

...savoury to observe that it is condemned by the foreign "Messaggero" (Rome), for its out that Scarborough and open towns, not situated in the war operations. The paper states that the Germans officially against British and French by throwing bombs on Freiburg, Germany maintained "was an open invitation to the aviators of the Allies to drop Freiburg in pursuit of their purpose further off, while the German ships on the sea was, as the Italian journal "the object of destroying and killing unarmed citizens." In the news of the bombardment Times' telegram announces surprise, and it adds that reports of this kind have been known here as 'German raids.' Unfortunately the death result of Wednesday's raid is total between the Hartlepoons, and Whitby, as well as Naval being 114, while 286 people died. Many of those fatally were helpless women and children. The reports of the most pathetic reading, and the of the United Kingdom, none man of Ireland, go forth in all of fellow-feeling to the relatives in their poignant grief, so unexpectedly borne upon them. which stands out prominently in episode relates to the coolness possession displayed by the residents of the raided towns. While, naturally, excitement and alarm prevailed during the bombardment, still there was any time, approaching a panic. Mayor Cononer at Hartlepool mentioned a few hours after the raid the calm and quiet, and further of reassured confidence was furnished by Scarborough to which number of persons of all ages had gathered Thursday. At Hartlepool also, Mayor expressed his appreciation

## CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS.

The public should take notice that the Head Office ordinary letter box in Cecil-street will be closed for the night mail half an hour earlier than usual—viz, at 9 30 p. m. on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th December, and that the town sub-office boxes, pillar, and wall letter-boxes will be closed correspondingly earlier on the same dates.

## DEATH OF MR. BENJAMIN BENNETT

It is with feelings of deep regret we announce the death of Mr. Benjamin Bennett, which took place this morning at his residence, Cloughrennan Terrace, Eanis Road. The deceased gentleman, who was a native of County Cork, was in his 65th year. Up to a week ago he was in the enjoyment of his usual health, until Sunday, when he complained of being ill. On Tuesday he was obliged to remain indoors, and towards evening pleurisy set in, and developed into pneumonia. He was attended in his illness by Doctors Fogerty and Laird, but despite their unremitting care, death came peacefully this morning. The news was received with the utmost regret in the city, where Mr Bennett was held in the highest esteem by a wide circle of friends. On coming to Limerick many years ago, Mr Bennett joined the clerical staff of Messrs J Matterson & Sons, bacon curers, where his sound business capabilities were soon recognised by the firm. After some years he was transferred to Manchester, where he represented the firm for a long period, and was subsequently translated to the management of the Waterford house. On the death of Mr Joseph Matterson, some eight years ago, he returned to Limerick, in the capacity of managing director of the firm, a position he filled with distinction and ability down to his demise. The deceased gentleman travelled extensively both in America and on the Continent, and profited largely by his intercourse with the peoples of the countries in which he sojourned. He was a prominent member of the Protestant Young Men's Association, into whose councils he brought the experience of a wide knowledge of men and affairs. On his return from America and Norway some years ago he delivered lectures at the Association, which were illuminating and instructive. He was a member of the Baptist community, in whose missionary work he was deeply interested, and outside his own family connections his loss will be felt more keenly by none more than among the members of that community, who were attached to him by many ties.

## LIMERICK DEMONSTRATION.

Mr John Redmond, M.P., accompanied by Mrs Redmond, arrived in town this evening by motor, for to-morrow's meeting and National Volunteer Review. Mr and Mrs Redmond are staying at Crul's Hotel.

## CO. LIMERICK FARM HAND'S CLAIM

In the King's Bench Division on Thursday, Mr. James Comyn (instructed by Mr Roger Fox, solicitor, Kilmallock), applied on behalf of the defendant, Mary Ann Connery, of Jamestown, in the County of Limerick, for an order remitting to the County Court Judge of Limerick, an action in which Daniel Riordan, who is a farmer's son, residing at Thomastown, Killfinane, in the County of Limerick, claims £21, being the balance of £26, two years' wages, at the rate of £13 per annum, from the 1st March, 1912, to the 1st March, 1914,

Hussein, eldest living representative family of Mehemet Ali, has been appointed of Egypt. England undertakes the protection of Egypt from all attacks, and will correct foreign relations. The Capitulations abolished at the end of the present war.

## Turkish Warships Sunk

Paris, The A telegram from Rome published here According to information from an official the Russian cruiser Askold has sunk two warships off Beyrout, and a British one bombarded a Turkish caravan between Gazi.

## THE EAST COAST RAILWAY

## German Report Contradicted

## British Warships Sunk

London, Friday The Secretary of the Admiralty announced that no British ship of war of any kind was sunk during the recent operations, and all German reports to the contrary are untrue.

The attention of the public is directed to the Great Southern & Western Railway advertisement appearing in our columns this evening regarding the Christmas arrangements on the line. These will be in operation from the 23rd.

## Clare Officer Missing

It is announced that Captain A M O'Connell of Cahercon, who is with the 2nd Life Guards, has been missing since October 31st, and is believed to be a prisoner.

## Gort Soldier Missing

Corporal Richard Daly, son of Venerable deacon Daly, Gort, has been missing since the battle of Messines, on October 31st, and has not been last seen. He was in the 13th Hussar attached to the 11th Hussars. A warrant for his arrest was issued by the Commandant of the Regiment stated that he had been taken prisoner.

## Captain F. R. D. Prittie

## Awarded the Legion of Honour

Captain F. R. D. Prittie, who recent received the award of the Legion of Honour for the field, is the youngest son of Lord H. M. L., whose two sons are at present in the Army. Captain Prittie, who is attached to the Rifle Brigade, during a rearguard action was pluckily stuck to a trench, and was the last to leave under terrific fire. His actions saved the lives of many French soldiers.

## Clare R.I.C. for the Future

The following officers and men of the R.I.C. have volunteered for the new District-Inspector Carroll, Kilrush received a captaincy in the 5th Battalion Dublin Fusiliers; District-Inspector Sixmilebridge; Constables Justin O'Neil, Richard Barrett, Corofin; Con Ahern, P J Callaghan, Whitegate; A C Johns, Matt Tierney, and James Rielly, Ballyvaughan; Richard Howlett, Quin; John Mannic, A Love, Bodyske.