

ended that without a strong, determined Party in the House of Commons, there, at the Peace Conference, or anywhere else, Ireland would go to the wall. (Hear, hear, and interruption.) Those opposing him had their opinion, but he presumed they would allow him to have his opinion also, and listen to what he said. One of those outside the barrier had alluded to the torpedoing of the mail boat, the "Leinster." He was on board, and he did not show the white feather there, he at least acted the part of a man, and helped not alone to save himself, but he helped also to save his neighbours. (Applause.)

A voice—You ought to be ashamed as an Irishman to oppose Colvey.

The Chairman, dealing with the applause that followed, appealed for order.

Alderman Joyce said that some of the men in Ireland did not want liberty, but licence. The liberty they would give they saw some of it that day. He always thought his countrymen were willing to give fair play and a hearing to every man, but he was afraid some of them were deteriorating in that respect. However, he was not going to be led by some of the cries he had heard. He did his work as their Parliamentary representative honestly and fairly, and to-day he was appealing to the citizens of Limerick to return him to that work.

A Voice—No. (Laughter.)

Alderman Joyce—Well, time would prove the best almanack for all things, and they would see in a couple of years who was right and who was wrong. He had only to say he was a Nationalist all his life, would go down to his grave a Nationalist, and would work according to his lights for the benefit of his country and this city of his birth until it pleased God to call him away. (Applause.)

The Chairman said the resolutions having been adopted, the business of the meeting was concluded. The arrangements for the election would be made, ward committees formed, and other details perfected to contest the election. Announcements regarding these would be made in due course. The only thing now was for those present in support of Alderman Joyce to take away from the meeting determination to see this contested election fairly and squarely through. (Applause.)

A subscription list was opened, and the meeting shortly afterwards terminated.

ALLEN, LARKIN, AND O'BRIEN DEMONSTRATION SUPPRESSED

The authorities in Limerick on Sunday suppressed a public demonstration and procession to honour the memory of Allen, Larkin, and O'Brien executed for the shooting of Sergeant Brett in Manchester in 1867. The promoters had the demonstration announced by placards, but the Constabulary gave warning on Saturday night that the procession would not be allowed. To enforce their decision, they drafted some 100 extra police into Limerick, and had a strong detachment of Welsh Fusiliers placed at the central Constabulary Barracks, and confined to barracks the remainder of the troops. There was no attempt to hold the procession, and every thing passed off peacefully.

The celebration was also not permitted in Charleville and Cork where lively scenes occurred.

AMERICA'S NAVAL PROGRAMME.

The Naval Committee of the House of Representatives has been informed that twenty-four Dreadnoughts would be included in the 1920 Fleet. Nineteen of these have been already completed and three of the remainder are nearing completion.

Three hundred and fifty new destroyers will also be completed.

COMPULSORY TILLAGE IN IRELAND IN 1919.

After consultation with their Advisory Committee on Food Production, the Department of Agriculture have made an Order under the Third Schedule of the Corn Production Act, 1917, requiring occupiers of holdings in Ireland to have under cultivation in the year 1919 an area equal in extent to that required to be under cultivation in the year 1918. The area required to be cultivated in 1918, subject to the exceptions specified in the Orders and to the proviso that no occupier was required to cultivate more than 50 per cent of his arable land was as follows:—(1) In the case of a holding containing not less than 10 statute acres and not as much as 200 acres of arable land; (a) 15 per cent of the arable land contained in the holding, and in addition (b) an area equivalent to that, if any, cultivated on the holding in 1916. (2) In the case of a holding containing not less than 200 statute acres arable land (a) 20 per cent of the arable land contained in the holding, and, in addition (b) an area equivalent to that, if any, cultivated in the holding in the year 1916.

In other words an occupier who complied with the requirements of this year's Tillage Order, applicable to his holding, will be required in 1919 to maintain in cultivation an area equivalent to that which he was required to cultivate this year; but, on the other hand, an occupier who failed to comply this year will be subject to the penalty provided by the Corn Production Act, 1917, for his default, and will also be required in 1919 to increase his tillage area up to the acreage which was called for in respect of his holding this year.

DEATH OF MR M J HARTIGAN.

The death, which will be learned with extreme regret in the city, occurred in London this morning of Mr Michael J Hartigan, in his twenty-seventh year. The deceased was third son of Mr P Hartigan, Royal George Hotel, and had been ailing only a short time. He was engaged as a wireless operator in London, and in that capacity his services were highly appreciated by his employers. He was a genial and affable young man, and his demise at an early age has come as a great blow to his parents and family, with whom the keenest sympathy is felt in their loss.

THE EX-KAISER AND EXTRADITION.

The Press Association special correspondent in Belgium says—"I learn from a reliable source that, after consideration, the legal experts consulted by the French Government are of opinion that it is within the province of Holland to order the extradition of the German Emperor, or that, as he has made no formal declaration of abdication, and is not, therefore, entitled to be considered a private person, the Kaiser cannot claim refuge there. The Allies are considering the question of making a formal joint application for extradition."

MORE CHOCOLATES FOR CHRISTMAS.

As cocoa is fairly plentiful, the 50 per cent extra of sugar in December to makers of sugar confectionery will enable more chocolates to be available for Christmas.

Potato queues are still to be seen in South London.

Daylight Saving law in the United States saved a million tons of coal during the war

High Commission... republic comprising South German Rhine Provinces.

The same journal also states that von Arnim, Commander-in-Chief of the Army now at Aix la Chapelle, has caused a split in the Workmen's Council there, and would re-establish a republic. Similar speeches have been made publicly or secretly, in other Rhine provinces. Herr Scheidemann, in a leading article, says that the King of Bavaria is ready to conclude a separate peace, and moreover, the danger with which the groups and Bolshevik elements threaten the country. It means, he declared, the ruin of the country, ruin for industry, misery and unemployment for the masses. Herr Scheidemann informs his colleagues of Liebknecht's attempt at a coup d'état about a total change of opinion in the cities of Kiel and Bremen, where the Soldiers' Councils are warning against the policy of the Spartacus group.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK

DEAR SIR,—The Controller of the right down with the owner of the

1. Compel him to sell hard, at 20 tons, on the basis of 1914, at 22s 6d per ton.

2. Allow a dealer 15 per cent plus all actual delivery charges.

A wagon of 6 tons of Kerry according to "A Poor Man," £2 12 10s; delivery charges, £2; £1 1s—£12 6s; or £2 1s a ton.

My personal experience, however, few 6-ton wagons will weigh less than £19 15s for a wagon to the and £4 10s "freight and charges" contained only 5 tons 12 cwt.

Now, who will move in this matter so that the poor may benefit truly.

ILLEGAL DRILL

Three arrests made on Sunday morning were those of young persons, others, to the number of thirty, found going through some evolutions close to Mount St. Lawrence. They were detained temporarily, and that the charge may not be pressed.

MISCELLANEOUS

America's naval strength in 1918, compared with 3,000 in 1914.

Heavy fighting has taken place between Magyar and Czech Slav.

The French had a most extraordinary winter, in Alsace.

The rates of freight on general cargo to Australia and New Zealand are 25 per cent. forewith.

Large quantities of sprats caught on the coast have been sold for manure, only of transporting them.

A Renter Pretoria message to the Union Government proposes to take and public health measures during the Session rather than legislative measures.

Sir A. Stanley announces that on December 1st, it will be permitted to travel by car for the purpose of attending to business, the distance does not exceed three miles.

The Postmaster-General has announced that private telegrams cannot be sent to the liberated part of Belgium.