

great column of blood-red smoke was to ascend. The colour is believed to be due to the bursting of a sulphuric acid

relatives of the employees quickly gathered outside the gates of the factory, anxious for news, but no one was admitted.

It is officially stated that eleven men, including the three killed, already mentioned, are missing, and it is practically certain they were blown to pieces.

In addition, nineteen men were injured, most of them not seriously. Their names are not yet available.

The explosion took place in the nitrating department, and afterwards a sulphuric acid tank burst. The washing, distribution, and drying houses were destroyed.

The Cornwall Poisoning Mystery.

Trial of Mrs Hearn.

Judge's Summing Up.

Justice Roche summed up at Bodmin to-day in the trial of Mrs Sarah Hearn, who pleaded not guilty to the charge of the murder of Mrs Thomas, wife of a Lewannick farmer.

Mrs Hearn maintained the calm bearing which was shown throughout the trial.

The Judge said the charge was one of the most heinous and peculiarly dangerous and peculiarly cruel manner. The evidence was almost entirely circumstantial. The first question was—Was death caused by arsenic poisoning? and the second—Was it the act of the accused person? If the jury

tempered in proportion as the countries concerned are threatened with sacrifices which a moratorium would entail.

France is in a difficult position. She receives the greatest share of Germany's payments, and would stand to lose heavily if the so-called unconditional annuities under the Young plan were included in a general moratorium.

ARCHITECTS VISIT SHANNON SCHEME.

To-day a party of twenty architects, who have been attending the Architects' Conference in Dublin, paid a visit to the Shannon power development scheme. They were shown over the undertaking by the resident engineer, Mr T. P. O'Connor, to whom they expressed surprise at its magnitude. The party included Mr F. G. Hicks, F.R.I.B.A., President of the Conference; Mr McGillroy, President, and Mr Whiteside, Hon. Sec. of the Institute, Southern Rhodesian Architects; and Mr Walker, Institute of American Architects.

THE LATE FATHER BUTLER, C.C.

The funeral of the late Rev P. Butler, C.C., St Audoen's, High Street, Dublin, took place to-day at Glasnevin after Solemn Office and Requiem High Mass, attended by over 100 priests. Rt. Rev. Dr. Wall, Bishop of Thasos, presided.

The celebrant of the Mass was Rev A. Moriarty, C.C., St Agatha's; deacon, Rev M. C. Troy, M.A., C.C., Halston street; sub-deacon, Rev J. Potter, C.C., Rathmines; M.C., Rev P. Ryan, C.C., St Audoen's.

The chief mourners were—Mr J. Butler, Ballyneety (brother), and Mr J. Dwyer, Killoscully (brother-in-law).

Rev J. J. Mulcahy, C.C., who received the remains at the cemetery, recited the prayers at the graveside.

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