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and which bore the following inscription :—
“ Presented to Mr. J. F. Hosford by a few friends
in the employ of W. Todd and Co., as a token of
esteem on his leaving Limerick, 1868.”

The toast was received and drunk with genuine en-
thusiasm.

Mr. Hosford, after receiving the gift, in a few
brief observations, declared that he was at a loss to
find words to express the feelings which then ani-
mated him, for he was not aware, until invited that
morning, that he was to receive so magnificent a pre-
sentation—a fitting expression of the thoughts they
breathed. He remarked that during his connexion
with the firm, the one thought was uppermost in his
mind, the same as that among his brother officials, to
advance the interests of the firm to the
utmost of his power in his department, and
in that he was upheld by them, for they
never lost an opportunity of exhibiting that
straightforwardness and confidence to those in their
service, which had ever distinguished the firm, and
which was fully reciprocated by those in their em-
ployment. He remarked upon the proceedings of
that evening, which he said would never be effaced
from his memory, nor the many pleasant reminiscen-
ces of his official connection with Messrs. Todd and
Company, and he concluded by thanking the chair-
man and the company for the compliment they had
just paid him.

Mr. W. Hosford next rose, and after calling on the
company to fill another bumper, he proposed the
health, long life, and continued prosperity to the firm
of Messrs. Todd & Co., whose world-wide fame was
known beyond their own circle, who had extensive
houses in Dublin, Belfast, Limerick, and other places
in Ireland, as well as in the sister country, and the
mention of whose name commanded the very highest
respect, both in the home and foreign markets. He
expressed his agreement with the remarks of Mr. Mur-
ray as regarded the prosperity of Ireland, and in a
few brief but eloquent sentences, he concluded by pro-
posing the toast, coupling with it the name of Mr. A.
Murray, jun., and which was received with “ nine
times nine” and one cheer more.

Mr. Murray, in an appropriate address, responded to
the toast, thanking the proposer for the complimentary
observations he made use of in connection with it,
and the company for the genuine mark of kindly
feeling they evinced in receiving it.

The Vice-Chairman proposed in suitable language
the health of the Chairman, which was drunk with
acclamation, and to which Mr. Purcell gave a suita-
ble reply.

Mr. Murray next rose and proposed the health of
Messrs. Johnston, &c., their neighbours in trade, and
to whom he wished increased prosperity and success.

Mr. G. R. Johnston, who had been invited, re-
turned thanks for the firm, expressing regret at the
absence of his father, Mr. D. Johnston, who was un-
able to be present, owing to being from home, and
to whom it would have been a source of extreme
pleasure to attend that evening to compliment Mr.
Hosford.

The Chairman next gave the toast of the Press, to
which Mr. W. Hosford suitably responded; the
health of the Vice-Chairman, which Mr. Tuohy ac-
knowledged; and also that of the young men of the
establishment, to which the gentleman, who repre-
sented them, responded. There were other personal
complimentary toasts proposed, which were acknow-
ledged by those whose healths were drunk. Excellent
songs were admirably sung at intervals between the
several toasts, and after spending a most agreeable
evening, the company retired at an early hour.

We have to acknowledge the sum of ten shillings
from “Blue Ribbon” for the family of the late John
Healy, the victor.

SUDDEN DEATHS.

James Barrett, a gauger, employed under Mr Long
Civil Engineer, at the Graving Dock Works, and a
very respectable man, died suddenly on Sunday morn-
ing, about five o'clock, in his bed, without warning
of any kind, while in the act of taking a smoke, for
which, being awake, he had asked. An inquest was
held yesterday, and a verdict of death from disease
of the heart was returned.

An old man named James, for many years hall
porter at Barrington's Hospital, died suddenly last
night.

LIMERICK RACES AND STEEPLE CHASES.

Entries for the Limerick Tradesmen's Plate—Mr
Oahill, c m, Hearty c m, 4 years; Mr J D Whyte,
b m, The Kitten, 5 years; John Gubbins, c m,
Larkaway, 4 years; Oat Van,

MANSLAUGHTER IN THE CITY.

