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ion has resulted in the loss of he Government, which cannot any more losses, though they that a majority of one is acancy occurred on the occa- ldy, Q.C., resigning his seat nent to the Recordership of candidates were Mr. J. Maun- Conservative, and Mr. Harold lical. At the two previous didates were Mr. Waddy and , and the former succeeded in tter in 1886, by a majority of 2, by a majority of 427. Mr. now contested the seat for nd has learned that there is nbers, for he has won at last ly a small number of votes, ent, however, to win the seat e figures a diminution in the l a substantial increase in the tors. The election is a knock e present Government. It ch, following upon others, a most damaging effect on ects of the Ministry. Mr. adical candidate, based his ectorate on the Budget and iniquities of the House of tting to mention also Lord ntentions as to land transfer, abourer's cottages, old age n one vote, registration re eto. Home Rule was but duced into Mr. Reckitt's n for justifying the attack f Lords. The House of troyed a Bill "which would Irish brethren the control cal affairs, bound Great nd more closely together, e Imperial Parliament legislation." In reply has been issued. The advantage of the state- d the House of Lords in e Rule Bill, and, conse- carried into the Radical them to give Home Rule y were so anxious to avoid. avoured to throw Home ground, and to discuss only y of "bringing the Second irect touch with public nionists kept both well te, with the result which There could be but one that if Mr Reckitt and at the House of Lords, in was in opposition to the d they not dissolve Parlia- e county on that issue, and that issue at Horncastle why did they not try it n? Another iniquity was e Evicted Tenants Bill, as "a measure to give to ecurity for social order by land those who had lost d times and the delays of " It was asked how is it t can find a quarter of a ney for the restoration of p their farms, whilst at Liberal Government can- relieve honest distress in ts of England." That t with the rural division here the force of the ion has been severely felt. our of mending or ending these two were not a revolution of the consti- bery admits, can only be iasm of the masses of the he enthusiasm appears to

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AND—Amongst the visitors Inchiquin at Dromoland oting are—Mr T O'Brien drs Massey, Capt Murray, ; Captain Onslow, 10th w, etc, etc.

LIMERICK LAD.—We are iss Ruby Laird has been Scholarship, and also first pianoforte playing, at the the Royal Academy of ate the young lady on her

ON THE CLARE MORRIS cident has occurred on the rris Railway, which is in An engine drawing 40 s of ballast ran into one of ballast at Swinford the workmen were badly

OF GUARDIANS—At this r John Carroll, Chairman, so present, Messrs O'Don- James Lyons. Without s, a resolution was unani- ting the Board as a mark y of the late Mrs Mary Mr P D Clery, and ten- his sorrowing family the pest sympathy in their

AL—Second Sunday in —Matins, 11.30 o'clock— C; Chant, Monk in G Crotch in G; Service, No. 74; Communion nd Hatton in C. Even- Dupuis in A and Nares G; Anthem, "Send out Hymn, 75; Preacher at a Dann; Offertory in aid ty for the Propagation the Church Missionary ervices daily. Special ening at 8 o'clock.

LITERARY CLASS F.Y.M.A.—This Class met at usual last evening—the Rev J Dowd in the chair. On the motion of Mr R Gibson, seconded unanimously, the meeting adjourned to next Friday as a tribute of respect to the memory of the Rev D Wilson, D.D, and of sympathy with his family in their bereavement.

CITY POLICE COURT.—At the City Police Court to-day, before Mr J B Irwin, R M, a woman named Mary Cunningham was charged at the instance of Acting Sergeant Riordan, with being drunk last night. Previous offences having been recorded against her, she was now fined 40s, or an alternative of a month's imprisonment.

THE BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL PROMENADE CONCERTS.

The second concert of the season was given this afternoon in the Athenæum, and from every point of view was most successful. An admirable programme was well sustained and gave entire satisfaction to a large and fashionable audience. Miss Murphy, who has not been heard before in public, sang Marzials' "Ask nothing more," with much taste and sweetness, and later on she evidenced great versatile powers by her appropriate rendering of "The little Alabama coon." Miss Bruce is a very capable violinist, and her playing of Mascagni's famous "Intermezza," from *Cavalleria Rusticana*, was charming. The audience were unstinted in their praise of her efforts. Mr Loftus Townsend in "It came with the merry May Love," was heard to great advantage. "Call me back," (Denza), and "Flight of Aces," were sung by Mrs Henry Freud in artistic fashion. The other items included in the programme were satisfactorily rendered, and altogether the concert was a great success. The next *re-union* will be held on this day fortnight.

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT AT RATHKEALE.

