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A young lad named Patrick Shaanahan, aged 15 years, was so dreadfully injured by machinery at Newgate brewry on Thursday evening that he lingered but a short time in Barrington's Hospital, when death put an end to his sufferings. The occurrence was accidental.

Several persons have called at this office to complain of the exceedingly bad state of the road from Clare-street to the railway bridge, towards Newcastle. The county surveyor ought to see to it at once, as no vehicle can travel with safety.

Mr. Michael Hartigan, has received instructions from Doctor Apjohn, who has let Coologue farm, within 1½ miles of Pallas station, to sell by auction on the 15th of March next, 80 head of stock, comprising dairy cows, in-calf heifers, and strippers, &c. Full particulars will appear in our next.

The *Clare Journal* states that the Bill now before Parliament for improving the navigation of the Fergus is most objectionable, and publishes a letter from Mr. Staunton Cahill to the Board of Works, in which he says, "the result of the plan will be to increase the tidal wave at Limerick by 18 inches, which is much required, and lower the Fergus immediately about Ennis, by excluding its great opponent the sea."

A bill has been brought into the House of Commons to enable the Treasury to defray a portion of the expense of the annual revision of valuation in Ireland.

On Tuesday night, Timothy Ryan, a baker, residing in Harpur's lane, Cork, fell down stairs while in a state of intoxication and was killed. The unfortunate man had previously turned his wife and three children out of the house.

In the House of Commons on Thursday the Committee on the Roscommon Election Petition was sworn. In reply to Mr Wood, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that a drawback on wines would be allowed only to those who had complied with the treasury minute of 1843. No difference would be made between metropolitan and provincial wine merchants. No drawback would be allowed on home made wines. In reply to Mr Sheridan the Chancellor of the Exchequer stated that the exemption of incomes under 100l. would be continued as before. The adjourned debate on Mr Du Cane's resolution was resumed by Mr Hubbard. Mr Bright delivered an eloquent speech in support of the Budget and commercial treaty. On the motion of Mr Newdegate the debate was adjourned.

There was fair demand in London this week for inferior sorts of Irish butter—Limerick, 108s.; Cork, 110s.; Ennis and Kilrush, 102s. to 106s.; fine butter from Carlow and Clonmel much neglected; best foreign brought 130s; bacon depressed, and at a decline of 2s per cwt.

A rich farmer named Hawkins, of Gloucester, invited a number of his nephews and nieces to dinner a few evenings ago, and after justice had been done the estates, presented each of them with a cheque for 300l, amounting on the whole to 7,300l. This is an example worthy of imitation.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Company—(77 miles open)—Traffic for week ending Saturday, 18th Feb 1860—Passengers Parcels, &c., 517l, 3s 1d; goods and cattle, 556l. 10s. Total, 1073l. 13s. 1d. Corresponding week last year, 854l. 15s 1d.

THE BAND OF THE ROYAL CO. LI REGIMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.  
 SIR,—Will you allow me to use the columns of your widely circulating journal to call the attention of the people of Limerick to a subject of much importance? The want of a good band has been felt for the last few years in this city, and the advantages of having one are so obvious, that it is only necessary to direct public attention to the subject to secure the establishment of a first-class band in Limerick. An opportunity now offers itself for the establishment of such a band, in consequence of the Royal County Limerick Regiment being disbanded, and it has been suggested to Captain Brine that an effort should be made to retain its services for the county and city of Limerick as a subscription band. This proposal is a desirable one, and it appears to me to want only the sanction of the people of Limerick to make it an accomplished fact.

I understand from Captain Brine that the members of the Royal County of Limerick Regiment are willing to give the use of their band instruments for a limited period, and thus the first heavy item of expense is avoided. The band at present consists of 20 instrumentalists, from which, 20 of the best selected, thus at once giving the new band a nucleus of trained musicians, without the necessary loss and expense in training. Captain Brine proposes that the band should be got up by voluntary subscription, the subscribers to elect a committee of 5 or 6 to have the exclusive management of the band. The committee to have the entire control and the full power to make all necessary arrangements, to have the power to hire the band for all concerts, theatrical performances, public dinners, balls, parties, pic-nics, and other occasions, in the county and city, but to have no power to allow the use of the band for any purpose or religious ceremony. The band to be paid the square, with permission of the noble proprietors, to play two afternoons in the week, and on two evenings during the summer. Subscribers to be admitted free on such occasions, and to be charged at moderate charges—the evening charges to be less than those for the afternoon, to enable all to avail themselves of the recreation after work. The revenue derived from these sources would be a material aid in keeping up the band, so that a large amount of subscriptions need not be very large.

I feel sure that my fellow-citizens, and the nobles and gentlemen of the county will come forward to subscribe liberally for the purpose. If a good band is made up to start the project a comparatively small amount will be sufficient for the future expenses. I think we are much indebted to Captain Brine for the suggestion, and I trust that the opportunity which may never rise again, will not be allowed to pass. Trusting that you will give the subject the valuable aid of your advocacy.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant

WILLIAM FITZGERALD

Limerick, February 25, 1860.

At the conclusion of the Carrick-on-Suir dispensary inquiry respecting charges for neglect of duty preferred by Dr. Edmond...