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 id; Cork and Macroom,
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 being also back £5,098
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 others most likely to be
 l by the failing resources
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 34 deficient in its receipts,
 o be added a deficiency of
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 rd and Limerick, shows a
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 ack £1,546. As a result
 ay in the traffic returns,
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 l millions sterling. Very
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 dd, and Lincoln—Max., 86
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 be pronounced gloomy, but
 calamitous. With the return-

Wallace's Observatory, January 5—Barometer, 30.0 in. January 6—Barometer, 30.3 in. January 4—Thermometer, 31° F. minimum; do., 66½ maximum, January 5—10° F. minimum; do., 52½ F. maximum.

We perceive that, in compliance with the request of its large circle of readers, the *Family Herald Supplement* will, in future, be published weekly.

The forty men of the Royal Irish Constabulary who left this city on Saturday afternoon are still in Galway, on duty in connection with the disturbances in that district.

We understand a grand fancy costume skating assembly will be held to-morrow evening at the Rink at eight o'clock by twelve local gentlemen.

Captain W. Marsden, of the 82nd Regiment, has been appointed Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General at the School of Musketry, Hythe.

DEATH OF THE HON. G. N. FITZGIBBON

We regret to have to record, in the fifty-seventh year of his age, the death of the above named gentleman, who for some years past has been a prominent member of several of our local Boards, and whose administrative ability was recognized as of no common order. The Honourable Gerald Normanby Fitzgibbon, fifth son of Henry Augustus, thirteenth Viscount Dillon, of Roscommon, was born in 1823, and early in life received the appointment of Clerk of Control, and Assistant Secretary in the Indian Office. In these official capacities he received an amount of office training which proved most useful in after life. He deceased was also a Captain in the Oxfordshire Militia, and Cornet in the Queen's Own Oxfordshire Yeomanry Cavalry. In 1847 he married Lady Louisa Isabella Georgina Fitzgibbon, daughter of the 3rd Earl of Clare, and assumed by Royal license, in 1873, the name of Fitzgibbon. At this period, with Lady Isabella and family, he came to reside at Mountshannon House, in which princely mansion they dispensed for a number of years almost unbounded hospitality, maintaining an exceedingly large establishment. During his residence in this locality, the Hon. Mr. Fitzgibbon was a constant attendant at the Limerick Board of Guardians, of which he became Vice-Chairman, he was also a Magistrate and a Deputy Lieutenant of the County. For the past two years the family elected to reside at their Isle of Wight residence, and there, at Ryde, on the 3rd inst. Mr. Fitzgibbon, after a brief illness, breathed his last. The deceased leaves four sons and one daughter. It is remarkable that about six weeks ago his brother, Viscount Dillon, also died at his residence in London.

FREDERICK STREET IMPROVEMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE

46 and 47 Thomas Street.
 SIR,—At the meeting of the Harbour Board on Monday last, in the report of the Committee read (and published in your issue of December the 30th), it states: "Mr. Hall reported that he had called on Mr. M'Namara, who declined to accept the offer made by the Committee, and stated that he would not be satisfied with anything less than carrying out the work affecting his houses according to the plan of his engineer, Mr. Cox, leaving the question of further compensation to be arranged with his solicitor." This report gives an unfair view of the actual

had had these facts before them the have made a different arrangement to w been made. He understood the practical Mr Sandes' remarks to be that he wanted four additional bailiffs.

Mr Sandes said that was precisely meant. The last man appointed had co that he could not perform his duties i quence of having so long a distance to w

In reply to Captain Leslie, The Clerk said the Board by electing t Bailiffs Committee did not give up t power of appointing bailiffs.

It was then resolved, on the motion of Spaight, seconded by Mr Plaise, to co minutes of the Water Bailiffs Committe appoint three additional men, as sugges Sandes.

It was proposed by Captain Spaight, by Mr Counihan, and carried unanimou the following be added to the Water Committee—viz., Lord Montagle, the Glin, Captain Robt. Leshe, Mr Cooke, a C. Reeves.

THE BOARD MEETINGS TO BE PUB

Mr Counihan said that Mr William had given notice of motion, and in the that gentleman he (Mr Counihan) w pose the resolution himself. The resol of e very guarded character, as it gave and the public permission to be prese meetings of the Board, and at the s allowed the Board to exclude them wh sary without the formality of notice c It was very desirable that fishermen, deeply interested in their discussions, s the opportunity of being present.

Mr Enright said this was the only Ireland that admitted the public. E that they had to send for policemen to mer who came in drunk.

Mr S. Pegum seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

FINANCE.

Mr J. Pegum called attention to "Miscellaneous Expenses" in the bal and asked why it was so large?

The Clerk explained that it included ling expenses of inspectors and bail and renewals of boats, and a great expenses. He had particulars in his b the payments included under the head miscellaneous.

Captain Spaight said the Finance had gone carefully through all the part found everything satisfactory.

Mr Sandes pointed out that while prosecutions amounted to £91 the su for fines only came to £85.

It was explained that half the penalt to the informer, and that in many parties proceeded against were too the fines and had to go to gaol.

IMPORTANT TO FISHERMEN AND

Mr Sandes proposed—"That the r tion of the Inspector with regard to out of licenses, be strictly carried out person be allowed to fish until he l himself with a proper license?"

Mr Rodgers seconded this.

The Clerk said the custom had person was caught fishing, not to pres he was willing to take out a license tion, if carried, would oblige them to persons found fishing without licen they intended taking them out or not

Mr Counihan wished before votin reasons for opposing the motion. H it would inflict great hardship on po lived in those parts where there was employment, though he had no sy