

LONDON, MARCH 15.

MEETING OF LORD DERBY'S SUPPORTERS YESTERDAY.

(FROM THE MAIL CORRESPONDENT.)

A meeting of the members of the House of Commons of the supporters of Lord Derby, was held this day at 10 Downing-street upon the invitation of the Premier.

The meeting was largely attended. Lord Derby was very well received.

His proposition is to be for Boroughs, a rated Residential Householders' suffrage of a single vote.

A second vote will be given to payers of Assessed Taxes, or of Income Tax, to the amount of twenty shillings, which constitute the dual element in the plan.

The proposition of the Government with respect to other franchises remain unaltered, as in Mr. Disraeli's statement in the House of Commons.

The franchise for the Counties is fixed at £15 Rating.

We (*Herald*) are very glad to be able to set at rest the alarming rumours respecting the health of her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales. The truth is that the constitutional disturbance and pain consequent upon rheumatism have tended to increase the natural debility, and caused considerable depression. But there was at no time cause for anxiety, or anything unusual in the progress of her case. We understand that it is expected her Royal Highness will be able to leave her room in a few days.

Lord Carrington has announced his intention of paying, in three instalments, to his tenants, the entire amount of their losses from cattle plague. His lordship has already paid the first instalment.

The King and Queen of Denmark left Copenhagen, on Thursday evening for London. Princess Louise of Glucksburg, mother of the King, has died at Ballenstedt, and his Majesty will proceed thither on his way to London. The Queen left for London direct.

The bill for the Regency of the Danish kingdom during his Majesty's absence has been sanctioned by the Landsting and Council of State.

The Duke of Edinburgh, accompanied by Sir Augustus Paget, has paid a visit to Evora. His Royal Highness afterwards sailed for Gibraltar.

The Portugal Cortes is discussing a new bill on taxation. The proposed measure meets with much opposition throughout the country.

The *Japan Times Overland Mail* of the 17th of January states that the principal political occurrence of the fortnight is the determination come to by the foreign ministers to accept an invitation tendered them by Stotsbashi, the new shogoon, to visit him at Osaka. It was believed to be their intention to leave Yokohama for that purpose in about a fortnight.—

"Such a visit, some time before the opening of the port next January," adds the *Japan Times*, "would in any case have been necessary, as there is much to settle regarding the position of the new foreign settlement, the anchorage, the tenure of land, erection of buildings for the Custom-house, and bonded warehouses, residences of diplomatic agents, &c."

The *Yorkshire Post* says that the Hon. C. P. F. Berkeley has consented to become a candidate at the next election for the representation of West Gloucestershire.

It has at length been fixed that the case of Mr. Eyre is to come on at a special meeting of the Market Drayton bench on Monday the 25th inst. If a committal should take place, the case cannot come on at the Shropshire spring assizes, as they are held the previous week—*Manchester Examiner*.

On Thursday evening a splendid banquet was given in Liverpool, in the American Chamber of Commerce to Mr. Cyrus Field, the projector, and his associates, in the laying of the Atlantic Cable. Gold medals were presented to Mr. Field, Sir Samuel Canning, Sir James Anderson, and Mr. Willoughby Smith.—Sir S. Canning, was unable to be present, but Mr. Field received the medal on his behalf. Mr. W. Ratibone presided, and Mr. Adams, the American Minister, was present. The whole proceedings were most gratifying and successful. Mr. Adams replied to the toast of his health, but made no allusions of any political importance.

On Thursday morning Sir John Packington issued an estimate of the sum required to be voted on account for army services for the year ending March 31, 1868. The total "on account" is £5,000,000. The estimate for 1867-8 was £14,752,200, and for 1866-7 £14,340,000. The "on account" total is

An address has been presented by the Dean of Clonmacnoise, the Archdeacon of Meath, and a large number of the clergy of the diocese of Meath, to the Rev. Robert Stavely, B.D., domestic chaplain to the late Lord Bishop of Meath, on the occasion of his departure from the diocese. The address bears strong testimony to the esteem in which the rev. gentleman is held, and to his zeal and energy in promoting the interest of the Church.

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THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 16, 1867.

The Special Commission, which has been already announced, will be held on the 10th of April next in Limerick, and not on the 28th as incorrectly stated in the *Irish Times*. Mr. Roche, the Crown Solicitor, has arrived in town to prepare the necessary bills of indictment, and he is staying at Cruise's Royal Hotel.

THE FENIAN RISING.

Tranquillity continues to prevail in this as in every county in Ireland, and also in the city; and although the authorities have taken measures to guard against, and are prepared for a renewal of, the Fenian outbreak, there is every probability that nothing of the kind will take place, for the weather is so intensely cold at night as to prevent the assemblies of bodies of men anywhere, while the hills and mountains are covered with hard snow, so that it would be impossible for Fenians to take to those places, to carry on operations, without incurring the risk of destruction from cold, fatigue, and hunger.

