

David Fitzgerald, Treasurer to the Lying-in Hospital, acknowledges the receipt of £5. from Lady Anna Maria Monsell, by Archdeacon Maunsell.

DEATH OF JOHN VEREKER, ESQ.

Perhaps no similar event of late years has diffused so deep and general a gloom throughout the wide sphere of our community, or a sensation of more profound regret, than the death of the truly honorable and highly respected Gentleman, whose name precedes this article. Mr. Vereker died last night, at his residence in the Crescent, after an illness of some days, from fever. He was an Alderman and Deputy Lieutenant of Limerick, brother to Lord Viscount Gort, and father of our present university esteemed Mayor. In early life, after completing a liberal academic course in Trinity College, he entered the army as an officer in the 4th Royal Irish Dragoons, and served during the perilous Rebellion of 1798, after which he joined the Limerick City Regiment, commanded by his noble and gallant brother, and held the rank of Field officer in that corps for several years—with a character for honour and humanity still fresh in the memory of its surviving veterans. On retiring from the active duties of military life, to enjoy the pleasures of domestic society, Major Vereker was chosen by his fellow-citizens to fill the office of Chief Magistrate of Limerick; and, as a singular mark of the public approbation for his upright conduct in the Mayor's office, Alderman Vereker was re-elected twice to that highest of civic honours. The impression of his humane and manly bearing in a year of great scarcity, and at a crisis of imminent danger to the lives of hundreds, is stamped with indelible truth upon the grateful hearts of all classes in the City of his birth. It was a season when the populace were almost driven to desperation by the horrors of famine and want! The wise precautions of the Mayor protected the property of his fellow-citizens from plunder—his personal firmness alone prevented a sanguinary conflict in the streets between a starving multitude and the military, while his prompt and benevolent exertions raised a large fund for the wretched sufferers whose families thus learned to bless the name of his benefactor and preserver. In the social circle, Mr. Vereker was the idol of his friends; cheerful, affable, and communicative; and endowed with a rich store of original anecdote and humour, which never failed to please. Even his political opponents respected the integrity of his principles, for the public character of the Magistrate, and the private worth of the Gentleman, were known to, and appreciated by all. In the sad bereavement which his amiable family have just sustained, it will become consolation for them to be assured of the deep sympathy, which all ranks and professions in Limerick evince for the loss of Alderman John Vereker. The streets already have an aspect of mourning, and the half closed shops of our fellow-citizens manifest a sincere feeling of regret, for the eldest resident branch of a noble and patriotic family, so long identified with the interests of Limerick.

MAMMON—Not long since we announced a donation to the Christian cause of £50, from an individual. The donor was Mr. Sherman, of Surrey Chapel in London, in a special meeting of Wesleyan Missionary Societies, on the 10th of May.

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