Last night an entertainment consisting of a concert and the production of a play entitled *Pity*, an adaptation by Arthur Shirley from the French *Gringoire* was given in the school-room, Rathkeale. The proceeds are to be applied in aid of the local coal fund, and it must be a source of gratification to the ladies and gentlemen who evince such a deep and kindly interest in this most deserving charity to find that their efforts met with the success that they undoubtedly deserved. The object for which the entertainment was given, coupled with an attractive musical programme in which talent of a high order was exhibited, brought together a large and fashionable audience. The programme was admirably arranged, and was excellently carried out. It was opened by Mr W Massy, who did ample justice to the song "Oat on the deep," his fine baritone being admirably suited to the music. He well deserved the loud applause the audience bestowed upon him. Mrs Mitchell, who has a sweet soprano, which she uses with great care and taste, gave a charming rendering of "An Evening Song," and at a later stage the lady afforded the audience the utmost pleasure by her graceful rendering of a piece entitled "The daily question," of which the house was loud in its appreciation. Mr Cosgreave's interpretation of "Once," was faultless. He is the possessor of a good tenor of fine quality and wide range, and gives evidence of careful study. His voice is capable of further development, and we assume that more will be heard of Mr Cosgreave's ability as a vocalist. He also sang the old popular ballad "Close to the Threshold" very expressively. He was very warmly encored, and was obliged to respond. Mr Peter Fitzgerald, whose interpretation of humorous songs is so well known and appreciated, gained a hearty encore for his happy rendering of "Pat Roche and his Missis from Galway." He also sang in good style "The Pale Young Curate," from *The Sorcerer*. Mr Fitzgerald at a subsequent stage again caused great merriment by his singing of "Pat Hannigan's Aunt," and responding to an encore he contributed "Phill the Plutther Ball." A duet, entitled "Rain of the Roses," was beautifully harmonised by Miss Gertrude Wills, and Miss Read. Miss Minnie Massy gave a pathetic rendering of "The Snowy Breasted Pearl," which was justly appreciated, and this very accomplished vocalist was obliged to respond to an unanimous encore. Miss Gertrude Wills' rendering of the song, "Your Voice," was full of pathos. The lady possess an exceedingly good voice, and sings in the most artistic and finished style. She was a great favourite with the audience. "We all love Jack," was sung by Mr W Massy with great spirit, and he was rapturously applauded. This concluded the concert portion of the programme. The work of playing the accompaniments was divided between Mrs E W O'Brien and Miss Gertrude Wills, both of whom are accomplished pianists. The second portion of the evening's entertainment comprised the interesting little play, "Pity," from the French play "Gringoire," and we must say that it was remarkably well put upon the stage, the various characters and costumes, representing those of the nineteenth century. The *dramatis personæ* were Mrs J Massy, Miss Reid, Mr Eyre Lloyd, Mr John White, and Captains Chadwic and McMahon. Without entering into minute details, we can testify to the efficient action of all involved. Mr Lloyd's personation of "Gringoire" was spirited and attractive, whilst Mrs Massy and Miss Reid were extremely natural and interesting in their parts. Mr John White acted in his royal function as "King" with much dignity, and the two gallant sons of Mars seemed quite at home upon the boards. The proceedings were brought to a close with "God Save the Queen." The entertainment will be repeated this evening. Mr Eyre Lloyd deserves a special word of praise for the manner in which he had the arrangements perfected.

"IRISH SOCIETY."

The special Christmas number of *Irish Society*, a deservedly popular journal, is accompanied by a beautiful presentation plate of "Representative Leaders of Society in Ireland," who are given in the following order:—Lady Ardilaun, Lady Londonderry, Lady Rossmore, Marchioness of Ormonde, Viscountess Gormanstown, Lady O'Hagan, Lady Glentworth, Lady Henry Fitzgerald, Viscountess Powerscourt, Countess of Aberdeen, Hon Lady Greville, Lady Maurice Fitzgerald, Lady Carew, Mrs James Talbot Power, Mrs Talbot Coke, and the Duchess of Abercorn. These photos, which have been specially taken by M Lafayette, are excellently reproduced, and the supplement is certain to be highly prized in fashionable circles. The journal itself contains serial stories as well as a variety of literature of a seasonable nature. It is wonderful value for one penny.

THE CORPORATION ACCOUNTS.

Mr William Edward Ellis, Local Government Auditor, has given notice that he will resume the audit of the Corporation accounts on Monday next. On Tuesday the auditor will sit in public to hear representations on behalf of the Corporation, a support of certain payments made to Messrs O'Donnell and Scanlan in neglect of their contract a few years ago for keeping the streets of the city in repair. On Wednesday the auditor will have a public sitting to receive the views of a committee appointed by the Corporation as to the organization and working of the Water Works Department, the collection of the water rates, and the keeping of the accounts.

WEIGHT OF BREAD IN THE CITY.

