

Francis MacNamara, of Ennistymon House, has made a very promising start as a dramatist at Crosby Hall, Chelsea. His "The Schemers," was produced there by "Theatre in Eyre," a dramatic undertaking levels around, taking its stage and scenery to places. The play, which occupies a full act, deals with the affairs of an old family of a rather poor Irish landlord, whose daughter is being wooed by a rich Englishman. The financial element enters into the working operations, and the possibility of using the estate for commercial purposes a great question crops up. The Englishman, believing that there was a plot to secure his money, is about to depart, but suddenly discovers that he loves, not the girl, but the governess. The piece is well written, with excellent dialogue and a spice of wit. The whole effect is quite convincing. Independent London correspondent.

**LECTION OF THE BISHOP OF KILLALOE.**

are requested to state (says the Daily) that all the Bishops were present at the of Canon Dowse to the Bishopric of

**PLIMENTARY PRESENTATION.**

bookery classes held in Kilkee for the past months by Miss Horan finished up on Friday, Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Jack Doherty acted on behalf of the ladies and girls attend-classes, a handsome silver Manicure set in case, and short address expressing the high opinion in which Miss Horan was held in Kilkee her stay, and hoping for her return at some date. At the close of Thursday evening's tea Miss Horan entertained the girls to tea, and a happy time was spent. Great credit is due to Miss B. Griffin, Miss Purtil, and Miss N. who worked so hard for the presentation,

**S.S. "SHANNON."**

are pleased to notice that this popular river steamer has arrived again on our river. Being painted, re-decorated, and furnished, it is intended that she shall be ready to offer passenger service on the 1st June. We commend the Limerick Steamship Company for enterprise in the purchase of this vessel, and trust that it will be rewarded by increased patronage.

**TO SAVE A PUPPY.**

**Two Youths Drowned.**

Two colliers' sons, Arthur Smith, aged 11, and James Booth, 12, were drowned in a pond at Fing, on Saturday night. Smith's puppy fell into the water, and the boy attempted to rescue it. Booth went to his aid. The bodies were subsequently recovered. The puppy was playing on the bank with Booth's baby

**RINK PALACE.**

**Visit of W. F. Frame.**

The management of the Rink Palace are to be commended on providing a great attraction in the person of Mr. W. F. Frame, the famous Irish artist, who delighted a crowded house

**COUNTY COUNCIL UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.**

A meeting of the Committee appointed to deal with the County Council University Scholarships was held in the Council Room of the Limerick County Council on Saturday. Rev. A. Murphy, P.P., presided, and there were present—Rev. Father O'Driscoll, P.P.; Ven. Archdeacon Hackett, D.D.; Rev. P. Power, S.J.; Rev. Brother Burgess, Mr. McMahon, Inspector of National Schools; Mr. Fleming, Secondary Teacher; Mr. W. R. Gubbins, J.P., Chairman County Council; Mr. John Coleman, J.P.; Mr. M. P. O'Shaughnessy, J.P.; Dr. Hennessy, J.P.; Mr. P. K. Hogan, J.P.; Mr. J. J. O'Mahony, and Mr. T. W. W. Bennett, J.P.

It was stated that applications had been received from only four candidates for scholarships, and this was attributed to the limited period the advertisements inviting applications had been before the public. In the circumstances it was agreed to extend the time within which further applications would be received from candidates up to 8th June prox. A meeting of the Committee will be held four days subsequently, the 12th of June, to consider the applications. It was also agreed that the examination should be conducted by examiners from the National University, and Mr. M. Fitzgerald, Assistant Secretary to the County Council, acting as Secretary to the Committee, was asked to communicate with the University authorities on the subject.

**DEATH OF MRS. MCGARRIGLE.**

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Annie E. McGarrigle, which occurred at her residence, 11, County View Terrace, Ballinacorra, last night. The deceased lady was wife of Mr. Robert McGarrigle, a respected member of the staff of the General Post Office. She had not been ailing for very long, and her demise at an early age is a sad blow to her husband and young family. The remains will be removed for interment in St. Muehin's Cemetery to-morrow morning at half-past eleven.

**CITY POLICE COURT.**

Mr. P. J. Kelly, R.M., presided at the City Police Court yesterday. There was no case for hearing. Mr. Kelly also presided to-day. Patrick Lyons was brought up by Sergeant Heffernan charged on suspicion of hovering round the docks last night with the object of committing a felony. He was remanded. Thomas Howard, from Mungret Street, was also remanded on the charge of assaulting a girl aged ten years. There was no other case for hearing.

**BISHOP OF DOWN AND STATE OWNERSHIP.**

Speaking at Belfast Cathedral yesterday, the Right Rev. Dr. L'Arey, Bishop of Down and Connor and Downmore, dealing with the subject of the social unrest of the age, said there was nothing to prove that universal State ownership would create the millennium. He feared the abolition of private enterprise would be followed by a falling off in the productiveness of human labour, resulting in universal poverty.

**PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION**

At a meeting held under the auspices of the Belfast Extension Committee of the Proportional

**HOME RULE.**

**The Federal Question.**

A good deal of interest has been taken in the proposed amendment to the preamble of the Home Rule Bill which Sir Gilbert Parker has put forward. It is in these terms, "As it is that there should be devised a Federal Constitution for the United Kingdom of Great Britain, Ireland, and Wales separate provincial legislatures with functions which shall be purely local shall not have control of national affairs. Act for the provincial Government of Ireland brought in to lay the foundations of a new system, and to define the functions of a legislature within that system, and followed at some future date by similar dealing with England, Scotland, and Wales subsequent amendments to the clauses of the Bill. Sir Gilbert Parker raises the same question, his object to expose the illogical position of the Government and to challenge them to make a statement on the whole federal question. Sir Gilbert is publishing a pamphlet dealing with Home Rule and the Colonial analogy.

**IRISH EDUCATION.**

**Report of Commissioner**

The annual report of the Commissioner of Education for Ireland for 1911 has just been presented to the Commission. Speaking of their income for the previous year, the Commissioner states that—"Comparing the previous year, our gross income from all sources shows little change, the figure being £6,384 13s 2d in 1911, as against £6,336 1910. The amounts under the various heads constituting the total have altered, but not substantially. Rents are increased by £1,000 owing to a more successful collection of the Tyrone estate.

"Our ordinary expenditure on estate and on cost of management, etc., shows a reduction of £56. The real reduction, however, is in the head rent of £22 which occurred during the year was not paid until the beginning of the year. The Tyrone estate is the main factor in the reduction, the outgoings on the estate being £20 less than those of the previous year. The sum applied to educational purposes during the year was reduced by £130, the figure being £4,926 14s 9d in 1910, and £4,796 0s 3d in 1911. Our income for the year exceeded our ordinary expenditure by £113 3s 2d, and the sum total of credit balances on December 31, 1911, was accordingly greater by that amount than the amount shown on the corresponding date of the previous year."

**WAR DEPARTMENT AND PHOTOGRAPHERS.**

At Aldershot yesterday Alexander Walker was charged on remand with having refused to give to the War Department's land at Farnborough on Wednesday on the occasion of the visit of the King and Queen to the military flying ground. It was stated that the military authorities asked Press photographers what they were prepared to give to military charities for a permit of taking pictures during the Royal visit. The defendant's firm protested against such a demand and sent Walker down to Aldershot to give pictures without a permit by way of effecting that protest. Walker was standing in front of a number of spectators when a military man ordered him off the ground, and he refused, arrested him.