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The Bishop of Limerick has left the Palace, Henry Street, for Dublin. He expects to return on Saturday, 25th inst.

Acting-Sergeants Brennan, Mary street; Carrick, William street, and Quin, Adare, have been promoted to the rank and pay of sergeant.

Mr Buckley was honoured by a sitting from Mrs F. R. Benson at his Studio, 117 George-street, and did some very successful pictures as "Lady Macbeth" and "Juliet."

At the Ballyneety Presentment Sessions, a presentment was passed for the purpose of having the foot-path from the end of the borough bounds up to the New Cemetery flagged. The work is a very necessary one, and will prove a great public benefit and convenience.

The nomination of candidates for the representation of the Castle and Custom House Wards will take place on the 22nd inst, and the election on the 31st. The vacancies are caused by the disqualification of Messrs Hartigan and McMahon, by the decision of the Queen's Bench in the case brought at the suit of Alderman Hall.

Sir William Butler, who is to take the command of the South-Eastern District at Dover next month, was born in Tipperary 58 years ago, and has seen service in Canada, Ashanti, and Zululand. In addition to being a distinguished and experienced officer, Sir William is the author of "The Great Lone Land," and the husband of Miss Elizabeth Thompson, the artist.

BITTEN BY A CAT—The woman Bridget Kenny, of Mary street, who was bitten by a cat last Friday night, is progressing favourably at her residence. Her wounds were cauterized, and it was not considered necessary to detain her in hospital.

ACCIDENT—A woman named Anne Royce has been admitted to Barrington's Hospital, suffering from a broken bone at the ankle. The poor woman being practically blind, lost her footing, and fell down a flight of stairs. Her injuries are not regarded as serious.

PUBLIC FREE LIBRARY—The number of visitors to the Free Library, Lower Glensworth street, for the week ended Saturday, January 18th, was as follows:—Sunday, 46; Monday, 329; Tuesday, 339; Wednesday, 347; Thursday, 338; Friday, 302; Saturday, 316. Total, 2,017.

LITERARY CLASS, P. Y. M. A.—The opening meeting of the class for the second session will be held on Friday evening next at 8 o'clock, when the Rev T F Abbott, B.A., will read a paper entitled "Burrowing Animals." As the Committee have prepared an interesting programme for the session, they trust that members will do all in their power to make the class a success.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND—The Rev George H. Ross-Lewis, M.A. of Ross Hill, Co. Clare, Vicar of Benfieldside, and Rural Dean in the Diocese of Durham, has been appointed Honorary Canon of Durham Cathedral, by the Bishop of Durham, in the room of the late Canon Whitley, D.D., who had held that stall in the Cathedral of "Christ and Blessed Mary the Virgin" since 1840.

TWO SUCCESSSES FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE ACADEMY—At the recent examination held at the General Post Office, Miss Katie Gleeson passed a creditable examination, and was called to fill the appointment on Tuesday. Miss Ryan, National School, Monard, County Limerick, took her "first of firsts" diploma at the last examination held for teachers. The above-mentioned successes reflect great credit on the Principal and staff of the Civil Service Academy, where the candidates were prepared.

CASTLECONNELL PETTY SESSIONS—These sessions were held yesterday, the magistrates present being—Mr R J Gabbett, presiding. Mr

DEATH OF MR. T. E. O'BRIEN, L. & C. R.

We deeply regret to record the death of Mr Thomas Enraght O'Brien, Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County and City of Limerick, who passed away at his residence South Hill, on Saturday night, in the 69th year of his age. The sad intelligence came as a painful surprise on the citizens, who although knowing that Mr O'Brien had been in delicate health for a considerable time past, were not prepared for the sad event, which was published in the newspapers yesterday morning. Indeed it was only a few days previous that Mr O'Brien's illness assumed anything like a serious turn. He was under the skilful care of Dr T Gelston, and appeared to be going on favourably until Saturday evening, when his condition rather unexpectedly assumed a very grave turn, and some time about half-past eight o'clock Mr O'Brien breathed his last. The deceased gentleman, who was born on the 4th May, 1827, in Shanagolden, was connected by birth and marriage with some of the oldest branches of the O'Briens of Pubble Brien, Kenry, and Carrigounnell. He came to Limerick at an early age, and attached himself to mercantile pursuits. His industry, integrity, and aptitude in business matters, rapidly brought him to the front, and in time he became a partner in the old-established firm of John Quin & Co. He amassed a large fortune, and some years ago retired from business altogether, and resided a good deal at his pretty residence at South Hill. Mr O'Brien was a gentleman of the kindest and most unobtrusive disposition, charitable in the widest sense of the word, and one who was never appealed to in vain wherever assistance to a good work was needed. To the charitable institutions of the city he was a most liberal supporter, and in that unostentatious manner which characterised all his dealings through life. He was a Liberal in politics, and a generous contributor to the funds of the National party, but he was not what could be called a prominent politician, but on the contrary frequently declined honours sought to be conferred on him. The same may be said of him in civic life, in which he took a limited part. It is interesting to note that on the Municipal Privileges Act, which empowered Corporations to nominate three gentlemen for the office of High Sheriff, becoming law in 1876, through the instrumentality of Messrs Butt and O'Shaughnessy, members of Parliament for the city, Mr O'Brien was placed first on the list sent up by the Corporation and was the first Sheriff to assume office under the new Act. He was an old governor of the Lunatic Asylum Board. For very many years he has been a magistrate for the city and county, and on the death of Alderman Quin was appointed to succeed him as a Deputy-Lieutenant for the city. The death of Lord Emily in April, 1894 left vacant the Lieutenancy for the city and county which he had held since 1871 in succession to the late Earl of Dunraven. The late Liberal Government conferred a few months later this distinguished honor on Mr T. E. O'Brien, and it will be admitted that during his short tenure of office he has been very exact in weighing the claims of those desirous of holding commissions of the peace, and while of course this favour was conferred on several Nationalist gentlemen, it must be said also that when a Deputy Lieutenancy or office of Justice of the Peace became vacant he displayed fairness and consideration to those opposed to him in politics. In private life Mr O'Brien made for himself hosts of friends who deplore his death and deeply sympathise with Mrs O'Brien, a generous and philanthropic lady, in the irreparable loss she has sustained. Funeral will leave South Hill on to-morrow (Wednesday) at twelve o'clock for Mount St Laurence Cemetery.

