## Irish News

-A NOTE TO GENEVA.—THE PRESBYTERIAN MODERATOR AND HIS CRITICS.

THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION LEAVES THE NORTH, THE IRISH BENEDICTINES.—MR. O'HIGGINS' EXPLANATION—SHANNON HYDROFELICTRICAL
SCHEME.

The London Catholic Times for January 3, says: -

The Note dispatched by Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Minister for External Affairs, to the General Secretary of the League of Nations, with reference to the controversy caused by the registration of the Treaty, is moderate in tone. It briefly records the Free Scate Ministry's dissent from the view expressed by the British Covernment that the terms of Article 18 of the Covenant are inapplieable to the Anglo-Irish Articles of Agreement of December 6, 1921. No useful purpose, Mr. Eitzgerald emphasises, would be served by the initiation of a discussion as to the intentions of individual signatories of the Covenant, the obligations of Article 18 being imposed in most specific terms on every metaher of the League. Thus, as far as Dublin is concerned, the incident provoked by the Foreign Office dispatch is over. It remains for Geneva to take such action as it decens repropriate. In this connection it might be borne in mind that diplomatic silence lassometimes much to recommend it.

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The Moderator of the Preshyterian General Assembly, the Right Rev. Dr. Hamilton, bescuraged Die-Bard opinion in the North. Speaking recently to his co-religious's in Dublin, he described himself as an Irisbor in to the backbone, praised the Yre State Government for its courage and direction and advised the Ulder Embers to madify their attitude towards the South. 11.010 during still, he suggested that Partition, t which he was himself opened, we are worther in business circles in Belfest, which would rejoice wholeheartedly when the day of to conciliation came and boundaries and becotts were forgotten. The Northern When and the Belfast Telegraph employ their choicest phrases in denominate the Madera for's implied rejection of the Orange evod. Can it be that their Lagrage is inspired by a subconscious tear that Dr. Hamilton speaks for an increasing section of his է թեղացգ

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Mr. Justice Feetham and his colleagues have completed their tour through the debated frontier areas. From Derry, the last centre visited, they is ued a communication thanking the people of the North for the opportunities which had been afforded them. of gathering information and hearing something of the views of different sections of opinion. While thanking the press for the valuable assistance it had given them, the Commissioners felt it necessary to add Mat a number of the statements attributed to them during their stay in Ubter were unauthorised and misleading. The allogation that they had decided to exclude historical considerations when tracing the new bound-

The Most Rev. Dr. Gilmartin, Arel Lishep of Tuum, speaking at the first distribution of prizes at Kylemere Miley, Co. Gelway, where a school has recently been enemed by the Irish Dames of Ypres, poid teibute to the great traditions of the Benedictine Order. These inchinens, he recalled, had been handed down from the earliest meanwhile age in the history of the Charoli, When he red seen at Wylenean Althou gave him every hope that they would be receive in the years to come, the Cuthelie life of helped. Although in presidential har days those to many Beneaffestine many behavior to be A. the Dumes at Kylemore Aldery and the Williams at Mount St. Benedict, Clorer, Co. Westford, are the cale representative of the Order in the Pres State. Mount St. Comelet, Land. ! rome thenly years her, by Dero Francis Saccimum, C.S.B., is now a herefree Cutterfic school. Burn Priviel. Nelson Gestell, the wellknown Iri housest, born and again the Comminute of Core . The point had, an the evolution of the La Liberry to exceed any Shile rabbe (1866) See.

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the Commissioners felt it necessary to add divisions where by-elections are approaching. What a number of the statements attributed to them during their stay in Ubter were unauthorised and misleading. The allegation that they had decided to exclude historical considerations when tracing the new boundary was, in particular, absolutely unfounded.

Meanwhile, there is nauch activity in the divisions where by-elections are approaching. Goal news comes, especially, from Sligo. There the Current Non-Guelheal and the Current Non-Guelheal a

the constituency. In Cavan, unfortunately, complications have arisen in the Pro-Treaty camp, many Ministerialists being averse from appearing the re-election of Mr. Sean Milroy, the local standard-bearer of the "Mutineers," in view of his real services to the cause of Anglo-Irish peace. Were his return acquiesced in by the Cumann Na n-Gaedheal, I do not think that any serious results would follow. He is essentially a Constitutionalist, though events have borne him to the side of Mr. J. McGrath and his military friends.

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The report has just been published of the Siemens-Shuckert scheme for the hydro-electrical development of the Shaunon. The scheme has been approved by the four interactional by dro-electrical experts appointed: by the Government to examine it. Under it. every fown and village will in five years box electrically served. From Cabirciveen on the southernment lip of the Kerry Coast to the lopmest point of Donegal the electricity de-s veloced by the Shannon will spread over the Seco State. The cost of the scheme is estinest fast \$7.870,000. The experts recom-s wend that the whole scheme be not undertaken at once, but a modified form of it, percutting favor of full development, which will east \$5 200,000. The experts agree that affecting for the interest for the first five years the release will show a profit in its there is read well thereafter become a payto proposition. The scheme will provide empleanment for three years for 2800 men. H is a control throughout the whole people with each and a stock tricity at exceptionally e essent has their the national dependence control coal will harmly coase. The The American Section of the Free State Conserved for the opinion of both Houses survey for an applicate quantimously. If it e of the combiners of the preparation of observation if the Free State does not e be in the Siemens Shnekert are to baye best confirm of fleeting it. If they cannot the other personary money for that purpose the bree State Government is to pay them Cingan for the labor and expenditure already undertaken. The experts' report on the schence makes a volume of 400 pages. Mr. Vetfillman, Free State Minister of Trade and believery, mentioned in disclosing the where is the Free State Parliament, that it existented in the mind of a young Dublin practically who first interested Siemens-Shuckort in it, and then got the Free State Cabinet to take it up. Mr. McGilligan paid a tribute to the originator's wisdom and persistemes.

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