

towards infidelity. It might appear strange, he said, that he should address them upon these subjects, but his experience of the last thirty years only showed him how necessary it was. What had happened in England and Ireland and in this county during the last twenty or thirty years should put Protestants on their guard. Men who had been brought up in the same faith as carefully as themselves, had, through some blinding delusion—some fascinating influence, been drawn away from their Scriptural teaching, and brought up in the darkness and superstition of a hostile religion. They knew many instances of this, and it was incumbent upon them that they should watch against it. He also warned them against allowing their thoughts to be concentrated upon matters having the tendency of weaning them from spiritual and heavenly things, an intense love of music, architecture—thinking of turning to the east and west instead of worship itself—these things, not in themselves sinful, had a dangerous tendency, and shut out from the mind all spiritual things. With regard to infidelity, it was now a different thing from what it had been. It was now respectful, complimentary—dealing with the Bible, and especially with Christ, who was much admired. Never was there such a person—His teaching was beautiful; His example, everything that could be desired. But after all the statements made in the Bible were not fortified by science. They were told every day of the advancement of scientific truth—but let it be carried to the very utmost, their position as Christians remained firm and steadfast. They courted the light—but let the infidels or the men of science not be in too great hurry, and they would find there was no contradiction between science and the Christian religion—astronomy discovered that the world moved round the sun—there was nothing in that opposed to the principles of the Christian religion. 6,000 years ago there may have been generations living upon this earth—that did not in the least affect the truths of the Bible. The groundwork they rested upon as Christians was this—they had proved that book to be true; they knew in their hearts that its contents were true, and no new facts that science may discover can contradict it—if they do it will only be for the present; they will afterwards be cleared up. His lordship concluded a very impressive and most instructive discourse with a solemn peroration. A hymn having been sung, the congregation separated.

#### THE DISCUSSION AT THE WORKHOUSE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.  
DEAR SIR,—As you refer in your last issue to a discussion which took place on Wednesday, respecting two children who had been for a short time in the Ragged School, allow me to state briefly the real facts respecting these children.

Their mother, Mrs. French, had been living as a servant for some time with the widow of a respectable citizen of the name of Hayes. She went to her as a professed Protestant, and so represented herself all the time she was with Mrs. Hayes. When her services were no longer required, Mrs. Hayes sent her to me, as a Protestant, to get her a situation, and admit her children to the school in Roche's-street. Mrs. Hayes, who is still in Limerick, stated these facts yesterday in the presence of several gentlemen, and she is ready to repeat them. I can also testify that Mrs. French represented herself to me, as a Protestant, and on that representation, I wrote about her to a lady who required a Protestant thorough servant. She was only prevented going to that situation, from want of an outfit. Her children were admitted to reside in the school entirely at her own request, on the 1st of September, 1871, and ceased to reside in it, (in consequence of habits of which they could not be broken off,) on the 26th of January, 1872. They were then in one private lodging after another partly paid for by their mother, and at length, when they could not be cured of their habits, were put by their mother, in whose charge they were altogether, (and who all along professed herself a Protestant,) into the infirmary of the workhouse as patients, from which they should have been discharged when cured, and not admitted into the body of the house. With their admission into either place, no person connected with the Ragged School, had anything to do.

It is unnecessary for me to refer to the other idle

exceeded the supply. Three-year-old heifers averaged from £15 to £18; two-years-old from £14 to £16, and yearlings from £7 to £10; springers sold at from £16 to £22; hoggats rated at from 45s. to 55s., and fat sheep from 65s. to 80s. Bacon pigs averaged 60s. per cwt.

**A RUNAWAY HORSE.**—On Wednesday evening, after a horse had been untacked in the suburbs of the town, he ran furiously through several streets and lanes, and ultimately directed his course towards the police-barrack at the Abbey, where he was, after some trouble, secured. Fortunately no person had been injured, although many had been abroad at the time of the occurrence.

**THE CONSTABULARY.**—On yesterday Mr. Henry, County Inspector, arrived here from Roscommon to replace Mr. Jennings, who has been transferred to the county Dublin.

