

return to normal life, while in process, must, while it finds new and resumed avenues of employment, also throw thousands on the labour market as they are released from exceptional and temporary occupations." The problem of unemployment thus still remains for solution and, possibly, as our contemporary suggests, it will be to some extent relieved by temporary expedients that will provide reproductive employment. The gradual but steady return to normal conditions in the country is a cheery element, and one that gives hope of brighter days to come. And when these do come, industries will develop and the prospects of employment will accordingly be greater. We must, then, all do our part to hasten that ideal, to work with a will for the good of the country and leave nothing undone that will tend to bring work to all and with it prosperity for trade and commerce in this land.

OUT AND ABOUT.

Mr J McCormack has been elected clerk of Meelick (Clare) District Council.

The death has taken place at Shortfield House, Frensham, Surrey, of Col W H Spaight, late Royal Engineers, and of Ardinstagle, Co Clare, and Union Hall, Co Cork. The deceased, who was a very highly esteemed county gentleman, had reached his 81st year.

What will be a decided novelty is the grand Bubble Dance, advertised in our columns, to be held at the Lyric Hall, Glentworth-street, on Saturday evening next, under the direction of the Misses Dundon. Dancing commences at 9.30, and a most enjoyable evening is assured.

DEATH OF A NONAGENARIAN.

There has passed away during the week-end, at his residence, Upper Henry-street, Mr Michael Meeall, at the fine old age of ninety years. The deceased was an employe of Messrs. J. N. Russell and Sons, flour millers, and in his early days he was connected with the mercantile marine service. He frequently sailed from the city to North American ports, when, during the early forties, there was direct trading between Limerick and the United States.

HEROIC RESCUE FROM DROWNING.

A brave rescue of a girl named Lucy Carey, aged 6½ years, from drowning was effected by a labouring man named John Dynan, of 5 O'Halloran's Lane, Thomondgate, some days ago. It seems that the little one was seated on the low wall near the distillery, when she overbalanced and fell into the river which flows swiftly at this point. Dynan happened to be passing at the time, and without divesting himself of his clothing plunged in and brought the girl safely to land. His plucky act deserves due recognition, and it may be added this is the third time that he has rescued persons from drowning.

LARCENY CHARGE.

At a special court this morning, before Mr J M Flood, District Justice, a youth named William Casey was charged with the larceny of a sum of money from the Shannon Hotel, Castleconnell.

Evidence having been given, the accused was discharged on bail to be of good behaviour for twelve months.

FORTHCOMING AUCTION AT ELM PARK.

The attention of those attending the auction at Elm Park, Clarina, is directed to the advertisement published in our columns of a motor service which will leave the Standard Garage, 9 Thomas-street, where seats may be booked,

compelled you to resign your high office. During our short association you have shown a scrupulous desire to fulfil to the letter the Treaty between our nations, the obligations of which you took up from your predecessor in office, and I venture to think that the spirit of mutual confidence which has characterized our relations will have gone far towards fostering the peace and friendship between our respective peoples, which is the due fruit of the Treaty. My colleagues and I sincerely hope that rest and care may soon restore you to full health and to that participation in the affairs of State in which you have earned the affectionate regard of those with whom your public life has been cast.—L. E. MACCOSHAIN.

POPULAR MEDICAL OFFICER RESIGNS.

Doctor Charles McDonnell has just resigned the office of Medical Officer of Glin Dispensary District and Medical Officer of Health, which he held for no less than 55 years. He has also resigned the post of Medical Officer of the Glin District School, which he held for 28 years. During all these years there was never a complaint against him, and he was most popular with the poor of his district, for whom he always entertained a warm regard. Dr McDonnell's very numerous friends in Glin district and far outside it will heartily wish him many years of well-earned retirement and rest.

CORPORATION WATER WORKS.

It will be seen by a notice from Mr M F Donnellan, Secretary Corporation Water Works, that residents in the Castle, Dook, Glentworth, and Shannon Wards, and adjacent suburbs, are notified that the water supply will be completely shut off in these districts on Saturday, the 26th instant, at 6 p.m. for a period of eighteen or more hours, to enable repairs to be carried out.

We understand this notice applies to Ballinacorra and other suburbs.

ORGAN RECITAL AT ST. MICHAEL'S.

It will be seen by advertisement that there will be an organ recital at a shortened evening service on Sunday next in St. Michael's Church, when Mr Frank Muspratt will preside at the organ. Mrs Baker and Miss Ethel Eakins will render solo, and Mr J. A. Haydn will give a 'cello solo. The collection will be in aid of the organ fund.

SUCCESSFUL LADY DOCTOR.

Dr Mary Gabriella Hogan, daughter of Mr Thomas and Mrs Hogan, Perse street, Nenagh, at the recent examinations in Dublin for the Diploma of Public Health, secured first place. She has now been appointed on the staff of the Eye and Ear Hospital, Adelaide road, Dublin.

