

rich around, and say that all heartily wishing their hon young friend a long career (applause). They had long been of the kindness of Lord and Lady Rice, and the son of such parents would naturally the prestige of their family. Every one had found Lord Monteaule's kind and be-landlord, and whenever there was an opportunity of advancing the position of anyone property, or of assisting the industries of the country, they knew how tireless and indefatigable Lord and Lady Monteaule had proved the desired end. Therefore they had a pleasure in assembling to do honour to the son of such noble parents (loud applause).

On Mr Spring Rice, who received a warm and responsive, said—In answering to the subject of your health, which you so kindly proposed, I thank you for your indulgence for two reasons. It is a rare occasion, except one, on which I have been asked to raise my voice in public. The only occasion, at least, that I can remember.

I did say anything was at a smoking (laughter)—at my college in Cambridge, and sang a popular Irish song—(hear, hear)—a very good preparation for answering the subject of your health. I must ask you to excuse me on that ground. I have another reason, and another brought home to me by the words of the song, which were written by my house-keeper at Harrow. In the song the words occur, "God bless the king and the queen, because speeches are things we chiefly bless when once we've got them over."

(laughter and applause). And at present I must say I feel most strongly that this is absolutely. I am sure I shall feel thankful when I have my speech over. Finding that I was in every way prepared for making a speech I

I would ask various people for their opinions as to the way in which I might do it. I appealed to them, thinking they would be able to tell me the best and the most really good thing to start with. I was surprised, astonished, and distressed to find the ways they recommended for making a speech were all very different. The first person recommended that I should write out my speech, learn it by heart, and then repeat it. That seemed a very serious task, and I did not much care for it. Somebody else, and somebody else told me to write out my speech, then tear it up, and say what I thought of it as I could remember. I thought that would be unsatisfactory, and I asked some-

This person told me to write out notes for myself, and just refer to them when necessary. I thought that would be very good, and I discarded it. The next person told me to speak entirely extempore. I thought that would be impossible—(laughter)—I discarded it too, and the result is that I have a method entirely original—a method which I believe I invented myself; but I am not sure I can tell you what it is. I will leave you to find out the way in which I reply, to satisfy you as to whether it is a successful one or not. About a fortnight ago I had the pleasure of having an address presented to me, on the occasion then to express my gratitude for the assistance which the tenants on the estate had helped in the efforts that have been made by the landlord to promote friendly feelings between the two (applause). Now, I think I have to add to that except to repeat it, and I ought to speak it in other words, but being accustomed to public speaking I must excuse me for not using other words than the thanks I then expressed. I am

organ during the night, his performance giving an indication of brilliant talent, and attracting the greatest interest amongst the assemblage. The slip jig dancing was a particularly pretty feature in the programme. Amongst those who took part in it were the Hon Miss Spring Rice and the Hon Misses Spring Rice, Miss Arthur, the Misses Knox, and the Misses Nolan, Shanagolden.

Last night the festivities were continued when the remainder of the tenantry and the employees of Lord Monteaule were afforded an excellent night's dancing and amusement at Mount Trenchard. To-day the elderly people, who were unable to take part in the more youthful pastimes were entertained at the mansion by Lord and Lady Monteaule and the house party.

In carrying out details invaluable assistance was given by Mr Jeremiah O'Connor, Mr P Madden, and the Messrs Fitzgerald.

### FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR THOMAS MYLES.

The funeral of the late Mr Thomas Myles, The Crescent, an old and highly respected citizen, took place on Tuesday afternoon, at four o'clock, for the family burial place at St Munchin's, on the arrival of the remains from Kilkee. The chief mourners were—Mr Thos J Myles, Athlone; Dr F J Myles, Co Longford; J O Myles, and C D Myles (sons); Mr S Brews and Mr J B Brommell (brothers-in-law); Rev W S Brews (nephew); Dr G Myles and Dr J P Myles, Mr William Myles, cousins; Mr J H Parker. Amongst the general public were—Dr Malone, Messrs George Sullivan, John Donnellan, James G Wilkinson, James Goodwin, S J Christy, P R Toppin, Rev C V Atkinson, Rev W Swain, C C O'Donohue, M Herriott, James Cleland, Thomas Robinson, E Stokes, John DeCoursey, E Stokes, Wm DeCoursey, W B Fitt, E G Fitt, O Wallace, J R Wallace, A Murray, B Seropin, John Corneille, Bustmount; John Corneille, Rour; B Corneille, Ballycurrane; J R Creswell, W Levers, &c. The Burial Service was read by the Rev Mr Robertson, Rector of St Munchin's, and the Rev Mr Brews.

### HERRING FISHING ON THE SHANNON

Our Glin correspondent writes:—The herring fishing on the Shannon, which commenced at the close of the salmon season, has not up to the present proved to be a very successful one. Last year's fishing was the best on record, the oldest fishermen never remember such a run of fish. The fishing is at present confined to the western waters, the herrings not having yet made their appearance in the upper waters of the river. Good herrings can be obtained here at 8s per 120. In the height of the season last year they could be bought in Kiltrush market for 1s 8d per 120. At this low price the fishermen used to make good wages, as the nightly "catches" were very large.

### THE DUNGARVAN RAILWAY.

The joint companies which purchased the Waterford, Dungarvan, and Lismore line seem to be losing no time (says the *Waterford Citizen*) in improving the railway, for we understand that the Great Western Company are already sending on steel rails from Cork to replace the rails on which the trains have run almost since the construction of the line. It is stated that when the line is in proper trim, and the purchase made absolute, it will be worked at a rate of four services a day.

A telegram from Simla says that little doubt is

into the whole of the scheme, and subject to certain modifications, street and Mungret street promoters would not, according to streets but they would effect them in another way, and they proposed a tramway from the railway station street down Gerald Griffin at Lock Quay through Clare

borough boundary. That tramways which they proposed but at any other time than before them a proposition for a tramway as might seem convenient. The scheme would be about £67,000 instructed to say that almost all spent in employment in Limerick of various descriptions of persons. of £50,000 or £60,000 Limerick could not help to the greatest advantage to all the community. They were not were taking money and putting American bonds, or enterprises any other part of the world. I spend it in Limerick, and to get through, of course, there were matters like machinery that elsewhere. The gauge would be inches, which was considered to be of the population of Limerick, and that the electricity should be a head wire. In order to show to do the best for the city, the Corporation should have a management. They, therefore application under what was called as well as the other Tramways Act could offer the Corporation a guarantee for a nominal sum. They didn't take for the purpose of raising a fund but there is a provision in the Act for a guarantee, however small, would have power to elect a Board to look after the interest in the matter. In order to have that necessary for them to apply as a guarantee for the city of Limerick would guarantee a nominal sum, say 5 per cent. That could be made to stop if the city wished. It need not go on a matter of fact they would make safeguarding the city against a loan done to enable the Corporation on the Board, and to give them a vote in the matter. As regards the judgment he should say that the question which was being brought technical points as regards the Corporation. Mr Christie, representing Mr was absent, stated they also objected. Mr Conner—It comes to this, says if he prepared the plans he would be much better. The order empowers to make the tramways should go to the Lieutenant in Council, and if they were wrong the scheme would then be entirely the sole risk of the plans were not right. Mr Gaffney desired to know what was merely nominal, what was having it? Mr Conner—Because in the first instance, under the Act of '83, the Corporation have no power to have a Directly Acts do not provide any means or a public body being represented. Mr Gaffney—It was at any time the Act of '83 and give a guarantee. The fact that afterwards if the Corporation workable that the Corporation would be liable to carry on the