

to contagion in our city, which has now arrived to a height that threatens all ranks—When community is endangered, it becomes a public duty—but when, as now, our friends, our families, our very selves, are liable to this wide-spreading calamity—it should be the private case of every one who regards these valuable considerations—Disease and Poverty form an afflicting association—the exclamation of regret, or the tribute of a sigh will not alleviate them—humanity has a powerful claim, but safety has an irresistible one—Our advocacy may prove ineffectual, for our appeals are frequent—but could our readers only hear the raving of those unhappy victims, suffering under all the horrors of mental derangement, and the burnings of sickness, it would, we are certain, speak a more powerful address to the feelings of compassion, than Charity herself could offer.

Mr. Michael Fitz Gerald, architect, has most humanely and liberally offered to erect a wooden building at the rear of the Hospital, and to give the use of it, free of expence, for six months—The Governors have thankfully accepted it, and it is expected to be ready for the reception of patients in less than a week.

The attention of the Mayor and Magistrates has been most properly directed to the state of filth in which some parts of this city appeared, and we are happy to find that they have promptly attended to it, and several nuisances have been removed. The Committee of the Fever Hospital, has adopted the method of white washing the different rooms, where fever had or does exist, for which purpose they have been obliged to employ men, which forms another call on their funds—however, it is a measure of precaution which ought not to be neglected.

KERRY ASSIZES.

Monday about three o'clock, the Honourable Baron Sir William Smith, one of the judges of assize for the munster circuit arrived in Tralee for the purpose of holding the assizes, pursuant to adjournment, and having proceeded to the courthouse, and opened the commission accordingly, the following grand jury were sworn:—

Charles Herbert, Foreman—James Crosbie, M. P. John Boleman, Wm. Ponsonby, Daniel Cronin, Edward Denny, Francis Chute, Townsend Guo, M'Gillicuddy, Francis C. Stand, James Raymond, Wm. Fitzgerald, John Bernard, Robert Twiss, Thomas Wm. Sanders, Robert Bleenerhasset, Edw. Collins, John O'Connell, Richard Molony, William Meredith, Samuel Morris, Daniel Mahony, and Rich. Bleenerhasset, Esqrs.

After the jury had been sworn, the learned judge addressed them, in the following elegant and impressive manner:—

Gentlemen of the Grand Jury—The usages of public life at times prescribe a formal notification of that, which the hearers knew before, and consequently of which they do not need to be informed. Within this class of communication, if not altogether, in a great degree, what I have on this occasion to announce may fall. On the 5th of the present month I opened the commission here; and adjourned the assizes to the present day; a measure which, while it added considerably to my expence, was attended with more than very considerable personal inconvenience; amounting indeed to somewhat irksome disappointment. The following are the circumstances, under which this step was taken.

On Saturday the 26th of July, at Ennis, I received a letter from your high sheriff, the contents of which were important and alarming. Serjeant Johnson having left that town, I took the earliest opportunity, (which occurred at Limerick on the Monday following), for consulting with him upon the subject; and finding him to concur with me entirely in opinion, that considering the import of the communication, and the quarter from which it came, it ought to be forwarded to the Lord Lieutenant, I accordingly transmitted the letter which contained it; submitting to the wisdom of the government to dictate the line which the judges should pursue.

The high sheriff, in his official document, which I so transmitted, not only in terms represented "the state of this town" as "deplorable," by reason of a "pestilential fever, raging here most extensively;" but went into some of the particulars; reporting, for example, that at the moment when he wrote there were "no less than twenty-six miserably had cases in the new and old gaol."—Towards shewing how the contagion spread, he added, that of these, "eleven were left in the old gaol, when the remainder, being healthy, were removed to the new; of which several had since sickened."—The letter proceeded to observe—that "the infection was so extended in the town, that hardly a house was not infected;" it stated the recent death of one eminent Physician; and the illness of three more; of whose recovery, as well as of the Collector, Mr. Egars, very slight hopes were entertained.

