

THIS DAY'S NEWS BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

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TUESDAY EVENING, 6 P.M.

DENMARK—REFUSAL OF THE AUSTRIAN AND PRUSSIAN ULTIMATUM—WITHDRAWAL OF THE AMBASSADORS.

(TELEGRAM TO THE MORNING HERALD).

FLEMSBERG, MONDAY NIGHT.—The Envoys of Prussia and Austria have presented an ultimatum calling on the Danish Government to withdraw the November Constitution. The Danish Government have rejected the demand. The Envoys left Copenhagen at two this afternoon in a private steamer.

THE DANISH RIGSRAAD.

COPENHAGEN, 18TH JAN.—The draft of the address was read to-day in the Rigsraad. It says that the House approves of the conduct of the King in having maintained the independence of Denmark before the commands of foreign powers. The people will bear bloody sacrifices to preserve the connection between Schleswig and Denmark.

THE DANISH CRISIS.

The Post says the Austrian and Prussian representatives will doubtless quit Copenhagen, and war may be formally declared, but it is still possible that hostilities may not follow. Neither Austria nor Prussia can possibly wish for a serious war with Denmark, and we suspect that this present policy, however dangerous, is pursued from a sole desire, in consequence of their defeat in the Diet, to become, so far as regards the other German powers, masters of the situation. The allied powers of Prussia and Austria on one side, and Denmark on the other, would be the belligerent parties, and the German Confederation—that is to say, the minor German powers, would no longer have a right to interfere in the pending dispute. Austria and Prussia would be the sole arbiters of the conditions on which they would be willing to conclude peace.

DEATH OF THE DUKE OF CLEVELAND.

The Duke of Cleveland died at Rabo Castle yesterday afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock. His Grace had been seriously ill since Friday.

OUTWARD AMERICAN MAILS.

GALWAY TUESDAY.—The Atlantic Company's steamer Hibernia sailed for St. John's and New-York, at 2 5 p.m. She takes out 300 passengers, 28 sacks mails, and latest telegrams. Wind, S.W., moderate.

GENERAL NEWS.

Scientific and practical Commissioners have reported to the Federal Government in America the practicability of using petroleum or hayber carbon oils for the purpose of generating steam, and it is alleged that a naval steamer can keep the sea under steam three times as long with less labour and greater economy compared with an equal weight of coal.

The Daily News says it will probably be proposed early in the session to appoint a Government Commission to consider the question of Railways in the Metropolis.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

(From the Daily News.)

The Paris advices state that the applications for the new French Government Loan of 12 millions, the list of which were opened yesterday, are expected to reach an astounding total. According to the belief of some, an aggregate of £160,000,000 sterling will be attained, being more than thirteen times the amount of stock offered.

The failure is announced of J. P. Moll, silk broker, of Old Broad-street, with liabilities for about £80,000, B. Dean-park, a considerable portion of which, however, is secured. Lord Burghley, The unsecured creditors will, it is stated, get no dividend. This stoppage has also caused that of Osprey, vaw, respectable firm of William Chappel and Sons, of

THE LATE EARL OF CLARE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

Castle-Connell, Jan. 18, 1864.

SIR,—It was not until yesterday, Sunday, that the death of the charitable Earl of Clare became generally known to the poor people of these parishes; it was truly painful to witness the wailings and lamentations of the poorest of our people here when that melancholy news was announced to them. Scarcely had I distributed his lordship's last annual Christmas donation £10 amongst the Catholic poor of these parishes when the melancholy and sad news reached us. The groups of poor infirm old people assembled together in our Chapel Yards after mass yesterday, bewailing the death of their kindest and best benefactor, is a strong proof of the gratitude of the Irish heart, and an honorable tribute to the revered memory of the late owner of the princely mansion and demesne of Mount Shannon. It is also due to the memory of the good Earl to state how timely and considerably he ordered his steward, Mr. Robinson, two years ago, when a scarcity of fuel prevailed in this country, to supply gratis all the poor people and small farmers with plenty of fuel from the extensive plantations of Mount Shannon. Blankets and clothing of every description were liberally distributed every year, about Christmas, amongst the poor and the labourers connected with Mount Shannon; and the best fatted beef on the demesne was always intended and ordered by his lordship to supply them with a most sumptuous Christmas dinner. Would that those who will succeed to his large and princely incomes may also possess his tender and compassionate feelings towards all those who are in want, and his large heart and liberal dispositions to relieve poor suffering humanity. I should perhaps also say for myself that as soon as I had commenced the erection of the new Catholic Church of Castle-Connell, his lordship sent me unsolicited the liberal subscription of £50 through the hands of his old friend William Howley, Esq., D.L., of Rich-hill. When covering in my Church and towards its completion I was forced by hard necessity to apply again to his lordship, and my appeal was answered by a cheque for £50 more.

