

r. J. J. Delany, J.P., presided to-day at the Police Court. Michael Coleman, labourer, charged by Constable Healy with the attempted larceny of a truck, value £2. The accused found rolling the truck along the Dock road, apparently without having a fixed destination in view. The accused was remanded to Petty Sessions. A like ruling was made in the case of J. Coleman, charged with being drunk while in charge of a child 14 months old.

## THE SHANNON FLOODS.

### Houses Isolated.

### Families Desert Them.

Athlone, Monday. The full effect of the Shannon flood is to-day experienced in this district, following the terrible fall of last week. Inquiries to-day show that the Lough Ree side of the river one of the habitations was isolated, and the family were obliged to construct rafts to take their belongings to the upland. Three families of Hughes and Holland have had to desert their homes at Bonnaribba. Where cattle have been driven on to the hills the owners have to go through the floods to bring them fodder daily. All over the flooded area pits of potatoes and turnips have been washed away, and straw ricks have suffered the same fate. The people bringing market produce to town in several instances marvellous escapes.

## BELFAST LIBEL ACTION.

### Jury Disagree.

After proceedings extending over nine days, the trial jury engaged upon the libel action, in which the plaintiffs claimed damages from the *Belfast Telegraph* on the ground of alleged libel connected with the Belfast riots, failed to agree yesterday, and were discharged. Mr. Justice Finlay summed up in less than two hours. The jury were rather more than that time in deliberation. When they returned into court the foreman stated that he saw no possibility, after all points had been carefully considered, of their arriving at a verdict. His lordship and counsel for the plaintiffs agreed that there was no use in longer trying them, and they were discharged.

## LIMERICK INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION.

### Projected Local Industry.

The usual weekly Committee Meeting was held to-day in the offices, 62, George Street. The Association has been written to by a large fish buyer of Commercial Methylated Spirits, who is open to purchase large quantities. Commercial Methylated Spirits are produced from potatoes, which of course are extensively grown in Ireland, but as far as the Council of the Industrial Association can ascertain, such an industry is not carried on in any part of the county. Being anxious to test if it is feasible to introduce an industry in this district, the Association are committing the matter to a local scientific gentleman in order to get the details of the process of manufacture, which at a later date will be duly communicated to the Press. A conference between the Limerick Farmers' Association and the Industries Association is fixed for Saturday, February 1st, at 2.45 p.m. It is to be hoped that the result of such co-operation will be to have a start made with the blighting of a dead meat industry in this city. The Committee of the Industrial Association

of a star dancer in a travelling tent show. An interesting view entitled "The Life of a Heron," was a subject of considerable merit, as was the dramatic view showing the pursuit of a young wild west.

## The Rink.

The series of pictures on view at the Rink this week will be found to be very interesting, varied, and up-to-date. That very popular personality "Bunny" is back again, and last night was given a hearty reception by a large house. To-morrow, Thursday, and Friday evenings an exciting drama "The Massacre," a story of Red Indian life, will be shown. There will be skating at the Rink on Thursday and Saturday evenings from 3.30 to 6 o'clock.

## THE LATE SISTER M. GERTRUDE.

The obsequies of the late Sister Mary Gertrude, of the Order of the Sisters of Mercy, whose lamented demise occurred on Friday at Mount St. Vincent Convent, took place yesterday morning at St. Mary's Convent of Mercy, Mary Street, in the presence of a large gathering of the clergy and laity. The Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer presided at the Solemn Office and High Mass. The celebrant was Rev. Father Rea, C.C., St. Mary's; sub-deacon, Rev. Father O'Gorman, C.C.; master of ceremonies, Rev. T. McNamara, C.C. The chanters were - Rev. Michael Murphy, Adm., St. John's, and Rev. R. Fitzgerald, C.C., do.