This letter summed up all, by declaring, that there was "every probability, if the assizes proceeded, that the fever would extend to the county;" and the state of Kerry be truly calamitous;" and the writer proceeding to express his fear "that nothing could induce the country people to attend; such was the horror on every persons mind;" the letter concluded with an entreaty, that "if possible the assizes should be put off for a little time;" a measure which would be "most happy for the country in general."

Whether the picture, which this letter contained, was an exaggeration or not, is a question with which I neither had, nor can have any thing to do

more, than an official report given on his responsibility, by the Sheriff. But at all events, in the case before us, there was not time for such details of investigation. The necessity for communication with the Castle, and course of the post, left an interval, not more than sufficient for steps which were taken, respectively by the government, Serjeant Johnson, and myself. The representations which, after this document had already been dispatched to Dublin, reached us, both from public rumour and through private channels, seemed rather to confirm than impeach the report made by the high sheriff; and though the under sheriff when he met me, seemed by no means to estimate the danger as highly as his principal had done, yet adverting to the communication which this latter had by letter made me, he distinctly ascribed it to "the best motives in the world." Accordingly I should never have thought of censuring the high sheriff, even though it were to have appeared to me, that with laudable motives, and on plausible foundations, he had forwarded an unintentionally magnified account. And therefore on my arrival, in observing to him that I had merely transmitted his information to the Castle,—I did not accompany this with any animadversion on his conduct.

But though, whether or not he was mistaken, be a question, with which, whatever others may, I seem to have nothing in the world to do—yet in favour as well of the actual, as of the moral truth of his information, it seems to me as if a good deal might be said.

On the 14th of July, an official document was addressed to government, from which it appeared—not only that there was infection in the gaol; but that the sick list had been increasing; that the total number then ill of the fever amounted to fifteen; and these so ill, that the physician was of opinion that it would be dangerous to remove any of the patients.

Another official document was addressed to them on the 21st. By this it was notified that two deaths had occurred; that there was infection amongst the prisoners; that the number of fever patients in the old gaol was thirteen; and to those were to be added four patients (making a sum total of seventeen) recently taken ill, in the hospital of the new gaol; and that one of these latter was "in a dangerous state."

Next followed the high sheriff's not inconsistent report of July the 23d.

Then on my arrival in Tralee, on the 5th of August, what occurred?

On that very day, one of the medical attendants died of a fever caught in the gaol; and there was handed to me, on the bench, "the report of the physician, of the convalescent in Tralee gaol," on that 5th of August. That is to say, in other words, of prisoners, ill of, but recovering from, infectious fever; and in that state of it perhaps contagion is most dangerously exhaled. Their number was even then twelve; and it did not appear from the report, whether all the fever patients or only the convalescents, were included.

Were these prisoners, you will ask, to be brought up to a crowded court, to disseminate infection? or were the assizes to be held, while it would be expedient to keep so many back from trial? and were they all to remain in custody, for six or seven months, until the spring assizes? or to be indiscriminately let out on bail.

Since the 5th of August—much, or little, may have occurred. All I have heard, is that so recently as on the 14th, another fever patient died; all I know is that it has been deemed unsafe from illness, which I occupied, when I came here to adjourn. The accuracy or authenticity of the communication made to us is no concern of ours. It is enough that we had no ground for suspecting either; and I am merely suggesting on behalf of others, that I do not see a wide or glaring difference, between its statements, and the admitted facts.

What I am about to add, gentlemen, hints at a circumstance, of which none of you can be aware. But for any thing I know, some others of my auditory may. I say then, if any man can openly and responsibly come forward, to tax the sheriff with corrupt and wilful misrepresentation—the judges will endeavour to set on foot whatever inquiry, their authority may warrant, & their duty may prescribe.

But as to clandestine and anonymous intimation this may sometimes (and but rarely) furnish hints for acting on; but can never justify our putting a public officer on his defence, against a grave, an injurious, and even heinous imputation.

