

MR MACPHERSON AND IRELAND.

Speaking last night in London, Mr Macpherson said that "colonisation in Ireland" was not on the part of the Government. Nothing would alter the view of England that Ireland was, and must remain, a part of the United Kingdom. His most loyal and brilliant colleague (Lord French) had he said, continued to maintain law and order and to see that the King's writ ran in Ireland.

MAIL CAR HELD UP NEAR ASKEATON

The mail car from Limerick to Foynes was held yesterday morning at Ballyclogland, near Askeaton, by, it is stated, disguised men, who searched the bag and scattered the letters on the roadside, and then left. The occurrence was reported to the post office and railway authorities, and inquiries are being made. Details are wanting.

EBBELL BROS. LAND SALES.

At the Agricultural Hall to-day, Messrs Ebbell Bros put up for sale the interest in two valuable farms, per instructions of J. J. Shine, Esq., Connaught interest was taken in these sales, which resulted as follows:

Soort, area 98s 3d 2p, annuity £79 9s 4d. The bidding for this holding started at £3,000, and it was early sold to Mr Patrick O'Brien for £4,625.

Knockbrien Farm, area 74s 3d 7p, held under annual tenancy at the rent of £92 1s 6d. These farms were purchased by Mr Ed Leahy, Solicitor, on trust for the small holders in the neighbourhood for the sum of £3,950.

Messrs. M. Sayers and Co., Solicitors, O'Connell Street, had carriage of sale.

THE CASE OF SIR JOSEPH BYRNE

The Press Association's Special Dublin Correspondent was informed on Thursday from official sources that no early announcement regarding Sir Joseph Byrne is expected from Dublin Castle. General Byrne's Rathgar residence remains closed.

TROTKEY'S THREAT.

Poland and The Baltic States His Next Victims.

"The Times" Stockholm Correspondent says:—The Soviet Press publishes a letter from Trotkey, he writes that after the triumph of the Bolshevik troops against Koltsak and Denikin it will be an easy matter to break down all resistance in Poland and the Baltic States, while at a meeting of the Soviet Committee of Defence Trotkey stated that this must be the next object of the Bolshevik forces, after which would come a final settlement with Finland.

With the Limerick Battalion of the Church Lads' Brigade was held in the Diocesan Hall on Friday, January 9th, at 7 o'clock. After tea, the Bishop gave a few helpful words of advice to the lads. Then they were paraded in the Big Hall, where their relations and friends were already assembled. Having sung the Battalion Hymn—"Fight the good fight," Rev A. E. Hewetson (the Battalion Correspondent) read a short report, giving an account of the various activities of the C.L.B. during the past year. Lieut J. Cox, who was married late, was the recipient of a Muffin Dish from the Brigade, presented by the Dean of Limerick. After this there was an interesting concert, organised by Lieut W. Pearson, and having played a few games, the proceedings came to a close by singing the National Anthem. Best thanks are due to the ladies who looked after the tea arrangements, and to all those who helped to make the evening such a success.

DEATH OF MASTER JACK WATERS.

The death, which is keenly regretted by many friends in the city, took place on Sunday morning in Birmingham, of Master Jack Waters, eldest son of Dr Christopher Waters, formerly of Limerick. The deceased lad just attained his eighth year, and was a bright, intelligent, and winsome youth. To his parents the utmost sympathy is expressed in the loss they have sustained. The remains arrived in the city on Tuesday morning by the 11.30 train, and were met at the station by a large number of mourners, and the interment took place immediately after in Mount St. Laurence Cemetery.

The chief mourners were—Dr C. Waters (father); John Waters, Cahoonish (grandfather); John Waters, Kingstow; Dr M. Waters, Dublin; W. Waters, Cloughdrum; Richard Waters, L.D.S., Dublin; T. Waters, M.J. McDonnell, L.D.S., Dr C. McDonnell, J.P., Dr J. T. McDonnell, and T. O'Dwyer (uncles); Cecil and Desmond McDonnell, and M. McCarthy, Killaloe (cousins).

The following were the wreaths:—"To darling little Jack, from his bok-n-hearted Father and Mother"; "In ever-loving memory of dear little Jack, from his Grandfather and Grandmother"; "To darling little Jack, from Mamma, Aunt Brattie, and Aunt Maggie"; "With deepest sympathy, from Uncle Charlie and Aunt Lou"; "In loving memory of dear little Jack, from Uncle Joe and Aunt Maggie"; "With deepest sympathy, from Uncles Jack, Mort, and Dick"; "In loving memory of dear little Jack, from Uncle Willis and Aunt Annie"; "With fondest love to dear Jack, from Uncle Tom and Aunt Mary"; "With sincere sympathy, from Joe Connolly"; "With sympathy, from Dr and Mrs. Twigg"; "With deepest sympathy, from J. and A. McGuire, Birmingham"; "With deepest sympathy, from J. J. and M. Redmond, Birmingham"; "With deepest sympathy, from Dr and Mrs. Tighe"; "The Archibishop and Clergy, Cathedral, Birmingham, with deepest sympathy"; "With deepest sympathy, from Mrs. Alday"; "From La Superieuse des Religieuses Trinitaires, Elderslie, Kidderminster, to our beloved Jack, with love."

The officiating clergy were Rev Fr Costello, O.P., Dublin; Rev Fr Dwaney, Adm., and Rev Fr Carroll, O.C., St Michael's.

Epiphany—Morning Prayer, 7.20. Preacher a Rec'd.

ST. MUNCHIN'S CHURCH Epiphany—Morning Service and Holy Communion, Perilous Times, Wednesday

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH (after Epiphany—Morning P. Rev. Oswald Brasier, M.A.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Morning, 11.30; Evening Services, Rev. Alfred W. N.

METHODIST CHURCH (Morning, 11.30; Evening, 6.30.)

BAPTIST CHURCH—Service p.m. Preacher, Pastor T. Service, Wednesday, 8 p.m.

CLARINA PARISH—Morning 6 o'clock; Evening Service.

CARLECONNELL CHURCH 11.30; Evening Prayer.

ADARE PARISH CHURCH 11.30 o'clock; Evening P.

GOSPEL HALL (Mallow-st 11.30.)

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (January 18—Morning, 11.

BIG DEFICIT ON

The Problem of

The deficit in the working under Government control port issued by a Committee of Transport.

The total yearly deficit over £3,000,000, is relatively Great Britain, and it is particularly in rates in Ireland on the s Britain w'd not restore stability to a solvent position.

The problem of the future railways in Ireland either individually solvent, will meet the finding of a very large increase of over 90 per cent. fares may be looked forward.

THE MOULDER

The Moulders' Conference that a further ballot of unions concerned should be urged members to accept with later conference between unions re working condition taken next week.

RUGBY F.C.

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