

said that, should the distribution of letters generally to the various quarters of Paris by the same means.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has been suffering from indisposition at Lambeth Palace during the past week. On Saturday the venerable Primate was considered better, and on Sunday there was continued amendments in his health.

In the Court of Queen's Bench, London, Lord Chief Justice Cockburn has decided that volunteers riding in uniform from drill in a hackney coach are exempt from toll.

THE WAR IN AMERICA,

DESTRUCTION OF NORFOLK NAVY YARD.

The *New York Courier and Enquirer* gives the following account of the destruction of the Norfolk Navy Yard:—

"The steam tug Yankee, Captain Germain, from Charleston Bar on the 15th, via Norfolk, on the 21st p.m. arrived to-day. She has three passengers from the Navy Yard at Gosport, and has had very heavy weather both on the outer and home passage. Has lost smoke-stack, and received considerable other damage. On arriving at Charleston Bar and finding the fleet had gone she put about for Norfolk; arrived there on the 17th, at four o'clock p.m. and finding a movement on foot to seize the boat proceeded to the Navy Yard, and placed the steamer under their guns; on the 18th the custom-house officers came to seize her, when the commodore of the yard refused to give her up, saying, that if they attempted to take her by force, he would blow her out of the water before they could reach Norfolk, which quieted the mob who had congregated.

The Yankee took the Cumberland in tow to Fortress Monroe. On the way she grounded on Oris Island, and was two hours getting off. The Secessionists, observing the escape of the Cumberland, commenced obstructing the channel below her. After towing, the frigate proceeded to New York. The Pawnee left Washington on Friday night with an extra detachment of officers, men, and marines, with flag officer Paulding on board, and proceeded to Fortress Monroe, where she received the 3rd Massachusetts Regiment, just arrived hence for the navy yard at Gosport. Here it was found (at Gosport) the officers in charge had commenced destroying the public property, finding it would fall into the hands of the enemy. They had scuttled all the ships.

The Cumberland, being the only ship in commission, cut down the shears, and rendered most of the other property useless. The object of the riot having been partly frustrated by the scuttling of the ships, it was intended that the Federal forces should leave. Preparations were made to make the demolition complete, to blow up the deck and burn the property, all things to be ready by day light. The Pawnee, with the Cumberland in tow, assisted by the Yankee, started, and after passing the navy yard sent up a rocket, a preconcerted signal to apply the match, and in an instant ships, ship houses, and store houses, were in flames, and so rapid were they that Commodore Rogers of the Navy, and Captain Wright of the Engineers, were unable to reach the point of rendezvous, where the boat was in waiting, and were necessarily left behind. Among the most valuable property destroyed were the line-of-battle ship New York, on the stocks; Merrimac, first class screw; Germantown, sloop of war, just ready for sea; Plymouth and Dolphin brigs. Also, the Pennsylvania, Columbia, and Potomac, frigates, Columbus and Delaware liners; all of the last named being hulks, and nearly worthless. Large quantities of provisions, cordage, and machinery were also destroyed, besides buildings of great value; but it is not positively known that the dock was blown up. The burning at the navy yard at Norfolk was done by the Union men, who are in majority, but comparatively unarmed. The Cumberland was sixty short of her complement. When the Pawnee came up to the navy yard, both the Cumberland and Merrimac lay broadside to her, with guns loaded, thinking she was in the hands of the Secessionists. On board the Pawnee an opinion prevailed that a similar state of affairs existed on board these ships, and she was ready accordingly. When the Yankee hailed, 'What steamer is that?' the answer was, 'The United States steamer Pawnee.' The Yankee replied, 'I am the Yankee.' The Union men on the navy yard cut down the flagstaff, and the signal was given by the enemy. The guns at the yard, and at St Helena were spiked. The Yankee has gone to the navy yard at Brooklyn."

DUBLIN, MAY 8.