At new Newbliss on Thursday, an Irish American, named John Bagley, was arrested; and on yesterday in Dublin, a man named Charles Fitzharris, bricklayer, when arrested for drunkenness, drew a revolver on the policeman who arrested the fellow, and which was taken from him.

Fifty-one prisoners were sent off from Tipperary to Clonmel Gaol on yesterday, amongst whom was "General" Burke, charged with having been in arms and amongst those who attacked police barracks in various quarters. They waved their hats and cheered, as the train departed.

The flying column in Tipperary has returned after another expedition.

Everything remains tranquil in the city of Cork, as well as in the county.

The constabulary drafted into Nenagh from outlying stations have returned to their barracks.

In the various Roman Catholic chapels throughout the country priests have denounced Fenianism, and Archbishop Leahy has issued a pastoral in denunciation of the same organisation.

Some amusement, as well as commotion, was created in Waterford on Thursday evening, through the arrest of Mr. Rogers, R.M., who was arrested by the police, in mistake, for a Fenian suspect, he having rather a foreign appearance. He happened to be going on his wedding tour at the time, but on giving satisfactory explanations he was discharged, but he had to undergo some chaffing before the steamer left the quay, in which with his lady, he was proceeding.

Searches are being made nightly by the police in Drogheda, both for arms and for suspects; and the

DEATH OF THE REV. T. STANDISH O'GRADY, P.P.

It is with regret we announce the death of this venerable clergyman, which took place rather suddenly on Thursday morning, at his residence in Adare, at the age of seventy-one years. The demise of this gentleman will cast a gloom over Adare, where during the lengthened period of his ministry he gained not alone the affectionate veneration of his Roman Catholic parishioners—who looked up to him, as it were, as to a father—but he also possessed the friendship of his Protestant neighbours; for, although a zealous adherent of his own Church, nevertheless, Mr. O'Grady possessed qualities of the head and heart, which enabled him to win over a friend, but not an enemy. He was also looked up to with respect, because he was a scion of that ancient princely sept, of whom The O'Grady, of Kibballyowen, is the head of the senior branch, for it is a character in the Irish never to forget in their good regards a member of the "old stock." The recent events with which Mr. O'Grady's name became associated in Adare sufficiently known not to require reference to them on the present occasion; but he always spoke with feelings of emotion of the generous offer of the Protestant inhabitants of the parish, to subscribe to an annuity for him in the hour of his need; but fortunately their generous gift was not required, as the venerable gentleman had the satisfaction of being restored to his faculties, and of continuing to be parish priest of Adare (although he did not actively officiate) till his death. He who could gain so many friendships was no ordinary man; and in the death of the Rev. Standish O'Grady, the Roman Catholics of Adare have lost a true Irish gentleman.

We learn that his death was caused by disease of the heart. The funeral took place to-day, at which there was an immense concourse of the residents of the town and neighbourhood, including the gentry, the remains being interred in the Roman Catholic chapel of Adare.

We have received a letter from a subscriber, who writes to know whether any fund is being raised for the widow and orphans of Constable Sheedy, brutally murdered by Fenians in Midleton. He offers to subscribe to such a fund, and we certainly think that all who appreciate the loyalty and bravery of the police, ought at once to come forward, and raise a sufficient sum for the support of his wife and large family.

On this day, Mr. Bouchier, J.P., of Bagginstown, who is doing duty for Mr. Franks, R.M., at Boff committed Patrick Bourke and Thomas Cussen, for further examination, they having been arrested on suspicion of being engaged in the Kilmallock outbreak.

We learn upon reliable authority that it was the Fenian leader Dunne who fired at the police patrol a few nights since on the road between Kilmallock and Kildorrery. He has his whiskers and moustache shaved off, and is otherwise disguised. It is to be hoped that this lawless ruffian will not long escape detection.

Mr. T. H. Barton, of the Meinstar Bar, has been appointed divisional police magistrate for Dublin, in the room of Mr. Wyré, resigned.

In the House of Commons, last evening, the resolution of Mr. Otway, for the abolition of flogging in the army, was carried by a majority of 108 over 107 votes.

A CLERICAL ERROR.

We have been requested to publish the following, which we do in justification of the conduct of the gentry throughout the country, who have been rather unwisely censured in a letter to which the annexed refers:—

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

SIR,—Having seen in a local print of the 13th inst. a notice of a letter from the Rev. Mr. Vowel, which appeared in the *Evening Mail*, touching the state of the country, in which he takes the liberty of branding with cowardice those who may have resorted to the police barrack under the circumstances of the present rebellion, and without taking into account any other motive than that of cowardice, of which quality he seems to be a most excellent judge, inasmuch as such action has been taken by gentlemen at Newpallas, who have a natural objection to Mr. Vowel's classification, I take the liberty of trespassing on your space for a short explanation of the circumstances on the night of this outbreak at Kiltelly. The police authorities received notice that the barrack at Newpallas was that night to be taken at any cost by the insurgents, a body of whom at that time were occupying the barrack at Kiltelly, abandoned.

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