

0 of their aggregate population, the purposes of these returns, is 1,163,596. The deaths registered last week, as appertaining to the 15, alphabetically arranged, correspond to the following annual rates per 1,000: Armagh, 34.4; Ballymena, 38.3; Clonmel, 15.4; Cork, 27.4; Drogheda, Registration Area, 27.4; Dundalk, 15.5; Kilkenny, 29.3; Limerick, 22.7; Londonderry, 20.2; Lurgan, 25.2; Newtownards, 17.2; Portadown, 33.0; Sligo, 76.8; Tralee, 33.1; Wexford, 29.3. The certain epidemic diseases registered during the 22 districts during last week equal to an annual rate of 1.2 per cent, varying from 0.0 in 15 of the 69 in Armagh, the five deaths for that district including one from scarlet fever. Among the 146 deaths from scarlet fever in Belfast are one scarlet fever and one from scarlet fever and one from scarlet fever. Included in the 17 deaths for Londonderry are four from scarlet fever, and of the four deaths from scarlet fever, one is from scarlet fever.

## NOTES AND NOTIONS.

**A HUGE FORTUNE.**  
A correspondent of the London Standard is probable that the personal estate of the late Baron Albert de Rothschild amounts to £50,000,000.

**COST OF MINT.**  
The issue of the King with the necessary stamps and coinage, has doubled the cost of the British Mint this year. Coronation medals will cost £30,500.

**0,000,000 IN PENSIONS.**  
The Supplementary Estimate just issued by the Treasury states that £200,000 extra is needed for pensions, making the entire cost for the year £9,920,000, or nearly

**A HEALTHIER ARMY.**  
The issue of a Blue Book, the health of the Army, is the first published since 1862.

At the meeting of the Cleansing and Repairing Committee last night, the Mayor presiding, a circular was read from the Secretary of the Irish Road Congress, inviting the Corporation to send delegates to the annual Congress to be held in Dublin on the 19th, 20th, and 21st. April.

It was unanimously decided that the Council be represented by the Mayor, Alderman P. Dillon, and Mr. J. J. Peacocke, City Surveyor.

## A SINGULAR CHARGE.

This morning Thomas Crane and Thomas Williams, of no fixed address, were brought before Mr. E. F. Hickson, R.M., on a charge of aiding a private in the Royal Munster Fusiliers to desert his regiment. The accused were also charged with being in illegal possession of a soldier's uniform. On the application of the police the defendants were remanded until to-morrow.

## DEATH OF MAJOR KIGGELL.

We regret very much to learn from our Glin correspondent of the death of Major Launcelot J. Kiggell, the sad event taking place yesterday, after a protracted illness, at the residence of his son-in-law, Captain Harkness, Cahara Cottage, Glin. The deceased gentleman lived to a ripe old age, and his demise has occasioned deep regret, especially amongst the poor, to whom he and his family have been always most generous and considerate. He was a magistrate for the counties of Limerick, Kerry, and Cork, and land agent over properties there. He was also a landowner in Cork and Limerick. He took an active interest in local affairs while his health permitted, and was a prominent and useful member of the Glin and Listowel Poor Law Boards, and Glin Rural Council. It is, however, as a sportsman he will be missed, for he was a keen all-round one. He was Master of the Glin and Tarbert Harriers for many years, and was a well-known figure at southern race meetings, where his colours were often carried to victory. He was an enthusiast in coursing affairs, and was identified with the sport in the far away past and present. The sympathy of the people goes out to his only daughter (Mrs. Harkness) and to General Kiggell, his only son, and their families.

## GREAT SOUTHERN AND WESTERN RAILWAY CO.

### Half-yearly Meeting.

Presiding yesterday at the 134th half-yearly meeting of the Great Southern and Western Railway Co., held at the offices, Kingsbridge Terminus, Sir Wm. Goulding, in moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts said in this age of making records he was glad to say that in the past half-year the Great Southern and Western Railway had taken their part. The last time a dividend was paid of over 5 per cent on the old and much smaller Greater Southern and Western Railway system was in 1897 when 5½ per cent was paid and £30,339 carried forward, and now they recommended a dividend of 5½ per cent be paid on the Ordinary stock of the amalgamated companies, £30,000, to be placed to reserve account, and no less than £20,000 be carried for-

in reply to Mr. Hickson, the of the men outside the fence lived within the three mile limit him they decamped.

Mr. Hickson—How did he do? The Defendant—Thirteen years.

Mr. Hickson—It is a shame for the purpose of bringing out or anyone else.

James Morrison was then ex-nervor drank in his own house, that he did not wish to be connected with parties who frequented his house? Mr. Hickson—You would not wish your friends. What is the house?

Sergeant Hawkins—She was 1st September, 1910, and fined

Mr. Hickson—If my memory she was summoned for a similar and the magistrates gave her no doubt.

Sergeant Hawkins—Yes. The bench imposed a fine of £1. District Inspector White—I am an endorsement, but if she can be convicted, I will ask you to receive Mr. Hickson—Very well, we The Court then rose.

## GIVEN UP FOR

### 33 Lives Invo

Four vessels which sailed Cork, on December 15—some to Dublin—and one which sailed the same day—have been posted given up for lost. Thirty-three

## THE LATE MR. S. H.

Mr. Samuel Henry Butcher, late M.P. for Cambridge University, died on December last, age 60 years, leaving a probate at £9,850 gross. The probate of his will has been granted to his brother, John George Butcher, Monteagle, power being reserved also to his nephew, the Hon. T. when he attains the age of 21.

## THE VETO I

The Premier announced yesterday that the Veto Bill will be introduced on Tuesday owing to the death of his brother.

## HOME RULE DI

Mr. William O'Brien and his supporters in all, one (Mr. Frewen) being supported the Government, say in the division on Mr. Ian MacNeill's Rule amendment.

## SOUSA'S BA

There was a large and appreciative audience at the Theatre Royal on Tuesday