

CHRONICLE ALMANAC.

We regret very much to notice that in the advertisement of John Quin & Co, which appears in the *Chronicle* Almanac, a typographical error should have occurred. John Jameson's and Sons 6 year old whisky is set down therein as selling at 23s per gallon instead of 20s, which was the figure contained in the manuscript. On inquiring of the publishers, Messrs McKern, we learn that, unfortunately, the error was passed over in the hurry of getting out the Almanac. In justice to the Messrs Quin we desire to correct it at this the earliest opportunity.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.
CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE.**

On Sunday next Christmas Carols will be sung by the children attending the afternoon service at St Michael's Church. The hour of the service will be as usual 3.30 p.m. The offertory will be given to the Children's Ward, Barrington's Hospital, and it is hoped that it will be sufficient to provide a new cot for the sick children, which is badly wanted in the hospital.

CLONLEA PARISH CHURCH, KILKISHEN.

This church have been lately renovated and refurbished. The porch under the tower and the body of the church has been wainscotted with panelled timber, surmounted by a rich moulding in pitch pine. The old square pews which had done duty since the beginning of the century have been removed and replaced on a new floor by long seats of pitch pine, with carved standards and diagonal back panelling. The walls have been stained in light salmon-colour; a broad frieze of terra cotta figures on a yellow ground has been put on under the roof and carried across the gables, and over the wain-cotting is a neatly designed dado border; the spaces between the rafters of the roof, a massive open one, have been stained in French white and the timbers re-varnished. The Communion area has been encircled by iron scroll standards surmounted by a massive pitch-pine rail with brass telescope bars. A row of seven niches, with pointed Gothic arches, has been constructed in rear of the Communion table with very pleasing effect. Along the spring of the window arches is a border like rich lace work in light blue, and the splays of the windows are ornamented with an Arabesque pattern in terra cotta. The coat of the work has been contributed entirely within the parish, except a sum of £25 kindly granted by his Grace, the Lord Primate, out of funds at his disposal. The painting and decorations have been carried out by Mr Michael Cusack, of Limerick, in a very satisfactory manner.

MR J. F. BANNATYNE, D.D.

Mr and Mrs Bannatyne wish to express their grateful thanks for all the kind sympathy shown them during Mr Bannatyne's recent severe illness, and for which they regret it is much their inability to respond individually.

MISSING VESSEL.

The steamer *Garanock*, 180 tons, Captain Ingster, which had been in Limerick a month since with coals for Messrs Mullock, and left Troon for Galway on Thursday night (the night preceding the big storm), has not yet been heard of.

NEW DEPUTY LIEUTENANTS.

Mr Thomas Enraght O'Brien, Lord Lieutenant for the county and city of Limerick, with the approval of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, has appointed Sir Charles B Barrington, Bart., of Glenstal, a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Limerick. Mr O'Brien has also, with the approval of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, appointed Mr William Spillane, J.P., George-street, a Deputy Lieutenant for the City of Limerick.

CHRISTMAS AT BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SHEPHERD, BRAY.

The remains of the late Mrs Shepherd, daughter of Mr T. McMahon Cregan, J.P., George-street, arrived in Limerick by the midnight mail on Sunday, and were conveyed to St Michael's R. C. Church. The interment took place in the New Cemetery on Monday morning, Requiem Mass having been previously celebrated. The cortege was extremely large and representative, and testified to the great regret which is felt at the early demise of this popular young lady. The coffin which was of polished oak, was covered with beautiful wreaths and immortelles.

The following clergy were present:—The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, Very Rev A Murphy, Rev T. Lee, Adm; Rev M O'Donnell, C.C.; Rev J Cregan, C.C.; Rev T Lee, C.C.; Rev P Murphy, C.C.; Rev Dr Riordan, and Rev Father O'Keefe, S.J.