Mr Forrest, High Constable, reports:—"I weighed an ordinary loaf of fresh bread on this day (8th December) at the undermentioned bakeries, with the following results:—

J Dinneen, Nicholas street	...	1lb 4ozs	1d
S Tubridy, Athlunkard street	...	2lb 2ozs	2d
J Reilly, Broad street	...	1lb 4ozs	1d
Mrs Russell, do	...	1lb 0ozs	1d
D Tucker, Mungret street	...	1 b 0ozs	1d
Croom Mills Bakery, Carr street		1lb 0ozs	1d

I found beams, scales and weights at all the places for the accommodation of persons desirious to purchase by weight except at one concern."

The Madagascar credits on Thursday received the practically unanimous sanction of the French Senate.

Lord George Hamilton was on Thursday elected Chairman of the London School Board by 29 votes against 26 recorded for the Rev T W Sharpe.

LONDON TO THE FALLS OF NIAGARA, 50 views the Holy Land, 60 views; Around the World with a Camera, 60 views; the Sights of Rome, 50 views; the Rhine Tour, 50 views; with various views of Old Irish Ruins and Scenery, are amongst the Photographic Lecture Sets of Lantern Slides in stock for the present season at Cole, Nelson and Co's, Patrick street, Limerick. They also have an almost endless variety of Comic and Mechanical Slides, which vary in price from 6d to 30s, and a very large range of the most up-to-date Lanterns at from 2s 9d to £50. They are prepared to arrange for Lime-Light entertainments either in town or country on most moderate terms, and will send full particulars on receipt of Post Card. (Sept 27.)

FUNERAL OF THE LATE REV. DR. WILSON, D.D.

The funeral of the late Rev Dr Wilson, Minister of the Presbyterian Church, took place yesterday morning amidst a general expression of deep sorrow at the loss of a most popular clergyman, who for half a century had been resident in this city. The monster houses and numerous other establishments were shuttered, and the Protestant Young Men's Association was closed during the funeral. At 9·45 o'clock the remains were conveyed from the late residence of the deceased to the Presbyterian Church, where a short service was conducted by the Rev Dr Todd-Martin, of Belfast, Moderator of the General Assembly, in the presence of a very large congregation, which included numerous ladies. The pulpit, and also the pillars beneath the galleries, were draped in black. The service was opened with prayer, after which the 90th psalm and part of 15th chap., 1st Corinthians, were read, and the 23rd psalm was sung. The Moderator then delivered the following eloquent address, which visibly affected all who heard it:—The continuity of the personal life after death is established beyond question on the testimony of the Word of God. The assurance of immortality underlies all Scripture teaching; it gives fullness of meaning to the Divine promises; it adds increased weight to the commands of the law of duty. The mystery of the hereafter is impenetrable to uninspired intelligence. It is only in the Gospel of Christ that personal immortality has been brought clearly into light. The re-appearing of Jesus to His Disciples after His crucifixion has made it a visible fact of history. To doubt the continuity of our life beyond the grave is to doubt the Christian faith, for Christianity rests on the certainty of the resurrection of our Lord. The Apostle Paul takes this ground in his great argument in 1. Cor, 15 c,—"Now, if Christ be preached that He rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen; and if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. But Christ is risen from the dead—the first fruits of them that slept." In this most sure hope we gather to-day around the remains of our revered and beloved father, and before proceeding to commit his body to the dust, we pause to meditate for a little on the last things. Assembled in the presence of death, we lay hold of the comforting truth that not death but life is the great theme of the Gospel. The Apostles testified, saying—"The life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and show unto you that eternal life which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us." Our faith carries in it the constant assurance of life—life coming to our dead world in Christ; life engendered by the Spirit; life fed by bread from Heaven; life hid with Christ in God; life reappearing with the manifested Lord; life of unwearying service; life in the fulness of joy; life for ever and ever. But we must not forget that the life of the Gospel is life through death. It was gained for us by the Cross. By laying down His life Christ conquered the last enemy, and won the right to say, "Whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." That life of the spirit within us is not dependent on the organism; it is not weakened or impaired by the infirmities of age, or by bodily decay. Its expression in word and act may be enfeebled, but in its essential nature it remains untouched. "Though our outward man perish, the inward man is renewed day by day." The natural body has its function on this earth. It is the spirit's instrument—its intermediary through which it acts in a world of physical law; it is the organ of the soul—its outward form, not our proper self; it is our earthly house. And when it is dissolved "We have a building of God; an house not made with hands eternal in the heavens." By the grave we think of death as the divider, separating the dearest; in the light of the Gospel, on the other hand, death is ever opening the way to re-union and to more intimate and wider fellowship. The majority of the good are not to-day upon the earth; they are in heaven. When one has reached the three-score and ten years, the greater number of those he has known and loved are in the Father's house. There we may well believe interrupted fellowship will be received, and the spiritual kinship of the children of God realized more fully in a sinless state. Into that goodly companionship before the throne of God and of the Lamb, we can rejoice to think that the servant of Christ, whose loss we mourn, has passed—passing from the loved still on earth to the loved who are in heaven; from the congregation to which ministered with such affectionate care, to the meeting of the saints above; from the councils of the brethren and the brotherhood of the Church visible, to councils and unbroken communion with the General Assembly and Church of the First Born, whose names are written in heaven, and, more than all, from worships in faith here to the adoration of his Lord in that upper sanctuary where he sees Him face to face. For nearly half a century Dr Wilson has served this congregation with fidelity and power. He was an earnest Evangelical preacher. How diligently he watched over the flock you who have enjoyed his ministry best know. There must well up in your hearts to-day grateful memories of words and deeds that uttered to you the loving kindness of a most tender and sympathetic friend. It is impossible for you, who knew so well the sterling worth, the generous spirit, and the winning lovableness of the father and friend who has been taken, not to be moved by grief at the loss which his removal is to you, to this community, and to the whole Church; yet is not the occasion one fitted to call forth reverent thankfulness to the God of Grace for so full, so complete, so useful a life. Our friend had reached the measure of man's days. His years were filled with action, diligent performance of duties of the highest kind. They were spent in preaching Christ, in pastoral oversight, in discharging the office of a bishop of the Church, in promoting missions, in endeavours to direct on right lines the education of the people, in the administration of charities, and in the many forms of aid which a wise and kindhearted man is so often called upon to render to persons in perplexity or difficulty. Public duties ably and faithfully discharged, and private personal relations wide-reaching and especially rich in affectionateness and trusting love, filled those busy years. Viewed as a whole, his was an exceptionally full life. His work is work that abides. The fruits of it will be reaped hereafter in this and other lands. As a memory, that life will be dear to the heart of many, and will be widely held in honour by all classes and creeds. In the Irish Presbyterian Church, Dr David Wilson has long occupied a foremost place. It is now nearly thirty years since the assembly selected him as its Moderator, and at the close of his year of office recalled him to the chair. He was for many years in charge of our colonial mission, and was a member of all our important boards and committees. We have had no more trusted member of our Church Courts. He brought to bear on all questions a very vigorous and clear-seeing mind, and a judgment singularly free from prejudice. A lucid, forcible, and persuasive speaker, and enjoying in a high degree the affection and confidence of the brethren, he commanded great influence in the Assembly. He was often employed by the Church in its negotiations with the Government, and displayed in such matters the greatest discretion and ability. In his death another of our leading men has passed away. The Church will sorrow to see his place left vacant; his brethren in the ministry will grieve that it shall see his face on earth no more. But he has entered where sorrow comes not. "Write," said a voice from Heaven to the last of the great succession of the prophets, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yes, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

