

utility of school-gardening as a means of developing the rural mind, and for whose loyal co-operation in carrying out the scheme I cannot find words sufficiently appreciative." He makes some very useful suggestions in his valuable report, and these, we see, are being considered by the Trustees.

THE BANK HOLIDAY.

The weather associated with the Bank Holiday yesterday was far from encouraging—the fact being that throughout the forenoon it rained heavily, with the result that those who had intended spending the day from home were greatly disappointed. So unpleasant were the conditions atmospherically that for the greater part of the day people did not venture out of doors. Business was suspended in the city, but the morning trains providing cheap trips over the G.S & W Railway system were not patronised to any great extent. Towards evening there was a change for the better, and the altered conditions induced a large number to run out to Castleconnell and Killaloe by the special trains, and there spend the evening. It was on the whole a dreary and disappointing Bank holiday, due principally to the wretched weather which has been the experience of the Southener during the past couple of months.

On Sunday there was a big excursion to Galway, three trains being chartered to bring the citizens to the City of the Tribes. The excursion was organised by the Confraternity attached to St Saviour's Church.

THE HORSE SHOW.

The Horse Show opened to-day. There was a big attendance of the public.

THE CORPORATION.

A special meeting of the Corporation is called for Thursday night to consider the schedule of applications for presentments, and to fill three vacancies on the Council occasioned by the death of Councilor T. Donnellan, and the disqualification through non-attendance of Councilors A. M. O'Mara and J. Reidy.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN M. J. CLERY.

The death occurred, after a short illness, in London on July 31st, of Captain Michael John Clery, M.C. Captain Clery, who was in his 28th year, was the only son of the late Robert Clery, J.P., of The Glebe, Athlone, County Limerick. He was educated at Downside and Sandhurst, from which he joined the 3rd Dragoon Guards, and went to France in 1915, serving throughout the remainder of the European War. He was twice wounded, and mentioned in despatches, being awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry in the field. After the armistice he served with his regiment in India, where he had many sporting successes.

On Sunday the strikers met in the Mansion House, and unanimously voted for the acceptance of the terms of settlement.

THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.

The "Times" Parliamentary correspondent, writing on the Irish crisis, says:—"Events in Dublin to-day will largely decide whether the Government consider it necessary to present to-morrow a Bill to clear up the confusion over the interpretation of the Irish Treaty.

"It appears that when Mr Cosgrave returned to Dublin he found that his followers were insistent that the Bill should be passed through all its stages before the next meeting of the Dail on August 12, and representations were accordingly made again over the telephone yesterday from Dublin to Downing street. Mr Cosgrave pressed for immediate action, but the Prime Minister was still firm in his unwillingness to rush through legislation on so delicate a matter. It is understood that Mr Cosgrave then suggested that representatives of the British Government should go to Dublin at once in order to enter into direct conference once more. This step was agreed to. Presumably Mr Thomas and Mr Henderson will have to decide to-day whether a case can be made out for immediate action. It was suggested last night the British representatives might endeavour to ascertain whether Mr Cosgrave would be satisfied if the autumn session began at an earlier date than October 28."

"But," the correspondent continues, "any plan to bring members back again in a few weeks' time would certainly be strenuously opposed. Until Mr Thomas and Mr Henderson report upon their visit to Ireland, however, the whole position must remain in suspense."

PATRICKSWELL MURDER CASE.

At a meeting of the Croom Branch, Legion of Irish ex-Servicemen, Captain W. H. Lyons presiding, it was proposed by Captain W. Moloney, M.C. seconded by Mr James Toner, and resolved—"That we, the members of the Croom Branch of the Legion of Irish ex-Servicemen, tender our very sincerest thanks to Mr Manus Noonan, B.L., Dublin, and Mr P. E. O'Donnell, solicitor, Limerick, for their very able defence of the prisoner, Joseph Butler, and we trust that the petition to his Excellency the Governor-General for the reprieve of the prisoner will meet with success."

LORD DUNRAVEN AT COWES.

The Earl of Dunraven's party on his yacht *Sons* at Cowes includes Sir Mark and Lady Rachel Sturgis, Mrs Blennerhassett, and Colonel Wyndham Quid.

CITY UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Committee of the City University Scholarships were to have met to-day, but a quorum of members not being in attendance, no meeting was held. The Committee sometime ago, on representation being made, decided to increase the Scholarships to two, the examination in connection with which was recently held in conjunction with the County Council Scheme for which there was a large number of entrants.

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