

OUR LONDON LETTER.

Tuesday Night. Scotland Yard and Sinn Fein Menace.

In the view of the authorities, recent events mark only the beginning of a campaign of violence by Sinn Feiners in this country.

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MURDER IN COUNTY LOUTH

TWO MEN KILLED.

Dragged from their Homes and Shot by "Uniformed Men."

ANOTHER SAVED BY CONSTABLE.

Patrick Tierney, a butcher, and John O'Carroll, an Irish teacher, were taken from their homes at Ardee, County Louth, yesterday morning by armed and uniformed men.

Two other houses were visited, but the persons sought were not on the premises.

The armed men are alleged to have what they described as a "black list," containing about 40 names, and to have stated that all the men named therein were "wanted."

A young man named Murphy was taken off by the raiders. It was reported that his dead body was found at Drogheda, but later news received that he was a prisoner in Drogheda Barracks.

It is alleged that another man was placed in the Market Square, that revolvers were held to his head, and that he was saved by the timely interference of an Auxiliary constable stationed in the town.

Ardee is an extremely quiet town, and the townspeople are horrified at the occurrence.

A military inquiry was held last evening in Ardee, but no verdict was communicated to the Press.

O'Carroll, whose mother resides at 32, Gibson Street, off Leeson Street, was born in County Dublin. The family lived in Banbridge for some years before coming to Belfast, where deceased was a student at the Irish College, College Square North. He went to Ardee about two years ago.

MACROOM MASSACRE.

HOW THE TRAP WAS LAID

Lorries Run Into Specially Prepared Trench.

NAMES OF THE VICTIMS.

With reference to the ambush at Kilmichael on Sunday, a Cork correspondent says it appears that two lorries, full of Auxiliary cadets stationed at Macroom Castle, left that town early on Sunday, with the object of conducting raids and searches along the southern countryside stretching towards Dumanaway.

Darkness had set in, and the lonely and mountainous road seemed deserted; but at a very secluded part of the road, covered by overhanging trees, near Shanacrahel, a deep trench had been cut across the road, which at that part is soft and boggy.

A large number of civilians were lying in ambush, and intense fire was opened on the cadets from both sides of the road.

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THE LIVERPOOL OUTRAGE.

NINE MEN DETAINED.

Mystery Prisoner Identified.

GUARDING THE PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Our Liverpool correspondent telegraphs—The Liverpool police, who have been scouring the city in the pursuit of their investigations into Saturday night's fire outrages, have now nine men in custody or under detention.

Extensive precautions have been taken by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board to protect their vast estate on both sides of the river, both military and special constables being on duty.

The Liverpool Post Office, the Government buildings which are located the High Court Registry, the County and Bankruptcy Courts, and the Government tax offices, are also under police protection.

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PREMIER AND INDUSTRY.

LEAN TIMES COMING.

The Aftermath of the War.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ECONOMY NECESSARY.

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EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN.

GOVERNMENT AMENDMENTS.

Home Secretary and the Two-Shift System.

MEASURE READ A THIRD TIME.

In the House of Commons yesterday, the Women, Young Persons, and Children Employment Bill was re-committed in order to allow of further discussion of the new clause dealing with the employment of women and young persons on the two-shift system.

Mr. Shortt, the Home Secretary, moved an amendment providing that—

An order for a two-shift system should be issued only on the joint application of the employer or employers of any factory or group of factories and the majority of the workpeople concerned in such factory or group of factories.

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