

... he made a position for himself in life which was almost unique. The duke, he is an especial favourite with working classes, whom he never flattered or promises to, and by whom he has long regarded with respect and trustfulness. ... ago broke away from many of the ... of the party to which he belonged, ... will be remembered he dearly enjoyed ... not only Mr Gladstone, but his own ... Sir Stafford Northcote, and later on ... H Smith "against the grain." As a ... he possessed exceptional advan- ... which he used with a freedom that was ... ways regarded with unbounded satis- ... by his allies. Everyone admired his ... and spirit, and when a member of the ... of Commons referred to him during a ... perhaps inadvertently, as the right ... able member for Woodcock, the error, ... it was, was regarded as excusable. He ... conflict as few politicians, perhaps, ... it, and his bitterest opponent must ... that so brilliant and dashing a leader ... side at a time of life when many are ... tering on the rewards of their labours/ ... blic career on the platform and in ... ment is finished even though his life ... e spared. For some time past those ... ew him perceived that his powers were ... The last speech he made in the ... of Commons showed that Lord ... ph Churchill was neither mentally nor ... lly the man he had been. The argument ... ble, the speech was destitute of that ... y which made his utterances so attrac- ... his friends and so formidable to his ... He could scarcely be heard in the press ... —the most experienced reporters were ... able to take down the words of a man ... ormerly was audible to thousands. ... was a certain thickness and indistinct- ... of articulation which precluded the ... r that has befallen him. The paralysis ... result of over-work and worry acting on ... table constitution. The wear and tear ... tical life has told fatally upon that ... ndomitable spirit that has come home ... During his career he has been a ... able and striking figure, and though, ... s, wayward, he was sure of possessing ... spect of his enemies, the admiration ... friends, and the esteem of both.

... should feel extremely obliged for a f. w. ... f the *Chronicle* of the 15th instant.

SEVERE WEATHER AT SEA.—The s.s. *Bordeaux*, ... as arrived in Limerick, experienced great ... of weather during the recent storm, some ... boats being washed away. The Arran- ... the outward trip to Glasgow also ex- ... ed similar results, and her boats, too, were ... from the davits.

SENT TO A SEAMAN.—A seaman named ... h. Lench, of the s.s. *Eurlington*, has been

NEW DEPUTY LIEUTENANTS.

Mr Thomas Enraght O'Brien, Lord Lieutenant for the county and city of Limerick, with the approval of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, has appointed Sir Charles B. Barrington, Bart., of Glenstal, a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Limerick. Mr O'Brien has also, with the approval of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, appointed Mr William Spillane, J.P., George-street, a Deputy Lieutenant for the City of Limerick.

CHRISTMAS AT BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL.

Dr Mulcahy, the resident surgeon, had a busy time of it between Monday and Wednesday evenings attending to cases received for treatment. No less than twenty-four cases were received on Monday night, Christmas Eve, which occupied the doctor's attention till three o'clock on Tuesday morning. On Christmas Day there were seven cases, and last evening eleven. In most cases the sufferer appeared to be the victim of a drunken fracas.

ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT.

It is announced that Major Spyer, has been appointed to the command of the 1st Battalion Royal Irish Regiment in succession to the late Lieut-Colonel Edge. Major Spyer has been 28 years an officer of the Royal Irish Regiment, and served in that corps in the Afghan War of 1880, and the Nile Campaign of 1885. Major Guinness, now serving in India with the 2nd Battalion, will become the second in command of the 1st Battalion Royal Irish Regiment.

DROWNING OF A LIMERICK CAPTAIN.

A telegram has been received by the Harbour Master (Mr Morgan Fitzmaurice) from Passage West, Waterford, announcing the death at sea of Captain Scullan, who was washed over board the *Aurora* during the storm on last Friday night. Captain Scullan was making a homeward journey with a cargo of coal from Troon, Scotland, consigned to Mr O'Connor, merchant, Upper William street, Limerick, and according to the intelligence conveyed by the mate, Thomas Moran, they encountered terrible weather off the South Coast, and were unable to make shelter before the Captain was lost. Deep regret has been awakened amongst all who knew him for Captain Scullan's melancholy fate. The deceased captain was married to a niece of Mr Fitzmaurice, and widespread sympathy is expressed with her in her affliction. About five weeks ago the Captain left Clare Castle for Troon, and had hoped to enjoy the Christmas in Limerick, when fate willed it otherwise.

ST. STEPHEN'S DAY AS A GENERAL HOLIDAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LIMERICK CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,—Kindly allow me, through the medium of your widely-circulating paper, to tender on behalf of the disappointed employees their warmest thanks to the Mayor and Mr J. Anglim, T.C., for the steps, they took to secure yesterday as a general holiday, and which although not successful certainly came very near it. It would also be ungrateful if we did not express our appreciation of the Limerick Press, particularly the *Chronicle* for the assistance they gave us.

Yours truly,

ONE FAR AWAY FROM HOME.

December 26th.

IRISH DAIRY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

George-street; Mrs and Miss ... street; Mr and Miss J. Ch. Helens, Bray; Mr and Mrs J. Bray; Miss Hastings, Glentworth Doyle and family, George-street; Catterson Smith and Miss ... Bray; Miss Shepherd, Bourne ... Mrs Washington, C.R.E., Johnson, Bourne-mouth.

SAD DROWNING CASE. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

A very painful case of drow- Cappa Pier, Kilrush, on Sa caused much excitement in the person was a Limerick man, A aged 55 years, and was engage- tion of ranges, plumbing, a business. He came to Kilr erect a range for Mrs Poole, of on Friday night. He was work at about five o'clock on when he got paid by Mrs Pool the range, £5 10s. It would soon after with the intenti quires as to whether he cou that night or early next morn appear that somewhere abov went down to the quay t of the crew of a which lay astern of the st Whether it was in trying to go or that he went off the pier (a most unprotected state at never be known, but soon Messrs Russell's smack hear splash in the water. They im a light, and a couple of the water in a small boat, and at alarm was given to Cap and the crew of the steam captain did not lose a momen immediatly astern in one of and seeing Mr Sherry on the up at once. The coastguards spot, and with Captain Fitzm to the usual modes of restor purpose. Dr Counihan, of K immediately after, pronounce body was taken to the mortu soon after, and an i this morning. A respectabl panelled, evidence in accorda going facts was given by Ca Master of the steamer, "Shan Coastguards, Miss Waters, M and others. Miss Waters st their house about 5 o'clock ir the deceased was quite sobe no suggestion of drunkenness tain Fitzmaurice stated the d marks about the mouth, sh have fallen on the steps of the going down to the boat, a smack itself in some way w board. The following is the —"We find that John M'SI was accidentally drowned at the 22nd December, 1894."

Some friends of the dec Limerick last night, and to after the inquest, by the stea

THE ESCAPE FROM EN ... CAPTURE OF CC

At an early hour on Mon Coughlan, who succeeded in from Ennis Bridewell on re-captured. A keen outloo