

As Lord EMLY very correctly said yesterday, "in Limerick no buyer at butter until a telegram was sent giving the prices given in the Cork." It strikes us that this condition of dependence upon Cork is carried too far, and should not the County Limerick have a more special preference to our own butter and why should not the Limerick butter be put in a geographical position, nor local influential management have guaranteed perpetuity of pre-eminence. Our butter exporters have within the past few years not only taken the palm from Cork, but the fleets of grain-laden ships now enter the harbour than are discharged on the banks of the river. Why cannot our butter merchants have a special win for Limerick a prestige which is lacking at Cork, and seek to improve the market so as to offer every inducement to the dairy farmer to bring his produce to the market only? The character of our local butter is of strict integrity stands high, and no other butter is a foundation-stone than this could possibly be for a prosperous if not a brilliant

The Hon Charles Smith Vereker has been elected to the city.

Quin has been elected honorary treasurer of the St Vincent de Paul Society.

Croker, J.P. and Mrs Croker, have been appointed to the Herbert Place, Dublin, from Alston. The Inspectress, Inspector General of the Royal Artillery, has arrived at Tralee on a visit to the barracks in the county of Kerry.

Chancellor has decided to remove Mr Dowling, of Cappawhite, from the Commission of the Peace.

The 4th Brigade South Irish Artillery (City Limerick Militia) are undergoing preliminary drill on the parade ground, and are expected to be ordered to the barracks, Frederick Street, being the embodiment of the Brigade for the purpose of training at Tarbert

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DEATH OF A COUNTY LIMERICK LADY.

The Roman correspondent of the *Times* recently writes:—At the Quirinal Palace, very deeply regretted, I am authorised to say, by their Majesties King Humbert and Queen Margherita, and very deeply grieved for by his Royal Highness the Prince of Naples, died, at 7 o'clock on Thursday morning, an English lady, Mrs Lee, who from the day of the Prince's birth, in November, 1869, until a governor was appointed for him in the person of Colonel Osio, three years ago, filled the responsible office of the Prince's governess. She was a woman of great judgment, in whom their Majesties placed the fullest reliance, and the admirable manner in which she trained the Prince ever met with their entire and grateful approval. During 11 years she never left the Prince, and since the appointment of his governor she continued as a trusted friend and adviser to watch over all that regarded the health of her former charge, and to interest herself in every way possible in furtherance of his studies, and especially in his favourite pursuit of collecting coins which illustrate Italian history. During her illness she was attended by Dr Ceccarelli and Dr Salione, physicians in ordinary to their Majesties, and two days ago Signor Baccelli, ex-Minister of Public Instruction, was called in consultation by the King's express desire. Queen Margherita's Lady of Honour, the Marchesa Villamarina, attended her throughout her illness with unremitting care and affection, and was at her bedside when she died.

[The lady whose death is referred to in the above paragraph was the second daughter of the late Mr Michael Gallwey, who was for many years Resident Magistrate at Abbeyfeale, where he was much respected and highly popular.—*Ed. L.C.*]

had become foul, viz, one part or more of the top of the rope; the deceased man tried to clear the rope, and his coat, which was open, was caught, and he was whirled round, the rope cut his head nearly off; (witness) saw the coat touched, and he was killed by the winch, and stopped it.

Mr Leahy—If a driver had been with him could he have stopped it before he was killed?

Witness—If I had been there I could have seen the man would have escaped injury.

Sergeant Clere—Is it usual for the men to take upon himself to erect the gear of the winch?

Witness—The places where I have seen the sailors generally do so, but I have never seen the practice in Limerick for stevedores to do so.

By Sergeant Clere—It is usual for the men to get permission from the office of the winch.

By Mr Leahy—He did not see Mr Leary until he heard the noise of the winch until he heard the noise of the winch nearly up at the time of the accident. He should think the winch was going at 60 revolutions a minute; it generally takes 60 minutes to haul up the derrick; one minute after the rope caught the derrick ceased to revolve; it was the coil of the rope that cut his head nearly off; it did not require any skill to use the winch, but the man knew nothing about one should not have been there. It was not the stevedore's duty to look up at the derrick, which he was looking up at when the accident occurred. There were a large number of men at the time trying to get employment; it was for the deceased to try and clear the winch stopping could only do so; it made no difference if the rope was 2½ inch one.

William Conway deposed that he was on the winch when the accident occurred, and he was holding on to the rope of it, and Mr Leary was driving the winch at the time; he was wrong until the derrick was up and he was keeping the rope clear; the deceased was behind witness and tried to stop the derrick; he (witness) let go to try and pull the derrick down.

Mr Leahy—You were employed with Mr Horrigan?

Witness—Yes; I was employed to coil the rope and to coil the slack; he was before I came on because he did not know the work; there was a whole crew of men at the time.

John Horrigan said he had been employed for nearly 35 years, and about 17 years in Limerick; it was the custom of the men to erect the gear of the winch, and he was employed to do so; he was employed to discharge the gear which arrived in docks yesterday.