

Our new Minister, Mr. Douglas, ranks high in professional talents and literary reputation.— He is descended from one of the most ancient families of Scotland, and by his intermarriage with the daughter of Lord North, late Earl of Guildford, has formed a powerful connection in England. Hitherto he has been considered the friend of Mr. Fox; a circumstance which augers well for his becoming a popular Minister.

We have authority to give the most unequivocal contradiction to the unfounded reports circulated in some of the public papers, that a noble Duke meant to support, with his connections, the new Minister of this country; and at the same time are empowered to declare, that a paragraph in one of the papers of last week, intimating that overtures for that purpose had been made, is alike destitute, of the smallest foundation, there having been no intercourse between the noble personage and that gentleman, save only the common civilities that pass between one gentleman and another, which probably would not have happened, if an early knowledge or acquaintance had not taken place when the D. was on his travels, which has since continued whenever they have met.

The late revocation of the orders issued some time since to those holding letters of marque under the British government, to seize without any exception all vessels trading to or from the French colonies, has been most prudent on the part of Administration.—If such an ordinance had been persisted in, the probable consequence would be a rupture with the United States of America, which in our present embarrassed state should be most earnestly deprecated; as with the very powerful land force which the American states can at any time set on foot, an irruption into our wealthy colony of Canada might tend to the alienation of that valuable dependency from the British dominions for ever.

The institution of classical premiums in Trinity College, which took place for the first time at the present quarterly examinations, just held there, is an establishment that promises to be of singular service to the rising generation. It owes its existence entirely to the zeal of the present worthy Provost.

Repeated expresses arrive at Plymouth to hasten the ships fitting there, to join the Grand Channel Fleet at Spithead, and it is supposed that in a week we shall not have one line of battle ship there belonging to that fleet.

The diocese of Kildare, which in general consists of small livings, scarcely equal, many of them, to curacies in other parts of Ireland, contains consequently fewer churches and resident clergy than any other diocese; it is, however, we hear, the intention of the present worthy bishop of that diocese, (Kildare) to render the situation of his Clergy more comfortable, thus to enable them to reside, and serve materially the cause of religion in his jurisdiction, by adding as they become vacant, one or two of the adjoining smallest livings together, thus, being united, they will afford a more suitable provision; though this will in some measure diminish the patronage of the diocese, it will redound much to his Lordship's judgment and praise.

IRISH FUNDS.

January 27, 1794.

Grand Canal Stock	132
— Debentures 4 per Cent.	83
Royal Canal Stock	—
Boyne Canal Stock	—
Government Debentures, 3 to per Ct.	—
Ditto ————— 4 per Ct.	—
Ditto ————— 5 per Ct.	—

Monday, January 27, 1794.

At a Meeting of the Governors of the Limerick United Free School,

Col. J. P. SMYTH, in the Chair.

Doctor Crumpe presented to the Meeting the Rules prepared by the Committee for the Regulation of the School: which, with some amendments, were unanimously agreed to.

Resolved, That the Gentlemen who have been at the trouble of conducting the business to its present stage, be requested to be of the Committee for the ensuing Year, and that ten more be added to them: the whole consisting of the following 24 Gentlemen;—

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| Henry D'Esteire,
Mayor, | Joseph M. Harvey,
William M'Allister, |
| Walter Widenham. | J. Prendergast Smyth, |
| Sam. Crumpe, M. D. | Robert Maunfell, |
| Rev. Abr. Seawright, | Rev. Dean Crosbie, |
| Rev. Averell Hill, | John Vize, M. D. |
| Rev. John Hoare, | William Norris, |
| Rev. Wm. Lewis, | John Howley, |
| Ralph Ousley, | William Ferguson, |
| William Percy, | Samuel Alexander, |
| John Gabbett, | Luke Pratt, |
| John Ferrar, | William End. |
| James Fisher, | |

Resolved, That William M'Allister be requested to continue in the Office of Treasurer for the ensuing Year.

Resolved, That the appointment of a Master and Mistress, and of a place for the School, be left to the Committee, who shall call another meeting of the Governors, and submit their determination to them.

Resolved, That the Committee be directed to have the Rules printed, with the Names of the Subscribers subjoined.

Resolved, That this Day's proceedings be published in the Limerick Papers, one post.

J. PRENDERGAST SMYTH,
Chairman.

The Committee are to Meet next Monday, at One o'Clock, to enquire into the merits of the Candidates for the places of Master and Mistress, and to consider of an eligible Situation for the School. The Members are requested to attend.

DIED. A few days ago, at Waterford, sincerely lamented, Mrs Burgh, widow of the Rev. Mr. Richard Burgh, late of Mount Bruce, in the Co. Tipperary; and Mother to the Rev. Thomas Burgh, of Ardanny, Co. Limerick.

PORT NEWS, Jan. 27. Sailed the Jim, Skerri, London, butter and provisions.—28. Arrived the Friendship, Cudlip, Galway, ballast.

