

...the closing of ... Bank is the  
 ses in trading and errors in management  
 ling over a series of years, and is not  
 any causes of a general nature arising out  
 circumstances of the present time. I  
 the widespread hardship which must  
 used to depositors of small means, but I have  
 ed myself that the Government could not  
 ly or prudently take any steps to support  
 ank.

Mills—Does not experience of this kind  
 y the possibility to the Government of  
 powers to municipalities in matters of  
 ng-class deposits to remove from the ambit  
 linary exploitation the savings of working-  
 people?

Chamberlain—I think it only points to the  
 nd for a definition of what a bank is.

## REPORTED FIGHT IN COUNTY TIPPERARY.

### Casualties Stated to be Heavy

rumour reached Dublin during the night  
 a conflict took place yesterday between a  
 body of civilians and forces of the Crown in  
 neighbourhood of Mullinahone, County  
 erry.  
 e rumour also stated that the casualties were  
 y on both sides, and that, in addition to ten  
 d, several civilians had been arrested.  
 quires in official quarters in Dublin failed to  
 confirmation of the story. Telephonic com-  
 munication with the police headquarters in Tip-  
 y was interrupted, and in other quarters the  
 y was "No information can be given."

## LOST REV DR COHALAN'S PASTORAL.

### Crimes Condemned.

a special Pastoral Letter to his priests and  
 le, the Bishop of Cork, Dr Cohalan, again  
 s to the "crimes that have been committed in  
 houses—crimes by the people and crimes by  
 ts of the Government."  
 is Lordship condemns and deprecates those  
 es, and, to prevent a repetition of them, and  
 protect the lives and property of innocent  
 le, notifies again his Decree of Excommunication.  
 He points out that the City of Cork was  
 larly free from "the crime of murder" until  
 ch last, and proceeds to deal with well-  
 kn tragedies from that month up to last  
 k. "Murder is murder," says Dr Cohalan,  
 id arson is arson, whether committed by  
 its of the Government or by members of the  
 ublican Army, and it is the duty of a Bishop  
 enounce murder and arson, from whatever  
 ce they come." His Lordship discusses the  
 es to which he refers from the moral point of  
 y and by their effects, and, in a second letter,  
 es on the action of certain Corporators who  
 ought fit to criticise "the Decree of Excom-  
 munication. Explaining what is prohibited and  
 ished by this decree, the Bishop puts interro-  
 gatories to the critics. He appeals to all Volun-  
 s, officers and men, to bow to the teaching of  
 Gospel, to remember the Divine command-  
 t: "Thou shalt not kill"; and, in a final  
 eal, asks all—priests and people—to pray for  
 onourable political settlement, such as would  
 ole all the children of Ireland to work har-  
 moniously for the betterment of the country.

## LIMERICK MAILS.

## Mr James Belcher.

The death took place at his residence, Rock-  
 spring House, North Strand, yesterday, of a  
 respected citizen, Mr James Belcher. He had  
 attained the fine age of 86 years, and came of an  
 old Limerick family, who originally lived in the  
 Kilmurry district. For a long span of years  
 Mr Belcher was proprietor of a boot and  
 shoe business in Patrick-street, which, since his  
 retirement, now many years ago, has been carried  
 on by members of his family. He also for some  
 years was associated with the drapery trade and  
 was altogether an enterprising man of business,  
 courteous and considerate in all his dealings. He  
 was the oldest surviving member of the Methodist  
 Church in this city, and was highly esteemed by  
 the congregation, as indeed by everyone who had  
 the acquaintance of an honourable and kindly  
 gentleman. He had been in failing health for  
 some three months past. The funeral leaves on  
 Thursday morning at ten o'clock for the family  
 burial place at Kilmurry.

