

...excellent and sweet, but it was somewhat darker in the colour than that made from Mr. Harris' flour.

Mr. Nolan—Mr. Gaffney is an unwilling contractor, and the better way, in my opinion, would be to let out of him.

Mr. Phayer—The better plan is to let the Master go into the market and make his purchases, and charge the difference against the contractor.

Chairman—I am afraid that this plan will lead to an interminable system of confusion and inconvenience.

Mr. Carroll—I would suggest that the contractor be let out of the contract.

Master—He is supplying other articles—Indian meal and caten-meal, and they are not open to any complaint. They are very good.

The Chairman then read the notice:—"That, as the flour supplied by the Messrs. Gaffney was not equal to the sample, the Master is directed to go into the market, and purchase flour of good quality," and the matter then dropped.

#### WIFE DESERTING.

The Chairman said that he received a letter from the relieving officer requesting to know, if the solicitor of the board would be directed to attend at the county petty sessions, in order to prosecute a man who deserted his wife, and was on the eve of sailing to America, leaving her destitute, and consequently a burthen on the ratepayers.

Mr. Burke (P.L.I.), said that in this case some domestic disputes had arisen between the husband and wife. The former was supercargo on board an American vessel, and had settled an annuity of £80 a year on his wife, and which annuity was regularly paid, a fact demonstrated by her own receipts, but she for some reason or other, perhaps with the view of getting further alimony, went into the poor-house for two days to lay ground for alleged desertion, and was written as at once sent to Cork, the man was arrested and brought down here, and was brought before the city magistrates, who dismissed the charge on the ground of want of authority, it being a county case, and therefore for adjudication by the county magistrates. Now, he (Mr. Burke) did not see how this woman could urge destitution; she had an annuity which appeared to be regularly paid. Again it was never intended by the Legislature that the poor law should be made an instrument of litigating disputes between man and wife.

Mr. Clancy—The woman is not destitute; if she were she would not run out of the poor-house in two days.

Mr. Phayer—The woman wants to have the annuity secured to her by deed.

Mr. Burke (P.L.I.)—The poor-law has nothing whatever to do with that.

Chairman—I am decidedly opposed to allowing this woman to come in here and prosecute her suit against her husband at our expense. We had to pay heavily already for this kind of work—women coming in here merely to prosecute, or persecute, as the case might be, their husbands. This woman has written a letter to me, requesting that the solicitor of the board be allowed to attend before the bench to plead against her husband.

The Master—The solicitor to the board is also solicitor to her husband.

Mr. MacSheehy suggested that the solicitor be directed to attend before the bench and watch the proceedings, so as to protect the relieving officer, Mr. Oartigan.

This suggestion was ordered to be acted on.

The Inspector directed that permanent guards be placed round the fireplaces in the lunatic wards, and that the epileptic patients be separated from the lunatics. Dr. Nugent's report was read. He stated that the lunatic class was well attended, and that their dietary was good and ample.

The motion to raise the present rate of the collectors' poundage, of which Mr. Sexton had given notice, was withdrawn by that gentleman for the present.

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. John E. Delmege said that the special committee would not be able to bring up their report until that day week (next Wednesday). It was very voluminous and would be found to contain matter which could demand the serious consideration of the board.

Mr. Sexton would suggest that when the report could be brought up, read, and discussed, that it be printed for the information of the guardians.

The Master placed two samples of bread on the boardroom table—one made from flour furnished by the contractor, and the other from flour purchased in the market. These samples were discussed by several guardians and others after a manducatory fashion,

...would make a good bargain.

Mr. Gabbett—Name, name.

Dr. Parker—I don't give names unless I have authority to do so. There was also another element in this case, but which he would not then mention, but in another place he would be found amongst others aiding to have restored to his fellow-citizens that property which he held to be their holy and inalienable right. The Doctor concluded by moving his motion.

Mr. Thomas F. Sexton seconded the motion.

Mr. Gabbett hoped that in sending up the returns to Sir Richard Griffith, £27,000 would not be set down as the value of this property, as people did not like to be laughed at. He knew the weir since '34, and the whole weir and fishery were not one quarter of the amount at which Dr. Parker set them down.

Chairman—Circumstances may have been greatly altered for the better since '34.

Mr. Gabbett—Mr. Malcolmson has lodged an appeal against the valuation of £800.

Dr. Parker—That is a mere humbug and worthless, he has lodged an appeal not on the merits but on a technicality.

The motion was put and carried.

#### THE NEW RATE.

Mr. John Brown moved that the estimate for the new rate for the city and rural districts be approved of, and adopted.

Mr. Clancy seconded the motion.

