

ITEMS OF INTEREST

(By Wire and Despatch)

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Woman Still a Chattel.

A married woman, according to the decision of Mr. Justice McCarron in the London Divorce Court, is still the chattel of her husband. Mr. H. Knight, B.L., who explained this to a "Daily Chronicle" correspondent, said the law was based on the assumption that a man of every wife's status was to get married, and that a married woman's identity was merged in that of her husband. British law, he pointed out, was much behind the times in the matter.

Relations of North and South.

At the annual meeting Trinity College Mission in Belfast it was stated the new mission hall to be erected in Belfast would cost £25,000. The Chairman (Rev. Dr. White) said in the present political condition of Ireland there was, unfortunately, a tendency towards a wind of sympathy between the North and South. That was deplorable, they ought to fight against it to the last drop of their blood.

CRIMELESS (?) ENGLAND DAY-BY-DAY.

A coroner's jury at Chatham yesterday found that Charles S. Saxon, an armourer, mate in the Navy, murdered Ellen Fisher, 32, the wife of an A.S.C. sergeant-major, and afterwards committed suicide during temporary insanity.

At the resumed inquest at Chacewater, Cornwall, on Jos. C. Hare, farmer, and his housekeeper, Laura Sara, the jury returned a verdict of murder against some person unknown.

The trial, which took place early on Wednesday morning in Holloway Rd., London, between two plain-clothes constables and two men, the constables suspecting that the men were about to attack the constables, and the men, suspecting the constables attacked the officers. Constable Farling was struck on the head with a hammer, but continued to struggle until he was partially unconscious. Constable Farling, and another with a heavy bat, struck him, and struck a third man, after knocking the constables down. Both men, after knocking the constables down, disappeared.

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Remuneration of Council Officers.

The new scale of war bonuses which the Treasury authorised for permanent civil servants has been adopted by a large number of Irish R.D. councils, and by boards of guardians generally for their officers. Mr. Macpherson informed Mr. A. Davies, Proposals from these bodies for increased war bonuses to their employees had been sanctioned by the L.G. Board.

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