoholic beverages are to be served s he has found from experience that they im better to withstand the strain of the greater part of the day in the saddle. lso called upon the troops to cut down igence in spirituous liquors to the lowest point. This exhortation is all the more since statistics show that, in consequence sing consumption of alcohol in the army mber of soldiers whom it has ecessary to discharge for heart-affections eased tenfold. For the many foreign ho will be his guests the Emperor will, take a plentiful supply of wines, the h announces. These will be transported tchen motor-train, which this year will for the first time. It also carries a with a collapsible table and chairs, and cockery, and glass for twelve persons. v transportable houses have also been ted for the accomodation of the n in case the development of the as should render it necessary for him to night away from his hotel.

in Teaching.

Women's Imperial Health Association of itain, founded more or less on the model

him that, and must not forget to hang out a piece of fat, a sunflower head, or something that will come acceptable to this not very fastidious little feathered pugilist.

ENGLISH ASTRONOMERS IN CALIFORNIA.

Astronomers who devote themselves specially to the sun are this week in conference at the Mount Wilson Solar University, California, and the magnificent scale on which this recently established observatory has been planned must make the mouths of the English delegates water. Erected 6,000 feet above sea-level, the Mount Wilson Observatory is the most completely equipped solar observatory in existence. Its director, Professor Hale, had £100,000 placed at his disposal by the Carnegie Institution of Washington, and in addition a millionaire of Los Angeles (near which city is Mount Wilson) has given £10,000 to provide a mighty telescope with a mirror larger by 28 inches than Lord Rosse's 6ft. reflector in Ireland.

DEATH OF MR. DANIEL LEONARD.

We regret to record the unexpected death of a gentleman well-known and highly respected in city and county, Mr. Daniel Leonard, of Newcastle-west, and one of the principals of Leonard and Co., William street, Limerick, which took place at Lisdoonvarna yesterday, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health. He took ill on Sunday night, and his demise will be heard of with sincere sorrow by a wide circle of friends who knew him in public and private life.

Our Newcastle West correspondent wires:— The sad announcement of the death of Mr. Daniel Leonard, which took place at Lisdoonvarna last night, has cast a gloom over the town and district, where he has been held in the highest respect, esteem, and affectionate regard by the people of all classes and creeds. A gentleman of the most upright, sterling, and honourable principles, and the genial life of the circle, he was endeared to all who had the privilege of his acquaintance. He was a member of the Board of Guardians—and they adjourned their meeting to-day as a mark of respect—and Chairman of the Town Commissioners for several years in succession, in every work of charity, but especially those directed to the relief of the poor, whose sufferings he was ever foremost in alleviating. It will never be fully known the extent of his charity was, but prayers will ascend from many a humble home for the kind benefactor whose sympathetic and helping hand is stilled in death.

Office and High Mass at 11 o'clock to-morrow (Friday) at Newcastle West, and the funeral will leave at two o'clock for the family burial place at Dromecollogher.

CAR ACCIDENT IN THE CITY.

A carriage returning from Corbally to the city this evening came into collision with a country car near Park Bridge, and was damaged. The occupant of the carriage and driver were injured, but not seriously, it is stated. The driver of the country car drove homewards towards Clare, and the police are making inquiries as to his whereabouts.

in Killaloe yesterday. Like all first was not very well patronised b Owing to the very fine weather and t the harvest work, there was not a ve ber of the farming class present, an that very much, as there were som to be learned there. The first was of the very bad weather we have t sample of white oats any one could s by Mr. M. B. Hayes, of Birdhill. handled a finer sample of oats in my from what seed it had been grown, at was "White Waverly." I natural it much lodged, as I expected sue must have been, by all the wind answer was, "There was not a stray broken, it stood as straight as any ever did." The same exhibitor took Black Oats also. He said it was I never saw any Tartary nearly so hea

In Class I. for Purple Top Swede same exhibitor got first for the soue fleshed turnip anyone could cut.

As I cannot expect you to spare m an account of such a small country only notice two other sections sho same time I cannot help saying tha classes there was something wortl except in class 27, for best Minorca and for that class there were no poultry classes were not well support the exclusion of "owners of fowl s County Committees." The Show (doubt, had their own wise rea exclusion. To us who look upon she small local shows) as the most powe in the spread of useful knowledge i culturists of all classes, exclusion calculated to defeat the object of th such shows.

I take it for granted that the obje who undertakes the fag of getting that all who visit the show may be best that can be produced from any breed, so as to give to all the highes at in their work.

The butter classes only attract hibits. In the open class Ballinal Creamery secured 1st prize; Miss L. Killooe, being a very good second.

In the class for Set Cream Butter were of almost equal merit in all po texture. Those that failed to c either class did so owing to weakne

In the Honey Class Miss E. B kane, showed the best filled, and evenly sealed 6 sections of honey ever seen at any show. I wished I am quite sure they weighed from each. Miss P. Slattery, Borrisob good second. In class 42 for ru Bruce only obtained second, while O'Gonelloe got 1st., although in th he only obtained Highly comment

The entire show was most intere Clay Pigeon Shooting created a lot The catering at the Lunch and done by a number of ladies, and w have seen at any show, as one was a manner that only ladies who are being attended on can attend to others; besides one got as good a l one need desire.

The Buttermaking Demonstratio tent that was rather tryingly warm able Dairy Instructress, and owing of ice she could not possibly do her own satisfaction, but in spite of thi showed herself well qualified t anxious crowd of learners surround

Yours truly,