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With unaffected pain we record the dangerous illness of Sir Aubrey De Vere, Bart. of Currah Chase, in this county. The Surgeon-General posted down from Dublin on Thursday night, and instantly left this with Robert O'Brien, of Mulcair, Esq. the devoted son-in-law of Sir Aubrey, and found his patient alarmingly ill from obstruction of the bowels. Sir Philip Crampton returned to Limerick early yesterday morning, with but little hope of Sir Aubrey's recovery, and left soon after en route to the metropolis. We regret to learn since that inflammation has set in, and the death of the worthy Baronet is to be apprehended. Sir Aubrey De Vere has long enjoyed the highest name as a resident country gentleman, and not less was the general estimate of his character as a magistrate and a grand juror. In social and domestic intercourse the virtues of his excellent nature were seen in the most amiable light, yet his qualifications as a scholar and a gentleman were adapted for a more expansive scale. Sir Aubrey, early in life, studied books and men, in the closet and in the world. Though not a professed author, those few literary productions he sent to press, fully establish his title to considerable erudition and very elegant taste. Some of his poetry may rank with the best classic pieces in modern English literature. Sir Aubrey De Vere was only son of the late Sir Vere Hunt, who sat in the Irish Parliament, nephew of the late Earl of Limerick, and brother-in-law of Lord Monteagle. His eldest son is Vere De Vere, Esq. late High Sheriff of this county.

We have it from undoubted authority that the following letter was addressed by the Lord Chancellor to W. S. O'Brien, Esq. M.P. on the subject of his accusation against R. E. Phillips, Esq. magistrate of this county:—  
*Minute of the Lord Chancellor upon the complaint against Mr. Phillips, J.P.*

"I have now before me a full note of the evidence of the witnesses on the trial of the action by M'Cormack against Mr. Phillips, with a summary of the judge's charge. The learned judge certifies to me that as the judge who heard the evidence, and had an opportunity of observing the demeanour of the witnesses, he should have found the same verdict had he been a juror in the case. I have attentively perused the evidence now before me, and reconsidered the case, and I do not feel myself called upon to take any further step in the matter.

(Signed)  
"23d June, 1846."

"EDWARD B. SUGDEN, C.

At a meeting of the Justices of the Peace of the Kilmallock Union, held at the Court-house of Bruff, pursuant to the sealed order of the Poor-law Commis-

We are much concerned to hear that Lord Downes, K.C.B. the greatly respected officer of this district, will resign in October next.

Major-General his Royal Highness Cambridge, Colonel of the 17th, will be appointed to the Staff in Ireland to command the district.

This day Lieut.-Col. Sir Gaspar de la Pucelle and joined his Regiment the 8th at the new barracks. On Wednesday the Recruiting department at Cork, Col. Frederick Maunsell, whose headquarters are in that city.

Major French, of the 85th Lancers, promoted to the rank of Major, and nominated to be Assistant Quarter-Master-General of Barbadoes.

Major-Gen. Sir G. H. S. Berkeley, of the Belfast district, is to be promoted to the rank of Major-General in Dublin, upon Major-General's Commission. The Commission of 14 Field Officers of Royal Artillery, 1st Scots Greys, 13th Dragoons, 1st Life Guards, and 70th Regiments, quartered in Dublin, is to be the 13th inst.

Four officers and six private soldiers arrived in Dublin from Barbadoes to attend the Court-martial on Major De Vere.

Her Majesty has been pleased to grant a Commission upon William Verner, Esq. of the Armagh Militia, and M. P. for the County of Wick. Hugh Massy Lloyd, second son of the late Lord Massy, is appointed by the Lord Lieutenant of Wellington to a Second Lieutenant in the Royal Irish Fusiliers.

The Ordnance authorities object to the purchase of a quantity as 11,000lbs. of gunpowder from private vendors in this city, at the Upper William-street, as not of the degree with the strictly defined service, who are not responsible for the quality therefrom.

Captain Charles Stuart, 1st Life Guards, has been granted a Commission for £30,000 by the recent Commission of the Peace. Stuart de Rothsay.

Colonel Sir Patrick Ross, lately promoted Governor of St. Helena, has been appointed to the Royal Artillery in Clonmel, was this week, for drunkenness.

The Board of Ordnance will in the next month a canteen, armoury, and barracks; also, a Barracks in Londonderry.