

last year she received a telegram from the Catholic Archbishop of Dublin, assuring her that every Catholic man, woman, and grown-up child in Ireland was praying for her recovery. On the day she will leave the Australian shores she may likewise feel confident that from every Catholic heart in Australia a prayer will ascend to heaven, invoking the choicest blessings on herself, the Governor-General, and their family. I am not authorised to speak for others, but I feel that I can say there is not a woman in the Commonwealth who has read the Beech Forest address of her Ladyship who will not breathe a prayer that she may be long spared for the benefit of her sex and in the interests of humanity.

The Hon. J. G. Duffy then read the address.

The Governor-General in the course of his reply, said: Not the least keen part of my regret at leaving Australia rises from the thought that this is the last occasion on which I shall meet the Irishmen of Victoria as a body. I learnt to know and love the Irish people at home, and the qualities which attracted me there make the same appeal to me here. 'Their clime but not their mind may change who go across the sea.' Your kindness ranks amongst the pleasant memories I cherish of Australia. I am looking forward to seeing soon again the land from which you come, and I shall always continue to take the liveliest interest in Irish affairs. We all trust that Ireland's future will be very bright, and I am sure that you share my hope that any changes, administrative or other, that may take place, will be attended with un-mixed good to Ireland, Great Britain, and the Empire.

## THE WHOLE STAFF GOES OFF

The *Wonder* (Nevada) *Mining News* contained recently the following notice:—

The business manager of this paper, who is also the editor, foreman, proof-reader, compositor, pressman, engineer, janitor, reporter, and woodchopper, besides having a few other duties to perform, has some important business which will call him to Carson City next week. As his absence will have a tendency to disorganize the working force of the establishment somewhat, and the condition of business at this time does not warrant sending away for some one to take his place, it has been decided to take advantage of the holiday season, and instead of getting out a special holiday edition, the usual programme will be varied, and no paper will be issued next week from this office. Should the world stop revolving on account of his lapse, telegraph in care of the sheriff at Carson, and the entire force will return and start things in a big hurry.

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(plated) ...	12 9	9 9	Chrome Dress Boots ...	11 6	8 11
Strong Working Boots...	16 9	7 11	Strong Chrome Boots ...	9 9	7 6
Carpet Slippers (leather			Dress Chrome Shoes ...	10 6	7 11
soles) ...	4 9	3 6	Leather Slippers ...	4 9	3 3
Superior Tan Cookhams	23 0	18 6	Evening Shoes ...	5 9	3 9
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