

and yarns had been cheap, but with respect to the linen trade itself, it had been prosperous, but not so prosperous for the weavers as it had been for the spinners. They were naturally looking forward with some anxiety as to what effect the M'Kinley tariff rates would have upon the linen of Ireland. Hitherto they had not had much to notice on that subject beyond the fact that the linen merchants had exported large quantities of linen from Ireland so as to take advantage of the then prevailing rate before the introduction of the new tariff. He would not venture to trespass more upon their time except to give them one word of caution as to the future. Of course the rate of profit this year had been materially affected by the very high bank rate, which, as they knew, had been as high as 6 per cent. It was now 3 per cent, and as a matter of fact it might even be below that, and therefore they could not expect such a flourishing statement at their next meeting in Dublin as the one laid before them to-day. They trusted, however, that by careful attention to their business, and by treating their customers as they always endeavoured to do in a firm but at the same time liberal spirit, they should have a balance sheet which would afford satisfaction to the shareholders. (Hear, hear.)

Mr H. Barrett seconded the motion, and no questions being asked the report was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman said that the next matter for consideration was the election of two directors. Sir W. Baynes, Bart, and himself retired, and were eligible for re-election.

Upon the motion of Mr H Barrett, seconded by Mr J Fletcher, the chairman was re-appointed as a director, whilst at the instance of the chairman, seconded by Mr J Fletcher, Sir Wm Baynes was also re-elected.

The auditors, Messrs Ernest Cooper and Robert Gardner, having been again appointed, the business of the ordinary meeting terminated, and the meeting was then made special for the purpose of altering certain regulations of the company.

The Chairman in bringing forward the resolutions with this object, said the first resolution enabled votes to be given by proxy when a poll had been demanded; the second provided that there should be an interval of six clear days at least between the day on which the poll was demanded and the day on which it was taken. That would prevent a "snap" vote being taken. Other resolutions were for the purpose of enabling the shareholders to have an opportunity of full consideration before coming to decisions upon important matters, and also in order to allow of their getting their dividends at an earlier date.

The resolutions were then put, one by one, to the meeting, and unanimously approved.

The Chairman, again rising, said that he thought that they should give a vote of thanks to their officers for the assiduity, attention, and diligence they had shown. The course of the bank during the past year had been one at times to try both temper and tact, and he was glad to think the officers had not been found wanting.

The resolution was seconded by the Rev T. Warner, and was adopted *nem con*.

Mr J D Heath, in proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman and directors, remarked that happy was the bank at whose meetings no questions were asked (laughter).

Mr T A Dickson, M.P, seconded the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to, and the chairman having briefly replied,

The proceedings terminated.

Peter Flower, The Deemster, and Gouverneur, mixed, taken.

WATERLOO CUP.

4 to 1 agst Colonel North's nomination, taken.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

The County Limerick Hounds will meet for

February as follows:—

Wednesday, 4th, ... Adare

Friday, 6th, ... Inchirourke

Hour—11 o'clock.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A SHIP'S CAPTAIN.

Judgment was given on Tuesday in the Board of Trade inquiry at Liverpool into the loss of the Welsh schooner Perseverance, of 73 tons, in Cloughy Bay, county Down, in January last. It was alleged by the Board of Trade that the master, Captain James Owens, had wilfully refrained from taking measures to save the vessel. This allegation was strongly denied by the master. The evidence of Lloyd's agent at Belfast and other persons, was called, and was to the effect that for two days after being abandoned by the crew the Perseverance lay at anchor in the bay, and could easily have been taken in and beached in a place of safety. The court found that it was practicable to have saved the vessel and part of the cargo had proper means been taken by the master. They found him in default, and suspended his certificate for three months.

Owing to the dispute between Newcastle ship-owners and those employed on board their vessels, they are now laid up idle on the Tyne alone about 80 steamships, many of them being of large tonnage, by which upwards of 1,500 men are thrown out of employment; and at each of the other ports on the north-east coast a similar state of things exists. Furthermore the freight market continues in a depressed condition, especially as regards outward rates.

Announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths not exceeding 5 lines (which must in all cases be duly authenticated) are charged 2s 6d each. For every additional line, 6d.

BIRTHS.

Lenihan—At the Barracks, Lahinch, on the 3rd inst., the wife of Sergt. Lenihan, R.I.C., of a daughter.

Sullivan—At Lahinch, the wife of Constable Sullivan, R.I.C., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

Reddan and Ahern—On Saturday, 30th January, 1891, at St. Michael's R. C. Church, by the Rev James O'Shea, Adm., Mr E. J. Reddan, Limerick, to Miss B. Ahern, of Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.

DEATHS.

Harris—At his residence, 2 Vesta Place, Blackrock Road, Cork, Samuel Hayman Harris.

Riggs—February 4, 1891, at Killenumery Glebe, Dromahair, Co. Lettrim, Eileen Nora, the infant daughter of the Rev Francis L. and Harriott G. Riggs.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Secretary Protestant Orphan Society thankfully acknowledges from—Ballingarry Branch, per Rev G. Dart, 15s; Doons do., per Rev A. MacLaughlin, £2 12s 6d; Killeedy do., per Mrs Dickson, £7 17s 0d.

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