

Antient Concert Rooms, as originally advertised. The change of *locale* was rendered absolutely necessary, owing to the increased number of members and friends who signified their intention of being present. Mr Edward Cecil Guinness, D.L., took the chair, and the several toasts were proposed and responded to by the Chairman, Mr George Woods Maunsell, D.L.; the Earl of Donoughmore, the Right Hon David R Plunkett, M.P.; Mr Ion T Hamilton, M.P.; the Right Hon Edward Gibson, M.P.; Mr Penrose Fitzgerald, M.P.; and Colonel King-Harman, M.P.

TERRIFIC GALE.

A terrific gale prevails again to-day. On the Irish Coast vessels generally are running for shelter. Houses have been unroofed in many parts, and much minor damage is reported. The storm likewise prevails on the west coast of Scotland, the snow falling heavily. The barque Minniehaha from Londonderry for Baltimore, has been driven into the Clyde with the loss of her sails.

TERREIBLE COLLISION IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL—LOSS OF LIFE.

About eight o'clock last night a collision took place in the English Channel, off the Isle of Wight, between the iron ship City of Lucknow, bound from Adelaide for London, and the four-masted iron ship Simla, bound from London for Sydney. Both vessels are reported to have sunk. The South-Western Company's boat Guernsey has put into Yarmouth with fifteen survivors, but the number of lives lost is unknown.

A later telegram states that the collision between the ships Simla and the City of Lucknow occurred twenty-four miles west south-west of the Needles, at 11 o'clock. The Simla is stated to have sunk. Her captain and some of the crew got on board the City of Lucknow, and the others were taken off by the steamer Guernsey, and landed. The loss of life is unknown. The Simla carried a crew of fifty. She had no passengers, but carried the captain's wife and child and two stowaways. The City of Lucknow is believed to be safe.

RAILWAY COLLISION.

A collision occurred between two trains at New-street, Birmingham; this morning, two first-class carriages in one train being completely smashed. Fortunately they were empty. Several passengers in the other carriages were badly shaken.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lord Pembroke lies in a critical condition, pleurisy having set in. He passed a better

Saturday 2nd—Cork: Ballydehob, Dangan, Rosscarra, Maslackanlands, Clare: Ennis.

Mallow Monthly Cattle Market is held on the first Tuesday of each month.

A monthly market for the sale of pigs is held in Kilkee on the second Tuesday in each month. Fairs are held in the city of Limerick on the first and third Tuesday of every month for pigs, and on the first Thursday of every month for cattle and sheep; and in the city of Cork on the first Thursday of every month.

Ennis monthly fair is held on the first Saturday of every month.

Announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, not exceeding 5 lines (which must in all cases be duly authenticated), are charged 2s. 6d. each. For every additional line, 6d.

BIRTHS.

Holliday—On the 25th inst. at 66 William-street, the wife of William Holliday of a daughter.

Kelly—On the 6th inst., at Erinagh House, Castleconnell, the wife of W. Pierce Kelly, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

Benison and Johnston—Jan 22, at St Ann's Church, Dublin, by the Rev M. Davis, John Joseph Benison of Sleave Russell, Ballyconnell, to Marie, youngest daughter of Robert Johnston, Esq., J.P., Arran View, county Clare.

DEATHS.

Halpin—On 24th inst., at Mitchelstown, of disease of the heart, Gerald James Halpin, of Limerick, aged 30 years, second son of James Halpin, Esq., of Fairview, formerly Brook Lodge, Blanchardstown, Co Dublin.

Deane—Jan 25, at his residence, Roslee, Leinster road, Dublin, Captain E. Pope Deane, late H. M. Hon Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms.

Fairtough—Jan 23rd, at Fancourt, Balbriggan, Charlotte Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late Lieutenant Fairtough, of Drogheda.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Secretary Protestant Orphan Society thankfully acknowledges from Rathkeale branch, per Rev Canon Wills, £16 16s.; Miss Ullock, collection, per Rev Chancelor Gubbins, £2 16s.; Miss L. Garrard, collection, £2 17s 6d.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

The Limerick Harriers will meet for January, as follows:—Monday, 2nd Greenmount; Thursday, 5th, Munget Cross. Hour—12 o'clock.

The Glin and Tarbert Harriers (Major Kiggell's) will meet as follows:—January 29th, Glin Castle. February 2nd, Tarbert; 6th, Cahala; 9th, Tieraclea. Hour—1.30 o'clock.

The Kilrush Harriers will meet for January as follows:—29th, Dysert. Hour—12 noon.

LOWER SHANNON SAILINGS.

JANUARY.

FROM LIMERICK.	FROM KILRUSH.
29 Tuesday ... 9 a.m.	28 Monday ... 12 noon
1 Thursday ... 9 a.m.	30 Wednesday ... 12 noon

CONSERVATIVE ORGANIZATION.—On yesterday afternoon a conference of secretaries of associations in various parts of the country was held in the Constitutional Club, Leinster street, under the presidency of Dr Boyd, Q.C. Mr Donal Barron read a paper on "The Corrupt Practices Act and its application to Constitution Organization," and a discussion ensued as to the best steps to be taken to perfect this organization. Mr W H Kisby, Colonel Taaffe, Farrell, D.L., Mr Penrose Fitzgerald and others took part in the proceedings, which were conducted in private.

GROTESQUE APPAREL.—Considerable amusement was created in Grafton street yesterday afternoon by the appearance in that thoroughfare of two ladies dressed in bloomer costume. The peculiar attire was composed of full white muslin trousers frilled and drawn in at the ankles with a strap attached to the uppers of high-heeled boots, with an outer polonaise skirt. Over this was a "spencer" made of nankeen-coloured cloth. The bonnets were fantasia and worn