MR. SEYMOUR, will Dispose of his INTEREST in his HOUSE and OFFICES, on the ASSEMBLY-QUAY, of which there are fifty-two Years to run, from the 1st of May next.—Enquire at said House. Limerick, Jan. 29, 1794.

C O A L.

BEST LIVERPOOL WIGAN COAL, to be Sold by PAUL ROCHFORD, at NEWTOWN-PARK. January 29, 1794.

THE several Gentlemen and Ladies, who have applied, and wrote to A. WATSON, at the KING'S-ARMS, to enter them as Subscribers to a CLUB of TICKETS, (Drawing of which commences the 17th of February next)—are requested to send in payment for the same immediately, as Tickets are rising in Price.—A variety of Whole Tickets, Halves, Quarters, Eighths, Sixteenths, and Two Guinea Tickets, on Sale at the lowest Prices.—Full Money allowed for former Prizes.

N. B. PUBLISHED by said WATSON, WATSON'S ALMANACK, with or without English Eclogues, bound or plain. Ditto Complete with Dublin Directory. Watson's Pocket Calendar, stitched or neatly bound. Watson's Sheet Almanack, and Stuart's Irish Merlin. Grant's, Ladies', Farmers, and Laborer's common Almanacks. Limerick Jan. 25, 1794.

AUCTION of FURNITURE, &c.

TO be SOLD by AUCTION, at the House of the late MARY MARK, adjoining the New-Bridge, the Entire HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PLATS, CHINA, &c. belonging to said House. The Sale to commence on the 31st of next month, and continue daily till all be Sold.

JOHN RUSSELL, Auctioneer.

N. B. Such Persons as may have Demands against the late MARY MARK, are desired to furnish their Accounts to JOSEPH MASSEY HARVEY for Payment. Limerick, 29th of 11 Month, 1794.

CHOICE COAL.

A PARCEL of excellent Glasgow COAL, to be Sold at ALEXANDER TORRANCE'S STORES, in Change-lane; Single Tons at 11. 4. od. For Five Tons, 23s. per Ton, and greater Quantities at a Guinea. Limerick, Jan. 29, 1793.

JOHN SMYTH,

EVER grateful to a generous Publick, for the many Favors conferred on him in his Professional Line, as also for the many Orders received for the Purchase of Furniture in the CABINET LINE, since his commencement in this City—begs leave to inform them, that he has taken in a PARTNER, of the first Experience in the Cabinet and Upholstering Business, and has also Employed a number of the best Hands in this Kingdom, has now ready for Sale, the following Articles, finished in a most masterly and elegant Style, viz.—Wardrobes, with Desks and Book-Cases, plain Desks, and Book-Cases, Military Desks, &c. of all sorts, Tambour Desks, with and without Book-Cases, Serpentine, double and single Seleret Side-boards, plain Ditto, with and without Drawers, Dining Tables of all sorts, and dimensions, Pier Tables, Card Tables, round and square, Night Tables, of all sorts, Tall Boys, Camp, Field, and Fancy Beds, of all sorts, several Sets of Drawing Room, Parlour, and Bed-chamber Chairs, of the newest and most elegant Patterns, with many other Articles too numerous to mention; he has also elegant Black MARBLE CHIMNEY PIECES, of the finest Polish; Register Grates of any Dimensions, made at the shortest Notice, a few of which may be seen at his Shop, executed under his immediate Direction, being the best of the kind, ever attempted in this City;—all sorts of Iron Work, executed on the shortest Notice.—Any Commands directed to JOHN SMYTH, and Co. MARY-STREET, Limerick, shall be faithfully and punctually attended to.—The Highest Price given for Old Furniture, or if agreeable taken in Exchange for New. (4 posts.) Limerick, Jan. 29, 1794.

RATHKEAL HUNT.

THE Members of the RATHKEAL HUNT, are to Dine at Mr. DAVENPORT'S, on Monday the Third Day of February next. A Sporting DEER will be Enlarged at the COMMONS of RATHKEAL, at the Hour of Eleven, in the Morning of said Day. WILLIAM ODELL, Esq; President. DAVID A. ENGLAND, Esq; Vice President. Rathkeal, Jan. 29, 1794.

H O R S E S.

WANTED—for the 18th Light Dragoons, some Light Strong Active HORSES, from four years old off; no Colour objected to but Grey;—any Person having such to Dispose of, will please to Inquire of Lieut. O'MEARA, now Quartered in LIMERICK. Limerick, Dec. 14, 1793.

Lands and Houses.

TO BE SET

From the 25th of March, OR FIRST OF MAY NEXT, FOR THREE LIVES,

THE HOUSE, OFFICES, ORCHARD, and GARDEN, of PROSPECT, with a Demaine of from 60 to 90 Acres, all very good, and agreeably situated on the River Shannon, within 5 Miles of Limerick, and 2 of Castle Connell; Proposals in Writing, to be made to the Rev. RICKARD LLOYD, Newtown, Limerick, or to Major LLOYD, PROSPECT. (12 posts.) Jan. 21, 1794.