A hymn having been sung, the service closed with prayer. The coffin was then tenderly borne by several members of the Church to the hearse in waiting, and the funeral proceeded to St Munchin's. It was of very large proportions, all classes and creeds in the city being adequately represented, and it is right to observe that several people missed the funeral owing to the fact that it started some five minutes before the appointed hour—eleven o'clock.

The chief mourners were—James Wilson, Esq, London; D M Wilson, Esq, B L, Dublin, sons; Samuel D Wilson, Esq, brother; Wm Smyth, Esq, J P, Banbridge, son-in-law; S Anderson, Esq; David Christie, Esq, B L; Stevenson Wilson, Esq, nephews.

The clergy present were—The Rev Dr Todd-Martin, Belfast, Moderator of the General Assembly; Rev J Holmes, Tipperary; Rev Samuel Craig, Summerhill; Rev William Tait, L L D, Kilrush; Rev Mr Cotter, Kingstown; Rev Mr Irwin, Parsonstown; The Dean of Limerick, the Archdeacon of Limerick; Rev Canon Gregg, Rev J Dowd, Rev F Langbridge, Rev S F King, Rev J W Hudson, Rev C V Vereker, Rev F R Carr, Rev Mr Armstrong, Methodist Church, George-street; Rev Mr Greer, Bedford Row.