## Mr D O'Malley

The death of Mr Denis O'Malley, which  
 occurred yesterday at his residence, Maddaboy,  
 Murroe, will be learned with regret by very  
 many friends in the city and county. The  
 deceased, who was a comparatively young man,  
 was an extensive farmer, and was brother of Mr  
 J. J. O'Malley, B.E. of this city. He was for  
 many years a member of Limerick No. 1 District  
 Council and Board of Guardians, and discharged  
 his trust to the ratepayers and the poor with  
 unerring judgment. He retired some time ago.  
 He was of an extremely courteous and affable di-  
 position, and his early demise came as a shock to  
 his relatives, with whom the deepest sympathy will  
 be extended in their bereavement. The funeral  
 will take place from Murroe Parochial Church  
 to-morrow, for interment in the family burial-  
 place, Clonkeen.

## MR DE VALERA.

A Reuter's telegram from New York on Satur-  
 day states:—The rumours to the effect that Mr  
 de Valera intends to return to Ireland appear to  
 be dispelled by a statement made to-day by his  
 secretary, that Mr de Valera will resume his  
 speaking tour on "Boxing Day."  
 A Reuter message from Cherbourg says:—A  
 report is in circulation this (Sunday) evening  
 that Mr de Valera is to arrive to-morrow on his  
 way from New York to Paris.  
 Mr de Valera was not among the passengers  
 who landed from the Aquitania at Cherbourg  
 yesterday afternoon, says a Reuter message  
 received from Paris last night. "If he was  
 aboard," adds the telegram, "he must have  
 remained in hiding."  
 A New York telegram, dated Saturday, received  
 yesterday morning, stated that Mr de Valera was  
 to open his campaign of meetings in America early  
 in the new year.

## DUBLIN SHERIFF'S LUNCHEON

### An Irish Settlement

The High Sheriff of the City of Dublin, Captain  
 J.C. M'Walter, M.D., entertained a company to  
 luncheon at the Shelbourne Hotel on Saturday  
 afternoon.  
 Major-General Boyd, D.S.O., commanding the  
 Forces in Dublin district, proposed the toast of  
 the Irish soldiers who fought in the great war.  
 Major-General Wanless O'Gowan, C.M.G.,  
 responded, as did Capt Stephen Gwynn, ex-M.P.

Vivat Rex, 100 to 7 others.  
 Won by five lengths

## OSMASTON HUI

Bright Shot (Casebourne)  
 Beachy Head (Casey)  
 Holy Moo (Threlfall)  
 Also ran—King's Nordley, M  
 Roubaix.  
 Betting—11 to 8 on Holy  
 Beachy Head, 5 to 1 Bright Sho  
 Won by six lengths.

## BURTON 'CHA

Chin Chin (Wootton) ...  
 Eager Simon (Payne) ...  
 Rookcorry (R Smith) ...  
 Also ran—A Double Escape.  
 Bridge, Cyril's Hope, and Main  
 Betting—11 to 4 agst Eager 8  
 Chin, 7 to 2 Fiddle Bridge, 4  
 10 to 1 others.  
 Won by half a length.

## BELPER 'CHA

My Royal (J Manley) wall  
 RUGELEY 'CH  
 General Saxham (W Euth) a  
 S L Holmes) went to the post,  
 obstacles, and the race was dec

## HUNTING

### COUNTY LIMERICK

Will Meet  
 DECEMBER.  
 Wednesday, 2nd .....  
 Friday, 24th .....  
 Tuesday, 28th .....  
 Thursday, 30th .....  
 Hour—11 o'clock

## ALLEGED LARCENIES

It was reported in the city to  
 larcenies of poultry, geese, tur  
 had occurred in some of the  
 during the week, instances bei  
 who had been looking to Chris  
 sale of geese and turkeys wh  
 rearing for disposal.

## DROWNED WHILE

Mr J Watson Murray, D.L  
 near his residence in Longfo  
 drowned while making an eff  
 dog from the ice.

## QUEEN'S COUNTY

### Man Killed By Art

Armed raiders looking for  
 publichouse at Ballyroan, C  
 Patrick McDonnell, seriously  
 Hean, and shot and killed h  
 Phelan.

## MAIL TRAIN RAIDE LINE.

The outgoing goods train  
 Athenry was raided by arm  
 morning at Cratloe Railway 8  
 carried off. This is the sec  
 that has occurred at the san  
 letters being returned.

## MAILS HELD