If so light and frivolous be the 'ordinary' authority of anonymous communication, it certainly will rather weaken, than increase its strength with me, if it be found to contain every thing which ingenuity could construe into menace.

I believe I am very open to conciliatory persuasion—but whenever I have a glimpse of any thing resembling intimidation, I am apt to become very intractable and perverse; and am far less disposed to yield to, than to solicit and challenge the performance of a threat. In short I am easily, too

to a dastardly apprehension for my own. I will take the liberty of saying that to shriek from danger has not been amongst the habits of my life.—Towards guarding whatever remnant of this may yet be left me, it would not be worth my while if it were within my power, to change my habits now. Gentlemen of the grand jury, I have done. When in two or three sentences, I had disclosed the few facts, which composed the transaction of adjournment, I had no personal interest in proceeding further. If therefore I have gone further in discussion, it has been with other views.

COMMITTED—To the county gaol, by R. H. Levers, Esq. Edmond Carroll, for robbery.

BIRTHS.

At Monastereven, the Lady of Charles Fraser, Esq. of a son.—The Lady of W. R. Willis, Esq. of Willsgrove, county Roscommon, of a son and heir.—At Chester, the Lady of Captain Charles Shaw, 85th regt. of a son.—At Lyonsdale House, Buckinghamshire, Lady Jane Pym, of a daughter.—At Presham House, County Hants, the Right Hon. Lady Mary Long, of a daughter.—At Bowscar, Cumberland shire, the Lady of Lieut. Colonel Youngson, of a son and heir.—In London, the Lady of Joshua Walker, Esq. of a son.—The Countess Jules de Polignac, of a son.—In Thomas street, the lady of Poole Gabbett, Esq. of a daughter.—Saturday, at Colleen House, in this county, the lady of Major O'Dwyer, Esq. of a son, being her 16th child, and 12th son.—In Dublin, the lady of C. Moriarty, Esq. of a son.

MARRIAGES.

In Dublin, William Stewart, Esq. to Miss Dillon.—At Kill, County Tipperary, Theobald Butler, Esq. of Ballynard Castle, to Miss Creaghe, daughter of the late Joseph Creaghe, Esq.—In Bristol, Surgeon Wm E. Morgan, to Miss M. Atlay, both of that city.—On Thursday morning Wm. M'Brice, Esq. of Sligo, to Miss Plunkett, daughter of the late Richard Plunkett, Esq. of London.—At Interlacken, near Berne, Francis Frederick de Leber, of the Sovereign Council of the Town Republic of Berne, Major of Artillery, attached to the staff of the Swiss Confederation, to Charlotte Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Sir Walter and Lady Jane James, of Langley Hall, Berkshire.—On the 16th Jan. at Bombay, James Denis de Vitre, Esq. Collector of Bombay, and one of the Commissioners of the Court of Requests, to Dorothea, youngest daughter of the late Colonel Moore, of the 56th regt.—At Kensington, Frederick Corfield, Esq. of Taunton, Somersetshire, to Louisa, widow of the late Major Gen. Sproule, royal artillery.—In Edinburgh, James Bridge, Esq. to Jane, youngest daughter of the late Lieutenant Colonel Macdonald, R. M.—At Fulham, England, the Rev. Thomas Bisse, to Charlotte, daughter of the late Richard Price, Esq. formerly of the East India Company at Bombay.—In Dublin, Robert Tyrrell, Esq. to Eliza, second daughter of the late Thomas Lafarrell, Esq.

DEATHS.

