

the present political state must continue, and this, to say the least, would be unsatisfactory and undesirable.

CURRENT COMMENT.

A Neglected City Sidewalk.

One of the most frequented of the city sidewalks is that leading to the City and County Courthouses, yet the Corporation appears to take very little notice of the complaints made from time to time as to its condition. In wet weather, particularly, pedestrians who are obliged to use the path have to walk through a regular slush of mud. It is uneven, and now that the majority of the city sidewalks are laid in concrete, it would not be too much to expect that the Borough Surveyor would treat this similarly. The outlay would be small, and the comfort consequent the path would give to pedestrians frequenting the Courts and the potato market would be appreciated.

DEATH OF LIMERICK PRIEST.

The death occurred at the residence of his parents, Thomondgate, Limerick, on Sunday morning of the Rev Dr Thomas Hartnett, in his 25th year. The deceased had never been in robust health, and for some months past acted as Chaplain at Milford House, the Convalescent Home of the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary.

He was educated at the Propaganda College, Rome, where he was ordained after a distinguished scholastic course last June twelve months. He was intended for the American mission, but the state of his health did not permit of his undertaking the voyage, and he returned from Rome to this country shortly after his ordination.

His demise in early life is greatly regretted in the city.

The Funeral.

The obsequies of the late Rev Fr T. J. Hartnett, D.D., took place this morning in St Munchin's Church. Office and solemn Requiem Mass was sung at 10.30 o'clock, at which the Very Rev Canon J. O'Keefe, P.P., V.F., presided. The celebrant of the Mass was the Rev Fr Halpin, C.C.; deacon, Rev Fr Moloney, C.C.; sub-deacon, Rev Fr Carroll, O.C. St Mary's, and master of ceremonies, Rev Fr Carroll, C.C. St John's. There were upwards of thirty clergy in the choir, and at the close of the sacred ceremony the funeral left for Mount St Lawrence Cemetery, where the interment took place.

Several hundred acres of the Atkinson estate at Ashley Park, near Nenagh, are to be bought by the Land Commissioners for distribution among the landless people of the district at an early date.

Next Best Thing," will be presented on Friday, and Saturday, and should attract houses. Mr Dobell, as may be seen, is a very enjoyable dramatic treat for the public, and old favourite as he is is deserving of every support in engagement which opened last night one performance each evening, commencing at eight o'clock.

GRAND CENTRAL.

"Down South."

The South American Creole Revue "Down South," presented at the Grand last night by Mr W. Garland, attracted highly interested audiences at both performances. The revue, which is a very taking show produced by coloured performers, and effects may be described as quite a scheme of bright and varied hues. The entertainment was decidedly enjoyable, free from trace of vulgarity, and was very well received. The dancing was finished and while the singing was redolent of the past was a novelty in its way, and during the evening should receive a big measure of popularity inasmuch as it is a rather original one of the modern revues, and possesses novel features of its own.

"Down South" will be produced twice during the week, and should not be missed.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES.

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in Trinity Church on Sunday. Bishop preached in the morning, and Archdeacon in the evening. The offertory was in behalf of the Church Missionary Society.

In the Methodist Church on Sunday, Thanksgiving Services were also held. The church had been tastefully decorated for the occasion with flowers, fruit, and vegetables, and presented a very pretty effect. The special preacher was Rev John England, Roscora, who also presided at a public meeting last evening. The offertory was in behalf of Home Missions.

The Judge stated at Ennis Clonville that there were heavy arrears of legal business in Counties Clare, Limerick, and Kerry, and as far as he could see, he would be bound to continue until Christmas.

As a result of the representations made by half of the Clare fishermen, the Department of Fisheries states that an application for a loan of gear from any fisherman who can furnish solvent sureties will be favourably considered.

Invitations have been issued by Professor de Velde in connection with the distribution of certificates and prizes awarded at the examinations of Trinity College of Music, The function, at which Mr Wm M. No. 1 will preside, will take place at the George Hotel, Thur. day at 4 p.m.