

LAWS.

Hares.

Bill, which it is said in the Daily Mail to be law before the House in February. It relates to the game and amends the law with modern

game wild duck, teal, quail, pin-tail, pochard and plover within

the law will also be in force

from August 12. The Bill was introduced on February 1 to

run from March 10 to August

1909—March 1 to August

1910—October 1. The Bill is of the same "close season"

as the present law. The shooting of woodcock is varied by the magistrates. Hares are shot. The shooting means except in the case of hounds

is as meaning "the more than two dogs"

is by dogs other than the dogs of the dogs to a popular form of

of nets or traps for which will not be allowed in any circumstances to a Siochana. Special provisions for Coursing Clubs C. for the taking of

15. The Bill has always been sharp penalties at lay shooting will be

game dealers' licences are more stringent, the duty of £3 on the hands of the

uses must be kept, and persons who do not hold a licence will not be allowed.

There has been an urgent call for persons possessing £2 a licence from any person using a gun in

the eggs of game birds to be made

VACUATION

Reached.

On Sunday that an agreement reached among the powers of the League of Nations and territory.

The States that official negotiations opened regarding the evacuation. A Commission to seek a final settlement of the questions, and a plan is to be set up.

Refer to America's Anglo-French Naval Agreement. Coolidge is reaching a pact which would run in an American position.

ITALY'S REPORT.

has recorded for the first time and for the first time an area of Saorstata with a rate per 1,000 of population estimated to the number 1,510, are given in the Registrar-General's Report for the month of September. The births in 1917 in the Dublin district, 1919; Limerick, 1919.

Only one case of influenza was recorded in Limerick in the month of September, thus indicating a health for the city.

THE RUGBY SEASON.

An Early Start.

Limerick began the Rugby season last Saturday week. Here is what a Dublin correspondent says of the early start of the game:—

"The opening of the Rugby football season appears to advance in date each year. Formerly it was unusual for serious work to begin until mid-October, but this year most of the Dublin clubs are already holding practices, and the first of the matches will be held a week hence. The increase in the number of matches fixed both with Irish and cross-Channel clubs, and also the decision of the Rugby Union authorities to play off all the inter-provincial games before Christmas, are the main causes for this early start; but one imagines its effects will be felt at the close of the season.

"It is a matter for discussion whether a season of nearly eight months' duration is not too long for so strenuous a game. The last of this season's competitions—that for the Bateman Cup, between the champion clubs of the different provinces—will not be decided till April 20th, by which time most of the players should be very tired indeed. The prospects for the season are said to be particularly rosy, there being some very promising recruits from the school teams of last year."

Constitution v. Garryowen.

On Saturday afternoon, at the Market Field, Limerick, Garryowen met Constitution in a friendly match before a large attendance of spectators. The weather was summerlike, and the players as a result tired as the play progressed. Scoring was pretty frequent, and at half-time Garryowen were in arrears by two points. The first try came to Garryowen when Heffernan scored after a forward rush, Lynch failing with the kick. To this Constitution replied with a similar try, per Jones, McCormack goaling. Thus Constitution led by two points at half-time.

The football was very tame until the last fifteen minutes of the second half. Garryowen were the first to score again in this period. Sullivan, the ex-Constitution half, finished up a good individual effort by scoring from a dribble, the goal kick failing. Before the close some good passages were witnessed. After a series of touch throws and scrums in Constitution territory, Heffernan again got over, Lynch converting. The Cork men rallied strongly towards the close, and tries came rapidly. M. Murphy cut through from the twenty-five, and McCormack goaling. Then, just on time, Constitution brought off a finished back movement, Murphy again scoring, to give his side victory by two points. Result:—

CONSTITUTION—2 goals 1 try (13 pts).
GARRYOWEN—1 goal 2 tries (11 pts).

JOURNALIST'S LUCK.

Breakdown of Car Leads to Interview With Premier.

A Reuter's Paris telegram says:—How the breakdown of his car led to an interview with the Prime Minister of England in an old French country inn is related by the Special Correspondent of the "Quotidien" at Geneva.

