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## CURRENT COMMENT.

### School Attendance.

The necessity for a Compulsory School Attendance Act in the Saoretat was illustrated at the meeting of the Limerick Branch of the Irish National Teachers' Organisation on Saturday, when it was stated by the Chairman that only from forty to fifty out of every hundred children of school going age were on the rolls. This is a very unhealthy state of affairs, and a blot on education, which, if the nation is to progress, must be obliterated. Here in the City of Limerick it is nothing uncommon during school hours to see numbers of children—boys and girls—roaming about the streets when they should be at school. The Limerick Advisory Committee for Juvenile Employment has impressed this very unpleasant state of things on the Corporation, and has been in communication with the Ministry for Education on the subject with a view to the enactment of legislation to remedy this highly undesirable state of things. The teachers assert that they will continue to press for legislation, and meanwhile the Limerick Borough Council should do their part by the appointment of a school attendance officer to enforce the provisions of the Education Act, 1892.

### DEATH OF COLONEL H. T. BROWN.

We regret to record the death of Colonel Henry T. Brown, which occurred at his residence, 6 Glentworth Street, yesterday. The deceased gentleman, who had reached an advanced age, had been in failing health for some time past. He was a member of an old County Limerick family, and owned landed property near Rathseale. He chose the medical profession, and joining the R.A.M.C. served in India and many other parts of the British Empire. He retired some thirty years ago or more with the rank of Colonel, and had since resided in Limerick. He was a gentleman of a very kindly and retiring manner, and was one of the oldest surviving members of the congregation of Trinity Church. He was a Parochial Nominator, and in his time filled various other offices in connection with the Church. He was also a member of the Limerick Chamber of Commerce, and a keen supporter of events at home and abroad.

The funeral will take place on Thursday to St. Munchin's at 9.30 o'clock.

In the Amateur Golf Championship of North China, recently played off at Tientsin, the winner, the runner-up, and one of the remaining semi-finalists all died of Marfan.

satisfaction among the locality. The Civil Guards investigated the occurrence, and no arrests have been made.

### REPARATION COMMISSION

#### New Bill

The following Bill, 10 Downing-street, The King has appointed of the principal British delegation in accession to be performed by will be of such and judicial experience future the attendance on the Reparation Commission be necessary at the office of Lord of the charge the duties of

### GRAND CENTRAL

#### "Dixie"

There were over Central last night to renew acquaintance troupe. Every part utmost, and a very bright. It contained artists of this pleasant show through fulness, particularly "Nirvana," and were frequent. novel, being traditional these popular entertainers were well balanced of sketch the Minister of a bright and witty the entertainment taking entertainment Dixie should draw

### CITY COURT

Mr. J. M. Flood City Court yesterday civil bills listed number of the cases in which defences were interest.

### WHEAT AND MILLING

At a meeting of the Cork Board to hold a private Board and the great Professor O'Rahilly discuss very fully the wheat and milling in