On yesterday an inquiry was held in Barrington's
Hospital into the cause of death of a man named
Michael M'Namara, who had been admitted into the
hospital about a fortnight ago, labouring under a
wound on the head, and who died on yesterday morn-
ing. A man named Hayes was taken into custody
last week charged with having given the fatal wounds,
and a great crowd of women and children gathered
outside the hospital, and from whose fury the pri-
soner had to be conveyed from the police-station to
the hospital previous to the inquest being held.

Mr. Doyle appeared for the accused.
The Widow of deceased was examined, and she
said that she saw him on the evening in question struck
by the prisoner.

Francis Reilly was examined, he deposed—On the
21st September I was coming home from work when
I saw deceased coming up Bowler's-lane, where he
lived, leading a little boy by the hand, and he very
hearty; he was staggering and jostling to and fro
with the child; I was at my door and went in to eat
my dinner, and while partaking of it deceased came
to the door and cried out, “are you there Frank?”
I said “I am, what do you want?” He said, “come
here;” I went to the door; he asked if there was any
one there looking for him, or wanted him; “no,” I
replied; “is there any one,” said he, “with a knife
looking for me;” I replied that there was not, and
it was a shame for him not to go home with the
child, and also that it was a shame for men to be
arguing about children, or anything arising out of
them. He insisted that there was a person there who
wanted him, but I told him that there was not. With
that Hayes came out of his house, which is opposite
mine, and he said, “Mike, is it me you want?”
“Yes,” said deceased, “it is you I want,” turning
round to him; Hayes drew his hand and struck de-
ceased, who fell against the window sill, and from
that on the ground.

To a Juror—I saw no weapon with the prisoner.

To Mr. Claunchy, another juror—Deceased's head
must have struck against the corner of the window.

To a Juror—I don't think the prisoner could have
had a weapon.

To Constable Shea—I think he fell on his left side,
out towards the opposite side of the lane. He fell
backwards against the window of my house, and to-
wards his own. When he got up with my assistance
he wanted to get to Hayes's house.

To another Juror—He could have got up by him-
self, but he had not time to get up before I assisted
him.

To the Coroner—When he got up he made a rush
to get into Hayes's house, but he was falling when
witness caught him, and endeavoured to take him
down the lane. He asked witness to take his hands
off, but his wife and witness forced him into his own
home against his will, he having placed his hands
against the jamb of the door. Witness returned to
his own house, and shortly after heard cries in the
lane of his wife that Hayes had murdered him.
Noticed blood on the head behind the left ear, when
taking him into his house, but I cannot say at which
side deceased was struck by prisoner; he was standing
opposite to Hayes looking across the lane when struck
by him with his right hand. I could not swear at
which side of the head he struck him down.

Coroner—Then he must have been struck on the
right side.

Witness—I could not state. M'Namara came up
afterwards with a stick in his hand, or something
like the loaded but of a whip, he could not state
which, and asked was Mat (meaning prisoner) there,
but witness said he was not, and he returned to his
own house.

Some further evidence having been given as to the
cause of the quarrel, and the effect of the blow upon
deceased,

Dr. Carey was examined and gave evidence to the
effect, that deceased was admitted to Barrington's
hospital, having a lacerated wound on the back of
the head, behind the left ear, but the skull was not
fractured. He got erysipelas in his face from the
wound which caused death.

In reply to a juror, Dr. Carey said he was of opin-
ion that the wound itself was not sufficient to cause
death, but was sufficient to produce the disease from
which he died.

The following verdict was returned :—“That said
Michael M'Namara died in the County Infirmary in
the city of Limerick, on the 4th of October, 1868,
from erysipelas, which was caused by a blow of the
hand given to said deceased by Matthew Hayes on
the 21st of September previous.”
The prisoner was remanded.

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LIMERICK HARBOUR.

The ordinary fortnightly meet-
Commissioners was held on yester-
Esq., JP, presided. The other
were Alderman Quinlivan, JP,
Russell, JP, Richard Phillips, F
and Richard Power.

The minutes of last meeting were
Cheques were passed for a mon-

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Harbour dues on vessels frequ-
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Tenders for storage on Harvey
and their consideration adjourned

The usual monthly report from
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There was no other business to
the board adjourned.

MESSRS. J. C. & J. FILLIS.

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