**THE FRANCISCAN CHURCH.**—Mr. McNamara, of this town, has been appointed contractor for ceiling this Church, which is to be fitted up in a style suitable to the size and architectural requirements of the sacred edifice.

**BALLYCOREE RACES.**—On Monday next the Town Commissioners will take into consideration the question of the Ballycoree races, with a view to the obstacles which the tenants on the property are likely to throw in the way by reason of exacting sums for compensation beyond the ability of the Stewards to pay.

**LIEUTENANCY OF COUNTY CLARE.**—Her Majesty's Letters Patent have been passed under the Great Seal of Ireland, appointing Lieut. Colonel the Hon. Charles W. White, M.P., to be Lieutenant of the county of Clare, in the room of Lord Inchiquin, deceased.

**MILTOWN MALBAY.**—I was glad to perceive, on the occasion of a recent visit to Miltown Malbay, that the improvements begun many years ago in that rising and thriving town by the late Burdett Morony, Esq., D.L., and continued without intermission by him up to the time of his much-lamented death, are still being carried on there. A very fine, large, commodious, and lofty house, three storeys high—one that would be no disgrace to a city of no mean pretensions—has just been erected by Mr. John Maguire, an energetic and enterprising shop-keeper of the place, in one of the best and most commanding sites in the town. This house is intended for the general drapery and grocery business, and to be also a commercial hotel, for which it is remarkably well suited, and has ample accommodation. The bed-rooms must be most healthy, inasmuch as they overlook the whole town and command an extensive view of the broad Atlantic, Spanish Point, with its many gentlemen's handsome residences and neat bathing lodges, the Arran Islands and Galway Bay, &c., on the one side, and Mount Callan, with the intervening and surrounding country, on the other; and as the advantages of it as a hotel need only be seen to be appreciated, we have no doubt that it will be much resorted to when ready by tourists and others, as well as by commercial gentlemen. I was also glad to see that an excellent pump has been erected in the Market Square by the Dispensary Committee, which must be a great advantage to the inhabitants, both in a sanitary point of view and otherwise. The town has a clean, healthy appearance, has a large number of respectable-looking shops, and if I were to judge by the arrivals of goods and merchandise which I saw, they must be doing a large trade. The late frost did a great amount of damage to the early potato crop in that part of the county, as well as elsewhere: still it appears more forward there than in other parts of the county. The want of genial, warm weather is much felt. I have heard that Mr. M'Cullagh, R.M., who has been stationed in that district for over 20 years, is about to be transferred, at his own request, to Newry, Co. Down, and is to be succeeded by a Mr. Butler, R.M., from Newry.

**Waterford and Limerick Railway (77 miles open)**  
Traffic receipts for the week ending Friday, 24th May—Passengers, parcels, &c., £722 8s 3d; goods and cattle, £1408 5s 3d; total, £2130 13s 6d; corresponding week last year, £2026 5s 7d.

**Limerick and Foynes Railway (26½ miles open).**  
Traffic receipts for the week ending Friday, 24th May—Passengers, parcels, &c., £94 5s 10d; goods and cattle, £65 4s 1d; total, £159 9s 11d; corresponding week last year, £200 7s 5d.

one Government has been drawn into what is a real subservience to the Hierarchy, to please those to whom appointments are made, and more than a share of the emoluments, and the authority dispensed in the Queen's name granted to their nominees. The past is irrevocable, but if this abominable business teaches a more courageously manly administration of Ireland, these scandals will not be in vain."

#### Limerick Horticultural Society.

##### SUMMER SHOW

THURSDAY, 4th JULY,

Has been fixed for a Summer Show

OF  
FRUITS, FLOWERS, AND VEGETABLES,  
By Order, WILLIAM BOYD,  
Hon. Sec.

Mrs. Barry, Sandville, Grange, kindly offers a Special Prize for the best Single Rose Bloom, to be competed for at this Show.

June 1.

