NOTES ON NEWS.

The most noticeable event of the past week in England has been the introduction of Mr. Ritchie's County Government Bill, and the discussion thereon. This great attempt at decentralisation is perhaps more interesting to us, because it shows how revolutionary all parties are now compelled to be, than for any other reason. Upon the ordinary political press it has come as a great surprise, and as a result the course of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

So far-reaching and "revolutionary" is the measure, and so inchoate withal, that it will take a good deal of threshing out in Committee before we can quite see how much grain will come out and what of it is mere chaff.

No doubt a certain proportion of the Bill is mere "deck-load," but there on the chance of going through, and ready to go overboard when rough weather begins, but the bulk of it clearly shows that Mr. Ritchie is, up to his light, an honest and painstaking man, who has tried in all ways to be fair all round. With such a multitude of conflicting interests as he has had to consider, it is no marvel that his Bill looks by no means like an organic whole.

Publicans and teetotters have, of course, at once fallen out over the clauses affecting them, and are, if we may trust their manifestoes, going to "fight to the death" with it. The Board of Works, however, does not seem to have any fight in it; its impending fate seeming even to it, mayhap, to be richly deserved. Other "interests" will be heard from later on.

Against the proposal to leave the metropolitan police in the hands of the Government for the time being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

Meanwhile, the necessity of such control is being proved over and over again with every week that passes. On the 21st, "I, Warren," the Christianity of which in 1882, being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

Meanwhile, the necessity of such control is being proved over and over again with every week that passes. On the 21st, "I, Warren," the Christianity of which in 1882, being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

Meanwhile, the necessity of such control is being proved over and over again with every week that passes. On the 21st, "I, Warren," the Christianity of which in 1882, being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

Meanwhile, the necessity of such control is being proved over and over again with every week that passes. On the 21st, "I, Warren," the Christianity of which in 1882, being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

Meanwhile, the necessity of such control is being proved over and over again with every week that passes. On the 21st, "I, Warren," the Christianity of which in 1882, being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.

Meanwhile, the necessity of such control is being proved over and over again with every week that passes. On the 21st, "I, Warren," the Christianity of which in 1882, being, our Radical friends may be trusted to strive with all their might; but in view of the fact that a Liberal Government would find such a weapon just as useful as do the Tories, of "public opinion" have for the most part sought refuge in platitude, and wait for the swing of the tide.