At Clayton Cottage, the Rev. Wm. Grattan.—In Tullamore, Mrs. Doherty.—At Glenville, near Cook, Mrs. Newton, relict of George Newton, Esq.—On Wednesday, George Kingston, Esq. of Bandon.—In Dublin, Benjamin Gault, Esq. for many years a Sheriff's Peer of that city, and one of its oldest and most respectable merchants.—In Jan. last, at his iron works in Siberia, aged 75. Mr. Hill, a native of Bristol.—Aged 95, Elizabeth, relict of the late Rev. John Hughes, of Haverfordwest, England.—At Southdown Cottage, Glamorganshire, the Rev. Dr. Estlin, in the 71st year of his age.—In Sligo, Mr. Francis Stewart; Mr. W. C. Gibson.—At Ferrybridge, England, aged 89, Mr. C. Abbott, comedian.—In Bradford, Joseph Priestly, Esq.—In Dublin, aged 62, John Theophilus Boileau, Esq.—At Moate, county Westmeath, John Barlow, Esq. M. D.—At Newington Green, Robert Lane, Esq.—At the house of his mother, the Dowager Countess of Burgoyne, London, Major General Sir Montague Burgoyne, Bart.—Mrs. M. H. Dolphin, relict of the late Oliver Dolphin, Esq. of the county Galway.—At Lougbrea, Mrs. Fax, wife of Francis Fox, Esq.—At Madras, Maria, wife of S. Good, Esq. and daughter of the late S. Boileau, Esq. of Dublin.—At Kensington, aged 80, the Rev. John Marsh, and for many years minister of the Roman catholic chapel at Gosport.—At Killarney, Eliza, daughter of James Mahony, Esq.—Surgeon P. Tuohill, son of Mr. Tuohill, apothecary, of Killarney.—At the seat of his father, at Newcastle, in this county, after a short illness, on Saturday last, Wm. Thos. Locke, Esq.—To write the character of this gentleman, and to do justice to his virtues, would far, far exceed our limits, however, we hope, that the sincere though feeble offering at the shrine of departed worth, may not be unacceptable.—He was possessed of an enlightened and generous mind, a sensible and feeling heart, alive to friendship, virtue and honor.—He was in all his duties as a man, a magistrate and a christian, exemplary. In the worst of times, he was intrepid in his public duty, upright, manly, intelligent, temperate and effective.—He knew no distinction but between the good and the bad, the peaceable and the unruly—he was venerated by the one, and feared by the other—His decease may be looked on as a serious public loss, and a private calamity.—His wife has been deprived of the most affectionate husband—his children of the fondest parent—his acquaintance of the sincerest friend—the poor of a benevolent benefactor, and community of an honest and honourable member.—In Dublin, Catherine, daughter of Mr. J. Smyth, sculptor.—In Blessington street, Mrs. Cook.—At Wellmount near Nenagh, the wife of T. Sadler, Esq. of Clonmel.—Lately, at Summerville, near Clonmel, Frances daughter of W. H. Bradshaw, Esq.—Wednesday, at Newmarket, county Clare, James M'Mahon, Esq. deeply lamented by his family and friends.—In Thomas street, Anne, daughter of Poole, Gabbett, Esq.—At Passage, co. Cork, the wife of John Cole, Esq.—At the Glebe House, Kilsallaghan, co. Dublin, Mrs. Doyle, wife of the Rev. Chas. M. Doyle, and niece to Sir John Doyle—by the death of this lady, society has been deprived of one of its brightest ornaments, and a husband and seven children, of a most affectionate wife and mother.—In Sligo, Thomas Ferguson, Esq. surgeon of the Shgo militia.—At Ballina, Thomas Calkin, Esq.

MR. KELLY, DENTIST,

FROM London and Paris, most respectfully informs the Nobility and Gentry of Limerick and its Vicinity, that he has taken apartments at 119, George's street, for the purpose of executing those commands wherewith he may be honored, with that precision and excellence, which has distinguished his practice six years in Dublin. Artificial TEETH elegantly finished, cleaning and extracting TEETH on moderate terms. Poor attended Gratis. Limerick, Aug. 29, 1817.

no quotation for wheat, oats, barley or potatoes. Cork Market—Butler—merchants, 94s.—90s.—82s. 74s.—68s.—Country—84s.—80s.—70s.—64s.—56s.

