

decided by the **Durham County Agricultural Committee** to request the Ministry to "institute inquiries as to the origin of the disease, and to take measures to stop it." It is manifestly a most difficult problem to surmount, but there is little doubt that every effort will be made by the authorities across the Channel to trace and eradicate the causes of these frequently occurring outbreaks, with all their lamentable consequences to trade and industry in these islands.

DEATH OF MR J. STANLEY CHRISTY.

We regret to announce the death of Mr John Stanley Christy, which took place last evening at his residence, 58 O'Connell street, after a lingering illness borne with fortitude and resignation. He was the third son of the late Mr William Christy, coachbuilder, of this city, and was well known in commercial life, having been for thirty-eight years connected with the firm of Messrs J & G Boyd, and for a lengthened portion of that time a superintendent of one of the departments. His very affable and courteous manner won for him the esteem of a wide circle of friends, who deeply regret his demise in the prime of life, and sincerely sympathise with his relatives in the sorrow that has come to them.

The funeral takes place at ten o'clock to-morrow (Friday) morning for St Munchin's.

DEMONSTRATIONS ON BEHALF OF PRISONERS.

With reference to the demonstrations on behalf of prisoners and the part taken therein by two Jesuit Fathers from Mungret College, who recited the Rosary for the demonstrators at the O'Connell Monument last week, the Rector of Mungret College has communicated with the Right Rev. Monsignor O'Donnell, Vicar Capitular of the Diocese, stating that these Fathers were under a misapprehension, and he apologises for their action.

Archdeacon O'Shea has written to Monsignor O'Donnell somewhat to the same purpose, with reference to devotions in Kilmallock Church.

ENNIS WHIST DRIVE STOPPED BY ARMED MEN.

A whist drive held in the Temperance Hall, Ennis, on Tuesday night, in aid of the Temperance Committee's funds, was stopped by armed men. About 20 persons were present, and play had been in progress for an hour and a half, when shots were fired outside, and armed and masked men ordered the stewards at the door to clear the hall. The players left the hall without delay, and were not molested.

LIMERICK INDEMNITY ACTION.

At the Limerick Quarter Sessions to-day, before his Honor Judge Pigot, Messrs Mallock and Sons, shipbrokers, sued the Limerick Steamship Company for £49 8s, being the amount of an indemnity claimed by the plaintiffs in respect of injuries received by James McKivory, arising out of the course of his employment, on the 15th February last.

From the evidence it appeared that while unloading a cargo of cotton meal from a boat on the day in question, one of the "hoists" came with such force on to the platform that it struck a man named Noonan with considerable violence. At the moment McKivory, who was also on the platform, was thrown off and received serious injuries.

The defence was there was no negligence on the

At the Commission in Green Street Courthouse, Dublin, on Tuesday, before the Lord Chief Justice and a Dublin City jury, a young man named John Hogan was found guilty of the wilful murder of James Oullinan, a farmer, on the afternoon of the 31st October, 1922, near Ennis, County Clare, and was sentenced to death.

The jury strongly recommended the prisoner to mercy, and the Judge said he would see that it was at once communicated to the proper authorities.

Mr Carrigan, K.C., and Mr Dudley White, K.C. (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), conducted the prosecution.

Mr Joseph O'Connor (instructed by Mr J Hunt, Ennis), defended.

"DR MABUSE IS COMING."

This has recently been a familiar line in the local papers, and people have been inquiring "Who is Dr Mabuse?" Well, he is the central figure in a famous film with a world-wide reputation. It was produced in Germany, and containing, as it does, fifteen reels, it unfolds thrilling situations that at once grip the attention of an audience. "Dr Mabuse" will be shown at the Athenaeum, Upper O'Connell Street, on Monday next and during the week at 3.30 and 8 p.m., and should attract crowded houses. Further particulars appear in advertisement.

THE CITY PAVING SCHEME.

The money, £55,000, estimated to carry out the city paving and concreting scheme has been obtained from the Bank by the Corporation on favourable terms, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Local Government. When this has been received the work will be undertaken immediately and will provide a good deal of employment.

THE LYRIC.

It will be seen by advertisement that there will be dancing at the Lyric to-night from 8 to 11 o'clock. The Lyric is an ideal home of dancing, and the entertainments being held there are a great source of enjoyment to Terpsichoreans. There is an excellent floor and a fine musical programme.

WORK RESUMED AT DUBLIN DOCKS.

There was a general resumption of work on the part of the dockers in Dublin yesterday, and there was a great deal of employment at the docks. Both sides of the river were filled with shipping.

BRITISH PREMIER'S PROTECTION POLICY.

Mr Baldwin at Swansea on Tuesday night advocated Protection for home markets. They must not be exposed to the merciless attacks of foreign competitors, sheltered by high tariff walls. He did not expect that his proposals would receive the support of the orthodox Liberals, but he would be very much surprised if they did not obtain some support in orthodox Labour, which was naturally Protectionist. The only thing he cared for was to fight and conquer the unemployment evil. He would stand or fall by that cause.

Government to Ask for a Mandate.

Speaking on Tuesday night at Huddersfield, Sir L. Worthington Evans, Postmaster-General, said that Mr Baldwin's policy of protecting the home market did not mean a tax on meat or bread. A tariff to protect the home market was necessary, and although the Government next session might do something to extend the Safe-

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