

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

THE LATE JOHN FOWLER, ESQ. DEPUTY GRAND SECRETARY OF FREEMASONS IN IRELAND—We have already recorded the death of John Fowler, Esq. one of the oldest, most respected, and most erudite members of the Masonic fraternity in Ireland. Brother Fowler, who for the last 30 years filled the arduous and responsible office of Deputy Grand Secretary to the Grand Lodge of that ancient and honorable society—Brother Fowler had attained to the patriarchal age of 87 years, during 64 years of which he was a member of the craft, having been initiated in Lodge 620, known as 'The First Volunteer Lodge of Ireland,' in the year 1792, and without intermission continued his zealous and useful aid on all occasions when his brethren found it necessary to draw upon his well stored mind for advice and counsel under the pressure of any emergency. It is due to the revered memory of Brother Fowler to state, that to his active and untiring zeal in the cause of Freemasonry the order is indebted for the introduction of the highest grades of Masonry into this country; he having in the year 1824, in conjunction with his Grace the Duke of Leinster, M W Grand Master of Ireland, obtained a warrant for holding the 'Thirty-third,' or 'Ultimique Gradus,' from the Supreme Council of the city of Charleston, in the state of South Carolina. Of the Supreme Council thenceforward held in this metropolis, the illustrious Brother Fowler has ever since deservedly held the exalted position of Sovereign Lieut. Commander. To similar praiseworthy exertions on the part of Brother Fowler may be attributed the perpetuating in full efficiency the various degrees of freemasonry, as they are now to be seen in this country, it having ever been his study to inculcate 'strict adherence to the ancient landmarks of the order,' and to impress upon all the necessity for 'uniformity of practice.' That Brother Fowler's deep research into ancient masonic lore, his clear and lucid mode of imparting to his brethren the information thus obtained, and his unremitting care and attention to the Order at all times were highly appreciated, needs no further proof than will be furnished by the unprecedented attendance of the brethren who assembled round his—the grave of departed worth, each anxious to testify his personal regard for the man and the Mason, whose blameless life as the one, and whose intelligent and active discharge of his duties as the other, had drawn around him closely the hearts of all his brethren. On the solemn occasion of his interment there was an array of brethren in which every grade of the Order, from the first to the last, seemed to vie each with the other which should be most conspicuous in paying the last sad tribute to his memory. The service was performed by the Grand Chaplain of the Order. An appropriate and impressive address was delivered within the chapel by the Rev. R. Wall, DD. the burial service being performed by the Rev. Henry Westby, the Deputy Grand Master, at the appropriate moment of committing the body to the grave reading aloud the scroll inscribed with the style, title and masonic dignities of the deceased brother, which when read, was dropped into the grave, according to ancient usage, and as the moment approached which was to hide for ever from mortal eyes all that was mortal to their departed and deceased brother, is it too much to say that not a heart around that grave but throbbed with feelings of fraternal sorrow, that each had lost a friend whose counsel and advice he had been accustomed to receive—that within the precincts of the time honored Masonic temple a great light had been extinguished.

From Mountjoy prison, Dublin, 60 convicts arrived at Spike Island, Cork. on Monday and Tuesday.

assertion that this was a "lax weir job," he would now vote to continue the proceedings.

On a division Mr. Spaight's amendment was lost, and the original resolution carried.

Mr. Spaight then moved that further proceedings against Mr. Stafford be abandoned.—The motion was also lost on a division

A resolution was then adopted reducing the Head Water Bailiff's wages from £1 to 15s a week.

The Report shall appear as an Advertisement on Wednesday next.

The 'Severn' arrived at Queenstown, Cork, on Friday, and embarked next day 470 men and 19 officers, consisting of six drafts from the different regiments in this garrison and Templemore. The 'Severn' sailed the same evening for Malta.

ROYAL NAVY

Second Master—F R Llewellyn to be Master.
 Captains—William H Jervis to London; George K Wilson to Rodney; Wm Moorson to Eurotas. Commanders—C W Hope to Prometheus; J W White to Centurion; William M Dowall to Rodney. Lieutenants and Commanders—Henry B Woolcombe to Whiting; Wm F Lee to Grasshopper; Henry L Round to Pelter; Charles G Nelson to Forward. Lieutenants—G W Strong to Arrogant; D E Orr to Esk; R P Jenkins to Flying Fish; O G F Knowles to Sappho; Bedford C T Pim to Centurion. Master—H G Thomsett to Eurotas. Chaplains—Henry Glaason to Tortoise; E H Fothergill to Impetieuse; C T Coombe to Centurion; C B Haslewood to Pearl; F Gibbons to Havannah. Chaplain and Naval Instructor—Edgar Barnes to Retribution. Naval Instructors—John H Bond to Cressy; Alfred Turmine to Centurion. Surgeon—George Mason to Flying Fish. Paymaster—E W White to Valorous Mates—G D Bridges (act.) to Flying Fish; C H Stirling (act.) to Sanspareil. Assistant Paymasters—H G Gair in charge, to Recruit; Wm T Comerford to Algiers; John S Moore to Royal George. Acting Clerks—W R Watson to Exmouth; John G Fraueklyn to Hogue. Masters' Assistants—C Rollaroon to Centurion; Joseph Whyte to Sappho; H P Collinson to Bleuhelm. Naval Cadet—H Stephenton to Colossus.
 COAST GUARD—Lieutenants RN—Edwin R J Balfour, of the Victoria, revenue cruiser, to command the Prince Albert, vice J C Sicklemore, promoted to the rank of Commander RN; Robert Laurie Atkinson to command the Garrance Bay station, vice Mr Alexander Renand, superseded; John Franklin to be a Chief Officer. Chief Officer—Walter Hall (late Commander mail steamer) to command the station at 24 Tower, vice R K C Stapleton, removed. Master, RN—James F Beckett, from Pagham, to command the Sidmouth station, vice Lieut Loveless, previously removed.

IRISH LITERARY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE

Sir—We are directed by the Committee of the Irish Literary Teachers' Association, to have sent to you the accompanying rules, and to beg you will have the goodness to insert them, and direct the attention of teachers and of the public generally, to the existence and objects of the society.

We are, sir, your very obedient servants,
 M. CROSSE and J. GIBSON,
 Hon. Secs.

84, Marlboro-street, Dublin.

RULES.

1. This society shall be called the Irish Literary Teachers' Association, and its objects shall be the intellectual and social amelioration of the condition of teachers and the elevation of their vocation to the rank of a patented profession.
2. Literary teachers of both sexes and of all religious denominations shall be eligible as professional members, and the public generally as honorary members, on payment of at least 10s. per annum, by quarterly or larger instalments, in advance.
- 3.—No subject, religious, political, or in any way interfering with the Educational Board or Societies of this country, or with the patrons or managers of schools, shall be discussed or introduced at any of the meetings of this society.
- 4.—The affairs of this society shall be managed by a board of teachers chosen at a general meeting, one-half by the Protestant, and one-half by the Roman Catholic section of members.
- 5.—The preceding rules shall not be annulled or in