Amongst the general public we noticed—Mr Archibald Murray and Mr Thomas A Ferguson, Elders of the congregation; Deacons—Joh Elliott, Robert Colenal, and James Kid; Mr Andrew Murray, Mr Bruce Murray, Mr Robert Hunt, J P; Capt Hunt, R N; Dr Gelston, Col Maunsell, J P; Mr Wilkinson, George-street; Captain Vanderkiste, Mr John Morton, Manager, Provincial Bank; Mr J E Murphy, Manager Bank of Ireland; Mr F G M Kennedy, J P; Dr Kennedy, Mr R Ferguson, Speight and Sons, Limited; Messrs J Wright, Riddle, Coburn, and Waters, Limerick Distillery; Mr R L Brown, J P; Mr William M Beauchamp, solicitor; Mr T H Cleeve, J P; Mr F C Cleeve, Mr E B Cleeve, Mr J Cleeve, Mr B Barrington, solicitor; Mr Alex W Shaw, J P; Mr Edmund M Russell, Major Plummer, Mr George Boyd, Mr Holliday, Manager Boyd and Co; Dr Malone, Mr T Ewart, Mr Cooper O'Donohue, Mr R F Walker, Mr James Goodwin, Mr John M'Birney, Mr A N Barnett, Mr Wyndham Fitzgerald, Mr A McNab, Mr William Armstrong, Catherine street; Captain Fudge, Mr J B Irwin, R M; Messrs Waterstone, Mr Wm Nelson, William street; Mr Nelson, Patrick street; Mr Smith, do; Mr Richard Smith, Mr Frederick Finch, Dr Kelly, J P, Castleconnell; Mr Octavous Wallace, Mr John Wallace, Mr J H Wallace, Mr R Hanna, Alderman Kenna, (High Sheriff); Mr John Ellard, Mr J Harris, Mr R M'Donnell, J P, (Town Clerk); Mr E Langley Hunt, Mr Hunt, junr, Mr James Quin, J P; Mr S B Quin, J P; Mr Samuel E Lee, Mr R J Lee, Mr J T Day, Mr E H P Hosford, Dr Myles, Dr Fogerty, Mr P Herbert, T C; Mr Joseph Stewart, Mr H L Stewart, Mr Cross (Manager Clyde Shipping Company); Dr O'Shaughnessy, J P; Messrs Donnellan, Sullivan, and Belshaw (R Hunt & Son); Mr M'Arthur, Mr Whelan, Mr Eggers, Mr Hartnett Mr Joynt, etc, (Todd & Co); Mr M'Intyre, Mr Johnstone, Mr J J Browne, C E; Mr P R Toppin (Cannock & Co); Mr Ball, do; Mr Wm B Fitt, Mr C H Fitt (Sub Sheriff); Mr E G Fitt, Mr A J Eakins, Mr J Palmer, Mr Gibson (Guy & Co); Head-Constable Morrow, Sergeant Hutchinson, Mr Hopkins, Sergt Daniels, Mr Winter, V S; Mr W H Fogerty, solr; Major Mawe, Mr F Muspratt, Mr Vincent Nash, J P; Mr McCullough, Mr Andrew Cunningham, Mr T E Bunting, Mr P Hartigan, Mr J Casey, W & L R; Mr S J Glynn, do; Mr Z Myles, J P; Mr Robert W Myles, Colonel O'Donnell, Mr Newman, and Mr Griffin, Provincial Bank; Mr Peter Hamilton, Mr Beaumont, Mr R F Walker, Mr Michael Egan, Mr M G Slade, C E; Mr James Welply, Mr J P Newson, Mr Herriott, Mullock and Sons, Ald Gaffney, J P; Mr Wm Christy, Mr Christy, jun; Surgeon-Captain Browning, Mr Merrick, Mr Fitzmaurice, Harbour Master; Mr T Hassett, George street; Mr Kimmitt, Messrs McNamara and Hartnett, Mr Birney and Co; Mr Rusk, Librarian P Y M A; Mr Frank B Angley, Mr J A Boyd, Organist Trinity Church; Mr John Boyd, Mr R Plummer, Mr J B Symth, Mr Waugh Mr J Alexander, Mr O'Connell, Inland Revenue; Mr W J Faris, Dublin; Mr Wm M O'Friel, Mr T S Hance, Mr Hare, Pery square; Mr Moses Caffrey, Mr George Hill, Mr C Hill, Boyd and Co; Mr Stenson, Mr McNamara, Catherine street; Mr George Cullen, Newport; Mr Murray, Quin & Co; Mr Creagh, do; Mr Massy Hewson, Mr James Hewson, Mr A E Annesley, Messrs John, William, and George Nicholl, Ballygay, Barrington's Bridge; Mr J Brennall, Mr Thompson, Cecil street; ex-Sergeant Thompson, R I C.

The following sent carriages—Messrs J F Bannatyne, D L; Archibald Murray, William Barrington, C E; John Russell, Precentor Meredyth, William Lloyd, Joseph Matterson, J P; John Ellard, Vincent Nash, J P; George Boyd, Dr Myles, Dr Malone, E Smith, &c, &c.

