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in Trinity Church evening services, are the Diocesan Board

proposes to leave Sunday next, 19th week in Dublin.

Mr R W C Reeves, Lieutenant of the Peace for

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DEATH OF LA MARCHESA DELLA ROCHELLA.

The death took place on the 4th instant of La Marchesa Della Rochella, at her residence, 50 Addison Mansions, Kensington, W, in the 72nd year of her age. The deceased lady was daughter of the third and last Earl of Clare and great-granddaughter of the famous Irish Chancellor, who was instrumental in carrying the Union, and who represented the Borough of Kilmallock in the Irish Parliament. She first married the Hon Gerald Normanby Dillon, son of the 13th Viscount Dillon, born 1823, and who, by Royal licence, assumed the name of Fitzgibbon on his marriage. He was assistant secretary at the India office from 1858 to 1862, and having subsequently resided pretty constantly at Mountshannon, the ancestral seat of the Fitzgibbon family in the county of Limerick, he held the Vice-chairmanship of the Limerick Board of Guardians from 1874 for many years, and took a keen interest in poor law affairs. In 1877 he was high sheriff of the county of Limerick. As co-heir Lady Fitzgibbon succeeded to the property on the death of her brother, Viscount Fitzgibbon, 8th Royal Irish Hussars, who fell in the Crimea, and to whose honour as well as to that of other county Limerick officers, a monument now stands on the Wellesey Bridge. The Hon Gerald Fitzgibbon died sometime in the seventies, and his widow married Ille Marchese Della Rocella, an Italian nobleman, and resided, up to his death eight or ten years ago, at Palermo, Sicily. He having only had a life interest in his property, she returned to London, where she resided up to the time of her death. The Fitzgibbon estates are situated in Limerick and Tipperary, but for years past have been in the hands of a Receiver, and it is now a long spell of time since her ladyship paid a visit to her native country. The present Lord Kimberley married Lady Florence, sister of Lady Louisa. This lady died about a year ago.

THE HORSE SHOW.

We have received a copy of the Catalogue of the eighth annual Show of Horses, Dogs and Poultry, to be held in the Limerick Markets on the altered dates, 30th June and 1st July. It includes sixteen classes for horses, including two for cobs and ponies, the remainder comprising sires, thoroughbred and half-bred mares, hunters, etc. There are three challenge cups, besides gold and silver medals and a special prize. The Dog Show, always an important and interesting feature, comprises no less than 42 classes. In the poultry division there are twenty classes. The jumping and driving competitions are also provided for. All entries for exhibition in horses, dogs, and poultry close on Wednesday, 15th June, and after that day no further entries will be received on any consideration. The jumping and driving entries close on Saturday, 18th.

SERIOUS GUNPOWDER ACCIDENT NEAR KILRUSH.

THE BRUFF LIBEL CASE.

VERDICT.

Yesterday the hearing of the case of Thomas Bowman v Jeremiah Buckley was resumed before Mr Justice O'Brien and a special jury. The plaintiff, a National school teacher, brought the action against the proprietor of the *Limerick Leader* to recover damages laid at £500 for alleged libels published in that paper, arising out of a dispute between the parish priest of Bruff and the Christian Brothers, who had been engaged in teaching the school in that town, and who were withdrawn by the directions of the Superior of the Order. After the school became vacant the plaintiff was appointed teacher, and he complained that the defendant published of and concerning him that "the lives of the grabbers of the evicted schools would be made a hell upon earth," and that the people of Bruff, if the Christian Brothers were not recalled should boycott the school, and "the emergencyman imported into your midst as never exterminator was boycotted." The defendant pleaded no libel and fair comment on a public question.

Counsel for the plaintiff—The Right Hon The MacDermot, Q C; Mr Seymour Bushe, Q C, and Mr Charles F Doyle (instructed by Mr James F Doyle.

For the defendant—Messrs O'Shaughnessy, Q C; J H Campbell, Q C, M P, and John B Powell (instructed by Messrs Thomas Gerard and Co).

Further evidence was given on behalf of the defendant.

Rev Brother Kiely was recalled, and stated that the only support the Christian Brothers had at the school was an annual collection, but this was prohibited by the parish priest.

Mr O'Shaughnessy read the following letter addressed by the parish priest to the Rev Mr Maxwell—"Dear Mr Maxwell—In answer to your last letter, I have to say that, as you did not think it necessary to consult me before making the recent arrangement in Bruff school, I must decline to have anything further to say or do regarding either the management of the school or the support of the Brothers. I should say that it appears strange that, having disregarded the wish of the Cardinal and ignored the Most Rev Dr O'Dwyer as Bishop, and me as parish priest, you can state that your desire in all your actions is to live and act in harmony with your ecclesiastical authorities. When you ask me to undertake to give each Brother £50 per year, you evidently little know how unwilling parents are at the present time to contribute towards the education of their children. My parishioners know that the French Brothers have National Schools in this neighbourhood (Hospital), and they cannot see why your Brothers would not submit to the rules of the National Board of Education also, and thus free them from the annual collection and other expenses necessary for the keeping of the Bruff school.—yours faithfully, C. McNAMARA."

Rev Brother Keogh deposed that he was one of the teachers in the Bruff school from August, 1893, and that the interference with the work of