Mr. Gabbett moved as an amendment that the rate on the city be reduced to 3s. in the pound.

Mr. John C. Delmege seconded the amendment.

After a considerable discussion which was altogether of a very desultory nature the amendment was put to the poll with the following result:—

For the amendment—The Mayor, Messrs. John M'Donnell, Thos. F. Sexton, W. Phayer, E. Gabbett, Caleb Powell, P. Nolan, John E. Delmege, F. Ward, John Thomas MacSheehy, J. Drysdale, John Hall, L. Quinlivan, P. Verlin, Dr. Parker, P. Synan, M. Gavin, M. H. De Courcy, M. C. Delmege, J. R. Tinsley, P. J. Ryan, Thos. M'Donnell, T. M'M. Cregan, Jas. Sexton, M. R. Ryan, John Ryan, M. Carroll, Z. Myles, T. Tomkins—24.

Against it—Messrs. Burke, Clancy, Frost, Goggin, Wilson, Liston, Studdert, Carmody, J. Ryan, Holmes, Dwyer, Bentley, and John Brown—14.

Messrs. Adamson and Gubbins did not vote.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried, and the reduced rate of 3s. fixed as that to which the property of the city shall be liable.

#### THE RURAL RATES.

After another discussion on the question of reducing the rural rates,

Mr. MacMurray moved that—"A reduction be made in the rates on the rural districts, on the clerk's estimate, in the same ratio as was made on the city estimate.

Mr. Studdert seconded the motion which, on being put to the vote, was carried by the majority of 'ayes,' without going to the poll.

#### THE POWER OF THE RELIEVING OFFICER.

Mr. John C. Delmege said there was one matter which he would not then bring forward, but wait until the report of the special committee was brought before the board, were it not that it was a matter of so pressing a nature as to require a decision upon it, and such a decision as would check it at once. It was this—the relieving officer thought that he had much greater power than he (Mr. Delmege) and others believed he had. He (the relieving officer) was in the habit of sending persons to the workhouse on tickets of admission at unseasonable hours. Tramps and scamps from all quarters of the country, and these kind of people were admitted, now his (Mr. Delmege's) object was to have Hayes the porter prevented from admitting these people without the masters approbation. Hayes had been brought to task for doing this, he promised not to do it, nevertheless, he was found doing it no later than yesterday, and the master did not know one word about it. He would therefore move that the master should receive directions to carry out the orders of the poor law commissioners, that he receive the keys after 9 o'clock, and keep them until 6 o'clock next morning, and in the mean time no one to be admitted.

The Inspector said that the master should have the keys, but non admittance of people to relief at any hour could not be adopted, relief should be given to the destitute at every hour.

The tenders for milk contracts were then gone into, and the board adjourned.

The spring show of the Cork Horticultural Society took place yesterday in the Corn Exchange, and was most successful.

At Westland-row, Dublin, the wife of Doctor Cruise, of a daughter.

At Kingstown, the wife of Thomas B. Cockburn, Esq., of a daughter.

At Alma-terrace, Monkstown, Dublin, the wife of Alex. D. L. Edie, Esq., of a daughter.

At Rathgar, county Dublin, the wife of W. F. Littlehale, Esq., of a daughter.

At Beggar's-bush-road, the wife of Mr. Wm. Owens, Damestreet, Dublin, of a son.

At Edenderry Lodge, Belfast, the wife of Ernest C. Wilford, Esq., 49th Regt., of a daughter.

At College-square, North, Belfast, the wife of Mr. C. Aitchison, of a son.

At Knockadoo, county Rosecommon, the wife of J. B. Little, Esq., of a daughter.

At Ballyward Lodge, county Down, the wife of John Leslie, Esq., of a daughter.

At Ballykilbeg House, county Down, the wife of William Johnston, Esq., of a daughter.

At Blithfield, Staffordshire, the Lady Bagot, of a son.

At Cleveland-square, London, the wife of W. T. Power, Esq., C.B., Commissary-in-Chief, of a son.

At Hampton Court, London, the wife of Lieut.-Col. Ralph Smyth, Retired, Bengal Artillery, of a son.

At Redmarton, near Cirencester, the wife of the Rev. Henry C. Powles, of a daughter.

At Barningham Rectory, Suffolk, the wife of the Rev. John Baillie, of a son.

#### MARRIAGES.

On the 26th inst., at Nantenan Church, by the Most Rev. George Butler, D.D., Coadjutor Bishop of Limerick, John, only son of William Howley, Esq., D.L., Rich-hill, county Limerick, to Helen Mary, eldest daughter of the late John White, Esq., J.P., of Nantenan, in the same county.

