

A fate has overtaken the poor Norwich that makes us pinch sk whether this is the England and now. Even Dr. H. R. Mill, most Hegmatic of statisticians, believed, testified in describing the downpour. "The most remarkable Norfolk rains is as he points out in *Times*, that they represent more of the average rainfall for the year. Norwich received a three months' run in one day. Heavier rainfalls are ordered, particularly at Seathwaite, where average annual rainfall reaches the rate of something like 140 inches. As a rule, people recognise that they are pe with less than half an inch a

COLLEGE, CARRIGHAHOLT.

will be kept open in the winter, in charge of Miss Annie O'Brien, who re as a student during the summer intends to take in two Irish-speaking the neighbourhood, and train them servants, and has kindly volunteered after and develop the garden and he College, so that it may be made a self-supporting community. will be held in the evening, and the here of the summer session will be Students of Irish desiring to obtain the College may write to Miss Nelly lanoir, Foynes, or to Miss Annie ff. Any of the self-contained houses (three rooms and a kitchen), of which composed, may be rented on moderate terms. The winter climate of this coast is mild and healthy, and the people of most friendly and anxious to help

ALWAY MURDER CASE.

will court at Galway yesterday named Bryan Francis was remanded the murder of Miss Sarah a school teacher, who was found old, with her throat cut on August ence was given by witnesses that the man was seen in the company of a y could not identify him.

THE WEATHER.

er still continues adverse, and so far ns for a favourable outlook are not of Yesterday held up fine if somewhat ng to Sunday's downpour, but to-day ure again fell, and there were some

SHOP HOURS ACT.

arterly meeting of the Dublin Chamber e yesterday, a report of the Council of er was submitted, in which several public interest were referred to. The the Shop Hours Act in Dublin was fore the Council with a view to and a member remarked that the ade shops were kept open at such instituted service in them something

the driver of the mail car. A bicycle was near the body, and there were signs of a struggle about the place. The driver went on to Bodyke Police Barrack, where he reported the matter, and the police at once hurried to the scene. The body was then identified as that of Patrick Noonan, a herdsman, employed at Maryfort, the residence of Colonel O'Callaghan Westropp, J.P., and the unfortunate man had evidently been the victim of a murderous attack, for there were marks of considerable violence on the body. Life had been extinct for some time.

As the result of inquiries, the members of a family also named Noonan, in the district—father, mother, son, and two daughters—were subsequently arrested on suspicion of being concerned in this terrible affair and a man named Hogan was also taken into custody. Noonan was a widower, about 46 years of age, with a young family. Private revenge is suggested as the motive for the crime, which is not looked on as being in any sense agrarian.

A Broadford correspondent writes:—On Sunday morning last, a man named Patrick Noonan was found dead on the road between Broadford and Bodyke, about half a mile to the north of Ballymardonnell Bridge, by two men, bird catchers, from Limerick. There is but little doubt but the man was murdered, as his head was smashed to pieces, as if he was kicked to death on the road, which was one mass of blood. It appears he was riding a bicycle when attacked, as the bicycle was found on the road smashed, and covered with blood close by. A whole family of Noonans—the father, mother, two daughters, a son, and a man named John Hogan, have been arrested in connection with the murder. An inquest was held yesterday. The murdered man was a widower, with grown-up children. He was aged about 30, and lived in a labourer's cottage, near Maryfort, where he was in the employment of Colonel O'Callaghan-Westropp. The family, who have been arrested, are said to be relations of the dead man. The murder took place in the Bodyke police district.

DEATH OF MR. L. CURRAN.

The death of Mr. Lawrence Curran, which took place in Sir Patrick Dunn's Hospital, Dublin, early yesterday morning, has evoked keen sympathy among his many friends in the city. Mr. Curran carried on an extensive business as an outfitter, and was a man of sound business views. He traded as Curran and McCarthy, 117 George-street, a firm well-known in the South of Ireland. He was a man of retiring disposition, kindly, and affable, and his demise at a comparatively early age, following an operation, will be regretted by all who knew him.

TRADES UNION CONGRESS.

In his presidential address at the Trades Un'o a Congress at Newport yesterday, Mr. Will Thorne said that the coal strike had advanced the nationalisation of the mines. The transport workers' strike had seen the palpable use of the State forces to defeat labour. Industrial unrest could only be stopped by remedial measures granting the workers a fair share of industry. The Tory leaders were responsible for the Belfast outrages on the workers, and these leaders should have been arrested. Adult suffrage and the reversal of the Osborne judgment should be insisted upon. A feature of the discussion was the failure of a resolution on Syndicalism to obtain support

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

At the Congress to-day, Mr. Chandrier,

past two o'clock a m., the occupants of the house were Mr. McNamara, his three sisters, and servant boy. One of the Misses McNamara was awakened by a sense of suffocation, and found volumes of smoke in the interior. She roused her brother, and it was then ascertained that the roof over the parlour was ablaze from the outside. Every effort was made by the family to extinguish the flames and in a short time a number of neighbours who had been alarmed were on the scene and giving willing assistance. The furniture was removed, and the fire confined to one part of the parlour. On looking over his stock yesterday Mr. McNamara found one of his heifers dead with a bullet wound in the head. The outrages, which have aroused considerable indignation in the district, are said to be due to some feeling over farm adjoining Mr. McNamara's, about which there has been some trouble.

Another outrage of a daring character reported from the village of Ruan, six miles from Ennis, where on Saturday night, about half-past o'clock, a police patrol while walking in the village, was fired at and a constable wounded. The patrol consisted of Sergeant Tobin, who is in charge of the Ruan station, and Constable Kelly. They were in the centre of the road when suddenly two gunshots were discharged in quick succession from about 25 yards away. Constable Kelly received a large pellet or ball in the side of the head, and such was the shock that he dropped to the ground. The sergeant and constable, who was bleeding somewhat freely, returned to the barrack, and a messenger was despatched for Dr. McNamara to Corofin, and was quickly in attendance on the wounded man whose injuries proved to be of a light nature. A young man named Mortimer Kelly, who resides in a licensed house in the village, was arrested and brought into Ennis under escort, and charged before Mr. G. B. McElroy, R.M., with shooting with intent. District-Inspector Jackson, Corofin, prosecuted. Mr. J. B. Lynch, solicitor, appeared for the defence. Sergeant Tobin made a full deposition, praying for a remand, which was granted. An application for bail was refused.

BELFAST AND THE COVENANT

The Belfast correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* cables:—The use of the Belfast City for the purpose of enabling the citizens to sign the league and covenant on Ulster Day. Some people believed that the councillors' holding different political views would insist upon ventilating their opinions at yesterday's meeting, that a long and acrimonious discussion would result. Those who prophesied a row had counted upon the strong control which the Lord Mayor exercises over the speakers or upon businesslike character of the assembly. It was a forty-five minutes' discussion on the motion but everyone was kept strictly within the limits that no political reference could be introduced. Mr. McMordie, the Lord Mayor, is on Belfast's Unionist members of Parliament but so evenly did he hold the scales that he pulled up a Nationalist once for transgressing the ruling that politics were debarred from discussion. Belfast once more justified the fact that its Council is the only municipal body in Ireland which will not permit itself to indulge in political debate. The meeting was not only orderly, but the business was got through with remarkable celerity. The agenda was a volume almost an inch thick, but the whole of the motion for consideration were disposed of in about one hour and a half, of which time about one hour was occupied in the Ulster Day controversy. Belfast Councillors make speeches brief and to the point. There is really no necessity for long discussion, as every matter is thoroughly thrashed out in committee.