

**NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS**

In consequence of the earlier departure of the evening trains from Limerick, and the curtailment of the hour for posting to the General Post Office, it has been found necessary to issue the editions of the *Chronicle* at an earlier hour than hitherto. Advertisers will, therefore, please note that the latest hour at which advertisements can be received at this office on issue days is 3.30 p.m. Publication of any notices received after that hour cannot be guaranteed for that evening.

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**NO DISSOLUTION.**

For some time past the British Press has been vigorously discussing the question as to the likelihood or otherwise of a General Election taking place next month. A dissolution of Parliament is usually a matter of uncertainty. It must depend on the decision of the Premier and the Government, and though in some quarters it was held that the next few weeks would be a favourable opportunity for presenting the case of the Coalition to the country, the view was taken on the other hand that as the Government has still a considerable lease of life to run, there was no reason why an early appeal to the electorate should be made. Still the prophets were busily discussing the situation, or possible situation, in all its moods and phases. It was argued that the Government had achieved the accomplishment of some of the main features in its programme, foremost amongst which was the Anglo-Irish settlement, and the decisions at the Washington Conference. And so it was held that the immediate future would be an opportune time for an appeal

**DEATH OF  
CANON LANGBRIDGE, D.LITT.**

With very sincere regret we record this evening the death of the Rev Canon Frederick Langbridge, M.A. (Oxon.), D.Litt. (T.C.D.), late Rector of St John's, which took place at the Rectory, John's Square, on Thursday night. The sad news was unexpected in the city, but the rev. gentleman's friends were aware that his condition during the week was critical. He was born in Birmingham on the 17th March, 1849. Ordained Deacon in 1876, his first Curacy was at St. George's Church, Kendal, Westmorland. The following year he was appointed Rector of a North of Ireland parish. He came to the Diocese of Limerick so far back as 1881, first as Curate-in-Charge of St Munchin's Parish, next, for a short time, as Incumbent of Newcastle West, and then, in 1883, he was appointed Rector of St. John's Parish, which office he held down to the time of his resignation last October owing to failing health. Quite recently, too, he retired from the Church of Ireland Chaplaincy of the Limerick Mental Hospital, which he had held for many years. He was a preacher of marked ability, earnest and graphic in style, while in the domain of literature he occupied a distinguished position; his name as a writer was, indeed, a household word. He was the author of very numerous works in prose and poetry, religious and secular, and amongst them may be mentioned his captivating books for young folks. Again, he was noted as a playwright, particularly in "The Only Way," which he wrote in collaboration with Freeman Willis, and he was also the sole author of other plays. He contributed from time to time many articles to the Press, in which he fully evinced his love for Ireland and admiration for its people. A man of quite a retiring disposition, his charm of manner, bright and engaging as it was, won for him the high regard of all classes and creeds in the city of his adoption, and in which the news of his demise has been heard of with general regret. There is deep sympathy with Mrs Langbridge and her daughters in their bereavement. It is a pathetic coincidence that but a few weeks ago his former parishioners of St John's made him a suitable presentation, including an illuminated address, expressive of their affection and esteem. In his time Canon Langbridge held various Diocesan offices, including membership of the Diocesan Council and Board of Education. So far back as 1906 he was appointed Canon of St Munchin's, the first parish that he ministered in in Limerick.

The funeral will take place from St John's Rectory for St John's Church at twelve o'clock on Monday.

**THE CHURCH.**

**P.Y.M.A. BIBLE CLASS.**

This Class is held on Monday evenings at 8 o'clock.