

access and the measure of sacrifice of life which it will involve are governed by two conditions. "The protraction of the war," he has told us, with the utmost possible emphasis, "depends entirely upon the supply of men and munitions. Should these be unsatisfactory, the war will be accordingly prolonged." That statement by the Field-Marshal in Command at the front reinforces the warning which Lord Kitchener and Mr Lloyd George have so earnestly pressed upon the nation since the new phase of the war was initiated by the approach of spring. We are fighting a stubborn foe, whose confidence in ultimate victory is as yet hardly shaken. We are engaged in a conflict in which there can be no intermission or relaxation until the cause of the Allies has triumphed. And if anything should serve to nerve the nation to redouble its efforts in support of that cause, it is Germany's recent outrage, the sinking of the Elder Dempster liner "Falaba," with an appalling loss of innocent lives. As the Coroner, in his address at the inquest held on eight of the victims on Tuesday afternoon, remarked, "Here was a ship leaving England, not coming to England, and to prevent which the Germans said was the object of their blockade. An enemy's boat appeared, and without any pretence at examination, and giving no time for those aboard to clear, discharged a torpedo in the most cold-blooded fashion. If that was not piracy and murder on the high seas he did not know what it was." The fate of the "Falaba" was the first really serious disaster as yet suffered by the British Mercantile Marine, though the sinking of the "Aguila" the day previous was another dastardly outrage, happily, however, not involving as great a loss of life as was at first supposed. The Huns know little of British pluck and character if they imagine that barbarous acts such as these will further their plans for intimidating our merchant service and terrorising the general public. The effect, on the contrary, will be to stiffen the Mercantile Marine in its determination to exact reparation wherever opportunity offers, and, moreover, it will certainly stimulate recruiting in these islands. The American Press has been

The Dean. Evenson, 8 p.m., Proper Psalms lxxix (Turle, D minor and major), lxxxviii (Wesley in G); Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Stainer in Eb; Anthem, Passion Music from "The Messiah"; Hymn, 174 (113 A and M); Preacher, The Precentor. Hymn (during Offertory) 165 (184 A and M), Benediction. The Passion Music from "The Messiah," begin with "Behold the Lamb of God," including solos "He was Disposed Behold and See," "But Thou didst not leave his soul," etc., will be sung by augmented choir assisted by members of the R.A.M.C. on Good Friday evening at 8.

METHODIST CHURCH (George Street)—Good Friday, 11.30 a.m. Preacher, Rev Charles S. Greaves.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH—Good Friday, Morning Prayer, 11.45 a.m. Preacher, Rev. E. F. Abbot, B.D.

RECRUITING IN LIMERICK.

Very encouraging results have marked the recruiting campaign in Limerick city and county during the past few days. In several centres in the county recruits have been accepted at a very good average, while in the city the percentage of men joining the colours has been higher than was anticipated. Within the last two days 76 men have enlisted in the Army, the vast majority showing a predilection for the Irish Brigade, which on the whole has been admirably supplied with men from the city. The activity displayed by the recruiting agents has thus happily been very successful. The arrangements are under the zealous superintendance of Captain Browning, Strand Barracks.

At Cruise's Royal Hotel last night, where Lieut D D Sheehan and Lieut Cregan are staying, 47 recruits joined for the 9th Service Battalion, Royal Munster Fusiliers, and 35 the previous night. There was a large gathering outside the hotel, and the volunteers were loudly cheered as they entered the premises.

DEATH OF MR F W MCNAMARA, ENNIS.

His numerous friends in Limerick and Clare will hear with regret of the death of Mr F McNamara, Old Ground Hotel, Ennis, who passed away peacefully at his residence on Tuesday night after a short illness. He was a most popular figure, and as a sportsman was well known throughout the South of Ireland. At all concerts organised for charitable purposes he was prominent, and in every movement that tended for the betterment and uplifting of his native town he gave his assistance and co-operation ungrudgingly. The sad news came as a shock to his many admirers, as he was a man of apparently robust health. In Limerick, where Mr McNamara was so well and popularly known, the sad news has been received with great regret.

RENT OF NON-PASTORAL HOLDINGS.

The Hon Mr Justice FitzGerald, in the Land Commission Court on Tuesday, affirmed the dismissal of the Sub-Commission of the applications by Mr Christopher M'Auley, Monaghan, and Mr Joseph C Higgins, Clonmel. Mr M'Auley's holding on the Rossmore estate, was, he held, a town park, bearing, as it did, an increased value as accommodation land over and above the ordinary letting value, and being accordingly within sec. 58 of the Act of 1881. On the construction of sec. 9 of the Act of 1887, as amended by sec. 6 of the Act of 1896, he had come to the conclusion that the letting of a single field in the vicinity of a town to

drink that we are unable to war materials, indispensablements of our army in the has been such serious delay the necessary reinforcement our gallant troops at the front of such a state of things must the prolongation of the host this terrible war. I am t deemed advisable the King set the example by giving u himself, and issuing orders i tion in the Royal household, shall be made, so far as his M between the treatment of r question.—Yours very truly

"The Right Hon. D. Lloyd Chancellor of the E

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The letter made public th Times," in which the King example to his subjects, alcohol during the war, sympathetic pride throughou of the Crown. Regem Habe grave hour all men worthy of men, from the palace to t trench, are members of the w unless taken in very mode hindrance to that work at fu one form or another, all of u undertake to-day. It may of legal prohibition will pr must be prevented at once, finer thing if all classes. Majesty's subjects should fo all who are in a position to dinates consider this matter are conscious that the n national service is being l choose now between the v compulsion. That is the nothing shall be allowed nation and the successful o the earliest possible momen

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At a joint meeting of (by the General Synod of t and the General Assembl Church in Ireland, respecti philanthropic, social, and r Tuesday—the Bishop of (following resolution was pas "That this Joint Com Synod of the Church of Ir Assembly of the Presbyteri heartily and strongly supp Government, embodied in the Prime Minister, date signed on behalf of the vari tions in Ireland by Cardinal of Armagh, the Moder Assembly of the Presbyteri and the Vice-President, Methodist Church in Irelar upon the Government the mediate action on the li appeal."

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The Archbishop

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