ing at the annual meeting of the Port h Chamber of Commerce, the Chairman d on the striking recovery which had ace of late years in the trade of Cape It was quite evident, he said, that the on they had passed through was dis- ng rapidly and the Metropolis was again nto her own.

, course of his annual address to the mem- the Port Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce , the Chairman referred to the enormous nce to the country of the many irrigation which were now in course of accomplish- He mentioned the Selborne, Cleveland and omers properties and the enormous main totalling 25 miles in length, from which er is supplied. He estimated that upwards 00 acres of rich alluvial soil would event- e placed under water in connection with orks.

death is announced in Cape Town of Dr. yl, the doyen of the Cape Bar, whose on "Roman-Dutch Practice" are among the rd authorities quoted alike by Bench and

result of the survey work by H.M.S. s on the Natal and Zululand coasts, new are stated to be in preparation which will considerable value to navigators. Several ocks have been located.

Resident Engineer, Table Bay Harbour, cently reported on the proposed outer works lgoa Bay, and has expressed himself in of the construction of a South Breakwater d concrete block-work, 8,000 feet long, to pproximately £1,500,000. The provision of works would afford the necessary facilities e wotk of the port being carried out in quiet all the year round.

JSTRALIAN NEWS ITEMS.

movement has been commenced in Sydney to ote a monster Australian carnival in London, ably in the year 1916. It is proposed to e such premises as the White City, Earl's t, or Crystal Palace, and there to hold a great bition of Australian produce, and at the same to give a series of displays calculated to show proficiency of Australians in all branches of stry and sport.

rigation promises to give many new industries Australia. The New South Wales Minister Agriculture gives particulars of the recent eriments in tobacco growing at the rumbidgee Irrigation Area. Mr. A. Gornitzka bacco expert, was induced to devote himself rowing tobacco at Yanco, and to give advice assistance to other settlers on the area. Mr. nitzka says that the yield at Yanco is about 50lbs. of dry leaf to the acre. He adds that lands at Murrumbidgee will later give 00lbs. per acre when better worked. The dry is worth 9d. to 1s. 3d. per lb., or from £56 to per acre. It takes but six months to pro- e the article ready for market.

The birth and death rates for the Common- alth show satisfactory improvement. The al births during 1912 numbered 133,088, an rease of 19,017 over 1909; while the rate per 00 of the mean population increased during same period from 25·69 to 28·65. The rate increase during the first quarter of this year is uivalent to an annual rate of 28·44 per 1,000. aths numbered 52,177 in 1912, as against ,172 in 1909, and the rate for these respective ars was 10·33 and 11·23 per 1,000 of the mean pulation. The death-rate for the first quarter this year is equivalent to an annual rate of ·97 per 1,000, which, with the exception of ew Zealand, is lower than that of any country

Irrigation means a heavy population to the

accused as a policeman must make him realise that if convicted he would be liable to a term of penal servitude, a fact which might possibly induce him to leave the country. In any case, even on the admitted facts, his "professional status" in the Constabulary was at an end.

Mr Justice Molony refused the motion.

MR. WILLIAM O'BRIEN AND HOME RULE.

The *Times* publishes a letter from Mr. William O'Brien, in which he says the danger of violence and bloodshed in Ireland is a substantial one, but could without difficulty be averted by intervention in the highest degree honourable to Unionist statesmanship and of inestimable value to the future of the Irish Protestant community. Furthermore, Mr. Bonar Law's two conditions of a radically re-constructed Bill and an appeal to England would be fulfilled, the latter by means of the Referendum. Let responsible statesmen bethink them well what is their own alternative to the policy of conference, conciliation, and consent.

ULSTER VOLUNTEER FORCE.

Letter from Sir E. Carson.

Sir E. Carson has addressed a letter to the Unionist Clubs in Ulster expressing the sincere hope that all who are eligible will join the Ulster Volunteer Force without loss of time. "As leader," he continues, "my responsibility compels me to point to the danger of holding aloof at this juncture when it is necessary to perfect final arrangements. My request is that all our men should join the Ulster Volunteers, even old men can guard their property, hearths, and homes, and thus release the young and more active for whatever work may be necessary."

SUDDEN DEATH NEAR CROOM.

