to barr of the administration title of the Tried Unions which is left untouched.

In the table showing the number of persons assist d by Board of Guardians to emigrate under the Provisions of the Irish Poor Relief Acts we find the low water mark of such assistance touched last year. In the twelve months ending the 25th March last, a sum of £100 was spent in assisting 63 persons to imigrate. Of these seven were men, 31 women, and 25 were clildren under 15 years of age. To enable a contrast to be instituted it may be stated that in 1884 as much as £4,346 was expended in assisting 2,161 persons to emigrate.

As on many other occasions, the figures in this report speak highly of the conscientious way in which most of the Irish naions approach the Local Government Board for loans for public pur poses. For instance, under the Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Act, 1895, as many as 65 unions availed themselves of the provisions of the Act and procured loans to the net amount of £53.3 6 for the purpose of supplying seed potatoes on sale to such occupiers and cultivators of land in their respective unions as were unable through poverty to procure a supply for themselves. Under the 3rd section of the Act of 1895 onehalf of this-viz, £26,658 became due on the 1st August last, and of the sum named £25,930 has been repaid, leaving an outstanding balance of only 2728 due by four unions. The further figures given here in connection with the Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Acts, 1890 and 1891, and the Seed Supply (Ireland) Act, 1880, prove the same thing. Under the former Acts as many as 110 unions obtained loans to the amount of £240,405. All this has been paid with the exception of £812 owing by one union. Again, under the Act of 1880 the large number of 153 unions secured advances to the amount of £598,306, of which the considerable sum of £587,449 has been repaid, and £4,282 cancelled, leaving only £6,575 due by nine unions.

The statistics as to poor relief are also of somewhat encouraging kind, although the records of exceptional outdoor relief in such unions as Belmullet, Killala, Westport, Oughterard, and Kilrush are saddening in the extreme. The framers of this report, of whom the Chief Secretary is the foremost, as Chairman of the Local Government Board, recall the fact that in their last, annual report they mentioned that from March, 1895, to March, 1896, there had been a decrease in the average daily number of persons relieved in and out of the workhouses as compared with the number relieved in the previous year. The Board has now to report that the daily average number of persons who received indoor relief from March, 1896, to March, 1897, wa: greater, and the daily average number in receipt of outdoor relief was less than in the year dealt with in the last report of the Board. The daily average number in workhouses was, we are told, 40,814; in public institutions and the district schools, 1,415; and on outdoor relief, 54,469, making a total of 96,698, which is less, the report goes on to say, by 1,485 than the total daily average in the preceding year, and is also less than in any year since 1880-1, in which there was widespread distress in the country, and the daily average number relieved amounted to 114,679.

A considerable portion of the report deals with the operations which have been conducted under the various Labourers Acts, and an interesting analysis is given of the latest of these Acts-viz., the Labeurers (Ireland) Act, 1896. The remainder of the report is chiefly occupied with the details of the action which the Board has taken under the many Acts of Parliament which they either administer in whole or help to administer -Acts such as the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1896, the Technical Instruction Act, 1889, the Post Office Act, 1891, the Housing of the Working Glasses (Ireland) Acts, 1890 to 1896, the Irish Education Acts, 1892 and 1893, the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Acts, 1854, the Locomotives on Highways Act, 1896, and a number of others.

reth, Waterford-Silvia, dark grey filly, 4 years, s Gleddale by Hermit; 3rd, Richard Burke, Grove, Fethard-Cantwell, chestnut gelding, years, s Glan-na-Gael, d by King of Hearts.

SPECIAL PRIZES. Cup value £5. Presented by the Society. For the best Lady's Hunter or Huntress, not less than five years old, which has been bona-fide hunted by a lady with the Tipperary Foxhounds during the past season.—Won by Miss Lilla Bell, Quay House, Clonmel-Red Rose, dark chestnut gelding, 5 years, s by Passion Flower, d by The Coroner.

