

public and the police of this district, on the fact that after seven months of constant attendance as resident magistrate in this portion of Ireland comprising an area of one thousand square miles I have never yet had before me a single complaint of theft, and not one case of criminal assault on women or children. Both these classes of cases are terribly common in England. I say so as an Englishman, having lived all my life in England, until quite recently. I think it speaks volumes for the people of Southwestern Kerry that they should be so strictly upright and honest, considering their great poverty and the hard times they are now so patiently enduring." Mr. Lloyd knows whereof he speaks, having been Chief Constable of York, before he was appointed to his present office.



### OF LOCAL INTEREST.

"Resolved: that modern machinery is detrimental to the prosperity of a country" was the question placed before the members of the University Debating Society on the evening of January 30. Messrs. Cullen and Sommers pleaded for the affirmative, while the negative was supported by Messrs. Lappe and Kane who won by the narrow margin of one vote.

On February 6, the subject of debate was "Resolved: that England in modern times is a greater power than was Rome in ancient times". Messrs. O'Meara and Miles spoke for the affirmative, Messrs. Hanley and McGrath for the negative; and when the vote was taken it resulted in a majority for the Roman side of the question.

The subject for the evening of

February 13 read as follows: "Resolved. that the oratory and writings of Burke have exercised a greater influence on mankind than the dramas of Shakespeare". Messrs. Conway and Boylan defended the cause of Burke, Messrs. McGlade and Warnock that of Shakespeare. The debate proved very interesting, and when the votes were counted it was found that the majority were marked in favor of the influence exerted by the Bard of Avon.

On the following Sunday evening, Messrs. Sims and Dowd upheld, while Messrs. O'Gorman and Poupore argued against the resolution that "Electricity is of greater advantage to mankind than steam". The debate was closely contested, but, finally was awarded, as were most of the other debates this season, in favor of the negative.

In the French Society the following subject was discussed on January 30,— "Resolved: that the farmer is of greater advantage to a country than the manufacturer." Messrs. A. A. Pinard and L. Payment spoke for the affirmative, Messrs. E. Richard and R. Lapointe for the negative. After an interesting debate the affirmative won by a vote of 30 to 6.

On February 6, the subject was "Resolved: that Canada would be benefited by annexation with the United States." E. Pinard and E. Pothier put forth an excellent plea for the affirmative, but were forced to succumb to the superior merits of A. Lapointe and W. Doran.

St. Patrick's Day is again at hand and the students intend to keep up the tradition of past years and celebrate by a banquet the feast of Erin's patron saint. The preparations for the banquet have been en-