

not mentioned in the example
 ust been set. The Countess of Dun-
 ceive subscriptions from the county
 , Mrs J. F. Baunatype acts in a
 city, and Lady Inchiquin
 As the subscriptions may vary to any
 penny to two pounds, the project
 in reach of all classes, and we are
 it needs no pressing advocacy from
 rs which we publish this evening wil
 sired effect, and we have no doubt
 k and its sister county will occupy a
 nd a conspicuous position when the
 from the several Irish counties will
 anded in. As we have said, it is a
 1 appeals to all classes—political
 not enter here, and in proof of that
 instance the fact that six Welsh
 members of Parliament are support-
 Mayor of London in a movement for
 e Duke and Duchess with a Welsh
 The Prince of Wales and his sons
 een popular in Ireland—his Royal
 evinced a kindly interest in its
 th the Prince and his sons have
 visits to our shores. Perhaps no
 nity has been presented to the
 country, without distinction of
 of showing their loyalty to the
 and offering their congratulations
 We feel certain that the
 his district will do their
 hat the utmost success will
 orts of the influential ladies who
 y consented to receive their sub-
 may quicken the readiness of our
 scribe when we find it announced
 ly after his marriage, the Duke of
 his bride will join his regiment in
 side for a considerable period in
 polis. The Princess is extremely
 residence in Dublin will give
 impetus to social life in this

a series of letters on the British
 d to the Times, General Abye
 how that the introduction of short
 , and localisation, have proved
 ul not only in popularising the
 adding to its strength whilst
 cost. In the early years of the
 very strange methods were
 the ranks. Bounties amounting
 were paid in 1808, and boys under
 of age cost £28 each. Even
 btors were pardoned on condi-
 g. With all this, however, the
 on the Peninsular War with
 ted to complete the regiments,
 e of that great struggle the
 was deficient to the extent of
 1847 the system of twenty-one
 th a pension was introduced,
 not appear to have been
 58 upwards of 20,000 deserted,
 ensions, if calculated on
 length of the army, would
 millions sterling per annum.
 e short service system

also the Hon Secretaries, Messrs Plummer and
 Pitt. We understand that the rules and scoring
 cards are now ready, and can be had from either
 of the hon secretaries. We are again asked to
 call attention to the fact that any person joining
 after 1st January will be liable for entrance fee.

"PITMAN'S SHORTHAND WEEKLY."—A new
 serial, entitled *Pitman's Shorthand Weekly*, begins
 with the New Year. It is designed to furnish
 writers and students of shorthand with a high-
 class periodical devoted to entertaining literature,
 freely illustrated, and printed entirely in litho-
 graphed shorthand. The "Greeting" in the first
 number is from the pen of Mr Isaac Pitman, the
 venerable inventor of Phonography having for
 this occasion resumed the lithographic pen, with
 which in bygone years he was such an industrious
 romance, "Dead Man's Rock;" and an original
 story, of phonographic interest, entitled, "Traced
 in the Snow," also appears. There is, in addi-
 tion, a liberal supply of humorous readings and
 sketches. Prizes to the value of £25 are offered
 for competition, including a new Yost Type-
 writer, and the first number is a free railway in-
 surance policy for £100.

DEATH OF MR JOHN HEWSON.

We regret to announce the very unexpected
 demise of Mr John Hewson, a member of a highly-
 respected Limerick family, which took place at
 his residence at Corbally on Sunday morning.
 Mr Hewson, as organist of Trinity Church, at-
 tended to his duties on Christmas Day, and up to
 Sunday morning appeared to be in his usual health,
 when he became very ill and died some time
 afterwards, to the inexpressible grief of his
 widow and young family. The deceased gentle-
 man, who occupied an important posi-
 tion in the office of Messrs Denny
 and Sons, was highly esteemed by a
 very large circle of friends in Limerick,
 his quiet, retiring, gentlemanly manner winning
 for him the respect of all who knew him. This
 was amply testified at the funeral, which took
 place this morning in rather inclement weather.
 The cortege was very large and of the most
 representative character, embracing the heads
 of several concerns of the city, the clerical staffs
 of the bacon establishments, a large number of
 the pig commissioners, and a very considerable
 gathering of the men of Messrs Denny. On all
 sides there was undoubted evidence of respect,
 and sympathy. The clergy present included the
 Dean, the Rev Canon Gregg, and the Rev Dr
 Clarke, the two latter officiating at St Munchin's
 where the interment took place. The coffin,
 which was strewn with beautiful wreaths, was
 borne by the brothers of the deceased and some
 friends into the church where the Christmas
 decorations still looked fresh and green. The
 service, which was partly choral, was very im-
 pressive, and the touching address of Canon
 Gregg, in which he dwelt on the many good
 qualities of the deceased, was listened to with
 peculiar interest by the many friends of Mr
 Hewson who were present. The beautiful hymn
 "My God my Father while I stray" was sung by
 the special choir under the conductorship of Mr
 F. Muspratt who presided at the organ, and as
 the coffin was being removed from the church to
 its last resting place the "Dead March in Saul"
 was played. The chief mourners were—Messrs
 Massy Hewson, uncle; Massy Hewson, junior;
 Edward, James, and Septimus Hewson, brothers
 of the deceased.