Silver Cup, value £5. Presented by Messrs Trulock, Hariss, and Richardson, O'Connellstreet, Clonmel. For the best four year old Gelding or Filly exhibited in Classes 5, 6, 7, and 8.—Won by Mr John Widger's Yorker, by Sweetheart, dam by York.

FUNERAL OF MR NICHOLAS MEADE. BALLEGENA, NEWCASTLEWEST.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

The remains of this respected young gentleman were interred in the family vault at Churchtown on Wednesday, the funeral cortege being large and representative. Deceased, who was only 31 years of age, had been ailing for a considerable time, and his death was not unexpected. The chief mourners were-Mr Patrick Murray, JP; Balliston, uncle; Rev H M G Evans, C S S R, St Marys, Rathmines; Richard Evans, Manager National Bank, Bruff; J L Hamilton, National Bank, Templemore; Charles E Daly, National Bank, Rathkeale, brother-in-law; James Murray, Balliston; Richard Murray, National Bank, Newcastle; Patrick Culhane, Peter Cul-hane, Dr Peter Donovan, Edward Donovan, cousins.

The clergymen present were-Rev Fr Gleeson, P P, Kilcolman ; Rev Fr Walsh, P P, Ardagh ; Rev Fr Reeves, C C, Newcastle; Rev Fr Liston, C C, Rathkeale.

Amongst the general public were-Mesers Geo L Sheedy, J P, Moriddy House; Dr Nolan, Shanagolden; Dr Thomas Hayes, Rathkeale; Dr Cremin, Ardagh; Copeland Langford, J P, James Pitts, Mighael McCoy, E O F Nugent, National Bank; Matthew O'Mahony, Eugene O'Mahony, Stafford O'Brien, Richard Nash, Patrick Donovan, Lisgordan; M Griffin, Moneyvaha; Robt Cussen, solr, Newcastle, Joseph Cussen, Glenquin; W Moloney, Rathkeale; J Moylan, do; P Ward, do; John O'Grady, do ; James Hogan, J P, Carrans ; John Costelloe, Ballingarry; James Nolan, Waterpark; Thomas Madagan, Shanagolden; Dan Leonard, Newcastle; J D Moylan, do; John Leonard, Ringwood; Charles Purcell, Provincial Bank; Stephen Ambrose, F Ambrose, Courtenay Schools; D Kennedy, W Phelan, Michael Mac-Mahon, Cornelius Cremin, Ballykiely; John Cribbin, Shanagolden; P Hough, Ballyrohan; Michael McDonnell, Dunmoylan; Patrick Condon, Kathreigh.

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A fire broke out at an early hour on Wednesday morning in Drory Lane, London, which was attended by several tragic and sensational incidents. A woman and her daughter were burned to death. A man and his wife jumped from the burning house into the street, and the wife was killed. Several others received serious injuries

The "Holy Carpet" which is taken with such pomp from Cairo to Mecca has been brought lack to Suez on its way to the Egyptian capital. It is more satisfactory to know, as Reuter informs us. that the pilgrims have not brought the plague with them from Mecca.

Election in May, 1853, Mr Lever was the head of the poll, but in 1865 he w He was, however, again returned as a (Home Ruler in 1884 continuing to re Borough until the dissolution in 188

A MARQUIS CRUSHED TO F The Daily Chronicle's Paris corresp graphs :- Owing to hoardings and oth around the works of the 1900 Exhib has lost one of its best known membe The aged Marquis de Boutbillier member of all the principal clubs in looking at a workman busy on the Q when a tramcar came up at ful crushed him between the palisading He was conveyed to his house, but a moments after his arrival. It is sad that the wife of the Marquis was one c of the terrible fire at the Bazaar de l

TURKISH TROOPS AT TRIK

FIERCE FIGHT WITH INHAI The Chronicle Athens corresponder A desperate engagement has been side Trikkala between two thousa troops, with one hundred horse, and inhabitants of the surrounding vi inhabitants holding impregnable the Turks were compelled to retre

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