

ty tell the tale, sufficiently at least, to indicate how wide, how Celtic of the Celtic, how insinuating it is, and what a flood of light and wisdom they have shed on the local history of our own county, and those shires to which it is contiguous.

OUT AND ABOUT.

Lord Monteagle and his daughter have returned from Mount Trenchard, where they will spend the summer.

Sir Thomas Lipton has presented to the committee of the Queenstown People's Regatta, a massive Silver Cup for a yacht race to take place on 15th August.

District Inspector Rodwell, who has been attached to the Reserve at the Depot for some years, has been appointed to the charge of the Sixmilebridge district, Co. Clare.

The fortnightly meeting of the Special Committee re the Gas concern was last evening adjourned as a mark of sympathy with Ald. McNeice.

A resolution of condolence with the relatives of the late Mr. O. D. Coll, V.S. was passed at the annual meeting of the Board of Guardians, on the motion of Mr. T. W. W. Bennett, J.P. seconded by Mr. O'Gorman.

The premises of Mr. M. Crowley, draper, Killane, were entered at night and a quantity of articles taken therefrom. Some of the articles were found concealed in various places convenient to the town, but no arrests have been made.

The G. S. and W. Railway advertise in our columns this evening excursion arrangements in connection with Limerick Races next Friday, entries for which appear in our fourth page, and an excursion to Killarney next Sunday at 8.45 a.m.

At St. George's, Hanover Square, on Wednesday, the Hon. Noel Bligh, late Rifle Brigade, second son of the Earl and Countess of Darnley, is to marry Miss Mary Jack Frost, only daughter of the late Capt. G. A. Frost, R.A., and Mrs. Frost, of Park Mansions, Knightsbridge.

Dr. Jerome Harry Counihan, who has qualified for a brilliant course at the University of Dublin, is now doing *locum tenens* duty in the dispensary district of Kilrush for Dr. J. J. Callinan, now on his annual holidays, and also assisting his esteemed father, Dr. J. F. Counihan, J.P., of Frances street.

The death has occurred in Tralee in his 70th year, of Mr. Richard Latchford, J.P., a prominent gentleman in the life of Kerry for many years. He was connected with several public boards, was an excellent business man, and widely esteemed for his public-spirited conduct, broadmindedness and generosity.

At Nenagh Petty Sessions on Saturday, Contable Linane summoned John Kelly, Killadangan, or falsely representing himself as a bona-fide traveller, and obtaining drink in a public house. He was also charged with being on the licensed premises. A fine of 2s. 6d. and costs was imposed for the first offence and 5s. and costs for the second.

The Waterford Corporation have decided to take steps to require the Great Western Railway Company to run a daily service of steamers between Waterford and Fishguard, which, it was stated, they are bound to do by the provisions of the Rosslare Railways and Harbours Act. It was also decided to lay the facts before Mr. Redmond, M.P., with a view to his calling attention to the matter in Parliament.

Major Dease, R.M., at Nenagh Petty Sessions on Saturday presented Acting Sergeant O'Sullivan

Mr. Churchill's Statement.

Four New Dreadnoughts.

Four new Dreadnoughts are to be added to the British Navy in the ensuing five years, the construction of smaller cruisers is to be accelerated and the number of destroyers and submarines is to be increased. These are amongst the proposals outlined by Mr. Churchill in introducing the supplementary naval estimates yesterday in the House of Commons, proposals admittedly due to the new German Navy Law. In addition, a squadron of eight battleships is to be based at Gibraltar, with a subsidiary base at Malta; the list of fully commanded battleships is to be increased from 28 to 33 by 1914, and six of the older battleships will be replaced by four modern battle cruisers. There would, he added, be no attempt to have the force equal to all the other Mediterranean Powers, and he denied the rumours of Cabinet dissension, saying the Admiralty had not asked for anything they had not got.

Mr. Balfour and Mr. Asquith took part in the debate, and a motion to reduce the Vote was pressed to a division by the Labour Party, but was lost, having the support of practically only the members of that Party.

