

REVOLVER-CARRYING HABIT.

Nicholas Kotzebue, a Russian, was charged before Mr. T. O'Callaghan, J.P., at the City Court on Monday, with having on December 12 carried firearms in a public place without the permission of the authorities. Lawrence Kenny said that he saw Kotzebue annoying a young woman. Witness spoke to Kotzebue, who produced a revolver and pointed it at witness. Kotzebue, who described himself as an inventor, explained to the Bench that owing to having been intimidated by a number of men he sought permission from the plain-clothes police to carry a revolver. He was informed that permission could not be granted to him, and was told to be careful. When Kenny confronted him he concluded that Kenny was one of the men of whom he was afraid. He thereupon produced the revolver and ordered Kenny to stand back. Kotzebue was fined £2.