The journalist had taken a day off from Geneva, and was driving in the neighbourhood of the French town of Valence, when his car broke down, and while it was being mended he entered an old inn close by for refreshment. In the deserted dining room he saw two unmistakably British people. On closer inspection they turned out to be Mr and Mrs Baldwin. Scouting news the journalist introduced himself and got into conversation. Mr Baldwin, hearing that he had come from Geneva, asked a number of questions about the meeting of the League of Nations. He said he was delighted with France. As he was leaving, the journalist was stopped by detectives who wanted to know what he was doing there, and insisted on seeing his papers before letting him go.

THE SAILING SHIP.

To-day's report on sailing ship tonnage is a depressing reply to those who have been seeing signs of a reprieve for the picturesque sea travel, says the London "Evening Standard."

DROWNING OF A BOY AT KILMALLOCK.

Accused's Statement.

"A Fit of Madness."

Dr Patrick J. Cleary, Coroner, held an inquest on Friday at Kilmallock Courthouse into the circumstances of the death of Eugene Ryan, aged eight years, who was found drowned a few hundred yards from the town on Thursday.

In connection with his death, Edmund Curtin, 20 years, of Kilmallock, is in custody on the capital charge. He is alleged to have made a statement to the Guards confessing guilt, and stating that he did it in a fit of madness.

The Coroner, addressing the jury, said that they were of course, aware of the object of that inquiry. A little boy was drowned in the river there, and according to a statement made to the Guards a youth named Curtin actually drowned him.

Superintendent Holland, Bruff, represented the Civic Guards.

Mrs Michael Ryan, Wolfe Tone street, Kilmallock, the mother, gave evidence of identification. She last saw her son alive about 3 o'clock on Thursday in her house. He left the house soon afterwards.

In reply to the Coroner, she said that he was a healthy boy, though he was thin through getting burned some time ago. In consequence of information she heard she went to the bank of the river, and saw Pat Fraher bringing the body in his arms. He was dead then. The body was taken to the Courthouse, and then removed to her house.

In reply to the Superintendent, she said she knew Edmund Curtin, Orr Street, and as far as she was aware there was no quarrel between him and any of her family, and no reason why he should do them any harm. Curtin's home was a short distance from her's.

Guard Michael Griffin stated that about 4 p.m. on Thursday he was on duty at Kilmallock Courthouse when Curtin came up to him at the Courthouse door. He beckoned to witness and said that he wanted him, at the same time saying that "he had a case" for witness. He did not appear to be excited at the time. Witness asked him what the case was, and he said, "Oh, I'll show you soon. I have a good case for you." He asked witness to "Come this way," pointing in the direction of the river.

Witness again asked him what the case was, and he declined to say. Witness then went with him, questioning him on the way, but he would not tell. He brought witness to the bank of the river. When they stopped Curtin said, "Look in there," pointing to the weeds. Witness at first failed to notice anything unusual. Curtin then pointed to weeds which were trampled down close to the bank, and there, underneath the weeds, witness found the body just barely covered with water, ten or eleven inches in depth at the point where the head lay. The boy was lying partly on his right side, with his face to the bank and his head down stream in the direction of the town. Witness removed the body. Life appeared to be extinct and the body was cold. He saw no marks on it. The boy was fully dressed, with no boots or cap, as was usual, he believed, with him.

"What happened this young fellow?" witness asked Curtin, who said that the two of them were lying on the bank about 2.30 p.m., and he suddenly got a mad fit, caught Ryan with his hands, put him into the water, and held him under for some time. Witness then asked if Ryan said anything, and Curtin replied, "The only time he spoke was when he was under the water for some time, and he said, 'I am dying.'" Curtin added that he covered the body with weeds before he left. The body was subsequently removed to the old Courthouse.

This concluded the evidence, and the Coroner adjourned the inquest indefinitely, informing the jurors that they would not be able to complete the inquest that day, because there was a new Act that when a person was apprehended and brought before a District Justice or Peace Commissioner he would have to adjourn the inquest until the termination of the proceedings in court. He thanked the jurors for their attendance, and said that if necessary they should be all ready to come again, though it might not be necessary.

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PUBLIC-HOUSES WITHOUT BUSINESS.

Slack Trade in Clare.

When applications were made to District Justice Gleeson to refer certain public-houses in Clare to the Circuit Court Judge, so that the question of the abolition of the licences attaching to them might be considered, evidence was given by Civic Guards that the licensing trade was slack in County Clare and that in a number of public-houses no business at all was done.