In the choir were the following clergymen - Very Rev. Canon M. O'Donnell, P.P., V.F., Rillkeale; Very Rev. Canon A. Murphy, P.P., V.G., St. Munchin's; Rev. D. R. Shanahan, P.P., St. Mary's; Very Rev. Canon Kennedy, Felamore; Rev. J. O'Connor, Adm., St. Michael's; Rev. W. Fitzgerald, P.P., Mungret; Rev. Father McCarthy, P.P., Donoughmore; Rev. J. Griffin, P.P., Adare; Rev. D. Driscoll, P.P., St. Patrick's; Rev. J. Murphy, P.P.; Kilcolman; Rev. J. O'Shea, P.P., Cratloe; Rev. R. Devane, C.C., St. Michael's; Rev. Fr. Carroll, C.C., do; Rev. Fr. Hannan, C.C., do; Rev. Fr. O'Gorman, C.C., Patrickswell; Rev. J. Fitzgerald, C.C., Adare; Rev. J. Begley, C.C., St. Munchin's; Rev. Fr. Carroll, C.C., do; Rev. Fr. Carroll, C.C., St. John's; Rev. Fr. Fitzpatrick, C.C., St. Patrick's; Miss Fr. Griffiths, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Fottrell, S.J.; Rev. Fr. Bonaventure, O.F.M.; Rev. Fr. McCormack, O.P.; Rev. Fr. O'Reilly, S.F.

The chief mourners were - Mrs. Kelly, Fedamore, and Mrs. O'Brien, South Hill (sisters); John G. Kelly, J.P., Fedamore (brother-in-law); T. O'B. Kelly, solicitor, and L. O'B. Kelly, B.L. (nephews); Miss Isa Kelly, Fedamore (niece); Mrs. Nolan, Miss Nolan, H. O'Brien, Dornish, Foynes; P. O'Brien, Foynes, and P. O'Brien (relatives).

Immediately after High Mass the remains were removed to the Convent burial ground, where they were laid to rest.

## POST OFFICE CLERKS AND HOME RULE.

Mr. Hiris has intimated to the Postmaster-General his intention of asking him in the Commons whether the provisions respecting the Post Office in the Government of Ireland Bill were submitted to the Committee of Imperial Defence, and whether he has received any complaints from postal servants in Ireland respecting the Civil Service provisions of that Bill.

## MISSING BRIDEGROOM FOUND DEAD.

The decapitated body of Hugh Anderson, 28, a

few temperance enthusiasts, of whom Lang was one. The onerous position Secretary fell to his lot, and the his selection for that position is to a very large part which the Pioneer takes in the work of temperance. He combined all the qualities of a successful secretary, unbounded energy, sincerity, wonderful tact, and he whilst at the same time unflinchingly insisting on application of the rules which govern the organization. It is the intention of the Pioneer to mark their appreciation of his work in a suitable manner, and for that purpose the Council and Sub-Committee are happy to announce that the Secretary, J. Gallagher, for the City Centre, J. Lenihan for all outside branches of the Centre, to whom all communications in the future be addressed.

## EASTBOURNE MURDER.

### Reprieve Refused.

The Press Association learns officially from London that the Home Secretary has declined to interfere with the sentence of death passed upon John Eastbourne for the murder of Police Inspector Eastbourne. The execution will take place Wednesday morning at Lewes Gaol.

## NENAGH ELECTRIC LIGHTING SCHEME.

Mr. L. Lawless, Electrical Engineer, has submitted a report to Nenagh Urban Council which he estimates the cost of an electric lighting system for the town at £5,073, the working expenses at £671 and the revenue at £1,954 per annum on a half load on the installation. The cost to be 5d per unit at the start, to be reduced to 4d at the end of a year.

## LIMERICK MATRIMONIAL.

In the Probate Court, before Mr. Justice Finlay, to-day, the case of Higgins v. Higgins was heard. The case was for divorce *et thoro*, brought by Ada Higgins against her husband, Martin Higgins, master-chimney, residing at Arthur's quay, Limerick, on the ground of alleged cruelty. Mr. Justice Madden stated that the defendant had been a servant before her marriage, and was working again as a servant. He fixed the Limerick Assizes without a jury. Mr. E. J. Phelps (instructed by Mr. Moran and Son) appeared for the petitioner, and Mr. Comyn (instructed by Mr. W. E. O'Connell) for the respondent.

## LATE JUDGE BROWN.

### Reference by Judge Bodkin.

Speaking at the Ennis Quarter Sessions, Judge Bodkin, K.C., said he was sure many of his professional or personally acquainted old colleagues, Judge Browne, would be proud to speak of him without great emotion. He was a courteous, and distinguished lawyer, a kind and personal friend of his. His death was a great loss to the profession, and no one who ever knew him for twenty or thirty years as an intimate friend, and no one who ever honestly and truly earned the respect of his colleagues, who knew him. He was sure they would join with him in this expression of regret at his death, and deep condolence with his family.