

orator, and say that the interests of the people never won without merit or lost without a crime. My way may be fleeting and precarious—

'Twas time—

'Tis his—and has been slave to thousands'

I never yet in the past vicissitudes of public life saw a man who was honestly—I say honestly—attached to the interests of the people, who sympathised with their feelings, who recognised them as belonging to the common brotherhood of mankind, formed of the same clay as themselves, and members of the same human family that did not—however clouds sometimes intervene—in the end obtain their assistance and graceful affection (cheers). And now, gentlemen, allow me to thank you and all for having elected me for the fourth time as Chairman of the Local Commissioners. Forgive me if I did it imperfectly; for, though not altogether unused to the habit of public speaking, I assure you I am utterly at a loss for words to thank you adequately. Our able and eloquent chairman has been pleased to refer to my public and private character, and to my abilities as a public speaker, in such terms of eulogy as to make me blush when I heard them; that is, unless I had been so far gone for that ingenious manifestation of wit (laughter). The Chairman, in his own happy way, has been good enough to make favourable allusion to me as taking a prominent part in all local movements. True, I have been engaged in the best part of my life in all matters connected with the improvement of the town, and in many party and political movements. But, while I have maintained my own opinions with unflinching firmness, I have always endeavoured to respect the honest convictions of those who differed from me. A man's longest convictions are often those for which he is least accountable, being the result of accident, his youth and his early training and education. We should therefore regard differences of opinion with tolerance, and respect 'the right to differ' (hear, hear). If all men's minds ran in the same groove or were cut in the same Procrustean measure, mental stagnation would be the result—the death of all progress and improvement. It is by free discussion, by intellectual activity, by collision of mind with mind, that faculties are enlarged and strengthened. Agitation is the life of nature, movement its normal condition, and therefore come progress and development. The great ocean itself, without the winds and waves, would stagnate to a putrid lake, and chaos come again. We should therefore feel neither sorrow nor discontent because our fellowmen do not look upon subjects through the same medium, or hold the same opinions as ourselves. We should honestly respect the right to differ, as the Scotch poet expresses it with true and genuine feeling—

My coat is a coarse one, and yours may be fine;
And I mean to drink water, while you can drink wine.
But we both have a leal heart unspotted to shaw,
Then give me your hand, we are brethren a'

The evening now became convivial, and many excellent songs were sung by gentlemen present. The proceedings were characterised by friendship and good-will, and the harmony of the meeting will soon be forgotten.

At Lewisham, the wife of Lieut. F. C. H. Clarke, of a son.

At Hadlow Park, Kent, Lady Yardley, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

On the 29th instant, at Ballinaclogh Church, county Tipperary, by the Rev. W. F. Seymour, Captain W. C. Mackinson, 87th R.I.F., to Anne, eldest daughter of the late Daniel Barrington, Esq., of Limerick.

Nov. 29th, at Kilmallock, by the Rev. George Wren, Arthur George Pugh, Esq., of Buckden, Huntingdon, to Kate, only daughter of the late Mr. Michael Gilheenan, of Kilmallock.

On Friday, the 30th inst., at Dalkey Church, by the Rev. James Synan, uncle to the bridegroom, assisted by the Very Rev. Canon Harrold, Patrick Kerby, Esq., of Mondellibry House, county of Limerick, to Anastasia Maria, widow of the late John Lawrence Nugent, Esq., of Fort Barrington, county Kildare.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Emanuel Tedicoe, Esq., ship agent, Queenstown, and Consul for Malta, to Lizzie, daughter of John Baggott, Esq., Waterloo Buildings, Cork.

At Toumeena Parish Church, county Waterford, Matthew Walsh, Esq., Mabstown, Dungarvan, to Alice, daughter of Michael M'Grath, Esq., Bonlinvoontur.

At St. Mary's Parish Church, Dublin, Eustace M. M. Johnstone, Esq., son of Andrew Johnstone, Esq., Corboy House, county Longford, to Louisa J., daughter of Thomas D. Hall, Esq., C.E., M.I.C.E.I.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Westland-row, Dublin, Patrick Boulger, son of T. Boulger, Esq., Castlemore House, county Carlow, to Letitia Caroline, daughter of R. Delaney, Esq., of Lower Pembroke-street, Dublin.

At St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dundalk, Laurence Byrne, Esq., Mayne, Louth, and Bettystown, Meath, to Mary Winfred, daughter of the late James Kiernan, Esq., of Dundalk.

In London, John Henry, son of Sir John Kennaway, Bart., of Exeot, Devon, to Fanny, daughter of Archibald F. Arbuthnot, Esq., of Hyde-park Gardens, and grand-daughter of Field-Marshal Viscount Gough.

At Nowgong, Central India, Captain W. Kincaid, Assistant Political Agent, son of Joseph Kincaid, Esq., Dublin, to Martha, daughter of the Rev. F. Shortt, Rector of Corkbeg, county Cork.

DEATHS.

At New York, on the 13th Nov., Margaret O'Neill, the wife of Mr. Charles O'Neill, of this city.

At Ballyroan House, Rathfarnham, county Dublin, Sarah, wife of Joshua Watson, Esq., J.P.

At Leinster-road, Rathmines, Dublin, William Thomas Corbett, eldest son of Wm. St. John Corbett, Esq.

At Moyle Park, Clonsalkin, Dublin, Oliver Irwin, Esq., late of the county Wick.

At Malahide, Elizabeth, widow of the late Rev. Gabriel Stokes, Rector of Skreen, county Sligo.

At Lower Clonliffe-road, Dublin, Mr. George Hamer.

At Frascati, Blackrock, county Dublin, John Plunkett, Esq.

At Trew Mount, near Moy, John Richardson, Esq., of Lisburn.

At Dundressan, Islandmagee, Mr. James Davison.

At Clooney-terrace, Derry, Margaret, wife of the Rev. A. Buchanan.

At Wilmont-terrace, Belfast, Eleanor, daughter of the late Wm. Coulson, Esq., Lisburn.

Matilda, wife of the Rev. Wm. De Bentley, and daughter of Timothy Bourne, Esq., late of Cloughton, Birkenhead, Cheshire.

At Bayswater, Jacobina Maria, relict of Lieut.-General John Tulloch, C.B., late of H.M.'s Indian Army, Bengal.

At Bath, Mary, widow of the late Rear-Admiral William Pierce Stanley.

At Lennox Castle, N.B., Rosa, third daughter of Colonel Oakea, C.B., 12th Lancers.

At Paris, Maria Bows, relict of General the Right Hon. Sir George Brown, G.C.B.

At Colombo, Ceylon, from the effects of a pistol-shot, accidentally discharged by a brother officer, Hamlet Wado Thompson, Ensign and 2nd Lieut. Regt., son of Thomas H. Thompson, Esq., Lower Leeson-street, Dublin.