The Moderator offered up prayer at the graveside, and the placing of the remains in the family vault closed the sad and final scene. By request of the family there were no flowers.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,—I deeply deplore my inability, through illness, to be among the very many who attended the obsequies of the late and universally lamented Dr Wilson; as my uniform friendship with him for the past thirty-two years enabled me to form a thorough estimate of his admirable character. He was my immediate successor as President of the Limerick Young Men's Association; and his appearance on the platform was ever hailed with acclamation as acknowledging a sage counsellor and an orator, who combined the *utile dulci*, the profitable with the pleasant. His large experience of life in all its phases—his personal piety, his sympathetic nature, his strong practical mind, general information, rich humour, and inexhaustible anecdotal resources rendered him "a leader among men" in our community; while in private intercourse his quiet and solid judgment blended with *bonhomie*, the felicitous and fruitful unison of the *fortiter in re* with the *suaviter in modo*, caused his society to be sought by all who appreciate the rare conjunction of wisdom, benevolence, and brightness. We may poignantly bewail his removal from amongst us in echoing the words of the Latin Elegist—"Quis desiderio sit pudor, aut modus Tamcari capitis?" but the consolation follows in our full assurance that he, through Grace, was empowered to say with the veteran Apostle, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day."

I remain, faithfully yours,
FRANCIS MEREDYTH.

IN MEMORIAM.

REV. DAVID WILSON, D.D.
Obiit, 4th December, 1894,
Aged 74 years.

Prima et recta senectis.
Juvenal, 3, 26.

All honour to the Patriarch's dust!
For fifty years, he stood
Full loyal to his solemn trust,
Through storm, and flame, and flood!

In mind and body, massive, strong,
Firm as his native hills,—
Alike intolerant of wrong,
And touch'd by human ills.

Kindly and courteous, with a tone
Of sympathy and love
For Every creed, and, every one—
His record is above!

Oh! lay him gently down to sleep
Within "God's Acre"!—shed
Tears of affection, warm and deep,
Above his honour'd head.

Across his grave, let night winds blow,
Subdued, as they pass by;
And let old Shannon's waters flow,
Chanting his lullaby!

Farewell! blest servant of thy Lord!
Thy memory shall be green;—
We'll miss, 'mid scenes where thou hast trod,
Thy manly, Christian, mien!

Rest in the bosom of thy Lord!
Thy life of love is o'er!
Thour't gone, to reap a rich "reward,"
Upon th' eternal shore!

S.R.W.

7th December, 1894.

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.—Madam Worth's Celebrated Guinea Corsets (black 25s) may be obtained from her Local Agents, Messrs Cannock and Co (Limited), Limerick. Dec. 1

THE HUNTING SEASON.—C Corneille, Thomas Street, is now showing some splendid specimens of hunting boots, and can execute orders for every description in about a fortnight; perfect fit guaranteed. Hunting Vests in great variety from 8s 6d. Newest shapes in Hunting Scarfs, viz—"The Huntsman," "The Tally-Ho," "The Royal Hunt," "The Kildare," &c, from 2s 6d. Choice assortments of safety pins to match Silk Hunting Hats in the very latest shapes. Boot Jacks, Boot Hooks, Creams, Powders, Varnishes, Fluids, &c, all from the best makers.

BUTTER EXHIBITION.—The great success of Danish Butter has been the Preservative used. Laird's Preservative is undoubtedly the best that can be had. References to Butter experts. Quotations according to quantity. Also other Creamery necessaries. J. LAIRD, 118 George street, Limerick. [Nov 28]

MORTALITY STATISTICS—The average annual death-rate represented by the deaths registered last week in the sixteen principal Town Districts of Ireland was 21·1 per 1,000 of the population. The deaths registered in the several towns, alphabetically arranged, corresponded to the following annual rates per 1,000:—Armagh, 14·0; Belfast, 22·7; Cork, 22·8; Drogheda, 8·8; Dublin, 20·0; Dundalk, 12·6; Galway, 11·3; Kilkenny, 18·9; Limerick, 22·5; Lisburn, 21·3; Londonderry, 20·4; Lurgan, 36·5; Newry, 20·1; Sligo, 20·3; Waterford, 22·5; Wexford, 27·1. The deaths from the principal zymotic diseases in the 16 districts during last week were equal to an annual rate of 1·8 per 1,000, the rates varying from 0.0 in seven of the districts to 18·2 in Lurgan; the 8 deaths from all causes registered in that district comprising 1 measles, 2 from scarlatina, 1 from whooping-cough. Among the 117 deaths from all causes registered in Belfast are 1 from scarlatina, 2 from measles, 1 from whooping-cough, 1 from simple continued fever, 2 from enteric fever, and 1 from diarrhœa; and the 16 deaths in Limerick comprise 3 from scarlatina and 1 from whooping-cough.

