

FUNERAL OF W. S. O'BRIEN, ESQ.

A few of the private and political friends of the late William Smith O'Brien met on Sunday at the residence of Alderman Dillon, in Fitzwilliam-square, Dublin, to devise some mode of testifying the affectionate respect so universally felt towards the departed patriot. The Lord Mayor stated that he had communicated to the family the desire of the citizens to manifest their feeling towards Mr. O'Brien, and had received in reply an intimation of their earnest wish that the remains should be carried through Dublin as privately as possible. In deference to this wish the idea of an organised funeral procession, as the most obvious and striking mode of testifying the public feeling, was reluctantly abandoned.

The remains of the lamented gentleman will be removed from Bangor to Holyhead on Wednesday evening, and there put on board one of the London and North Western boats at ten, p.m. On its arrival at the North-wall, Dublin, about four o'clock on Thursday morning, it will be met by a hearse, which will proceed direct, unattended by mourning carriages, to King's-bridge terminus, for conveyance to Limerick by train.

LIMERICK.

The train which is to convey to Limerick the mortal remains of the lamented and high minded Smith O'Brien, will arrive here at 20 minutes past one o'clock on Thursday next. It was intended by the citizens at large that a public funeral display should take place, but, as in Dublin, such a demonstration would, it is stated, be contrary to the wishes of his family, and it is doubtful what course will be pursued. However, the feelings of the public will be gratified to some extent, as it is contemplated that the citizens at large will assemble at the railway terminus in this city at one o'clock on Thursday to receive, with solemn respect, the coffin containing the body, and form a cortege to accompany the funeral a distance outside the town, *en route* to the late residence of the deceased at Cahermoyle, where it will be laid in state for the night previous to interment next day at twelve o'clock in the family vault at Rathronan, but a short distance from Cahermoyle house.

Since the fact of Mr. Smith O'Brien's death became known, shutters are up in nearly all the shops of the city, and deep regret continues to prevail.

The Congregated Trades met yesterday to decide upon the mode of respect to be paid the remains of the deceased, and have issued the following notice to the public:—

"Death of Smith O'Brien—The Trades of Limerick purpose to honour the memory of the eminent Irishman, William Smith O'Brien, and request the citizens to join in a funeral procession."

[Since the above was in type, we are authorised to state that it is the earnest desire of the family, relatives, and connexions of the late lamented gentleman, that no demonstration whatever will be made in Limerick upon the arrival of his remains; on the contrary, they hope that their private arrangements for the funeral will not be interfered with.—ED. L. C.]

A special aggregate meeting of the trades of Cork was held on Sunday evening in the theatre of the Mechanic's Institute, to express their sorrow at the demise of Mr. William Smith O'Brien, and to adopt suitable measures for paying respect and honour to his remains on their arrival from Bangor in Dublin.