You perceive then from the foregoing facts Mr. Editor, that we have all here cause to regret the lamented death of the good and charitable Earl of Clare, and to shed a tear over his grave, and to pray fervently that his innumerable charities may be liberally rewarded by the God of all charity in that world that knows no end.

I remain, Mr. Editor, very truly yours,

P. HENNESSY, P.P.

LIMERICK PROTESTANT ORPHANS.—Now that the Sailors' Home, in Frederick-street, is about to be sold out, we would suggest to the Committee, who have evinced such laudable solicitude for the care and comfort of their female orphans, to direct their attention to the better and more compact housing of the male orphans; and they cannot have a better opportunity of doing so than by negotiating with the Committee of the Sailors' Home for that fine building, which has not long since been erected, but never opened or used as such, and to which will be attached a large piece of ground for recreation and out-offices; and, as I understand most of the orphans are now put under the National Board of Education, the writer of this has reason to know that the Board of Works, who granted the ground for the building, will give it rent free. At the same time, it is to be hoped that the Committee have not hewed down to the molock of expediency, by compromising the Bible, or Protestant principles, for any paltry pecuniary consideration, falsifying truth and degrading to high and holy profession as a Christian nation.

CANADA EAST.—A wide field of labour is open to emigrants in want of employment in Canada East, where, as we stated in our last, mining operations upon a most extensive scale are being carried out with unprecedented success by Lord Aylmer, a nobleman of scientific acquirements, vast experience, and undaunted zeal. Intending emigrants would find it much more to their advantage, at the present time, to

CULTIVATION OF FLAX.

We publish this morning the requisition to the High Sheriff of this county who has convened a meeting of his bailiwick at the County Court-house, on Saturday next, when, we feel confident, a society will be formed to promote the flax movement in the South of Ireland. In another column will be read an interesting letter upon the flax question from Rev. Dr. Wilson, Presbyterian Minister. The formation of a company in Cork for the purpose of introducing into South of Ireland the manufacture of linen and the spinning of linen yarns we recognise with pleasure evidence of a determination to engage public attention to really useful enterprises calculated to promote the prosperity of the country.

We understand that the non-commissioned officers of the 17th Depot Battalion, following the example of their superior officers intend to give a ball and supper at their quarters, in Barracks, next month.

Captain H. Wal 78th Regt., has retired from the service; also, pt. E. S. Vandeleur, Rifle Brigade, and Lieut. Nelson 1st West India Regt.

Alexander Caulf, Esq., Grenadier Guards, has arrived at Copsal, in this county, on leave of absence.

His many friends this garrison, will learn with regret the departure of Major Drew from amongst them, he having exchanged into the 18th Royal Irish, in India, with Mr. Tavor. During his short sojourn in Limerick Major Drew made himself most deservedly popular his loss will be keenly felt in the hunting field as well as in the social circle. We wish his success in his new sphere, and trust that his career may be as prosperous as all who know his excellent position and gentlemanly manner could desire.

John Croker, 1, 21st (Royal North British Fusiliers), has left unkeen to join his Regiment at Barbados.

Captain Forde, 1st Artillery, has joined the C Battery in this garrison, from leave.

The following are the promotions which will take place consequent on the death of Major-General, Trydell: Colonel Charles Whitte, aide-de-camp to his Royal Highness the Field-Marshal Commanding in Chief, to be Major-General; Major H. F. Kennedy, 60th Rifles, to be Lieutenant-Colonel.

The ball to Lieutenant-Colonel Hood, and the officers of the 58th Regiment came off on Wednesday night, in the Assembly-rooms of the Savings Bank, Newry, attended a great eddy. The rooms were neatly decorated with the occasion.

Capt. T. E. Anson, h. p., late 24th Regt., has been permitted to sign the Adjutancy of the Cavalry Depot at Maidstone.

The 5th Lancers arrived safe at Calcutta in Nov. last.

Brevet Major Tibull, 6th Dragoon Guards, has been appointed Brevet Major at Aldershot, vice Capt Goddman, who has vacated that position.

Colour Sergeantinton, Royal Engineers, was tried by Court Martial atrompton last week, upon a charge of being drunk on parade muster. He was acquitted.

Surgeon-Major rke, 1st Battalion 3rd Buffs, Aldershot, has gone on leave of absence to 14th March.

The first division of the 20th Regt. arrived at Calcutta on the 20th vember.

The 69th Regt., Madras, are under orders for England.

An experienced ill instructor is wanted as sergeant of the permanent staff of the 2nd Stafford Militia, Stafford.

Two pay and four sergeants are wanted for the 3rd Royal Lancash Militia.

Three sergeants wanted for the permanent staff of the 3rd Stafford Militia Rifles. Those serving in, or recently discharged from the line as colour sergeants, preferred.

A paymaster's clerk and four sergeants are required for the Leitrim Regiment of Militia, at Carrickon-Shannon. The best must be first-class drills.

There are vacant for sergeants on the permanent staff of the 93rd Common Militia, at Boyle.

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