BUTTER PROSECUTIONS AT MILTOWN-MALBAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

At Miltown-Malbay Petty Sessions on Thursday, before Mr A M Harpur, R M, (in the chair), and Colonel Tottenham.

Sergeant Clinton, Inspector under the Food and Drugs Act, summoned Mary Talty, James Murray, and John Malone, for exposing for sale in the market at Miltown butter containing water amounting to adulteration. The certificates issued by Sir Charles Cameron showed that Mrs Talty's butter contained 20 per cent of water, Murray's 18 per cent, and Malone's 17½ per cent.

District-Inspector Huggins—The inspector also forwarded two other samples which the analyst's certificates declared pure.

Chairman—We must go by the analyst's certificates, which must guide us, magistrates.

Colonel Tottenham—No difficulty now exists in making good butter in this weather.

Chairman—We will fine Mrs Talty 10s and costs, and Malone 5s. As Murray does not attend he will also be fined 10s.

Mary Talty—The people will have to give up making butter entirely if this goes on.

CHARLEVILLE FAIR.

This Fair was held on Wednesday. The prices obtainable were remunerative. The supply of stock in market was up to the average, and a large number of bugers attended. Beef was rather scarce, and sold at from 40s to 52s per cwt. Mutton, which was pleutiful, realised from 6d to 7d per lb. Calves fetched £3 10s to £5 5s; two year olds, £6 10s to £8 10s; springers, few of which were in market, sold rather brisk, at £13 to £19. The buying in general was lively, and a very large amount of business was transacted during the day.

SIXMILE BRIDGE FAIR.

The above fair was held on Wednesday, and was largely attended by buyers from different centres. The supply of cattle and sheep was large, particularly the latter class. Messrs Frost sold to Mr O'Connell, Thomas-street, a lot of sheep at 48s each; Major Studdert sold a lot at 52s 6d each. Several others changed hands at prices from 45s to 60s each. Lambs were in good demand, and there was a large supply, which sold at from 30s to 35s each; all were bought up. The cattle fair comprised odds and ends of the season, which were all bought up by local butchers at an advance on previous fairs. The fair all round was an improvement on late fairs.

NEWCASTLE WEST FAIRS AND MARKET ASSOCIATION.—At the usual weekly meeting of this association Mr John M'Donnell presided. The other members present were—Messrs Michael H Woulfe (treasurer), and Wm Phelan. Mr Phelan proposed, seconded by Mr Woulfe, and passed:—"That the minutes of the proceedings of the of this association be sent regularly to the Press for publication." After arrangements had been made for the horse fair on Monday, 10th Dec., the meeting adjourned.

ASSIZE INTELLIGENCE.

At the Ulster Winter Assizes yesterday two gamekeepers named Wm Lees and Michael Deane were convicted of unlawfully shooting at three poachers named Johnston, M'Guigan, and M'Ildowney near Draperstown, county Derry, wounding two of them severely Deane was sentenced to twelve months' and Lees to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour. Two young men named Patrick Connor and Patrick Larrissy were indicted for tampering with racing telegrams in Belfast which a postman named Ferguson induced a messenger named Wallace to disclose, the object being to make money by defrauding betting men. All four culprits pleaded guilty. Sentence was deferred.

The Lord Chief Justice in opening the Connaught Winter Assizes, stated that the number of specially reported cases had increased in Roscommon from 14 to 24, in Mayo from 15 to 24, and in Sligo from 6 to 10, while in Galway the number was stationary at 36, and in Leitrim there had been a decrease from 16 to 10. An atrocious attack had been made on a lady named M'Donnell in Mayo by a man named Lynchehan, who had escaped; but, taken as a whole, he found from the reports of the County Inspectors that the condition of the province was fairly peaceful, and satisfactory. Anne Ratledge, a peasant girl, indicted for the murder of her child by cutting its throat and throwing it into a bog drain, was found guilty of concealment of birth and sentenced to two years' imprisonment. John Murphy, a labourer, was convicted of causing the death of his wife by striking her with a boot on the forehead, producing a fatal attack of erysipelas. He was sentenced to a year's imprisonment.

THE GLENLARA MURDER TRIAL.

Cork, Friday.

The trial of Eugene Keeffe for the murder of James Donovan, the caretaker of an evicted farm at Glenlara, terminated to-day at the Munster Assizes, before the Lord Chief Baron. The defence was an *alibi*.

The jury, after two hours' deliberation, acquitted the prisoner, and there was applause in court.

The crowd outside cheered enthusiastically and carried the prisoner on their shoulders.

POLITICAL SPEECHES.