DEATH OF MR T. D. REARDON, B.L

We regret to observe the announcement of the
 death which took place on Thursday after a few
 days illness, of Mr T. D. Reardon, a well known
 member of the Bar, who practised on the Munster
 Circuit. He was for some time a legal Sub-
 Commissioner under the

Sir,—Kindly permit me space to say
 shall be happy to receive subscriptions, r
 from 1d to £2, from those in Clare and
 contribute to the fund being got up
 Excellency the Countess of 2
 which will enable the people of Ireland to j
 their future King and Queen with a suitab
 on the occasion of their marriage, now ann
 to take place in February. Subscriptions v
 once be acknowledged by me in the local p
 and then forwarded to her Excellency
 Dublin.—Your obedient servant,
 ELLEN INCHIQ

THE WATER SUPPLY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONIC

21 Barrington street,
 Limerick, 22nd Dec.,

SIR—A week or two ago a letter appear
 lative to the new water supply and it
 seem that the water committee have tak
 notice whatever of the complaint, but on
 contrary have stopped since the 24th inst
 increased pressure with which they favoure
 for a few weeks. Now we were told months
 that the new water scheme had reached con
 tion, and if so why are the ratepayers not get
 the long promised constant supply for wh
 they are taxed for some time past. There i
 be failure somewhere or else we would have
 the constant supply of good water months
 My own house has not got water during yes
 day or to-day, and only for the rain water
 would have been in a bad way. May I ask
 Kenna (who is always indefatigable in
 interests of the ratepayers) to bring this ma
 before the next meeting of the corporation
 Yours truly,

FREDERICK HILL

RECEPTION AT THE POOR CLARE
 CONVENT, NOTTING HILL.

On the 10th instant, the Feast of the Tran-
 sition of the Holy House of Loretto, there to
 place, in the chapel of the Poor Clare Conve
 Notting Hill, London, a very interesting ceremo
 which will long remain in the memory of th
 who were present. The occasion was the
 ception of two postulants into the Seraphic ord
 of St Francis. The young ladies who receiv
 the habit were, Miss Barbara Marie de Lac
 Staunton, (in religion Sister Mary of St Aloysiu
 youngest daughter of the late Henry Com
 Staunton, Esq., of Limerick, and Gerrard's Cro
 Bucks, and Miss Alice Field, in religion Sist
 Colette of the Sacred Heart. Both the brid
 wore white dresses trimmed with lace and oran
 blossom, one gown being a pretty combinati
 of vengaline and embossed satin, and the other
 rich satin. They were attended by twel
 young children dressed in white, with veils at
 wreaths, who acted as bridesmaids.

High Mass began at 9 o'clock, the Celebran
 being the Very Rev Dr Butler, Rev Father Dy
 Deacon; and the Rev Father Trent, Sub-Deaco
 The Very Rev Sebastian Bouden, Superior of th
 Oratory, Brompton, preached a most impressiv
 sermon on the text, "Having nothing, yet pos
 sessing all things." The pretty little chape
 which was quite filled by a devout congregatio
 looked its brightest under the loving care of th
 good sisters who had arranged it. After th
 sermon, Dr Butler having questioned each novic
 separately as to her willingness to embrace th
 religious life, the "Veni Creator" was sung
 after which Sister Mary returned to the enclosur
 accompanied by the priests, and followed by he
 relatives and friends. After taking a mos
 affectionate farewell of her family she was con
 ducted to the Chapter Room, from whence, after
 being clothed in the holy habit by the Rev
 Mother Abbess, the novice proceeded to the grill
 dividing the Chapel