

as it is in general, dealt with and considerately, and those not subject to any undue financial Parliamentary or other action all like to see this, but at the those who feel that it should not possibly ignore the gravity of things existing as the result of question, or rather the excessive by so many of the proletariat in liquors. It is bad enough in and England, and it is bad and enough in this our own country. We have but to turn to the the annual meeting on Tuesday sh Association for the Prevention perance to see what the country's alcoholic drink was last year— \$15, or £356,031 more than for ious year. The statistics of less in Ireland, the report stated, . decrease, not necessarily implying unkenness, but less time at the of the police to deal with it, owing revalence of strikes. A sad story otwithstanding the efforts, unselfish nterested, of clergymen and laymen, the spread of intemperance in this . The increase of duty is necessarily he war, and to the war is ascribed case in temperance, a beneficent e amid so many resultant evils, so eeds of the enemy who have made r abhorrent to civilisation, and the which foster its influence for the weal.

CURRENT COMMENT.

U.S.'s Interest in the War.
 are to judge by the utterances of certain ent Americans, the United States at the the war may conceivably be in a parlous n. According to Mr Jacob H. Schiff, a German-American banker, Teuton tion would be undesirable, and a complete triumph would be especially disastrous, e the Anglo-Japanese alliance would mean

where the Battalion.

THE CORPORATION.

The following members were present at the weekly meetings of the Standing Committee of the Corporation on Wednesday night—Alderman McNeice, *locum tenens* for the Mayor, in the chair. Also present:—Councillors Johnson, McNamara, Greaney, Henihan, Duggan, O'Brien, D Griffin, Donnellan, M Griffin, Walsh, Hassett, Davern, Casack, Downey, Lynch, O'Callaghan, Dalton, and O'Donnell.

Business in connection with the following Committees was dealt with, viz—Water, Public Health, Watch, and Fire Brigade.

A meeting of the Clothing Committee was held yesterday to consider tenders for clothing for the Fire Brigade and People's Park Officials, when the following were present:—The Mayor, (in the chair), Alderman O'Brien, Councillors Johnson, Henihan, and O'Connor, with the Assistant Town Clerk.

BELGIAN REFUGEES.

We understand that owing to the unforeseen difficulties in getting the refugees across from Holland there will be some delay in their arrival in Limerick. The Committee have Mount Kennett House now ready, and also several cottages in the country, and are in direct communication with the head offices in London as to sending on parties without delay.

LICENSED TRADE AND NEW TAXATION.

A meeting of the Licensed Traders of the city will be held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, at 12 o'clock to-morrow (Friday) to arrange prices, owing to new taxation. The Mayor will preside.

DEATH OF MR. DAVID O'SHAUGHNESSY.

The death took place at his residence, Main Street, Rathkeale, on Tuesday, of Mr David O'Shaughnessy, Draper and Auctioneer. The deceased, who had attained his sixty-fifth year, was one of the most popular business men in West Limerick, and his death has occasioned regret among all classes. He was father of Mr P J O'Shaughnessy, M.P. for West Limerick, with whom sympathy is extended in his bereavement. The remains were interred to-day in St Mary's Cemetery, Rathkeale, in presence of a large assemblage of mourners.

DUBLIN CATTLE MARKET.

Beef market strong. Sales took place for prime heavy-weight bullocks and heifers at an advance of from one shilling to two shillings per cwt. live-weight. Prices ruled for best beef at from 38s to 40s. Mutton market disappointing.

wounded, 50; 14. Of the 42 killed reported on October 9th, belonged to the Northumberland Fusiliers, and 97 missing 52 were Royal Fusiliers.

Lieut F. C. Ferguson, Royal Irish Regiment reported missing; Lieut C. S. Hamilton, Leine Regiment, is unofficially reported wounded and prisoner of war.

Some of the Officers.

Lieut Gerald P Hall, Highland L.I., killed 17th inst, was the son of Mr R Hall, Glenmerv Cork Deceased was only 19.

Lieut-Commander A G Jameson, R.N., who his death by being washed overboard from a marine D2, was a son of Mr B W James Dundrum, Dublin.

Lieut A F Schuster, 4th Hussars, killed Flanders on 20th, was in the Kerry Militia at abolition of that force, afterwards transferring to the Special Reserve of the Hussars.

Captain F G Brown, 101st Grenadiers, In Army, killed in action in German East Africa, was the second son of the late Mr V W Brown Palmerston Park, and the son-in-law of Mr J Wright, L.L.D., Blackrock.

Lieut Denis D (Paddy) Philby, Dublin Fusil and attached to the Munster Regiment, was k on 12th inst, near Ypres. He was 25 years of age, joined the Dublins in 1910, and received first step two years later.

British Naval Losses.

In a statement issued by the Admiralty night, the following figures are given of casualties in the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, including the Royal Naval Division, since the beginning of the war:—Officers—Killed 220, wounded 436, missing 5, interned 46; men—killed, wounded 436, missing 968, interned 1,524.

Irish Prisoners in Berlin

Priests Leave for Germany.

Rome, Tues
 This evening Fathers Crotty, of the Dominicans, and O'Gorman, of the Irish Augustinians, left for Milan, en route for Berlin, escorted by a German courier.

Their journey is undertaken in response to representations made at Rome by Dr Von Mul Prussian Minister to the Holy See, to the effect that Irish priests are desired for the spiritual welfare of Irish prisoners in Germany. The German authorities made all the arrangements for the journey, and the train off.

German War Loans.

Amsterdam, Tues
 A Berlin telegram says—A bill, dealing with the second supplement of the German Budget for 1914, empowers the Imperial Chancellor to raise a credit of 200,000,000 sterling for defraying extraordinary expenditure.

The Chancellor is further authorised to issue Exchequer bonds for a further 20,000,000 sterling for temporarily strengthening the working capital, 10,000,000 will be reserved for weekly assistance for the families of soldiers during the war, and 10,000,000 for relief of communities.