An old age pensioner residing with his 11-year-old daughter in a labourer's cottage at Fort Elizabeth, Croom, was found by the poor child dead in the bed on Sunday morning, when she returned from a neighbour's house, whither she had gone for milk. Deceased was at Mass at Croom on the previous day, apparently in fairly good health.

FAIRS

FIXTURES FOR MUNSTER.

AUGUST.

Wednesday, 20th—Limerick : Bruff (pigs), ‡Newcastle West (c h). Cork : Kinsale (c s p), Mitchelstown (pigs), Skibbereen (horses).

Thursday, 21st—Tipperary : Ballyporeen (c s). Limerick : Knocklong (pigs).

Friday, 22nd—Limerick : Bruff (c s h). Clare : Ennistymon (c s).

Monday, 26th—Cork : Ballyvourney (c s p), Crookstown (s p), Killeagh (c s p h). Tipperary : Carrick-on-Suir (pigs), Cashel (pigs). Kerry : Dingle (p), Milltown (c). Limerick : Drumcolloher (c s p), Rathkeale (c).

Tuesday, 26th—Cork : Coachford (c s), ‡Roscarbery (c s h). Tipperary : Emly (pigs), Golden (c s p).

Wednesday, 27th—Cork : Buttevant (c s p), Coachford (pigs), Drimoleague (c s p), ‡Dunmanway (c s). Tipperary : Cahir (c s), Clonoulty (pigs). Clare : Killadysart (c s h), Kilrush (pigs). Kerry : ‡Listowel (c).

Thursday, 28th—Tipperary : Cahir (pigs), Carrick-on-Suir (c s). Clare : Ennistymon (pigs).

written notice of the intended time and place of intended dipping proximate number of sheep intended to and the place where such sheep are time of forwarding of the notice must b each dipping period by the owner or charge of any sheep required to be dip the Order in that period, to the S Police for the Police Sub-District in sheep are located. The notice must, be delivered or sent by post at such be received by the local Police Sergeant days at least before the intended time If from any cause the dipping of the sh date specified in a notice becomes imp no further notice shal be required if th dipped as soon after such date as is pra

MOVEMENT TO MARKET DURIN OF PRESCRIBED DIPPING PER

Between 1st July and 31st J dates inclusive, in each year, a sent for exposure for Sale at a Fair or Sale Yard in Ireland, accompanied by a Declaration, † sign owner of the Sheep or his authorised the effect that the Sheep have been d under the Order since 31st May in tha tween 1st September and 15th Nove dates inclusive, in each year, any Sh exposure for sale at a Market, Fair, o in Ireland, must be accompanied by tion, † signed by the owner of the S authorised Agent, to the effect tha have been dipped under the Ord July in that year, or by a Declaration, signed, and countersigned by a mem Police Force for the Police Sub-D whence the Sheep have come, indicati have been dipped since 31st May, an such dipping been kept separate from were not so dipped.

CLIPPING BEFORE DIPPING IN DIPPING PERIOD.

Sheep dipped under the Order in Dipping Period must have been clippe in the same year, but Lambs under old are not required so to be clippe Summer dipping.

ISOLATION OF SHEEP AFTER

All Sheep when dipped under either dipping period must be kep remainder of that period isolate practicable from Sheep which have dipped.

CLEANSING OF DIPPING P

The place used for dipping on premises must be cleansed thorou delay by the occupier, and all tufts o be gathered and disinfected or dest

SAMPLES OF DIP MAY BE

When Sheep are being dipped und the owner or person in charge is permit and give every facility to an the Local Authority or of the Depar samples of the dip or material whic has been used for the dipping.

DECLARATIONS BY OCCUPIER OR HOLDINGS ON WHICH ARE KEPT.

Unless in instances where the sh dipped in the presence of an Ins Officer of the Local Authority, t each farm or holding in Ireland o are kept, must personally, or by agent, send in each year a Declarat dipping of the sheep in the sum period, to the Sergeant of Police Sub-District in which the farm situate. A corresponding Decl similarly be made and sent to t Police as to the dipping of the Autumn Dipping Period. In Declaration may be made and sent as the dipping has been carried time afterwards up to but not month after the close of the Perio Declaration has reference.