

guards up-to-date houses, estimated at least at a couple of thousand, for the workers, has been emphasised again and again by the Corporation and the Town Tenants Association. It remains to be seen what general scheme the Government will evolve in relation to this country. The housing question has reached a much more advanced stage in England than in Ireland, and Irish public bodies are keenly on the look out for definite information as to what resources will be available from the State to deal with the housing question in this country effectively and comprehensively. It is to be hoped that early in the new Parliament this information will be forthcoming. We see that at the annual general meeting of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, to be held next Tuesday, a motion is to be proposed calling attention to the urgent need for a comprehensive scheme of housing reform in the Metropolis, and asking the Government and the Treasury to grant the necessary financial aid for the carrying out of the scheme. In Limerick, too, every effort is being made to complete a scheme worthy of the city. We trust the operation of the project will not be long delayed by the Government.

FUNERAL OF MRS HAMILTON, FARLETON.

The funeral of Mrs Hamilton, wife of the late Ven F C H Milton, M.A., Archdeacon of Limerick, took place this morning at St Mary's Cathedral. The chief mourners were: The Rev G F Hamilton, B.A., and Colonel R S Hamilton, C.M.G., D.S.O.; Mrs R J Bridgford, daughter; Miss P Mallins, grand-daughter; Rev Canon Swain, M.A., son-in-law; and Hamilton Swain, grandson. The funeral was private, and, by desire, no flowers were sent.

The Burial Service was read by the Bishop of Limerick, assisted by the Dean. The grave had been tastefully lined with moss and flowers.

Wreaths and crosses of flowers from members of the family bore the following inscriptions:—"For my darling mother, from Daisy"; "My darling, from Sophie"; "From her loving son, Fred"; "In loving memory, Maye and Syd"; "In ever loving memory, from Bob, Mary, and Gerry"; "In happy and loving memory, from Iso, George Hamilton, Joan, Ed, and Barnie."

Miss Hamilton is very grateful for all the kind messages of sympathy which she has received, and which she hopes to acknowledge soon.

CHARGE OF LARCENY

Mr P J Kelly, R.M., held a special court and took depositions in the case of Eileen O'Shaughnessy, arrested by Sergeant Kelly, William street, on the charge of larceny of tobacco, and other articles, the property of local traders. The depositions were completed, and the accused, a young woman, committed for trial at the Assizes.

Mr E Fitzgerald, solicitor, M.C.C., Malin, died yesterday at the South Infirmary, Cork, and the announcement of his death will be received with sincere regret all through the Southern province.

Mr Baptist Gamble, Goods Manager of the Great Northern Railway, has been appointed Chairman of the Executive Committee of Traffic Officers of Irish Railways for the year 1910.

Lurking lines prior to Alhambra's great advance, and their condition is deplorable in the extreme—'Just like little gipsies, barefooted and bare-headed in rags and tatters, wild-eyed, and hardly recognisable as their former selves.'

For these the warm clothing and food, the sympathy and occupation provided by the Relief Fund are invaluable. At Nazareth Sister Mann has re-opened a small hospital, and has found great scarcity of food, and misery on every hand.

Terrible reports are being received of the effect upon Syria of the war, and the survivors of the ordeal are described as more like wild dogs than human beings. The Relief Committee is already sending relief to the North, but its operations are greatly restricted through lack of funds, and an urgent appeal for further support has become necessary.

The proposal to set apart Sunday, February 2nd, as "Palestine Sunday" has been very generally adopted in England, and it is hoped that the clergy of the Church of Ireland may find it possible to devote at least a part of the offertories on that or some more convenient Sunday to this good work. All the Bishops have expressed their cordial appreciation of the work of the fund and the Primate and most of the Bishops have expressed their warm approval for extending the "Palestine Sunday" Scheme to Ireland.

SOUTHERN UNIONISTS.

Ulster and Partition.

Lord Midleton Resigns.

Presidency of Alliance

At a meeting of Southern Unionists in Dublin, yesterday Lord Midleton moved an amendment to the Constitution, viz:—"Should any proposal for the future Government of Ireland, involving the possible exclusion of any part of Ireland come up for consideration at any meeting of the Irish Unionist Alliance, or the Council or Executive Committee thereof hereinafter mentioned, the members representing the parts of Ireland outside the areas to be excluded, shall be the only persons competent to discuss or resolve upon the motion to be taken by the Alliance." This amendment was defeated by an overwhelming majority. Lord Midleton then resigned his Presidency of the Alliance.

It is announced that a new body under the title of the Unionist Anti Partition League has been formed.

SINN FEIN PRISONERS

Government Decision to Release Them Immediately.

News reached us last night (says the 'Freeman'), from a source in which we have reason to place reliance that the Government have decided to release the Sinn Fein prisoners immediately.

THE COUNTY TIPPERARY TRAGEDY.

Military and Proclamation Area

The Proclamation making the South Riding of Tipperary a military area states that all public assemblies, such as fairs, markets, and processions, are prohibited.

A LOST WEDDING RING

Romance of "The Golden Cow"

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