At the meeting of the Corporation, held on Monday, an application was read from Mr. Train, asking the signature of the Council to certain papers, and the expression of its approval, dissent, or neutrality with respect to his proposed tramways from Abbey-street to Clontarf, and from Stephen's-green to Roundtown. The letter signified Mr. Train's intention of making application to the Privy Council for assent, pursuant to the provisions of an Act of Parliament recently passed. After some discussion, a resolution

publication.

Advertisements intended for publication in the LIMERICK CHRONICLE should be sent to the office before 11 o'clock on Wednesdays and Saturdays; otherwise they will be late for insertion.

THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 8, 1861.

LATEST NEWS.

No later intelligence than that published has been received from America.

A telegram announces that the Czar of Russia has sent the Grand Duke Michael to Poland on a mission of peace, with full power to settle the differences between the Emperor and his Polish subjects, and to allay the feelings of irritation excited by the recent severities of the Government at Warsaw.

The Constitutional party in Italy appear to be acting with firmness and vigour to counteract the attempts of the reactionary fanatics and miscreants.

DEATH OF MR. THOMAS GRUBB.—It is our painful duty to announce the sudden death, on yesterday morning, at his residence, George's-street, to the deep regret of a large family, and numerous circle of friends, of Mr. Thomas Grubb, proprietor of an old established drapery and clothing establishment, well known to the gentry of the county and city. The hand of death visited him as he was dressing, a little before seven o'clock, a pain in the head being the only thing of which he complained, but apoplexy quickly ensued, and having become at once insensible, he expired in a short time. Doctors Wilkinson and Gelston were in immediate attendance, but medical aid proved unavailing. Mr. Grubb, who was a member of the Society of Friends, was respected by all classes, and his unexpected death is deeply deplored.

The tolls of the Wellesley bridge have been let to Arthur Russell, Esq., for the ensuing year at £400, being £100 less than last year's letting.

On Monday evening last, there was considerable rejoicings in the neighbourhood of Newport, Tipperary on the coming of age of William Ewer Benn, Esq., brother-in-law of the late lamented Albert Lee, Esq., of Barna. Large bonfires blazed on the hills of Clonbunny and Dromore, and the numerous tenants on his estate heartily wished him long life and happiness.

It will be seen by advertisement that the *Kelpie* steamer will resume her station between Fynes, Tarbert, and Kilrush, for the summer season, on Monday next, and on Saturday a special trip is announced from Limerick, by the *Kelpie*, to Kilrush and back.

Sir Edward Fitzgerald, Bart., Carrigoran, arrived on Saturday at Cruise's Hotel, en route for Dublin, accompanied by Doctor Courtenay, R.N., of Newmarket-on-Fergus.

THE CORPORATION.—Monday last being quarter day a meeting of the Corporation was to have been held at the Town Hall at 12 o'clock, but up to half past one there being only one member (Mr. Ward) in attendance the Mayor adjourned to that day three months.

Two beautifully sculptured drinking fountains are being erected at the Limerick terminus, having the motto, 'protect what has been erected for your benefit.'

Henry Keane, Esq., has broken up his farming establishment in Kilkenny, and removed his stock, &c., to his residence in the far West.

We are glad to find that the Mayor and City Magistrates have taken energetic measures to put down the system of street begging, which lately has become quite an intolerable nuisance. Several of those meddlesome were brought up yesterday and to-day at the police court, some were sentenced to seven, and others to twenty-eight days' imprisonment.

Captain McCraith's Clown won the first and, Post Horn won the second race at the Nenagh steeple chase races on yesterday.

A Clare contemporary asserts that the Dublin police are Jesuits acting under the advice and control of the Romish clergy.

Our correspondent in the county of Kilkenny, informs us that very few farmers have their potatoes sown as yet, and scarcely any oats sown; he knew a man that called upon two respectable farmers last week he worked, in the hope of getting a plough and pair of horses to sow his oats; when he saw the horses he did not apply, as their wretched condition plainly told him it was no use to do so. The hire for a plough and horses for the day is twelve shillings, and willingly given. Our correspondent writes to say, he passed a farm belonging to Mr Patterson of Inpoint House, on last Saturday, the only one where all crops were in the ground, and a total cessation of labour.

