

ABSENTEEISM.

we been requested to publish the following dressed to the editor of *Saunders's News*

in *Saunders's* of this day, honest John Martin is reported to have said at the Home Rule Meeting in Eustace-street, that with Home Rule twenty millions now spent out of the country, is spent in it. Now, the whole rated land in Ireland, omitting cities, towns, villas, &c., is, by a return on absenteeism presented to the House of Commons, on the motion of J. Smyth, M.P., a Nationalist Home Rule man, £1,188,980; or little over half Mr. Martin's estimate. In the glorious days of 1783, absenteeism was as 3 to 1 as at present, which we will make a comparison of Mr. Faulkner's pamphlet, published by order of the College-green Parliament, and a return moved for by Mr. Smyth, M.P., of Ireland 1783, £2,600,000; abstracted rates, £1,188,980; total, £1,412,020; rated return of 1872, £10,181,434; absentees, 316; total, £7,710,618.

These partially absentees, I would refer to the returns of 1872. Now, if Mr. Martin and the Home Rule Rulers wish to know the facts of absenteeism before the Union, they can get them in Arthur Young's 'Tour in Ireland.' Faulkner's pamphlet, giving the causes and remedies of Ireland's disadvantages, which the Union has removed, is published by the Government, and since the Union from Wakefield, in which they will find that the country has progressed. The manufactures of linen and wool in Ulster alone now are treble those of all Ireland before the Union. Mr. Hancock this year estimates the personal estate of Ireland at £10,000,000. In 1783 it was only six millions, and now about one million and a-half, and at the time of the Union it might have been ten millions. Mr. Faulkner, and Wakefield were published in cheap editions for the people, the Utopian Home Rule would be below zero. It is to be feared that Liberals and Conservatives attached to the Union will support Colonel Taylor, irrespective of religion and politics, and thus prevent the dismemberment of the United Kingdom under which all equal rights and privileges.

UNION IS STRENGTH.

March 10, 1874.

MIGRATION—THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

Toronto, Feb. 26th, 1874.

SIR—I have much pleasure forwarding to you by the same post the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture for the Province of Ontario on Immigration for the year 1873, as also a report of public accounts and expenditure, for 31st December, 1873, which shows the

Edward Fry, Esq., Q.C., of Lincoln's Inn, London, the wife of Neville—March 11, at 41, Eaton-square, London, the wife of H. C. Neville, of Wellington Hall, Grantham, of a son and heir.

MARRIAGES.

- Whitcourt and Trotter—March 14th, at St. Michael's Parish Church, by the Rev. George Dann, Captain James Whitcourt, second son of Henry Whitcourt, R.N., to Charlotte E. Trotter, seventh daughter of H. Trotter, Esq., late of Youghal, county Cork.
- Lambart and Vivian—At Monkstown Church, co. Dublin, by the father of the bridegroom, Radcliffe Lambart, Esq., only son of the Rev. C. Lambart, rector of Navan, to Ethel, widow of John Augustus Vivian, Esq., and daughter of George Julius, Esq., of Scale, Farham, Surrey.
- Cunninghame and Baker—March 10, at St. Saviour's Church, Bath, by the Rev. R. G. Baker, M.A., Rector of St. Paul's, Captain William Cunningham Cunningham of the Hon. Corps of Gentlemen at Arms, and late of the 79th Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, to Sophia Agnes, second daughter of Major T. R. Baker, late Royal Fusiliers, of 5, Upper East Hayes, Bath.
- Fox and Reddie—March 10, at Holy Trinity Church, Upper Chelsea, by the Rev. Frederick Cox, M.A., Charles Henry Fox, M.D., of The Beeches, Brighthelmton, near Bristol, fourth son of Francis Ker Fox, M.D., of Brighthelmton House, to Sarah Charlotte, eldest daughter of Major General George Burd Reddie, Bengal Army (Retired), of 16, Somerset-place, Bath.

DEATHS.

- Bell—On the 9th instant, at The Grange, Castleconnell, Edward De Tour Gonne Bell, Esq., J.P., of Streamstown, county Mayo, aged 80 years.
- Mathews—March 13, at his residence, Blair's-hill, Sunday's Well, Cork, John F. Mathews, aged 25 years.
- Reid—March 10, at her residence, 31, Lower Mount-street, Dublin, Eliza, widow of the late William Reid, M.D., aged 64 years.
- Hussey—March 9, at Taplow, Buckinghamshire, Lady Hussey, widow of Vice-Admiral Sir Richard Hussey Hussey, K.C.B. and G.C.M.G.
- Loscombe—March 9, at Andover, Hants, Henry Albert Loscombe, second son of the late Major Loscombe, 18th Royal Irish.
- Thornton—March 10, at 5, Orsett-terrace, Westbourne-terrace, London, William Thomas Thornton, Esq., formerly Receiver-General of Inland Revenue, Somerset House.
- Strode—March 10, at Cannes, Captain Augustus Chatham Strode, C.B., late commanding H.M.S. *Fylades*, youngest son of the late Admiral Sir Edward Chatham Strode, K.C.B. and K.C.H.

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The Treasurer of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul begs to acknowledge £1 11s from Richard O'Shaughnessy, Esq., M.P., as Foreman of the City Grand Jury.

The Christian Brothers beg to return their best thanks to Richard O'Shaughnessy, Esq., M.P., Foreman of the City Grand Jury, for £1 11s.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

The County Limerick Hounds (Sir D. V. Roche's) will meet for March as follows:—Monday, 16th, Coolrus Gate; Friday, 20th, Frankfort. Hour—11 o'clock.

The Taglioni Stag Hounds (Mr. John Gabbett's) will meet for March as follows:—Tuesday, 17th, Dromin; Thursday, 19th, Killybeacon Gate; Monday, 23rd, Athlone; Wednesday, 25th, Charleville; Monday, 29th, Rookfield Gate. April—Friday, 3rd, Kilmallock Hill. Hour—11 o'clock.

The Duhallow Hounds will meet for March as follows:—Monday, 16th, Carker Gate; Wednesday, 18th, Angharim; Saturday, 21st, Carrignavar Mountain Covert. Hour—11