

THE IRISH POLITICAL SITUATION.

It is most unfortunate that the Irish political situation should continue to show no very great promise of improvement, and that the prospect should be no brighter than at present. A disturbed political situation is bad enough of itself, but it has continued for so long as to cause uneasiness in people's minds, and to add to the trouble by very seriously affecting the general trade of the country. This is to be very sincerely regretted. The strike in Dublin, the restrictions imposed on the railway service, and the action taken by the Seamen's and Workmen's Union in Dublin have added to the complications of the situation, which has grown to an acute stage, culminating in thousands of men being out of work, and the Irish trade handicapped and blocked to a degree that makes for a very gloomy outlook. The tension, too, that has been used among the people generally does not help to ease matters, and the puzzle or difficulty of finding a remedy for one or other of the trials which the whole country is experiencing seems to be at times almost insuperable. There are, it is true, various suggestions offered, many proposals made, schemes outlined as remedial measures, but the outcome bears no practical result that one can see with certitude, however much earnestly it is longed for by all classes of Irishmen. Happily there is no counselling of despair, and earnest and representative men are making disinterested efforts in the endeavour to restore quiet, order, and good government to the country. For the situation is become, indeed, a most irksome and at times a distracting one to every well-wisher of Ireland. It cannot continue without great loss and damage, even if the situation were confined within these narrow limits, and it is at least an injury of good that no inconsiderable number of representative men are unselfishly dedicating themselves to the quest of

street, Cork, at 8.40 a.m. yesterday morning with stores for Elizabeth Fort it was bombed by civilians from the corner of Cove street, and the military, taken by surprise, suffered heavily. Six soldiers were in charge of the vehicle at the time, two occupying the driver's seat, and the remainder sitting on the goods. Four bombs of the type used in attacks upon police barracks were hurled at them. One exploded in the centre of the lorry, blowing the arm off one of the soldiers and inflicting injuries from which he died shortly afterwards. Three others were dangerously wounded. The street was crowded at the time with men, women, and children, the former going to work and the children to school, and they fled in all directions. The unwounded soldiers fired about twenty rounds in the direction from which the bombs were thrown, with what result is not known. The streets were quickly cleared. It was then found that two men and a girl had received jagged wounds from fragments of bombs, and they were taken to the South Infirmary, where they were detained. The dead soldier and his wounded comrades were conveyed to the military hospital. The condition of the wounded men is said to be precarious.

LATE MR E A WICKHAM.

The funeral of the late Mr Eugene A Wickham took place this morning from the residence of the deceased, Lifford Cottage, Ballinacurry, for St Mary's Cathedral Cemetery.

The chief mourners were—E L Wickham (son), C Walnutt, W J Horne, F G Wallace (sons-in-law), A E Goodwin, W B Fitt, E G Fitt, H Trousdell, R Heavenor, J A Baldwin (relatives).

The clergy were—Dean Hackett, Canon Swain, Rev J D Cowan, Killaloe; Rev A W Neill (the latter officiated at the grave).

Among the general attendance were—E D Hunt, solicitor; Ernest Brown, Clonboy; J Dodds, solicitor; J O Myles, solicitor; P O'Sullivan, solicitor; Dr Kennedy, Dr Fogerty, Dr Winter, V.S.; E Holliday, A McIntyre, T Ewart, J N A Wallace, Ambrose Hall, W J Halpin, B McGann, W Mullen, G Owens, A J Eakins, E G Stokes, R W Horne, J McNamara, — Mulligan, M B Widdess, C Slade, C E; J J O'Malley, C.B.; M Caffry, W McArthur, R J Barre, A Woodhouse, A J Barnett, A McIntyre, H Hassett, J Stewart, M P Riordan, T Grubb, G O'Dea, C Kearney, J Thompson, Manager, Ulster Bank; J A Boyd, J Legear, Archibald Murray.

Wreaths were sent:—"From his loving wife"; "From his loving children"; "With deepest sympathy, from Joe and Alf"; "In deepest sorrow, from Maisie Cadman"; "With deepest sympathy, Maisie and Hollie."

LIMERICK CORPORATION.

The meeting of the Corporation called for Thursday night fell through "for want of a quorum." The members in attendance were—The Mayor, Aldermen P Doyle, S M O'Mara, Councillors P O'Halloran, D Griffin, J Crowe, J O'Donnell, J Sexton and J C Hennessy, with Messrs P Conlan, Assistant Town Clerk; E O'Toole, City Treasurer; and M Fitzgerald, Secretary Gas Committee.

AUTUMN AND WINTER MODELS.

Elizabeth is now showing Autumn and Winter Models. A visit to Paris and London shows that prices are very much lower than last year, owing to the general slackness of trade, and purchasers will get the full benefit of the reduction at this high-class establishment. Moreover, all stock bought previous to Mr. Cochrane's departure last

Thomas for her benefit. Thomas Ryan married in A that time he had nothing t The cattle in question never she never saw them.

His Honor dismissed the d Mrs Annie Hunt, Friarst compensation for the mallof tons of hay at Old Friarsto last.

Mr A Blood-Smyth, solici applicant, who was granted Margaret O'Mahony, Liver compensation for the burni furniture at the Limerick do

Mr J S Gaffney, C.S, appa whose case was that her hus the city as a police sergea year, when he was transferre removal followed on the des the 15th May, and three mo household furniture was sent lorries to the docks for trans The workmen having refuse at the docks, she went to director, Mr Roycroft, and the furniture was set on destroyed.

Answering his Honor, S stated there was a total furniture, bedding, and wear little effort was made to sav people throwing water on the

His Honor regarded the articles as exaggerated. He a £750.

Henrietta S Riddell, Larne £1,000 for the malicious building at Newcastle, Killr police station, on the 3rd Ap

Mr E Leshy, solicitor, repr whose case was that the bui tion of the constabulary for It was burned on the night truction of barracks through was an exceptionally nice bu garden attached, and was set

Mr J J O'Malley, C.E, a reconstruction, exclusive of £1,173. Being situated nei private dwellinghouse it wo if altered in certain respects, before being burned, it wou £28 a year.

His Honor gave a decree The Representative Iri brought an action to recover for the burning of the Glebe on the 29th May.

Mr A Carroll, Crown Sc represented the applicants, given by the Rev Joseph Tall Co Tipperary, to the effect t was vacated two days before Rector, the Rev Mr Burd, to Templemichael, near Y excellent house, in excellent to be sold, as there was an tion of the parishes of Kilbel When he saw it aft-r the t plete wreck.

Testimony as to the condi house was given by Mr W estimated that it would cost store it. If let it would real

An application in respect for £4,000 compensation w F Meagher, Ballinwilliam; grantro, who held under a veyance, dated 24th July, 19

Mr R F Heames represent The applications were adj as to the respective rights