DIOCESE OF LIMERICK.

The Most Rev. Dr. Hallinan has appointed to the vacant prebend in the Chapter of St. John's Cathedral the Rev. John Griffin, P.P., Adare, in succession to the late Very Rev. George Canon Quinn, P.P.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS AT GLIN.

A malicious injury claim for £2,240 14s was received at Glin District Council from the Knight of Glin for the destruction of property in the Castle, houses in the demesne, and trees, etc. A claim was also received from Mr Dan Costello for £420 for dismantling and consequential loss of a motor car.

BARRACKS ATTACKED IN COUNTY TIPPERARY.

An attack, which lasted for a few hours, was made on the Tommevara military barracks. No casualties are reported.

COUNTY COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIPS.

We desire to direct attention to the fact that the last day for the receipt of applications for Limerick County Council Scholarships is Friday, 1st June. The examinations will take place on Monday, the 2nd July and following days. Intending competitors should note the above announcement.

general the order and sequence of subjects of the Catechism. His treatment and discussion of the various matters, though, is far removed from the out-and-dry formula of question and answer. Indeed, the book is eminently readable; the manner of discussion is interesting; the language delightful; and through it all there runs a vein of earnest piety and emotion which one does not always associate with dogmatic treatises, and which renders his book in the true and literal sense "edifying."

Though intended primarily for teachers, the Most Rev. Dr. Hallinan truly remarks in the preface he has written to the book that its usefulness is not limited to them. Any Catholic will find it interesting and entertaining reading. Above all, it will be welcomed by priests as a valuable help in instructing and teaching their people. True, there are many books of instruction already in existence, but none of them is quite like this. Most of them reflect largely the atmosphere of the Catechism of the Council of Trent. But one feels that here the treatment is new and refreshing; there is a new way of approaching old questions, and a new way of stating old truths. The abundance and the aptness of the quotations from Sacred Scripture are one of the special features of the book, and reveal the author as possessing a great familiarity with all parts of Sacred Writ, and a great power of recalling and using the appropriate quotation in proof or explanation.

Yes, "Catholic Doctrine and Practice" is a good book. We recommend its perusal not only to priests and teachers, but to every Catholic who wants to possess an intelligent knowledge of his religion. We congratulate the author on his book, and we marvel at his energy and diligence in writing such a valuable work while pre-occupied with the many cares and varied duties of a busy pastor's life.

The book has been published by Messrs M H Gill and Son, and the price is ten shillings—a very reasonable sum, considering the amount of matter it contains, and the admirable way in which it has been turned out.—"Munster News."

FUNERAL OF MRS HARTY, MURROE.

The funeral obsequies of the late Mrs Johanna Harty, Murroe, mother of His Grace, the Most Rev. Dr. Harty, Archbishop of Cashel and Emlly, took place on Friday last, at the Holy Rosary Church, Murroe. The sacred edifice was filled to overflowing and there were many evidences of the esteem and respect in which the deceased lady was held. His Grace, the Archbishop was the celebrant of the Solemn Requiem High Mass; the Rev. D O'Brien, Thurles, deacon; Rev. M. Maher, Thurles, sub-deacon; Rev. R. Devane, College, Thurles, master of ceremonies; assistants at the Throne—Very Rev. Dean Ryan, P.P., V.G., Cashel; Very Rev. Archdeacon Cotter, P.P., V.G., Tipperary.

In the choir was a very large number of clergy, including Very Rev. Canon Ryan, P.P., Clonoulty, cousin of the deceased.

The chief mourners were—Most Rev. Dr. Harty, Frank Harty, and Dan Harty (sons), Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. O'Donovan and Miss Jane Harty (daughters), Alban Ryan (son-in-law), Edward, Frank, and Dan Ryan (grandsons), Mary Ryan and Josephine Ryan (granddaughters).

A FAMOUS CAT.

The death has taken place at Forfar of a cat with a distinguished war record. During the British retreat from Mons in August, 1914, the cat was found in a deserted farmhouse near St. Quentin, and was adopted by Private Bradley, a Glasgow Irishman. He christened it "Mons," and it subsequently went through several heavy engagements, including the fierce battle at Hill 60. Bradley was wounded at this battle, and on being sent home, brought "Mons" with him to the Chester Hospital. On being demobilized, he took the cat home with him to Forfar, where, since the Armistice, it has been instrumental in collecting over £3,000 by means of a box strapped to its back, for the benefit of the Red Cross.

OFFICIAL REPORTS.

Official reports issued by the National Army Headquarters, Dublin, on Tuesday, contain the following:—"Troops captured on the 20th inst., at Debbyryan, Lissenhall, near Nenagh, an irregular named Daniel O'Brien, who escaped some time ago from Limerick. Daniel O'Brien and John O'Brien, of Coulthenev, were also arrested."