

Should however there be a repetition of the rioting the executive, being unable any longer to draft in police from the country districts, would be obliged to send a force from the Dublin Depot, to be maintained at the expense of the borough.

*Announcement 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.

- O'Reilly—December 30, at 20 Lower Rutland street, Dublin, the wife of John F O'Reilly of a daughter.
- Walford—Dec. 10, at 10 Nottingham terrace, Regent's park, London, the wife of Edward John Walford of a son.
- Micks—December 30, at Marino House, Killiney, County Dublin, the wife of William L Micks of a son.
- Browett—December 28, at Annamount, Kingstown, the wife of Francis Browett of a son.
- Hoey—December 27, at Dunelin, Malone road, Belfast, the wife of Frank Hoey of a daughter.

#### MARRIAGES.

- Tisdall and Gordon—December 20, at Atwick, Hull, by the Rev Edward Gordon, B A, father of the bride, Fleet Paymaster Edward Tisdall, Royal Navy, of 4 Marine Terrace, Kingstown, to Blanche Theodora, second daughter of the Rev Edward Gordon, Vicar of Atwick.
- Hore and Parker—December 23, at St Michael's, Oxford, by the Rev Dr Stoke, Vicar of the parish, the Rev A H Hore, M A, of Trinity College, to Irene, second daughter of James Parker, Esq, of The Turl, Oxford, Hon M A of Trinity College.

#### DEATHS.

- M'Mahon—On 30th December, at her residence, 16 Thomas street, Elizabeth M'Mahon, aged 56 years.
- Smyth—On Saturday, 28th December, '95, at the residence of her father, Mary Anne (Annie), third daughter of Joseph Smyth, of Degeerty, deeply and deservedly regretted.
- Clarke—December 20, at the Mall, Westport, Willie, the eldest son of George C Clarke, aged 7 years and 3 months.
- Green—December 29, at 20 St Alphonsus road, Drumcondra, John Green, of 169 North Kingstreet, Dublin.
- Hickman—December 20, at his residence, Kildare gardens, London, W, Philip Dervereux Hickman, in his 75th year.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Sisters of Mercy in charge of the sick in the Limerick Workhouse Hospital gratefully acknowledge the receipt of £3 from Mrs O'Brien, South Hill, for the poor patients under their care.

The Treasurer of the Society of St Vincent De Paul thankfully acknowledges the sum of Three Pounds from Captain John McKnight Hartigan.

The Treasurer of Barrington's Hospital thankfully acknowledges the following subscriptions—J N Russell, Esq, £3 3s; Peter Fitzgerald, Esq, £3; The Very Rev the Dean of Limerick, £1; Rev Canon Gabbett, £1; L Sommerfield, Esq, £1.

Mrs Egan, Pery Square, acknowledges with thanks the following for the Workhouse Infirmary Tea:—Messrs Harris and Sons, Mountkennett, four plum puddings; Mrs McCarthy, Cecil street, harm bread; Mrs Geraghty, William street, cakes.

President Cleveland, anticipating a defeat of his financial proposals there, has, it is said, agreed with a syndicate, headed by Mr J P Morgan, on favourable terms for a gold bond issue of a hundred million dollars.

#### MR STANLEY AND THE AMERICAN WAR SCARE.

The London correspondent of the *Freeman* says—Mr Stanley knows America better than most Englishmen, and has had exceptional opportunities of gauging the extent and intensity of the feeling of Americans towards England. His emphatic declaration will come as a shock to all who have accepted the comforting assurances of the English Press that there will not and cannot be war with the United States.

#### NATIONAL SCHOOL TEACHERS CONFERENCE.

A largely attended and representative meeting of National School teachers was held yesterday in the Leinster Lecture Hall, Molesworth street, under the presidency of Mr D Holland, at which numerous important resolutions were passed in reference to the position and claims of that profession, and to the Compulsory Education Act.

#### LORD ARMSTRONG ON MR. EDISON'S "SECRET."

Replying to a correspondent who had asked his views regarding some alleged recent statement by Mr Thomas Alva Edison as to his invention of instruments of destruction for service in war, such as aerial infernal machines, engines throwing water charged with electricity, improved water torpedoes, and a gun for the firing of dynamite, Lord Armstrong, writing from his seat in Northumbria, says:—

"Craggside, Rathbury, 27th December, 1895.  
"Dear Sir,—If the words attributed to Mr Edison are correctly reported, which I greatly doubt, I must say that this great inventor is both hard to understand and extravagantly sanguine. Designs which exist only in idea are seldom of much account, and Mr Edison would be more than human if his brain were capable of evolving matured inventions, of astounding potency in war requiring no protracted trials to fit them for practical application. In such matters, models and laboratory experiments go for very little on this side of the Atlantic. Nothing short of trials on a scale of actual practice can be relied upon, and these, if made, would, from their nature, be incapable of concealment, so that the advantage of sole possession would speedily vanish. Transcendent inventions, even when coming from an Edison, should always be received with incredulity in the absence of tangible proof, and Lord Salisbury is himself too much of an electrician to be moved from his serenity by any threats of wholesale electrical destruction which Mr Edison, in the fervour of his patriotism, may have uttered.—Yours sincerely,

ARMSTRONG.

#### DUBLIN BANAGHER DISTILLERY CO.

The annual meeting of the Dublin City and Banagher Distillery Company, Limited, was held yesterday at the offices in Great Brunswick street, under the presidency of Mr Adam Findlater, chairman of the company. The report showed a loss of 5,000 on the year's working, which the chairman said was not likely to continue, as the company had had to contend with adverse circumstances of a special kind, and were now in a better position. Mr Carlyle, chairman of the Committee of Investigation appointed at the previous meeting, opposed and criticised the report, and the proceedings were rather stormy. Ultimately the report was