DEATH OF MR. M. J. GUERIN.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Michael J. Guerin, which occurred at his residence, St. John's Villas, Mulgrave-street, on Sunday morning. He had been in indifferent health for the past three months, and during the past fortnight he was unable to discharge his duties as auditor for the Limerick district of the Great Southern and Western Railway. Consequent on failing health he resigned his position some time last week, to the regret of his employers and colleagues alike. The deceased had a wide and varied experience of railway work. He commenced as a junior on the old Waterford and Limerick Railway, and by his ability and attention to duty rose in the service until he was promoted auditor, a position he filled with the utmost capability. On the amalgamation in 1900 he was sent as auditor to the Kerry district, and two years ago, on the demise of Mr. Cole, he was transferred to the Limerick district. He was held in the highest esteem by his authorities, and his genial and affable manner endeared him to many friends, who will regret his death, and in this hour of their affliction the sympathy of the public will be extended to his wife and family in the loss they have sustained.

The funeral took place this evening from St. John's Cathedral, where the remains had rested overnight. The cortege started from the Cathedral for Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery shortly after four o'clock, and was attended by large numbers of the official colleagues of the deceased, and by several friends to whom he was endeared by very high traits of character.

The chief mourners were—Mr. P. Guerin, son; Mr. W. Curtin, nephew, and Mr. Michael Freeman, brother-in-law, and the general attendance included among others—M. Griffin, B.C.; E. O'Connell, T. Tuite, C. O'Neill, U.S.A.; John Sheehan, T. Loughrey, Jeremiah O'Dwyer, John McGrath, Chief Clerk G.S. & W.R. (Limerick District), John Semple, R. Miller, R. L. King, Traffic Auditor, West Clare Railway; S. Houlihan, Station Master, Ennis; P. Cullinane, John Maher, C. Baldwin, John Murphy, Inspector Thos. Forde, Michael Forde, P. Malone, Jerh. O'Kelly, Limerick Representative Great Western Railway Co.; John Ledden, Thomas Buckley, M. Hayes, James McDermott, etc., etc.

Rev. T. McNamara, C.C., St. John's, and Rev. F. Connolly, C.C., do., officiated at the graveside.

Case Dismissed

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

At the Kilrush Petty Sessions yesterday magistrates presiding were:—Mr. R.M., Mr. W. Carnody, Mr. J. P. Mr. J. S. Dowling.

At the suit of Mr. Henry B. Secretary of the Limerick Fishery Conservators, three drift-net fishermen, Blunny, and Downes were summoned for alleged infringement of the Fishery Act and unlawfully obstructing the same. Mr. Patrick McAuliffe, at Aylevaro on 29th April, at about 8 o'clock in the

This was a case originally at the late Captain Hall, Fishery Inspector, resulted in its being struck out, and since before the magistrates at the sittings, Secretary, Mr. Alton, as both Mr. Captain Hall died after the proceedings were taken.

At each of the Courts within the County, Mr. O'Shea, Solicitor, applied for costs of his clients in the original abortive proceedings before the case at the suit of the Secretary, Mr. Alton, was heard. This point Counihan, Solicitor, for the Fishery Conservators strenuously resisted, and that the case came for the third time before the magistrates.

When the case was called,

Mr. O'Shea, Solicitor, said now in the case heard, he would waive his costs of the original proceedings, the same time he would ask if Mr. Counihan communicated with the Board of Conservators.

Mr. Counihan—If I have I am disclosing the nature of the communication.

The Chairman said the Conservators a most unreasonable attitude.

Mr. Counihan—The case could have been settled after the Secretary's death.

John McMahon, head bailiff to the Lower Shannon, was examined in that on the evening in question the defendants' seine actually within the head of Mr. McAuliffe's weir. In position Mr. McAuliffe's weir would have been. He called the three men at the request—the inspector was then told them that they were fishing illegally.

Mr. O'Shea—Why not seize the boats?

Witness—I could not, the net was stretched away, but it drifted in. The net was low water mark; the belly of the net was abreast of the head of the weir, and the salmon getting into the weir.

Mr. O'Shea asked McMahon if they never came within 150 yards of McAuliffe's weir would it not be true?

Witness—No; they came within 40 yards.

Mr. P. McAuliffe was examined. His evidence was to the effect that these men did no harm in the world. Patrick Blunny, one of the defendants that they stretched their weir behind the Bridge, three hundred yards away from the shore, or out mark, and over 150 yards away from the weir. There were miles of salmon to enter the weir inside the weir, and drifted within ten feet of the weir, and be torn in pieces on the poles of the weir where he fished for 20 years, about 235 yards in length.

The defendant was cross-examined by Counihan, but his evidence remained unshaken. The Chairman said the magistrates dismissed the case.

Mr. O'Shea applied for costs, and obtained them on the original result, he was satisfied with £3 3s. They were times.