At Christ Church, Cork, John Penrose, Esq., to Mary, daughter of Nicholas Grattan, Esq., surgeon, both of Cork.

At St. James's Church, Paddington, London, Captain the Hon. William Le Poer Trench, son of the Earl of Ciancarty, to Harriet Maria Georgina Martins, daughter of Sir William and Lady Martins.

On Tuesday, in England, Viscount Powerscourt, to the daughter of the Earl of Leicester.

At St. Anne's Church, Dublin, Daniel, son of Lewis Ferguson, Esq., merchant, Glasgow, to Mary Jean, daughter of Mr. John Laird, of Dublin.

At Belfast, the Rev. James Allatt, of Newton-le-Willows, to Janette, daughter of Mr. George Miller, Manchester, and niece of Mr. G. Stevenson, Belfast.

In London, Wm. Ewing, Lieutenant Bengal Army, son of the late Lieut.-Col. R. E. Chambers, 9th Bengal Cavalry, to Mary Jane, daughter of the late Rev. T. T. Baker, formerly Incumbent of Ivori, and late Chaplain H.M.S. Fox.

At St. Saviour's Church, Manchester, Samuel A. M'Gowan, Esq., M.D., of Brookborough, county Fermanagh, to Elizabeth Annie, daughter of the late Robert Gault, Esq.

At Lucas Creek, New Zealand, Samuel, son of the late Charles Dunn, Esq., F.R.C.S., of London, to Anna Maria, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Garner, of Garnerville, near Belfast.

#### DEATHS.

We are deeply concerned to record the death of William Lloyd, Esq., Tower-hill, near Pallasgreen, in this county, aged 62 years, which sad event occurred on Tuesday evening last, 23th inst., deeply and deservedly regretted. During a short illness he displayed that Christian fortitude which sustains at the latter moments. A retired, generous, and unassuming gentleman, whose career was distinguished for charity and benevolence towards all who needed his assistance. As a kind and indulgent landlord, he was deservedly esteemed and respected; in him his tenantry have cause to mourn the loss of one who always acted towards them as a friend and benefactor, indulgent and considerate. His remains will be interred in the family vault, Tower-hill, on Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock.

On the 15th inst., at Aldershot, in the prime of life, Henry Macdonald Burns, Captain in H.M. 24th Regiment, sincerely and deservedly regretted.

At Coolebane, county Cork, Richard Ash, Esq., at Sunday's-well, Cork, Miss Eliza Copping.

At Lansdown-road, Dublin, the Rev. Wm. Hughes, Vicar of Modelligs, diocese of Lismore.

At Gardiner's-place, Dublin, John, son of Dr. Bolland.

At St. James's-terrace, Malahide, Emma, infant daughter of Wellington Shegog, Esq.

At Highfield-terrace, Rathgar, Josephine, daughter of the late Joseph Smythe, Esq., Lower Abbey-street, Dublin.

At Mountjoy-square, Dublin, Gertrude, widow of Major Wm. J. Alexander, of Garristown, county Dublin.

At Dundrum, county Dublin, George Meyler, Esq.

At Donnybrook, Joseph Bryan Hines, Esq.

In Dublin, Fanny Goodenough, widow of Benjamin Maddock, Esq., and daughter of the late Rev. William Williams, Rector of Bishopstrow, Wilts.

At Bray, Emma, wife of Dr. Brady, of Rathmines-road, Dublin.

At Naas, Julia, wife of Charles D. Irwin, Esq., S.I.

At Fintona, county Tyrone, Isabella Eccles, wife of John Mossgrove, Esq., Surgeon R.N.

At Clifton, Jane Marion Christian, daughter of the late Ven. Archdeacon Hall, D.D., Rector of Aughrim, county Galway, and of Arbee, county Tyrone.

At Bayswater, London, Lieut.-Colonel John Hancock, Retired, Bombay Army.

At Hyde-park, London, Charles W. Richardson, Esq., late Deputy-Commissioner in Scinde.

At Eaton Bishop, Hereford, Mary, widow of Lieut.-Colonel John Carroll.

At Bromley-hill, Kent, Emily, wife of Colonel Long.

At Thurloe-place, Brompton, Rear-Admiral Evan Nepean. On passage to India, Capt. Edmund Twysden, 55th Regt.

At Bombay, Selina Amy, aged three years, and Eva Montgomerie Annie, aged fifteen months, daughters of Captain Miller, 1st Royal Regt.

At Funchal, Madeira, Cecilia Caroline, daughter of the Rev. J. P. Lightfoot, D.D., Rector of Exeter College, and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford.