

THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE

[ESTABLISHED 1766.]

THURSDAY EVENING, OCT. 17, 1895.

THE Chief Secretary for Ireland made his first public appearance in his Ministerial capacity before his constituents at Leeds last evening. The occasion was a festive one, the proceedings being a conversazione and ball, with other social forms of entertainment interspersed. It was at the close of the programme that Mr Balfour spoke, in reply to an address of congratulation from his supporters, and from remarks which had been made it would seem that Mr Balfour's political opponents were not wanting in cordial appreciation of his manly and honourable qualities. Mr Balfour's remarks were not of a lengthy character, and the speech receives importance from being the first public declaration of Irish policy by a member of the Government. In replying to an address of congratulation on his own success at Leeds and the success of the party to which he belonged, it was to be expected that Mr Balfour did not minimise the results of the late General Election. The victory was a great one; it was a victory, 'all along the line,' and since then the defeated party had been consoling themselves in raising a correspondence in the papers as to the cause of their defeat. This fruitless search, said Mr Balfour, reminded him of an old lady looking everywhere for her spectacles, when everyone could see they were reposing on her nose. He hoped that when next the Radicals emerged from the bold shades of opposition, and were thought worthy to conduct the affairs of the country, they would bring to their task "a little less of rant and a little more of patriotism." Turning to the part of the address which referred to his appointment as Chief Secretary of Ireland, he disclaimed any intention of making a political pronouncement, but he thought the post would be easier for him than for his predecessors. When the Unionists came in with a majority in 1886 the members of the Irish party declared that the government of Ireland by Unionists was impossible.

The *Dublin Gazette* announces that the Lord Justices have issued an order for the acquisition of certain necessary lands by the Ennis District Lunatic Asylum, at a cost not to exceed £700.

ACCIDENTS.—A man named Patrick Flynn has been admitted to Barrington's Hospital suffering from a broken leg. Under Dr Haran's care he is progressing satisfactorily. Another man named David M'Namara is also undergoing treatment in the hospital for a fractured skull.

THE NEW BREWERY PROJECT.—In our fourth page will be found a lengthened report of the proceedings yesterday before the County Court Judge, arising out of the actions brought against the Provincial Bank in connection with shares of the new brewery project. As the matter is one in which the public are largely concerned, the statements made yesterday will possess considerable interest.

SAD BURNING ACCIDENT.—Yesterday, a little girl, named Jenny O'Loughlin, died in the Union Hospital from the effects of burns which she received from some accident. The child was brought into Barrington's Hospital on Tuesday for treatment of her injuries which were regarded by the doctor as very serious. The parents of the child however, declined to allow her to remain in the hospital, and she succumbed to her injuries the following day. An inquest was held yesterday and the jury returned a verdict that death resulted from burns received accidentally.

WATERFORD AND LIMERICK RAILWAY—SPECIAL FARES.—We direct special attention to the announcement made by the Waterford and Limerick Railway Company in our advertising columns, of cheap week-end and tourist fares from all stations on their system to Sligo, and from Sligo to Waterford and Limerick and intervening stations on the different branches of the Company's line. This piece of enterprise on the part of the Waterford and Limerick Company is meritorious, and no doubt the facilities which they offer for travelling will be largely taken advantage of by the public.

MRS. ALEXANDER'S HYMNS.

The following hymns by the lamented Mrs Alexander are to be found in the Irish Church Hymnal—'All praise to God the Father' (No 538); 'He is risen, He is risen' (No 533); 'His are the thousand sparkling rills' (No 523); 'I am the way' (No 521); 'I bind unto myself to-day,' the metrical version of St Patrick's Breastplate; 'Jesus calls us o'er the tumult' (No 327); 'Once in Royal David's city' (No 462); 'The golden gates are lifted up' (No 205); 'The roseate hues of early dawn' (No 333); 'There is a green hill far away' (No 463); 'To the God of our creation' (No 539); 'Twilight is stealing' (No 487); 'We are but little children weak' (No 464); 'We thank the Lord of all the earth' (No 624); 'When my lips confesses' (No 250). It will be seen from this enumeration how largely the Hymn Book

LIMERICK CORP

A meeting of the Corporation The Mayor presided, and the Aldermen—A Hall, P Riordan (Sheriff), D Landers, L Carr, J Anglim, P Herbert, M (Thomas) Donnellan, R Gle Giligan, J P Gaffney, F McMahon, Thomas McMahon Frost, James Gaffney, John M'Namara.

A POLICEMAN'S CLAIM FOR ALD HALL.—Ald Hall inquired whether any action in reference to a policeman to be compensated by him during the election. Mr Dundon replied that Mr Leahy, solicitor for the application, should be given permission to be given half of the Corporation to see to the present time he had.

Ald Hall—Write again. Mr Dundon—I intend to.

THE HALF YEARLY

Ald Hall desired to call a meeting, in his opinion, for the fortieth time. They were in October about to strike a rate which began on 1st of last month. Such a proceeding is quite irregular, and he saw that the Corporation in Limerick they take more than in any other Corporation in Ireland that in Limerick they take a thing. If they struck a rate in March to 29th September would be done away with after the spring and summer. No man who had the slightest business habits but would be irregular to be striking a rate in October supposed to provide for the year.

The City Treasurer was to be the estimate earlier.

THE COST OF STREET

Arising out of the estimate for cleansing, Alderman Hall drew attention to the progressive increase in the cost of the street. In '75 the expenditure for cleansing was £3,607 5s 3d; in '80 it rose to £5,402 17s 8d; in '90 it was £3,659 8s 7d. In '94 it had gone up from £3,607 to £5,402. He often stated that the high rates of the street were the apathy of the ratepayers. His own experience of the past was to represent, if he voted, he would not call him to account. He could not give going on than the figures were very highest rate the Corporation was 5s. In '52, when the rate was put as the limit, they would never have been coming very