The chief mourners were—Mr Eric A Shepperd (husband), Master A Shepperd (son), Mr T McMahon Cregan, J.P., T.C. (father), Captain T A Cregan, R.E., Cheltenham (brother), Mr Catterson Smith, Dublin, (brother-in-law).

Amongst the general public present were—The Mayor (Mr B O'Donnell), Mr F Kearney, L.L.D., solr; Mr Vincent Nash, J.P.; Mr Stephen Quin, J.P.; Dr Malone, Dr Holmes, Mr O'Connell, H.M.C.; Mr Robert Hunt, J.P.; Mr Robert McNamara, solr; Mr H J Guinane, J.P.; Mr F A O'Keefe, M.P.; Mr R MacDonnell, J.P., Town Clerk; Mr M J DeCoursey, City Coroner; Mr T H Kenny, solr; Mr Michael Egan, Mr Michael O'Gorman, Mr James Frost, J.P.; Mr W Spillane, J.P.; Mr Michael Cusack, T.C.; Dr O'Shaughnessy, J.P.; Mr J Dundon, solr; Mr Jas Delaney, Dr Gelston, Mr J V Golden, Manager, Munster and Leinster Bank; Mr James Kidd, Mr Robert Hanna, Dr Thomas Gelston, Mr P J Lynch, C.E.; Dr Nolan, Resident Medical Officer Limerick Union; Dr Humphreys, Mr P Corbett, Mr W E Corbett, City Surveyor; Mr C R B Heaton-Armstrong, Mr J Russell, J.P.; Mr S McSwiney, Mr Wm Manahan, Mr J O'Malley, R.E.; Mr C O'Donnell, solr; Jeremiah Anglin, T.C.; Mr William McDonnell, J.P.; Mr S Hastings, solr; Mr Stephen Dowling, J.P.; Mr G Ryan, C.E.; Mr B Donnellan, Mr John Egan, solr; Mr J P Hall, solr; Mr W E Counihan, solr; Mr J A Place, Mr Wm Cullen, Morelands; Mr Matthew DeCoursey, junr; Mr John DeCoursey, Mr Wm Lloyd, Mr Davidson, Mr F St C Hobson, County Sub-Sheriff; Mr Charles F Doyle, B.L., Dublin; Mr E M'Carthy, Mr N A Brophy, Mr W F O'Grady, J.P.; Mr C H Fitt, City Sub Sheriff; Mr H Ellis, Mr A Hall, junr; Mr Wm M Beauchamp, solr; Mr S Hastings, solr; Mr P E O'Donnell, solr; Mr F M Fitt, solicitor; Mr W Fogerty, solr; Major Kenny, Mr R Smith, T.C.; Mr M McDonnell, T.C.; Mr John Morton, Manager Provincial Bank; Mr B Barrington, solr; Mr P Hartigan, George Hotel; Mr J Eillard, Clerk of the Crown and Peace; Mr J H Moran, solr; Mr M Herriott, Mr P R Toppin, Cannock and Co; Mr J J Browne, C.E.; Mr J Spillane, Mr D F McNamara, T.C.; Mr Wm B Fitt, Mr M Maguire, Mr E Langley Hunt, Mr S Frost, J.P., Sixmile-Bridge; Dr Shanahan, &c.

The following amongst others sent carriages:—The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, Mr T E O'Brien, L and C E; Mr W Spillane, J.P.; Mr R Hunt, J.P.; Mr F St C Hobson, Mr V Nash, J.P.; Mr J Eillard, Mr S B Quin, J.P.; Mr S P Dowling, J.P.

The coffin was covered with beautiful wreaths sent by the following:—Thomas M'Mahon Cregan and Mrs Cregan, George-street; Capt and Mrs Cregan, Cheltenham; Mr and Mrs T E O'Brien, South Hill; Mr S B Quin, Shannon Lawn; Mrs Iseixira, Bournemouth; Mrs Maguire, George-street; Mrs and Miss Kearney, George-street; Mr and Miss J Chaloner Smith, St Helens, Bray; Mr and Mrs J Catterson Smith, Bray; Miss Hastings, Glentworth-street; Mrs Doyle and family, George-street; Mr John Catterson Smith and Miss Catterson Smith, Bray; Miss Shepherd, Bournemouth; Col and Mrs Washington, C.R.E., Gravesend; Mrs Johnson, Bournemouth.