The District Justice pointed out that in cases where no business was done the Civic Guards should object to the renewal of the licences. He could not renew a licence if there was no business done. There were apparently a great number of public-houses in Clare in which no business was done, and if notice of objection was served in a statutory way to the renewal of the licence, it would be entirely outside his jurisdiction to grant the renewal. He could do nothing, however, unless notice of objection was served.

In the Killaloe area two houses were referred to the Circuit Court. At present there are 36 houses in the area, or one to every 120 persons. Two were referred in Kilkee and two in Tuamgraney, where there is a public-house to every 145 persons. One was referred in Broadford, where there is one to every 169 persons, and three in Miltown Malbay, where there is one to every 150 persons.

No application was made for a reference order in respect of the Corofin area. In this area there is one public-house for every 375 persons, and the District Justice said that it was probably the only area in the Saorstata in which the aim of the Liquor Commission had been practically attained—one public-house to every 400 persons.

HARD WORK.

Old Man's Recipe for Long Life.

Mr Alfred Bedding, of Abbeyville-road, Clapham, who is 80, and has just celebrated his golden wedding, challenges any man of his age to a game of tennis.

Mr Bedding, in an interview with a Press Association reporter, said: "I do not profess to be an expert at the game, but I should like an opportunity of showing that after all one is not too old at 80. If I could form a team of Londoners all 80 years of age or over, I believe we should show the youngsters that they have not got everything their own way."

Years ago Mr Bedding assisted Mr John Burns in his first struggle to obtain better wages for London workers, and as a member of the old Bermondsey Vestry secured the passing of a resolution granting the scavengers employed by the Vestry 6d instead of 4d an hour.

He believes that England is suffering today because the young men no longer put their best into their work. "Young men nowadays are too often merely 'clock-workers,'" he said. "They just carry on, and all the time their eyes are on the clock, and their minds somewhere else. They do not realise that hard, conscientious work is the best thing, both for themselves and the nation. It is also a sad result of the growth of Trades Unionism that the best man often gets into the habit of doing no more than the worst. I believe hard work and outdoor exercise is the recipe for a long and happy life. When I was a young man I threw up a good post in the City in order to go to Canada for a time and work as a mechanic on the railway. From then until five years ago, when I retired from active work, I never knew an idle moment."

ENNIS G.A.A.

Two postponements and the season, affected the attendance. G.A.A. Club sports on Sunday: 100 Yards (open)—1, G. castle; 2, E. P. Shortt.

High Jump (open)—1, M. 5ft 9½ins; 2, T. O'Halloran; One Mile Cycle (open)—1, Kilrush; 2, P. J. Roche, Limerick; 220 Yards (open)—1, E. F. Bellew, Limerick.

16lbs Shot—1, Thomas; 2, P. J. Garry, Dubalk; 440 Yards Championship—1, McMahon, Scariff; 2, J. O. Long Jump (open)—1, A. 2, T. E. Rogers, Scariff.

Two Miles Cycle (open)—Limerick; 2, M. J. McMahon; 440 Yards (open)—1, E. F. Bellew.

Relay Race—1, Clarecas; Hop, Step and Jump—Ennis; 2, E. Rogers, Scariff; 880 Yards (open)—1, P. racks; 2, P. Loughrey, B. 56lb—1, T. Nunan, Cahil; Garvey, Duhallow.

One Mile Flat—1, T. F. racks; 2, T. F. Smyth, Ennis; Three Miles Cycle—1, M. J. McMahon.

Four Miles Flat—1, T. Fanning.

THE BUSINESS SIDE

Sir Horace Plunkett, speaker, said that agricultural due to the progress of science made the industrial and cities so immensely inter slow processes of nature refused Agriculture was so neglected of the country, hardly took The business of farming as industry of farming was in. The majority of farmers because they required in their prices, sold everything at wholesale prices, and born terms wholly unsuitable to industry.

WEEK-END FATALITIES

News of a number of fatalities came to hand during the week include the finding of a woman Lee at Cork, and of the floating in the sea near Holyhead.

Two children died in Dublin injuries, received in one and in the other through window. In Dublin also a in the street and was dead hospital.

In Cork City a serious collision between a motor-car and a pillion rider. The motor cyclist thrown and received injuries his condition extremely critical.

MAIL PLANE

Captain Demongest arrived with the other members of the believed that the catapulta taking off mails will be continued.

COSTLY POT.

At Tobercurry (County Michael Harnan, of Knock