

IRISH POLITICAL SITUATION.

The Finance Bill.

A political correspondent says that on the Finance Bill vast changes will be looked for, in which Labour will play a prominent role.

The Oath Bill be given a second reading by the Senate but will be amended in Committee so as to assure that the Treaty will be kept intact.

DIOCESE OF LIMERICK.

It is stated that the Very Rev. Canon Mulcahy, Maynooth, will be Parish Priest of Kilmallock in room of Ven. Archdeacon Begley, who has been appointed to the pastoral charge of Bruff. His departure from Kilmallock is very much regretted.

It is understood that the Rev. P. Thornhill, Adm., St Michael's, has been appointed Parish Priest of Mungret in room of the late Rev. D. O'Carroll. Father Thornhill has been twenty years connected with St. Michael's parish, and is very popular in the city. He will receive the hearty congratulations of numerous friends on his new appointment.

DEATH OF MR. P. HASSETT.

The death of Mr Patrick Hassett, at his residence, Ahane, Castleconnell, during the week-end is regretted by a wide circle of friends in the county and city. The deceased, who farmed extensively, had reached an advanced age, and was a Nationalist of the old school of politics, and a man of broad and tolerant views. He was a member of the old Limerick Board of Guardians and No. 1 District Council for years, and his passing severs a link with a generation which worked steadily for the well-being of the people and their general upliftment.

APPOINTMENTS OF MEDICAL OFFICERS.

Appointments on the recommendation of the local Appointments Commissioners include the following:—

Dr J. Bernard Beausang, Kilmagner, Youghal, to be Junior Resident M.O., City Home and Hospital, Limerick.

Dr J. C. Troy, Limerick, to be M.O., Limerick Urban (No. 3) Dispensary District.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Albert Moloney, aged 40 years, unmarried, who lived alone, was found dead in his house at the Sandmall on Sunday evening. He had not been seen since Thursday last, and a next-door neighbour, James Kelly, looking through one of the windows, saw him lying practically nude, face downwards. An entrance was effected at the rear, and when Sergeant Considine, Mary-street Civic Guard Station, arrived he had enquiries made and the body removed to Barrington's Hospital morgue.

Mr. J. S. McNeice, solr., Deputy City Coroner, held an inquest at Barrington's Hospital last evening into the circumstances connected with death.

After evidence of identification, Dr. T. Foley stated he made a post-mortem in conjunction with Dr T. Morris, House Surgeon, Barrington's Hospital. The examination revealed that death was due to acute dilatation of the heart, and there were no marks of violence on the body.

Dr Morris corroborated, and the Deputy Coroner recorded a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony.

THE NEW TARIFFS.

Reduced Chassis Duty.

The "Irish Motor News," commenting on the reduction of the rate of import duty on motor vehicle chassis to 15 per cent. (10 per cent. Empire preferential rate) *ad valorem*, for a period of three months, states: "It is we suppose, something that the Free State Government should have realised the extreme seriousness of the position; but the concession they have granted does not go nearly far enough, and its limitation to a period of three months is a mere sop that will suffice only as a temporary respite."

THE POPE'S ENCYCLICAL.

The Most Rev. Dr. Keane administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to upwards of 150 children in St. Munchin's Church last Sunday, and was attended by Very Rev. Canon O'Dwyer, P.P., V.F., and several other clergymen.

His Lordship addressed the congregation on the recent Encyclical of His Holiness the Pope, and made an impressive appeal to the