

its deeply religious side, its bright-
 a spirit of thanksgiving with the
 message, "Peace on earth, good-
 ward men." So it is that at
 me, above all others, friendly
 g, and charity, and concord are the
 out thoughts in our minds. S'rif
 cord, in whatever form they may
 politically or socially, are cast
 and give way to unalloyed enjoy-
 and relaxation, which have ever
 associated with an ideal Christmastide
 of us who are in the seer and yellow
 life, who recall our past years with
 e, will participate in the enjoyment
 season as becomes our temperament,
 iditions in life, and our opportunities.
 ristmas is "par excellence" a time
 little ones, with its visions of Santa
 showering gifts on all and sundry, and
 g to the children a time of merry-
 g and innocent glee, so peculiar to
 mae, and beyond compare so far as
 her season of the year is concerned.
 It is that gifts for the young always
 conspicuous feature of the Christmas
 ng trade, and whatever the tax may
 Paterfamilias" responds to it with
 re and interest. So it is, that as of
 he coming Yuletide will be a time of
 ad pleasure for young and old, who
 in surroundings where the world's
 are plentiful. But at the same time
 ust remember at this particular time
 there are, unfortunately, very many
 e who have a claim on our charitable
 etc, and nothing should, therefore, be
 ndone by those who can do so to
 en the dismal abodes of the poor, and
 e them, young and old, to taste, how-
 little, of the joys of Christmas. So
 the weather is concerned, it looks as
 ill be on the soft side, nothing new,
 d, at this time for many years past.
 ave the snow-clad mountains and
 apes, the bright frost weaving its
 its tracery on the spreading trees and
 rows, depicted on the Christmas card,
 e such as Charles Dickens depicts in
 nderfully graphic and realistic style-
 as said, in real life a green Christmas

Mackey.

Shakespeare's pastoral was succeeded by an Irish
 drama, founded on an incident of the Famine,
 and in this connection the students exhibited
 commendable ability. The parts were ably sus-
 tained, and the drama was rendered attractive
 and appealing by collective and individual effort.
 The pretty and fanciful "All Baba" was next
 presented, and here the audience was treated to a
 bright and pleasurable interpretation of the ever-
 green and popular entertainment. Every member
 of the persons entered with spirit into the play.
 The music of the piece was capably rendered; its
 situations, humorous and captivating, were re-
 produced with fidelity and in a manner that
 enhanced the merits of "All Baba," the name-
 role being depicted by Master P. Daly, who
 invested it with all those attributes that con-
 stitute a convincing study. Master O. Dinneen
 gave a vivid representation of "Morgiana,"
 while the Captain of the "Forty" was admirably
 delineated by Master J. Ryan; the Principal of
 Cassim College being deftly played by Master
 M. A. Quillman. The choruses were rendered
 with fullness and balance under Mr Kendal Irwin,
 and the scenery was bright and effective.

CITY SUDDEN DEATH

Clerk's Fatal Seizure.

The death took place suddenly this evening of
 Mr Michael Nolan while engaged on his duties
 at the Inland Revenue Office, 92 O'Connell-
 street, where he was temporarily employed. The
 deceased, who had been suffering from heart
 affection for some time, had a seizure at three
 o'clock and collapsed. At the time Dr M. Cussen,
 Pallaskey, happened to be in the office, and
 attended the deceased, who expired in about a
 quarter of an hour, after receiving the rites of
 his Church from the Rev. Fr. Byrne, S.J.

An Inquest was not considered necessary, Dr
 McGrath, having certified that deceased had
 been under treatment by him for heart affection.
 The deceased who was forty-six years of age was
 unmarried, and had a widowed mother and
 sisters dependent on him.

DEATH OF MRS K. F. LEE.

The remains of the late Mrs Kate Frances Lee,
 widow of the late Mr Samuel E. Lee, were interred
 to-day in St Mary's Cathedral. The deceased
 lady had been ailing for sometime, and her death
 occurred on Sunday at her residence, Strand
 Villa. She was a very amiable and generous lady,
 and her demise is regretted by a number of friends
 in the city, who extended sincere sympathy to her
 family in their bereavement. The funeral was
 largely attended, and manifested the respect in
 which she was held in the city by all classes.

The chief mourners were—Captain A. S. Lee
 (son), Mr R. W. Lee (nephew), and Mr G. Augley,
 relative.

The officiating clergy were the Dean and the
 Rev A. E. Hewatson.

COMING SOCIAL EVENTS.

A grand Fancy Dress Ball in aid of St John's
 Hospital Fete will be held in the Transport Union
 Hall, on Saturday 3rd January, children from 4.30
 to 9.30, while adults take the floor at 10.30. A
 very enjoyable evening is assured.

A Whist Drive will be held on the 8th January,
 in aid of St John's Linen Stall at 7.30, in St
 Michael's Temperance Hall. Our readers should
 take note of these dates.

analysed was found to contain
 excessive water, the maximum per-
 centage allowed by the Department of Agriculture

Mr E. Kenny, Inspector for
 gave evidence that he visited
 premises on the 7th Nov, when
 pound of butter for 1s 10d. Af-
 he told the defendant he intended
 butter for analysis. On the 24th
 the analyst's certificate, which
 showing the butter contained
 moisture referred to. It was fir-
 the defendant said he did not
 mentioned that he intended get-
 that would test the percentage
 butter for sale.

The Justice—The defendant
 to you before it was purchased
 sold to your prejudice?

Witness replied that the defen-
 understand that he was not sell-
 a genuine article. He added
 in Clare that butter had an ex-
 cess of water in it.

The Justice decided to dis-
 merits, on the ground that the
 prejudiced by the sale of the but-
 ter samples disclosed in the evi-
 dence. The defendant told the in-
 spector he was
 butter as a genuine article.

THE BOUNDARY CO

Preliminary Tour

Before leaving Londonderry
 Boundary Commission issued
 which they announce that their
 in Ireland is at an end, and
 opportunities have been afforded
 information and hearing the vic-
 tims' objections.

LIMERICK DIOCESAN

The Bishop, Most Rev Dr Ke-
 the Rev John O'Donnell, P.P.,
 a member of the Cathedral Cha-
 pel to the late Very Rev Canon Kil-
 well.

THE STRAND BA

At a recent meeting of the C
 tation attended from the City
 Association with a view to hav-
 made by the Borough Council
 Council for accommodating a
 in the vacant Strand Barrack
 are, it is understood, about
 commandeered property in O'
 the Housing Association urg-
 porary measure they should
 Barrack. The Secretary of t
 brought the matter before h
 decided to give the Corpora-
 purchasing the premises. U
 reply to this communication
 from the Corporation.

THE GRAND C

A very fine film was sh
 houses at the Grand Central
 large audiences, who followed
 romantic story of "The Tales
 keen interest and pleasure. I
 opera by Offenbach, with Hof-
 greatest lover," as the central
 embracing Venetian gondolas.
 Venice are real works of art