VOTES OF CONDOLENCE.

POLICE COURT.

Yesterday at the Police Court the Mayor and Mr S B Quin attended. The Mayor referred to the death of Mr O'Brien, and said he was sure he expressed the sentiments of the whole Bench of magistrates in the city in giving expression to the regret which he experienced at the announcement of the demise of the Lord Lieutenant of the County and City. The late Mr O'Brien was a magistrate for the city, and frequently attended in that Court, and presided at the deliberations of the magistrates. An impartial administrator of justice, he won the highest esteem in connection with that Court, and it was due to his memory that he (the Mayor) should avail himself of that occasion on behalf of himself and the other city magistrates to express their regret at Mr O'Brien's death.

THE CORPORATION.

Spillane) entertained a more profound respect and he felt that this feeling was reciprocated in the fullest extent (hear, hear). He proposed— That the Harbour Commissioners tender to Mrs O'Brien their very sincere sympathy in her sad bereavement, and they desired to place on record the loss the city has sustained in the death of Mr O'Brien, H.M.L., who for so many years occupied a leading place in the commerce of the city, and that as a mark of respect to his memory the Board adjourns.

The High Sheriff, in seconding the proposition, said the words of Mr Spillane would find a hearty re-echo amongst his fellow-citizens, amongst whom for many years the late Mr O'Brien had spent his time honourably and with all regard to the interest of the city. The citizens generally would mourn the loss of a gentleman of his distinction, who was essentially charitable and essentially good to all his fellow men of every creed and class (hear, hear).

The Chairman said he was sure they all sympathised with Mrs O'Brien, who was herself unceasing in doing good in the city, and whose interest in charitable institutions was so well known (hear, hear). He quite endorsed all that Mr Spillane and the High Sheriff had said, and he was sure they would pass the resolution unanimously.

The Board then adjourned.

CORPORATION COMMITTEES.

At the meeting of the Water Committee of the Corporation to-day the members present were—Mr Michael Cusack, presiding; the Mayor, the High Sheriff, Mr P E Bourke, Mr James O'Mara, Alderman Ryan, Alderman Hall, and Alderman Clery.

The Chairman alluded in sympathetic words to the death of Mr T E O'Brien, Her Majesty's Lieutenant of the County, and said he was sure it was the feeling of every member present to pay any tribute of respect they could to his memory. He would, therefore, propose that the business of the committee be adjourned as a token of regret at the death of Mr O'Brien, and as a mark of respect to his memory, which indeed deserved to be revered by the people of the county and city.

The Mayor expressed concurrence with the Chairman's observations, and said he would take upon himself to adjourn all the committee meetings summoned for to-day.

The meeting then adjourned.

WEDDING AT MILTOWN MALBAY.

The marriage of Mr Thomas Francis Gould Moroney, second son of the late Captain K B Moroney, with Miss Anna Burdett, second daughter of Mr H B White, of Tivoli and Bank House, took place at Miltown Malbay Church on Saturday. The bridegroom, with his best man (Mr Herbert J White, Limerick), waited for the bride, who arrived punctually at ten o'clock, leaning on her father's arm. The bride wore her travelling dress of green cloth, trimmed with pale green and white chene silk, a fichu of chiffon, fastened with white flowers, large white hat trimmed with white ostrich feathers and chiffon. She carried a large bouquet and wore a gold curb bangle, the gifts of the bridegroom. She also wore a handsome gold and pearl bangle, the gift of Capt. Mrs and Miss Ellis, Seaview. Her two sisters acted as bridesmaids, they wore blue cloth dresses, white silk vests and large white hats, and wore gold bangles, the gift of the bridegroom. The church was beautifully decorated with moss, ferns, and white flowers, and a pretty arch of evergreens was erected across the aisle. The Rev A Bonyng, D.D., was the officiating clergyman, and the bride was given away by her father. The church was crowded with the inhabitants of Miltown and residents of Spanish Point, and when the bride and bridegroom drove from the church to Bank House hearty cheers were rung for them. Head Constable Ahern and his men assembled and saluted them as they passed the barracks. Mrs White held a reception in the afternoon, which was attended by all the friends and relations of the family. On the arrival of the bride and bridegroom from the church a deputation representing the residents of the town and R.I.C. were received at Bank House, where Mr John O'Donnell and Sergeant Allingham, R.I.C., and Mr P Cuffe, presented Mrs J F G Moroney with a handsome silver. The bride desired the deputation to return her cordial thanks to all who subscribed for so handsome a souvenir. Mrs Moroney was also presented with a handsome musical clock by Mr Anderson, a large Shetland wool wrap by Mrs Michael Flynn, and gloves and silk handkerchiefs by Mrs Hurrey. The happy pair left for London in the afternoon.

The presents included the following:—Bridegroom to bride, watch and chain, gold curb bangle, inlaid tea tray, etc, etc; father and mother of the bride, silver afternoon tea service, case of silver fruit spoons, fruit dish, house linen. Miss E and Miss C White (sisters of the