

tering for the several examinations is fairly
 ve, illustrating in its way the inherent
 ve for knowledge that has always
 en remarkable in the Irish race.
 at with encouragement it should be
 nsiderably larger if the efforts of the Board
 nd the school managers were not handi-
 apped as they have been, and proposed
 eforms and improvements pointed out from
 ime to time not receiving official attention
 r recognition. The Intermediate Board,
 ealing in their report with the financial
 ide of secondary education in Ireland, have
 ome strong remarks to make on Govern-
 ment neglect, and they make them. The
 osition they say is, in their opinion, extre-
 mely critical, and threatens a very serious
 breakdown throughout the country if amelio-
 rative steps are not immediately taken.
 They give statistics to illustrate this Govern-
 ment neglect, showing that out of 1,349 lay
 teachers only 100 are in receipt of a salary
 of £200 per annum, and of these 31 are
 heads of schools, while about 90 per cent of
 the whole number of lay teachers are in
 receipt of salaries of less than £100 per
 annum. In circumstances such as these it
 is not surprising to find that some of the best
 teachers have left this country to take up
 teaching at higher salaries in England and
 Scotland, while others have abandoned
 teaching altogether for more remunerative
 employment at other callings. The Board
 have in the present state of things grave
 reason to fear as they state, that unless
 something is done immediately to ease the
 situation a considerable number of schools
 will find it impossible to retain or secure the
 required number of teachers to become
 entitled to the additional Parliamentary
 grant. There has been also a diminution in
 the grants, and in this respect the Board
 point out that the deficit on the basis of
 equivalent grants shows a somewhat for-
 midable debt. The report, among other
 things, tends to the realisation of how awry
 Government legislation is in its administra-
 tion and application in this country and falls
 far short of the objects for which the pro-
 moters of the Intermediate Act strove. The
 Act did good in large measure, but the field

By Order in Council, published in Tuesday
 night's "London Gazette," the suspension of the
 operation of the Government of Ireland Act,
 1914, is extended for a farther six months.

GALWAY SHOOTINGS.

A public inquiry, which proposed to hear
 evidence regarding circumstances attending the
 deaths of two civilians shot in Galway on Wed-
 nesday night last was on Tuesday prohibited by
 the military authorities.

EDUCATIONAL.

Master Thomas Fitzgerald, St. Alphonsus
 Terrace has obtained a second class exhibition
 in the Junior Grade at the recent Intermediate
 Examinations. The talented young student is
 second son of Mr Maurice Fitzgerald, Assistant
 Secretary Limerick County Council, and is a
 pupil at the Crescent College.

MEETING OF WATERFORD MAGISTRATES.

The magistrates of the Borough of Waterford on
 Tuesday adopted a resolution threatening to resign
 their commissions unless a full measure of self-
 government is given to Ireland.

THE ROYAL IRISH CONSTABULARY.

The Press Association says, in regard to the
 matter of inviting enrolment in the Royal Irish
 Constabulary, that the idea of the Authorities is
 to recruit not only for the regular constabulary,
 but to form an auxiliary force to assist in the
 restoration of law and order in Ireland.
 Ex-officers will, it is understood, be looked to
 largely for the building up of this auxiliary force,
 but the purely civilian element will be relied
 upon to some extent. The general idea is to place
 the matter of restoration and preservation of
 order in Irish hands as largely as possible.

DEATH OF A CHRISTIAN BROTHER.

The death took place on Tuesday at John's
 Hospital of Brother John Joseph Cregan, a mem-
 ber of the Christian Brothers Community. The
 deceased, who was in his eightieth year, was a
 native of Bruff, and was greatly esteemed in the
 various Irish centres in which he did teaching
 work for the fifty years he was a Christian Brother.
 The interment took place to-day at Mount St
 Laurence Cemetery.

ATTACK ON CITY LICENSED HOUSE.

Sometime during Tuesday night or early
 yesterday morning a bomb or some such dangerous
 agent was thrown through the fanlight of Park
 View Bar, Upper Henry street. Inquiries made
 into the occurrence showed that no damage was
 done as the bomb, or whatever it was, failed to
 explode.

MAGISTRATES RESIGN.

Mr P M Coffey, Ballinacree, Emly, has resigned
 the Commission of the Peace. Mr Coffey was for
 many years a prominent member of the South
 Tipperary County Council.

Dr J N Studdert, Carrigaholt, wrote to Kilrush
 Guardians informing them he had resigned the
 Commission of the Peace for Clare.

KILRUSH GUARDIANS AND L.G.B.

ammunition ordered to be

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAS

At the monthly meeting
 District Council, Mr Dar
 presided.

The Clerk (Mr Kelly) rea-
 tions for malicious injuries
 From Miss Nelly O'Br
 Glynn, P.P., and James Gr
 the property of the Comm
 College, destroyed on the 1
 From the Postmaster-Gen
 wires destroyed at Knock
 August.

Guillamore Grady, £1.0
 the Carrigaholt Police J
 August.

From the Postmaster-
 destruction of telegraph w
 the 28th August.

From John Berchmar
 Briscoe motor car stolen or
 From the Commissioner
 the breaking of the Kilkee
 of the books.

From Constable Collins,
 Kilmihill on the 18th Apr

From Alexander Martin
 wounded and injured on th

The Council took no act
 Several other claims for
 lodged with the Council
 meeting.

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BELFAST

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 having been approached
 in this City of all shad
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 owing to the recent up
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 the 21st inst, at 4 o'clock

DEPUTY LIEUTENANT

The O'Mahony has
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LEAGUE OF NATIONS

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