

than this, that I have treated the Plan as which may have averted greater evils. I the Swing fires in a like view; but I did not do with the Swing fires. Mr O'Brien some broad and definite assertions concerning the Plan, which, if true, go far to show that such an evil as I have just described. I go no farther than in the last paragraph, yet the Government did not contradict any one of several assertions.

Just beg you to make a more minute examination, when I think you will find that my language has been marked by care and caution. In the strange and sad condition of Ireland it is as us to tread in argument on ground one rather avoid—With sincere respect, your obedient servant,

“(Signed),
“ W. E. GLADSTONE.

Arnold White, Esq.”
“ Devonshire Club,
St. James's S W.,
February 23, 1888.

DEAR SIR—I have the honour to acknowledge and thank you for the courtesy of your letter of yesterday. It must be frankly owned that no want of care or caution marked your language in regard to the Plan of Campaign.

But the construction likely to be placed on the reservations by ignorant men will, it is to be feared, lend by implication the sanction of authority to means that in themselves are

With your permission, I propose to publish the correspondence that has passed between us. I am, sir, your obedient servant.

“(Signed) “ ARNOLD WHITE,
The Right Hon W E Gladstone, M P.”
“ 16 St James's-street, S W.,
Feb 24, 1888.

DEAR SIR—I am glad to think that my words are in your sight a more favourable construction.

Liable to misinterpretation they may be. The vexed state of the Irish questions I know to be a statement, however careful, which is not so simple. For example, statements on behalf of law and order are one thing in England and another thing in Ireland, where for a long course of centuries (though with mitigation at certain periods) law and order have been called in aid of, and made a cover for, the most cruel and wicked wrongs, as Irish history too plainly proves.

Although this is a personal correspondence, if you desire to publish it I shall not object.—I am, dear sir, faithfully yours,

“(Signed) “ W E GLADSTONE.
“ Arnold White, Esq.”

THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 28, 1888.

INFORMATION has just recently reached this country of a sanguinary Arab raid in Central Africa accompanied by a massacre of natives. It then followed an attack on the English station, which was besieged for five days, but the besiegers were compelled to depart owing to the energy of the defence and the arrival of assistance. It appears that some Arab slave dealers made an incursion into Central East Africa, capturing village after village, killing some of the inhabitants, seizing the others as slaves, and driving the remainder to seek refuge

the party were saved. On the whole the narrative is a stirring tale of the difficulties and dangers attendant on the pioneers of civilisation, relieved by the daring courage and unflinching heroism of a few English gentlemen.

THE ATHLETIC AND BICYCLE CLUB CONCERT—

We have merely space this evening to refer to the *recherche* programme of the full dress concert to be held in the Theatre Royal on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Limerick Amateur Athletic and Bicycle Club. The principal lady and gentlemen amateurs of the city and county will give their services, and the success of the event is fully assured.

THE LISDONVARNA TRAGEDY—CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION BY MRS WHELEHAN.—

The Clare Grand Jury to-day considered a claim for the widow of the late Head-constable Whelehan for £15,000 compensation for loss sustained by the death of her husband. Mr R Adams and Mr Kenny instructed by Mr M Namara, appeared for the applicant, and Mr Teeling, B.L. opposed it for the ratepayers. The Grand Jury unanimously awarded £1,250 to be levied off the county at large. It is stated the presentment will be traversed.—COR.

THE LATE MR MAURICE LENIHAN, JUNE.—

The funeral of this lamented young gentleman, whose premature demise has been so much and deeply regretted, took place yesterday, and was largely and respectably attended. The chief mourners were Mr Maurice Lenihan, J P, father; and Mr James Lenihan, brother. The Mayor, High Sheriff, and several members of all the public boards were present. Interment took place at Mount St Lawrence Cemetery, the service being read by the Rev Father O'Shea, Adm, St Michael's, assisted by Fathers O'Shaughnessy, O'Grady, and other clergymen.

CHURCH MISSIONS.—

Mrs Croker, Alston, thankfully acknowledges the following contributions for the Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews:—Rev Chancellor Gubbins, £1; Mrs Edwin Taylor, £1; Wm R and Mrs Croker, £1; Wm Power, Esq, 10s; Rev George Grub, 5s; S Pounder, Esq, 5s; Colonel Finch, 5s; Mrs Bagot, 5s; Mrs William Russell, 5s; Alice Lady Wolseley, 5s; Mrs Funnell, 5s; Mrs Goold, 5s; Dr T Gelston, 3s; Mrs Shaw, 5s; Mrs Studdert, 5s; Miss McCullagh, 5s; A friend 8s; Mrs Ralph Westropp, 2s 6d; Miss H Gubbins, 2s 6d; A Friend, 2s 6d; A Friend, 2s; Miss Martin, 2s; Mrs Colonel Massy, 2s; Mrs Mahony, 2s 3d; Mrs Farren, 2s; the Miss Moroney's, 2s; Mrs Mitchell, 1s 6d; Mrs Sayers, 1s 6d; A Mite, 1s; Mrs Andrews, 1s; Mrs Lee, 1s; Miss Westropp, 1s; Mrs Doherty, 9d; Sub, 6d; Mrs Hugh Finch, 2s 6d. Total, £8.

IMPORTANT SALE OF MR HUNT'S CATTLE AT SHEAHANE.—

This important sale was held on yesterday, by Mr F W McCarthy, on the farm, which is situated within two miles of Cahirconlish and was, we are glad to find, an unexampled success. The attendance was one of the largest, embracing all the best buyers in the three counties; and in these days of depression, it was a solace to look around the well-filled sale ring, and, in the face of such an important gathering, none but the best forecast could be

1884, and... side Dublin, under which found in 1713, and a third tation to Grand Master illuminated and most artistic concert and readings and were rendered by the presence of “ Sherwood Foresters, rated the programme with beautiful overture, and tions during the evening. received, and the performance. Mr R Bokore “ Hybrius the Cretan,” “ I cannot say good-bye,” Mr J Stewart in “ You at house, and Mr C H Gubbi was vociferously encouraged which he gave with great convulsed the audience tive of the adventures and his “ better half ” ; lishment, the introduction the subject all the more Lee gave a fine rendering Miss Slade in “ Regret,” exceedingly popular. as might be expected *encore*, and to this he (or Kooph) in French interpretation of “ Mar heartiest plaudits of thoroughly deserved. the National Anthem the company having agreed with the “ cup that chee separated shortly after having spent a most efficient committee of the en Robert Gibson, Mr W Mr C H Gubbins, and congratulate them on a success which has attracted trust that it will lead being held with tolerable. Too much thanks can ladies presiding at the able aid rendered by the decorations were carried and Caffrey. We should cert was under the eye Muspratt, and the grat by Mr Keller.

FOREIGN FLOUR HARBOR

TO THE EDITOR OF THE

SIR.—On looking this Bill in the Harbor to ask Parliament to tax per ton, and that coast this appears to be the and to give dealers an ports all the advantage traders against those that if direct imported here at any future tariff ability to compete in a portations to Dublin the 2s per ton operate. In these times of a crisis Other parts of the Board sider to think that our body are losing sight dicting ships from 40 per cent more per and over 60 per cent his cargo at the quay alone then is c