**SAD DROWNING CASE AT KILRUSH.
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)**

Kilrush, Monday.
A very painful case of drowning took place at

THE WRECK OF THE S.S. WAIRARAPA.

LETTER FROM A LIMERICK MAN.

A THRILLING NARRATIVE.

Many of our readers will recollect the harrowing tale of the wreck of Great Barrier Island at midnight on the 28th Oct. of the s.s. Wairarapa, bound from Sydney on October 24th for Auckland, New Zealand. The result of the catastrophe was the loss of 111 lives. The following extract of a letter from Mr Joseph Wright, late of this city, to his parents will be of interest:—

I suppose you saw the account of the New Zealand steamer that went down. I was on board her but hope you did not know it. I would have sent a cable but had not the money, as I lost everything except a few clothes, on me, and managed to save the order for £20. I am greatly knocked up and quite dazed yet. I will just give you a short account of how I was saved.

At 12.10 a.m. the crash came. I jumped out of my bunk and ran on deck. It was pitch dark and foggy. One of the sailors said it is all up; we are on the rocks. So I ran down to the cabin, put on my coat and a life belt. When I got on deck again we were settling down on one side, so I got outside the rail of the side that was out of the water. The water began to break up the different parts of the deck that were exposed, so I climbed up on one of the boat davits, and was there about one minute, when a wave came all over the deck, washing away a great many of the passengers, and the cries for help were terrible. The electric lights going out just then made it awful. There were 12 or 15 holding on to the davit and one holding on to my leg, but as the steamer went deeper some of these were washed off as they got exhausted. I was on the davit 6 hours watching the tide coming higher and higher with each wave until nearly every one went over my head; then I let go and swam for the rigging. After a long struggle, going down once, I caught the rigging and climbed up. It was daylight now, and we could see the people drowning all round us. A man and I joined two ropes together and threw it to the people that remained on the davit. We hauled 6 in, 3 were drowned who could not catch the rope; we were in the rigging 6 hours, then the tide went out, and we managed to get along the side of the vessel to the fore-rigging, one of us being washed off and drowned; there was a rope from the fore-rigging to the rocks by which we were hauled through the water, and after a lot of knocking against the rocks we were hauled up, 2 ladies who could not hold on were drowned. We were on the rocks for about 4 hours when the Maoris came in their boats, took us to a Bay about 5 miles off the nearest place that we could land. We slept that night (Monday) on the stonies round fires. Next day we were taken to the settlement and got some food. We had to walk over hills covered with bush which were about 1,000 ft high and very steep. The walk took us 5 hours, and when we got to the settlement we nearly all fell down exhausted. Wednesday evening a steamer came for us and took us to Auckland. We got some clothes there and food; people being very kind to us, but coming round us in the streets asking about their relations they knew were on board. I left Auckland on Thursday and reached here at 6 this evening (Napier).

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED LARCENY AT THE RACES.

At the County Petty Sessions to-day, before Mr J B Irwin, E.M., and Mr Vincent Nash, a Charleville man named William Browne was charged in custody with the attempted larceny of £29, the property of the Limerick Race Company.

District Inspector Hetreed prosecuted, and the prisoner was undefended.

The circumstances of the prosecution were detailed by District Inspector Hetreed, who stated that at the races on yesterday two men named Fitzgerald and Ferguson were in charge of one of the turnstiles collecting money. The prisoner tried to get into the grand stand area without paying, but admission was refused. He then tried again stating he wanted to see a friend, but the man on duty told him to move off. They