#### BIRTHS.

Smith—On the 1st inst., at Islandmore, Croom, the wife of Edward J. Smith, J.P., of a daughter, who survived only three hours.  
Jackson—At Killanley, the wife of the Very Rev. the Dean of Killala, of a daughter.  
Brown—At Clyde-terrace, Sandymount, county Dublin, the wife of Walter Brown, Esq., of a daughter.  
Creed—At Rathgar-road, Dublin, the wife of James Creed, Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, 2nd Battalion, 20th Regiment, of a son.  
Leader—Mrs. Leader, of Mount-Leader, Millstreet, county Cork, of a son.  
Kelly—At Kibblyhugh Park, county Carlow, the wife of William Hautenville Ferguson Kelly, Esq., of a son.  
Braddell—At Upper Bullingate, Carnew, county Wicklow, the wife of Henry E. C. Braddell, Esq., of a daughter.  
Portsmouth—At Batt's Hotel, Dover, the Countess of Portsmouth, of a daughter.  
Acton—At Lowndes-square, London, Lady Acton, of a son.  
Dormer—At Shaftesbury House, Kensington, London, the Hon. Mrs. Herbert Dormer, of a daughter.  
Swanston—At Queen's-gate-terrace, London, the Hon. Mrs. Swanston, of a daughter.  
Fremantle—At Eaton-place, London, the wife of the Rev. W. H. Fremantle, of a son.  
Vallancey—At Dinan, Cotes-du-Nord, France, the wife of Colonel Vallancey, of a daughter.

#### MARRIAGES.

Atkinson and Atkinson—At Ardard Church, Edward Eastwood Atkinson, eldest son of Edward Atkinson, Esq., J.P., Bridge House, Ballina, to Henrietta Marian, third daughter of Thomas Atkinson, Esq., M.D., Inspector-General of Hospitals.  
King and Atkinson—At Ardard Church, Julian Armstrong King, Ceylon Civil Service, youngest son of Wm. King, Esq., Sch., Dr. Q. U., Ireland, Glenview, near Galway, to Henrietta Louisa, youngest daughter of Thomas Atkinson, Esq., M.D., Inspector-General of Hospitals.  
Kennard and Willoughby—At St. Luke's Church, Cheltenham, Howard John Kennard, Esq., 54, Cleveland-square, Hyde-park, London, to Elizabeth Francklin, daughter of Captain J. B. Willoughby, R.N., Agent for the Government of India in Egypt.  
Bradford and Martin—At the Roman Catholic Church, Brighton, William Hamilton Kindsley Bradford, Major 10th Regiment, to Alicia, third daughter of the late Rev. Richard Finnes Wykeham Martin, late of Elsieid, Kent.

#### DEATHS.

Irwin—On the 29th of May, at Dundivan Lodge, county Longford, Isabella Mary Smyth, the beloved wife of Richard Irwin, Esq., and eldest daughter of Lieutenant Goodif, 66th Regt.  
Bennett—May 24th, at Killinane, Mary, the beloved wife of John Bennett, Esq., deeply and deservedly regretted by a large circle of friends and sorrowing relatives.  
Wilson—June 1st, at 3, Francis-street, after a long and tedious illness, which he bore with Christian fortitude and resignation to the will of his Heavenly Father, John, only and beloved son of Mr. James Wilson, to the inexpressible grief of his sorrowing family and friends.  
Meehan—On the 31st ult., at his residence, Crossagalla Cottage, near this city, Mr. Thomas Meehan, deeply and deservedly regretted by all who knew him. The funeral will take place to-morrow, at half-past one o'clock, at Donamen Church.  
O'Leary—May 26th, at Knowles House, Cullinstown, Gertrude Harriet, the beloved child of Julia and Henry O'Leary, aged 10 months.  
Roe—At Summer-hill, Dublin, Ellen, last surviving daughter of the late John Roe, Esq., J.P., Beckfield, Queen's County.  
Wisdom—At Sandford-road, Dublin, Thomas Howard, son of the late Captain John Wisdom, of Cloniffe.  
Homan—At her brother's residence, Ardenwood, county Kildare, Elizabeth, third youngest daughter of the late Edwin Homan, Esq.  
Robinson—At his residence, Church-square, Banbridge, Edward Robinson, Esq.  
Godfrey—At the Rectory, Stapleford Tawney, Essex, the Rev. D. R. Godfrey, D.D., rector of the united parishes of Stapleford Tawney and Theydon Mount.