GUN POWDER,
Upon the Improved CHEMICAL Principles of
SIR HUMPHRY DAVY.
A SUPPLY has been just received by
WILLIAM WILSON,
No. 3, George's-Street, Limerick.
August 29, 1817.



RECEIVED from the Directors of the Sun Assurance Company, of London, by their Agent Edward Bernard, the sum of One Thousand Pounds, British, being the full amount of an Insurance effected by my late husband, Mr. John Clanchy, with said Company, on his own Life, which Policy is hereby discharged, and the claim paid, three months after delivery of the Certificate.
ELLEN CLANCHY.

Present Edward Sayers Limerick, August 21.

RECEIVED from the Directors of the Sun Assurance Company of London, by their Agent Edward Bernard, the sum of Seven Hundred Pounds, British, being the full amount secured to my late husband, Mrs. Thomas Burges, by a Policy of Insurance, effected by him with said Company, on the life of the late Mrs. John Clanchy, which is hereby discharged, and the claim paid three months after the delivery of Certificate.
ANNE BURGESS.

Present Henry D'Estere, Recorder. Limerick, Aug. 21, 1817.

Insurances on Lives and against Fire, are, as usual, effected by EDWARD BERNARD, with promptitude, at his Office, where Government Securities, Bank of England Notes and Bills on London, are bought and sold, and Bish's London Lottery Tickets are for Sale. August 28.

TO BE SOLD,
A handsome LANDAU,
And Harness for a pair of Horses,
With Imperial Trunks, and fit for Travelling.
An approved Bill at Six or Twelve Months, will be taken as payment.
Application to be made to Mr. MADDEN, Post Master, Castle Connell. Limerick, Aug. 22, 1817.

LIMERICK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.
On MONDAY, 1st of September,
The following question will be discussed at the ASSEMBLY ROOMS,
"Whether it be lawful to oppose O'Connell?"
Gentlemen intending to debate, are requested from any allusions to private character.
ADMITTANCE 10d.
Tickets of admission to be had at Mr. M'DERMOT'S No. 4, Patrick street.
Doors to be open at 7, Chair to be taken at half past 7.

House of Industry.
IN consequence of the death of Doctor SAYERS, the professional attendance upon the Lunatic Department has become vacant. The COMMITTEE is now ready to receive the offer of the gratuitous attendance of such Medical Gentlemen as may be disposed to fill said situation. Communications from such as cannot attend, to be left with the Steward, to be laid before the Committee on TUESDAY next.
Resolved—That the Thanks of this Committee be returned to Doctor JONES, for his unwearied attention to this Department since the death of Doctor SAYERS.
Limerick, Aug. 29, 1817.

WM. D. HOARE.
CHRIS. MARRETT.
WM. W. MAUNSELL.
H. W. BAYLEE.

REWARD.
WHEREAS, on the Morning of Friday, the 22d Inst. between the Hours of One and Two o'Clock, some Persons as yet unknown, broke the sash and window of a Pantry; also the glass of one of the Kitchen, and one of the parlour windows, of my House of Spa Hill, during my absence at Cork assizes
I hereby offer TWENTY POUNDS for such private information as may lead to a discovery, or FIFTY POUNDS to any Person that will give such information as may lead to their apprehension and conviction at the ensuing assizes.
CHARLES D. OLIVER.
Spa Hill, Aug. 25, 1817.

TO BE LET,
NINE ACRES OF MEADOWING,
Of the best quality, at Ross Brien.
Enquire of Mr. T. O'BRIEN, at Messrs. ROGUE'S Bank, or Mrs. MAGRATH, Denmark street.

TO BE SOLD,
The Interest in the Concern,
Next to Lord Viscount GORT'S,
AT THE CRESCENT.
Apply to Mr. MORRIS, Clare-street.
Limerick, June 25.

The Friends of the BURTON Family are requested to hold themselves disengaged, as Lord FRANCIS CONYNGHAM will offer himself as a Candidate for the County of Clare on the General Election.
August 5, 1817.