Professor Dicey, addressing a great Liberal Unionist meeting in Liverpool, on Thursday, defended the House of Lords from the attacks of Lord Rosebery's Government, and said they had only done their duty to the country in rejecting the Home Rule Bill and the Evicted Tenants Bill. As to the latter it had been said that if it were not passed there would be murders in Ireland this winter. That had proved happily untrue, but he would rather have ten murders in Ireland this winter than one case of a man to whom English faith had been broken. He admitted that the House of Lords, like other institutions, needed reform, and he knew that the Unionists, when they came into power, would calmly and wisely take up the question. It was also necessary to secure the representation of the English people in the House of Commons from being swamped by the over-representation of Ireland.

Mr Campbell-Bannerman, speaking at Dunfermline on Thursday night, discussing the question of the House of Lords, said he would lay down three propositions—first, that the people's representatives must control general legislation themselves; secondly, that it would be foolish and mischievous to maintain or set up a Second Chamber to thwart the will of the people's chamber; and, thirdly, that any Second Chamber must, therefore, not possess power to resist or override the primary representative Chamber.

Lord Kimberley, speaking as the guest of the Eighty Club, on Thursday night, said Home Rule must continue a foremost feature of the Liberal programme. Concerning the House of Lords, he was a Second Chamber man. He could not see his way to his immediate abolition of the House of Lords, for he did not think this great empire could be safely governed by a single Chamber, where resolutions liable to reversal might be passed upon great questions by a small majority.

THREE CABINET MINISTERS UNDER POLICE PROTECTION.

London, Friday.

The *Morning* states that the Scotland Yard authorities are energetically inquiring into the accuracy of the information which reached them a few days ago as to the increased activity of the Fenian organisation in London and Liverpool. They have good reason for believing that a number of new lodges have been recently formed, and a plan of operations decided upon for the winter months. In this connexion it is significant that the Home Secretary, who a couple of weeks ago received a threatening letter, is now carefully guarded at his own request by an officer attached to the special branch at Scotland Yard. This officer is in constant attendance upon Mr Asquith, whose residence is likewise receiving increased attention from the police. Trusted men have also been told off to safeguard Sir Wm Harcourt and Mr John Morley.

THE CUNARD COMPANY AND SOUTHAMPTON.—No definite decision has been arrived at by the Cunard Company on the question of removing their line from Liverpool to Southampton, much depending on factors not yet in existence. The sharp turns in the Solent would be a hindrance to such large vessels as the Campania and Lucania, although dredging on an extensive scale might remove that difficulty, and, moreover, the wharfage accommodation at Southampton is far less than will be needed even for the German liners, if, as is reported, they intend to enter the docks instead of communicating by tender.

The *Age* (Melbourne), just to hand, records a gross case of cruelty to a small boy by his father, who had beaten the little fellow into a jelly. It transpired that the accused was an "unemployed agitator," who had subsisted on the earnings of his wife and children for the past two years. He has since been employed by the State for a month.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

[SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.]

SANDOWN PARK RACES—THIS DAY.

Moore Place National Hunt Flat—Bowlegs, 1; Hutton Conyers, 2; Jason, 3. Four ran.

Selling Steeplechase—St Anthony, 1; Lord Zetland, 2; King of the Gipsies, 3. Eleven ran.

Great Sandown Steeplechase—Redhill, 1; Wild Man from Borneo, 2; Badminton, 3. Eight ran.

Long Ditton Hurdle—Prince Frederick, 1; Gateshead, 2; Samarcand, 3. Thirteen ran.

Handicap Steeplechase—Mariner, 1; Boy Chieftain, 2; Wheatfields, 3. Eight ran.

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The inquest on the children killed during a panic in a schoolroom at Be fast, was resumed to-day. James Hobbs said he saw the lad McKenna jump into a coal-hole where the gas meter was. The gas went out immediately.

The "Newcastle Programme," Mr Campbell-Bannerman says, "must not be regarded as representing a bill of fare for one individual meal. It was rather a list of dishes which the Liberal party were prepared to furnish, and out of which several meals would be made." Perhaps the simplest description of it, judging by results, would be the menu for the Barmecide feast."

Madame Sarah Bernhardt is, she declares, not a Jewess. One of the Paris newspapers has published a letter protesting against her having taken part in a certain charitable performance on behalf of the Students' Association, on the alleged ground that she is a Jewess. For this anonymous act of folly the president of the association repudiated all responsibility. More interesting, however, was Madame Bernhardt's statement to a reporter of the *Eclair* after the performance. "What does it matter," she said, "whether I am a Jewess or not? I have never taken the trouble to reply to such a statement hitherto; but if it is interesting to the public, I will tell you that I am not a Jewess, and I took my first Communion at the Convent of Grandchamp." The Divine Sarah was born in Paris. Her father was a French lawyer and her mother a Dutch Jewess. It is this latter fact upon which the silly and malic