

country visitors will all avail themselves of that opportunity for visiting "Garryowen," if they have not done so several times already. That very uncertain element, the weather, has proved propitious. Wednesday was without rain, and neither too cold nor too hot, a cloudy sky moderating the tropical heat of the previous days. To-day rain fell in the forenoon hours, but the afternoon was fine and the dust was laid. Anticipations as to "Garryowen" have now been more than justified. The continuance of present support on Friday culminating in a generous rush on Saturday, both in the afternoon and evening, will render the fete a great and triumphant success. Barrington's Hospital requires it, the prestige of this ancient and historic city deserves it, and the promoters and workers have richly earned it.

Dr Robert Barry has removed from No 84 George street to No 14 Lower Mallow street.

**RIVER EXCURSION TO KILKEE**—Ss "Shannon" leaves Limerick at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday next, 16th instant, for Kilrush, and train will be waiting at Cappa Pier to take passengers to Kilkee. Train returns from Kilkee at 6.0 p.m., and steamer is due in Limerick at 10.0 p.m. Usual low through fares. About five hours will be given at Kilkee.

#### THE LATE REV. W. F. MAUNSELL, B.A.

The funeral of the late Rev W F Maunsell, Incumbent of Kildimo, will leave his late residence at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning for St Munchin's, Limerick, arriving in town sometime about 11 o'clock.

#### BAND PROMENADE.

The Band Promenade Committee, have in consequence of the Garryowen Fete decided to postpone their weekly Promenade of to-morrow. They hope, however, to have two next week the dates of which will be duly announced.

#### HOUSE BURNED DOWN.

Last night a house in Stokes' Lane, off Edward Street, lately occupied by a man named Barry, was burned to the ground. The house which belonged to Mr T M'Mahon Cregan, was vacated by Barry a few nights ago. On the discovery of the fire the Colooney street police were summoned and promptly attended. The Corporation Brigade soon afterwards appeared on the scene, and speedily checked the flames which were spreading towards the adjoining property. The origin of the fire is unknown. The damage is covered by insurance.

**LAWN TENNIS AND CRICKET, GOLF, BOATING AND YACHTING, CYCLING, &c.**—C Corneille, Thomas street, is now showing all the latest novelties for the above. Choice selection of straw hats, in all sizes; hat bands to suit all the principal clubs; special colours made to order. All the latest novelties in Cellular Clothing just received.

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It is stated that Colonel Archinard has definitely refused the post of Governor of the French

Gaffney, solicitor. The following officers of the Corporation were present:—Messrs R M'Donnell, J P, the Town Clerk; Wm Spillane, J P, Manager Gas Works; Bryan O'Donnell, J P, rate collector; Michael Woulfe, City Treasurer; W E Corbett, City Surveyor; M J DeCoursey, Sec. Waterworks. They proceeded to the dais, and soon after the Countess arrived with Lord Charles Kerr, and was escorted to the platform by the Mayor. Accompanying them were—Sir Charles Barrington, Mrs J B Barrington, one of the Hon Secs of "Garryowen," and the following secretaries of committees—Dr G Fogarty, Mr F G Kennedy, Mr J O'G Delmege, Mr A J Eakins, Mr John F Power, Mr L R Switzer.

Amongst those also present were—The Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer, Lord Massey, Colonel the Hon Lionel and Mrs Butler Massy, Mr and Bannatyne, Mr Richard Bourke, Thorntons, Mr Peter Fitzgerald, J P, Major Burton, R A, Mr J B Barrington, J P, Dr and Mrs Gelston, Mr and Mrs Goodbody, General Lloyd, Mr A W Shaw, J P, Mr J Matterson, J P, Major Mitchell, 14th Hussars, Mr J V Phelps, Mr Place, Mr F W Hickman, as well as the various stall holders and officials of the Fair, whose names would occupy a column in themselves.

On ascending the platform, the Countess of Dunraven was introduced to the Mayoress (Mrs W M Nolan), whose little daughter presented the distinguished lady with a handsome bouquet. The Mayor also presented her Ladyship with a copy of the "Garryowen" programme, bound in crimson.

The Mayor on coming forward was received with loud cheers. He said—Ladies and gentlemen, on behalf of the Executive Committee, my first and most pleasing duty is to thank the Countess of Dunraven for the great honour she has done us in so kindly coming over from London to perform the opening ceremony here to-day (cheers). For this we thank her, and I may say the whole city of Limerick thanks her (hear, hear). In your name I bid her ladyship a hearty welcome to "Garryowen." It is in the noble cause of charity that her ladyship has come to grace and honour the result of our exertions. It is for Barrington's Hospital—and everyone in Limerick and many far outside realize what that means. Founded years ago by the grandfather of the present popular Sir Charles Barrington, this institution has during the years of its existence fulfilled its useful purpose. Night and day its door stands open for the reception, and its wards are available for the treatment, of patients, not only from the city, but from other places. It is wanting in many respects in what a modern hospital of the kind should be. Its roof is out of repair, the accommodation for the nurses is defective, and the means for the conveyance of patients within the building are of an antiquated character. There are other drawbacks to which I need not more particularly refer. They will now be removed. Since the inception of the project for remedying these defects, by the holding of this great Fancy Fair, nothing, I am glad to say, could exceed the enthusiasm which has been aroused in the cause of Barrington's Hospital amongst every class and creed in the city. Nothing could exceed the whole-souled earnestness with which every one connected with the undertaking has entered into the work. The result is seen here to-day. Her Ladyship, by her condescension in coming to open the Fair, at great personal inconvenience, and after her recovery from a recent indisposition, has helped in no small way to make "Garryowen" a success. We recognise this, and for it her Ladyship deserves the gratitude of everyone in Limerick, and I can respectfully assure her Ladyship that it is cordially and heartily tendered to her by everyone present