

were two other sessions to go, and if the cause of women's suffrage was wrecked by the votes of the Nationalists they would reap exactly what they would have sown." This is a significant hint, and one that indicates the trend of political feeling amongst some, at least, of the Labour members of the coalition. Mr. Balfour, who has been a consistent supporter of some moderate measure of women's enfranchisement, intimated his intention to vote for the amendment. He considered that those who regarded the Home Rule Bill as establishing a mere "local" Parliament should also vote for it, and he did not see how the Government could vote against it, seeing that the most determined opponents of women's suffrage were agreed that women were a useful and necessary help in the management of local government. Thus, the right hon. gentleman's criticism of the policy of the opponents of the amendment was keen and caustic, and it was not surprising that soon after the Prime Minister was on his feet. Mr. Asquith has steadily opposed women's suffrage, and his views remain unshaken. "The Imperial Parliament," the right hon. gentleman said, "was the only sovereign Parliament in the Empire, and there was not a single case in which they had established a local Legislature in which it had been made a condition that women should have the vote." It would be unprecedented, therefore, to apply such a condition in the present instance. It was quite true that if subsequently they altered the suffrage as regarded the United Kingdom the change would apply automatically to Ireland, but it would still be competent for the Irish Legislature after three years to take away the votes from women in Ireland," a formidable task, in which they would doubtless be loath to engage, once "votes for women" became an accomplished fact. As it was, however, a very interesting and instructive debate ended in shelving the question for another day, the result of which we must "wait and see."

IRISH TOBACCO CULTURE.

The experiments in the growth of tobacco in Ireland which have been made during the past few years have proved very satisfactory and encouraging, besides affording a considerable amount of remunerative employment. It is an enterprise that undoubtedly deserves Government grants and encouragement in every way, and it is very pleasing to see an announcement in this connection appearing in to-day's papers. It is to the effect that a special grant recommended by the Development Commission has been sanctioned by the Treasury to be devoted in aid of experimental work in the growing, re-handling, and manufacturing of tobacco in this country. The sum will be administered by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, which has come to an arrangement with Colonel Sir Nugent T. Everard, whereby that gentleman undertakes the responsibility of providing a number of small farmers with the technical instruction necessary to enable them to

Monday, Mrs. Clarke was thrown from her horse near Woodroffe, and sustained a fractured leg. She was removed in a semi-conscious condition to hospital. At a special court at Cahir, William English, a mileman employed by the Great Southern and Western Railway, was remanded on the charge of grievously assaulting his uncle, Michael Gorman, also a mileman, with a sledge hammer, breaking his thigh.

Mrs. Clarke wishes to return thanks to the following whose names were omitted in the list of those who so kindly contributed to her stall at the Protestant Orphan Bazaar, viz—Mr. E. G. Fitt, Mr. McArthur, Mrs. Hassett, and Miss Hassett.

In the City of Waterford at present a band of cultured local music-lovers are rehearsing Wallace's delightful opera, "Maritana," with a view of producing it this month. The production is intended to commemorate the birth in that city of William Vincent Wallace, the composer of this brilliant and tuneful opera.

WEST LIMERICK MAGISTRACY.

Mr. John M. White, of Coole, Atha, County Limerick, has been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for West Limerick. Mr. White is brother of Mr. E. White, solicitor.

P.Y.M.A. LITERARY CLASS.

The first half session of 1912-13 will open on to-morrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock, when Mr. Bennett will deliver a lecture entitled "The Land of the Midnight Sun," being an account of a personal visit this year, when the lecturer secured a magnificent set of slides.

DEATH OF MRS. GRIFFIN.

We regret to record the unexpected demise of Mrs. Griffin, relict of the late Mr. Peter G. Griffin, J.P., of Altavilla, Co. Limerick, which took place at her residence, Kismet, Military Road yesterday morning. The deceased lady had been out so lately as Saturday last, and her demise was the result of an attack of pneumonia. The sad news has been received with deep sorrow in the County Limerick, and especially in Askeaton district, where many years of her life were spent, indeed, up to twelve months ago, when she came to reside in Limerick. She was a daughter of an old citizen, whose name is still remembered with veneration and respect in Limerick, the late Mr. Robert Hunt, J.P. Mrs. Griffin was a lady of a most engaging personality, beloved by all who knew her, rich and poor, for her amiable and unassuming manner, unostentatious charity, and desire to help in every good work. Several county people are placed in mourning by her sad and premature demise, and we deeply sympathise with them in their sorrow. The funeral is announced to leave the Military Road for Nantenan at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION AT FOYNES.

At a large meeting of the members of the Manual Instruction Class Mr. F. E. O'Sullivan proposed, and Mr. William Jackson seconded, the following resolution:—"That we, the members of the Foynes Manual Instruction Class, tender our sincere gratefulness to our esteemed Instructor, Mr. A. E. Williams, for the painstaking manner in which he has helped us all through the regrettably short course. We feel sorry at parting with him, but we hope to see him back soon again in our midst, when we shall give him a 'ceud mile failte'."

regard to James Kelly—Yes. Constable Stephens—Yes. District Inspector Craig said I these cases was for a remand. Mr. Kelly—If the defendants give bail I will take it, but I justify a remand. District Inspector Craig—On t tion of the police I can produce Mr. Gaffney, Crown Solicitor, in cases, and if he thought evidence into he would be here.

Mr. Kelly—I cannot go into must remand the prisoners and will suit.

District Inspector Craig—Ve morning will suit.

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District Inspector Craig— barracks?

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Sergeant Wilson—Yes, I ca made no statement.

District Inspector Craig—D is further evidence available ag a remand?

Sergeant Wilson—Yes.

Mr. Kelly—You say he came

Sergeant Wilson—Yes.

Mr. Kelly—Did he say any?

Sergeant Wilson—I arrested

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