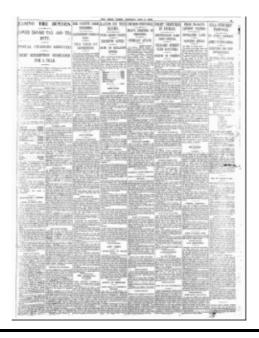
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FOUR VICTIMS.

EVIDENCE OF RELATIVES.

Coroner Neville held inquests on Saturday on the bodies of Robert Howe, of Ballaghanure, a farmer, and John Buttimer and his labourer, James Greenfield, who was said to be of weak intellect, of Caher, all in the Ballineen district.

Catherine Annie Howe, widow of Robert Howe, said that her husband was 60 years of age. At about 10.30 on Thursday night a knock came to the door, and her husband got out of bed and opened the door. Two men followed him into his room and said, "Get up and harness the horse." He refused to do so, and when the order was repeated he again refused, and she heard two shots. She entered the room and found her husband dead.

In the cases of John Buttimer and James Greenfield, Frances Buttimer, the widow of John Buttimer stated that on Friday morning, at about 2 o'clock, she heard some noise and shots. Her son jumped out of bed and said, "We are attacked." She became weak, but recovered quickly. She met her husband on the landing and said, "For God's sake, get out," and he said, "Sure I can't." Greenfield was calling on her to stay with him. She came downstairs and met a man and said, "Where are you going?" He replied, "Where are the men?" She said, "I do not know. What do you want them for?" He said, "Only very little." She said to him, "Take my house and money and myself, and spare the men." She put her hands to his chest to keep him back, and he pushed past her and went upstairs, calling on her hasband in a blasphemous manner to come down.

She went away from the house and returned after a while, and met a man, to whom she said, "You have killed them, but you cannot kill their souls." She went into the house and found her husband dead, in a sitting position, in Greenfield's room, and Greenfield was dead in bed.

The medical evidence showed that bullet wounds were inflicted in all cases, and the jury tound a verdict of death from shock and hemorrhage.

CRIPPLE KILLED.

The inquest on the lody of John Shorten, who was shot at Killowen, near Bandon, on

Saturday night, was held vesterday.

Elizabeth Shorten, a sister of deceased man, said that a party of men called at about 11 o'clock and asked for a pony and trap to go to Bandon. Her brother got out of bed, but did not answer. They knocked at the doors and broke the windows. Entering the diningroom, they came upstairs, asked for her brother William, and she said that he was not in the house. They entered John's room, and she heard a shot. John was unable to walk without the aid of sticks.

The police and the Coroner sympathised with the relatives and condemned the outrage.

The jury returned a verdict of death from shock and hemorrhage.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

Colonel Newman asked the Chief Secretary in the House of Commons yesterday whether he had any information to give regarding the out-

rages in South-West Cork.

Sir Hamar Greenwood-I have been in communication with the Provisional Government. and am assured that no effort will be spared to bring the perpetrators to justice. (Cries of " Oh.")

Rear-Admiral Adair-May I ask the Lord Privy Seal of what avail it is to refer these outrages to the so-called Provisional Government? (Cheers.)

Sir W. Joynson-Hicks asked whether, in any single case of these murders, there had been any prosecution.

Sir Hamar Greenwood-I must have notice of

that. (Cries of "Oh.")
Mr. R. McNeill-In view of the right hon. gentleman's answer, that he has made inquiries of the Provisional Government, are we to understand that His Majesty's Government have now totally abandoned these people to indiscriminate expropriation and assassination?

No answer was given.

REPORTED FORCIBLE EJECTION.

Admiral Adair asked the Lord Privy Seal whether he was aware of the facts which led to the death of Mrs. W. J. Talbot, of Mount Talbot, Co. Roscommon, and what action the Government proposed to take; was the right hon gentleman aware of the forcible ejectment from their holdings of a large number of ProCounty, in the course of the last few days; and would he state what action the Government

would be state what action the Government were taking.

Sir Hamar Greenwood said that he regretted that he could not deal with this question at the present time, but he was making inquiries, and suggested that the question should be repeated on Thursday.