

the annual report and state-
31st December, 1884. It is
statement to be laid before
of the most satisfactory

"Mina," which left Queens-
time laden with grain for
red in the Shannon, being
igh Castle. The long delay
the passage was caused by
ng with a continuation of
a prevented her entering the

o received invitations to the
their Excellencies the Lord
untess Spencer at Dublin
were the following:—Hon
(Gentleman Usher), Mr T
nd Misses Barrington, Mr
id Mrs Brereton Barry,
, Mr, Mrs, and Miss Graves,
Joynt, Mr H Joynt, Mr H
onel and Mrs Boyle Van-

f, the Town Council has been
ayor for Monday next to con-
tion by Town Councillor P J
ject of this motion is to
passed by a committee of
d adopted by the Council,
tenant to send down a com-
to the proposed transfer of
ightwatchmen to the Con-
r decision may be arrived
Monday it is not probable
ie arrangements made for
n Thursday next.

tisfaction we learn that Mr
B (Senr Mod), T C D, has
Chancellor's Prize in Eng-
The subject was "The Celt
rt." and many competitors
he Vice-Chancellor's prizes
value. The subject is an-
ehand, and the best College
n. We are sure Mr Sellors's
will be a valuable contri-
sion of such an important
ct, and we hope that before
given to the public in a

ng last a very interesting
tled "Log Cabin to White
at the Protestant Young
y Mr B T Herring, of Bel-
vas in connection with the
ague. The attendance was
Herring's discourse proved
eresting. The lecturer re-
from the life of the late
illustrating his subject by
views of American scenery,
ed a series of photographs
ance men, and a variety of
parts of England, Ire-
All the illustrations were
the powerful oxyhydrogen
f thanks to Mr Herring.

potatoes cooked and uncooked, which are pro-
nounced to be of a most superior character both as
regards quality and productiveness. The seed list
is replete with everything that either a profes-
sional or amateur grower can wish for, and the
agricultural seed list is, we observe, of an equally
exhaustive character.

DEATH OF MONSIGNOR O'BRIEN.

The Rev Monsignor O'Brien, Roman Catholic
Dean of the diocese of Limerick, died at his resi-
dence, Newcastle West, on Tuesday night.
Monsignor O'Brien was well known in this dis-
trict, where his powers as a pulpit orator and a
learned political controversialist were widely
recognized and respected. He was born at
Carrick-on-Suir on the 20th September, 1809, and
therefore at the time of his death was in his 76th
year. He first attracted attention in this city by
his missionary labours in St Mary's parish, th-
sermons he then preached drawing crowded con-
gregations. In response to the invitation of the
Catholic Archbishop of Halifax, he accepted the
conductorship of a university in Nova Scotia. Not
remaining long in that colony, he was appointed
Professor of Theology in the Missionary College
of All Hallows. About the year 1859, Dr
O'Brien was appointed parish priest of Kilfinane,
in this county, but was transferred by
Bishop Butler to Newcastle West, who
also created him an Archdeacon. In
1863 he was made Dean of the diocese, and
subsequently Pope Leo XIII bestowed upon him
the title of Monsignor. Dr O'Brien was the prime
mover in the foundation of the Catholic Young
Men's Society in this city. In his early days, Dr
O'Brien was an earnest follower of the policy of
Daniel O'Connell. He subsequently was prom-
inently associated with the Home Rule movement
of Mr Isaac Butt, and since the more advanced
views have gained the ascendancy, Dr O'Brien
was very little heard of in the political arena.
The funeral of the deceased clergyman will take
place to-morrow morning at Newcastle West, at
11 o'clock.

INTERESTING TELEPHONE EXPERIMENTS.

Some interesting experiments in telephonic
communication were recently made at the local
Telephone Exchange, with the sanction and
authority of Mr Conway, the Postmaster, in the
course of which direct communication with Cork
was successfully established over the line of the
ordinary telegraph wire between Limerick and
that city. Conversation was carried on with
perfect ease and clearness, the speakers, some
of whom are personally known to each other,
being easily recognised at either end of this long
interval of sixty-three miles by their voices.
We are under the impression that this is one of
the "biggest things" yet performed with the
telephone in this country, and we congratulate
Mr Conway upon the result. Only the other day,
in England, considerable noise was made about

control of. I now co
time.

July 9, 1883—Night
on duty; reinstated
sidered. Council reco
reinstatement, which th
I am certain the rate
in safe hands when the

February 20, 1883—
was kept in watch-ho
owner; Mr Hayes re
watchman) told him
away. When called befor
he did not see Mulqueen
him in office (where hat
his hands; did not see
not there afterwards;
it. Decision of commi
and Mulqueen 5s," and
the future to be placed
for safe custody." Two
robbery in the wa
and 5s respectively
directed for the future
safe custody in Town
reach of the watchm-n,
that members of this n
city £1,200 a year, to
robbers, may not have a
—I beg pardon, remov
watch-house. Verily,
times. And read this—
drinking in a public
prostitutes, at 4.45 a m
not reporting robbery
notice," dismissed. V
sidering that the man sa
with.

August 21st—N. W
asleep, clothes full of n
date—Brady drunk o
assaulting inspector. I
September 4th—Night
drinking in a public hou
missed. Nightwatchman
house while in charge
escaped. I suppose this
Watchman went to have
ed away. Was he dismi
reprimanded!

October 16th, 1883—Ni
(again) drunk on duty,
lost. Dismissed, but rei
baton yet.

October 30th—Nightw
Watchhouse while havin
prisoner escap'd; explai
him to go of a messag
found prisoner gone"; ac
sider reprimand sufficien
any honest man will agi
when dealing with such
may be bad enough to th
get a little "palm oil" to
errand.

I could go on so as to fill
and tire and disgust
interminable record of
infamy, &c, of watchm
and gross dereliction an