

Heavy Casualties in the Leinster Regiment.

The following are reported from General Headquarters under date December 20—Officers—Killed, 7; officers died of wounds, 3; officers missing, believed killed, 3. Of the officers killed, 4 belonged to the Warwickshire Regiment. The wounded officers included Captain Sir F L Fitz-Wygram, Bart, Scots Guards, and Lieutenant the Hon J St B Saumarez, also of the Scots Guards, and heir to the Barony of De Saumarez. The three officers reported missing and believed killed belong to the Devonshire Regiment.

The casualties among non-commissioned officers and men of the Expeditionary Force reported from the base under date November 10th, include 54 killed, of whom 33 belong to the Leinster Regiment; 81 wounded, and 190 missing. All those reported missing belong to the Leinster Regiment.

Master of Kinloss Killed.

Baroness Kinloss, of Slowe House, near Buckingham, on Tuesday morning received information that her eldest son, the Master of Kinloss, was killed in action on Sunday. Captain Richard Morgan-Grenville belonged to the 1st Battalion Rifle Brigade, and had been previously twice wounded, but was able to rejoin his regiment.

Germans Preparing for a Retreat.

Telegrams in the Amsterdam newspapers give, more or less, definite details of the movements of the Germans in Belgium. According to one of these telegrams, the enemy while maintaining desperate resistance to attacks of the Allies are, nevertheless, making all preparations for a retreat from Flanders. It is stated that troops which were engaged in Poland fighting against Russia have been brought back to reinforce the Army in Belgium, and have been posted along a new line of defence.

THE IRISH BRIGADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,—Numerous inquiries have reached us within the past few days, from National Volunteers and others, as to whether they may join the Irish Brigade during the Christmas holidays. In response to these inquiries, our staff have made arrangements to enroll recruits on St. Stephen's Day, at the Strand Barracks, Limerick, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and every day at the same hours during the coming week.

Yours faithfully,
LAURENCE ROCHER,
Captain, 8th R. M.F.

FATAL BURNING ACCIDENT

The Fire Brigade were called to a fire in Francis street between two and three o'clock this afternoon, but on arriving they found the occurrence was quite other than what they had expected. A woman named Maria Cunningham, an old age pensioner, was discovered behind the door of a room with her body burned and her clothing ignited. She was removed to Barrington's Hospital, where life was found extinct. It is presumed that the poor woman's clothes accidentally caught fire while she was sitting at the hearth side, and that death resulted from the injuries received and shock. She was 74 years of age.

their transfer to Patrickswell and Auburgh, whose homes have been found for them by Mrs. T. W. Harding and Mrs. Monnell.

FUNERAL OF MR. B. BENNETT.

On Tuesday morning the funeral took place of the late Mr Benjamin Bennett, for some years managing director of Messrs. J. Matterson and Sons, bacon curers. At a quarter to ten the cortege left Cloughrennan Terrace, Ennis-road, for the railway station, where the remains were transferred to a mortuary carriage of the 11.30 train, for Ballinacurrá, Cork, where the interment took place the same day. The funeral was large and representative, and a fitting tribute to the memory of the deceased gentleman by the citizens.

Chief mourners were—George Bennett, Dublin (brother), and Claud Hutchinson (nephew-in-law).

Amongst the general public were—The City High Sheriff, S O'Mara; Sir Alexander Shaw, F C Cleave, D.L., Lieut Ian Matterson, R. M.F., Rev J H Pearse, Rev R H Semple, E J Long, J P, M D Shaw, B Gabbins, A J Barnett, A Murray, S E Lee, J.P., A O'Mara, B.C., George Owens, P J Hamilton, M Slater, Jackson Harris, W B Fitt, H Russell, W Gullen, E G Fitt, P Lee, J McKenzie, J J Delany, J P; R Brabazon, G Ledger, Dr W A Fogarty, V Hewson, Dr H Laird, A Egar, A McIntyre, W H Owens, T Ledger, B Murray, J Dodd, solr; J A Wallace, J Wallace, A McNeice, R Kay, J Walply, W Holliday, J.P.; Rev Canon Robertson, M Dooley, B.C.; H L Stewart, E J Bennis, J H Roche, J.P.; W O'Riordan, M Quade, Dr Long, J Stewart, J W Elliott, J F Power, W R Twigg, F Muspratt, T A Ferguson, A J Eakins, J.P.; B Barrington, solr; T Ewart, J T C Day, James O'Halloran, W Webb, T Hassett, P R Toppin, R Roskby, H Hassett, Rev Precentor Adderley, P Murray, G Barry, D Quaid, P J Walshe, J Wheatley, A Goodwin, C Downey, F Mitchell, S Kidd, C Quaide, E F M Melville, Rev Canon Abbott, W F McNamara, J G Wilkin-on, J Joynt, J McNab, W McArthur, G Davis, H Brisbane, A Woodhouse, G L Walker, M Spain, W F Pike, A Jordan, J Rowand, E Christy, G Cromer, G Toppin, W N Metcalfe, J McGuire, L Griffiths, E G Stokes, J Flynn, M Caffrey, J O Mara, J Dudgeon, F Herriott, Claude Hutchinson, John Barry, Lansdowne, etc.

DEATH OF MR R. T. LEFROY, J.P.

Mr R. T. Lefroy, J.P., of Ardenton House, Athy, died on Monday evening after a brief illness. He was over 80 years of age, but up to recently had been out and about. The family for generations have been connected with Athy, and were highly esteemed. Mr Lefroy was the oldest member of the congregation of the Church of Ireland in Athy, and one of the oldest, if not the oldest, of the county magistrates. He was a nephew of the late Lord Chief Justice Lefroy.

GENERAL AND MRS LLOYD'S XMAS GIFTS TO THE POOR.

General and Mrs Lloyd, Beechmount, have sent their usual Xmas gift of £18 to the Parish Priest of Rathkeale for the poor of his parish. This annual donation is chiefly in memory of their son, Major Eyre Lloyd, who was killed in the South African War, and who had been most popular in Rathkeale on account of his kindly and charitable disposition. His memory is doubly recalled now by the present lamentable war, as well as by this usual gift to the poor.

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