

GIANT VICTORY.

As if we were on the eve in the western theatre of time past the Arras area led as the most probable a vigorous forward move- begun by the Allied troops during the present week ouraging a character as to anticipating further develop- important and reassuring s anticipation has been fully Paris communique of Thurs- summary of which appeared that evening. The French illiant victory at Carency, stubbornly defended by the this back. Though greatly heir losses of the preceding Huns offered a desperat- t on Wednesday night they d by the gallant Frenchmen, mirable ardour and tenacity. r Allies "were completely positions." Hundreds of killed, and some 1,050 red, the total number of the ed for during the week ll to 4,450. A "Times" war ie Press Association, conveys announcement that "the ve been advanced far beyond e before. The road of the s down-hill all the way to great and comprehensive p the possibility of a further ost enormous importance." ge goes on to remark that of Carency is the biggest ice the trench warfare began t front." The British forces ek played a most important uring the advance of the y means of a wide attack melles and Aubers, they holding the enemy's attention r Ally to progress north of s the capture of Carency the

The programme is an attractive one, and the entries are fully up to those of the Feis last year. The Committee have left nothing undone to promote the success of the Feis, which, favoured with fine weather for the out of door competitions, should secure a large attendance. The railway company are running special trains in connection with the Feis, to-morrow.

TO-DAY.

The Feis was continued to-day the examinations, written and oral, being held as on yesterday at the Gaelic League premises, Thomas street. They were in Gaelic, literary, and conversational, Irish history, the competitors being the pupils attending the City and County Schools, and vocal music for which the competition was very close.

DEATH OF VERY REV DEAN SHANAHAN, P.P. V.G.

We regret very much to have to record the death of the Very Rev T. R. Shanahan, P.P. V.G. Roman Catholic Dean of Limerick, which occurred yesterday evening at the Parochial House, Thomondgate. The late Dean who had attained the patriarchal age of 86 years, was a native of County Limerick, and all his ministerial life was spent in this Diocese. In his early years he was a curate in St Michael's Parish, becoming subsequently Administrator of St Mary's Parish. Later on he was appointed to the Pastoral charge of Ballingarry, where he spent many years. He erected the handsome new Gothic Church in that town, and presented the Sisters of Mercy with a conventual establishment. From Ballingarry he was translated to the parish of St Munchin, where he displayed the same earnestness and zeal in the performance of the duties of his sacred office until failing health obliged him some five years ago to resign the Pastoral charge, in which he was succeeded by the late lamented Very Rev Andrew Murphy. The late Father Shanahan was a close personal friend of the Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, who appointed him to the Deanery of the diocese. He was brother of Rev D R Shanahan, P.P. St Mary's; Monsignor Gerard Shanahan, Thornby-on-Tees, and of Dr J F Shanahan of this city. The late Dean was held in the highest esteem by all classes and orders, and he was in his time associated with public life as a member of the Limerick Asylum Board and other institutions. The news of his death has been heard of with deep regret in the city and county, and general sympathy is expressed with his relatives in their bereavement. The remains will be removed to St John's Cathedral this evening, where they will lie over Sunday. On Monday at 10.30 there will be solemn High Mass, at which Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer will preside. The funeral to Mount St Lawrence Cemetery will take place immediately afterwards.

THE CHURCH.

Sunday Services.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL—16th May, Sunday after Ascension Day. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. The "Lusitania" Disaster. Special Service on Sunday, 16th May, 1915, at 10.45 a.m. In sympathy with the sorrowing and in memory of the dead. "Funeral March" (Clopin); Processional Hymn, 414, "Eternal Father, Strong to Save." Special Psalms, v., xxiii. The Les-

The break in the weather which commenced the 12th inst, will enable our Allies to con- the positions gained and adapt them further forward movement.

It is hardly to be expected, however, t Germans will refrain from an endeavour to the positions they have lost in Artois an bardy, for the loss to them is of the most nature.

Meanwhile the British troops are contain the Ypres front an enormous number enemy.

Attack after attack of the most stubborn continues to roll back from the British fro we may be assured that when the momen our troops will take the offensive towa Bassees in conjunction with a northerly me by the victorious French Army further south.

Reports from the Eastern Theatre ar somewhat confused nature, but it seem certain modification of the Russian lines h rendered necessary in Western Gallia, i of the enormous concentration of Austro-troops.

THE DARDANELLES.

Allies Advancing

In the Dardanelles the Allies are advan the sector of Gaba Kepe, and continue c the desperate resistance of the Turks. prisoners have been sent to Tenedos.

CLARE VICTIM

Of German Poison Gas

One of the victims in the recent de fighting was Private Wm Carroll, Fifth Irish Lancers, who was killed by the mu poison gas of the Huns. He was son of M Carroll, Edenvale, and had been home on f three months ago.

THE ARRAS FRONT.

French Gains Maintained

London, Friday After-

The following official French commu has been received—

Rain has been falling without ceasing sin morning of the 13th. In the night of the 14th the French carried several German t to the south-west of Souche, in spite difficult and slippery nature of the ground . They have maintained all yesterday's g the rest of the Loos-Arras front.

In the valley of the Aisne they have de four German blockhouses and several trer

ITALIAN CRISIS.

Resignation of the Cabin

A Reuter's telegram from Rome says :- The following note was issued here this day evening :-

The Council of Ministers, considering does not possess that unanimous assent Constitutional parties regarding its late r policy which the gravity of the situation d has decided to hand its resignation to the His Majesty has reserved his decision.