Mr Whiteside will move on Tuesday his resolutions on the subject of National Education in Ireland.

The Cork horse fair held on Friday last was but a

The principal of the French... treaty is the establishment of a 10 per cent ad valorem tariff. Some few articles, including thread, woven stuff of cotton and linen, are to be charged 15 per cent. 1864; but eventually the effect will be to equalise the whole system of duties between France, Belgium, and England.

Great activity prevails at several of the royal dock yards in getting ready for sea the powerful squad of first class steam vessels and armed gun boats, the protection of British interests in the American waters.

The French Credit Mobilier is desirous of issuing 1 million of debentures at 5 per cent., in order to borrow railway and other securities yielding 6½ per cent.; the recent firmness of the Paris Bourse is attributed to this scheme; but it is now thought the government will refuse its sanction.

It is stated from Paris that in the course of a month there will be an issue of 10,000,000l. or 12,000,000 of new railway bonds.

The *Herald* alludes to the probability of an early advance in the rate of discount; yesterday country bankers were observed to be increasing their own reserves withdrawing deposits from the London bankers and count establishments, and several of the Joint Stock Banks refused in consequence to make additional advances to the brokers.

Policies of insurance upon gold ships from Calcutta to this country were effected yesterday at Lloyd's, of the offices took 20,000l. in this class of risks.

Great Eastern Shares have advanced, owing to a liability of the ship being chartered by the government of the United States as soon as she arrives at New York. The Edinburgh, which sailed to day from Liverpool for New York, took 84,024l. in specie.

HOUSE OF LORDS—YESTERDAY.

The wills of personality executed by British subjects abroad bill, after a long discussion, was referred to select committee, and the house adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS—YESTERDAY.

Mr. Horsfall postponed his motion respecting the rents rights at sea, until the views of the Government could be made public.

Mr. Maguire moved for copies of papers and correspondence relative to the mission of the Right Hon. E. Gladstone to the Ionian Islands as Lord High Commissioner Extraordinary in 1858.

After a long discussion, Mr. E. Fortescue said intended to produce those papers.

Mr. Maguire declared himself satisfied, and some further discussion the motion was withdrawn. The house went into committee on the tramway (land) bill. On clause 2nd, Colonel Dunne objected to centralization, and did not see why tramways could be treated by the committee in same manner as roads; he moved the omission of this clause.

Sir E. Grogan objected to the proposed alteration of the bill of last year, of which he highly approved.

Mr. Cardwell suggested that an amendment might be introduced giving a further protection to other in of the landlord.

On a division, the clause was carried by 157 to 10. A long discussion ensued on the other clauses, which Mr. Butt moved that the chairman report progress.

Mr. Disraeli opposed Mr. Butt's proposition, a division there appeared for reporting progress against 79.

The report on resolution respecting the dowry Princess Alice was agreed to, and a bill ordered brought in.

Other business was disposed of, and the house adjourned.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

CHESTER CUP—LATEST BETTING.

Three, Chere Annie; 5, Ben Webster; 6, arms; 6, Wallace; 15, Herney; 20 each, C. Satellite, and the Brewer; 33, Light; 50, J. afl taken.

CHESTER CUP.

Ben Webster

Chere Annie

Fifteen ran,

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

Daily News City Article

Tuesday E

There was not the least change in the funds standing the reaction on the Paris Bourse, the demand for money, and the prospect of freer sales of gold to America. The chief movement was a further general fall in English railway and the discount market the general supply of money scanty, owing partly to the reduction during few months in country bankers' balance; rate bills was 5 to 5½ per cent; the commercial debt turned upon the Bank to day with greater force applications at that establishment were so heavy continuance upon the same scale for a few days cause the rate to be raised.

LONDON FUNDS—THIS DAY.

OPENING PRICES.

Consols Money 91

Do. Account 91

New 3 per Cents 89

1 P.M. PRICES.