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Ireland was of the most vital importance. Men as a rule would prefer any other possibility, would risk death in any shape rather than stand face to face with the prospect of having their homes, the shelter of their wives and children broken up, but this was a prospect which unhappily hundreds of the best Nationalists had to face; hence the value of woman's sympathy. The proceedings of that day were the most conclusive answer to the scandalous efforts of Mr Balfour, and those acting under his orders, to degrade and insult and outrage the feelings of the men who were sentenced. With a strong prison record against him, the citizens of Waterford did not seem the less willing to grant him the highest honour which it was in their power to confer. They had a right to be proud of the way in which they had used the new powers they had obtained.

The Daily Chronicle's Berlin correspondent telegraphs on Tuesday—Cuxhaven, at the mouth of the Elbe, is to be fortified with additional batteries and protected with torpedo mines, the cost being several million marks.

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

BIRTH.

White—December 17, at Monkham Hall, Waltham Abbey, Essex, the wife of John Berry, White, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

Hawker and Faulkner—December 11, at St. George's, Bloomsbury, London, by the Rev Henry G. Le Neven, M.A., Walter Hawker, son of the Hon. G. C. Hawker, of Bungaree, South Australia, to Mary Faulkner, daughter of the late Wm. Carey Faulkner, of Charleton House, Pershore, Worcestershire.

DEATH.

Hewson—December 18th, at 11 Lower Hartstonge street, Cecil Edward, youngest son of John Hewson, aged 1 year and 6 months.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Rev Canon Gregg thankfully acknowledges the following contributions for the Christmas dinner for the poor of Trinity Church, and other charities:—Mr J. Morton, £4; Dr Gelston, £1; Todd & Co., £5; Mr and Mrs W. P. Maunsell, £2; Mrs H., 5s; Mr G. Boyd, £1; Mr and Mrs Crosthwaite, 5s; Capt. Wm. Vanderkiste, 5s.

LOCAL RAILWAY TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

Waterford and Limerick Railway System Traffic Receipts, 24th week, ending 14th December, 1888. Miles open, *280, 1888, £3,357; 1887, £3,001. Increase, £ 51. Accrued Receipts—1888, £95,444; 1887, £94,914. Increase, £1,530. *Includes 139 miles of joint lines worked by Waterford and Limerick Railway Company.

CANNOCK AND COMPANY, LIMITED, LIMERICK,

Funera Undertakers. Coffins supplied on the shortest notice, at about half the prices usually charged.

1,941. O'Mara, bacon, 118; Berwick, 134; tc
Totals—Bacon, 6,992; Berwicks, 1,883. Gross tota
IRISH BACON—Green middles 60/- to 62/- per
smoked do, 70/- to 72/-; shoulders, 58/- to 60/-; pig
burnt, 30/- to 31/-; do scalded, 28/- to 30/0; hams,
to £4 14s. Flitches, 9d per lb.
AMERICAN BACON, 45s to 52s per cwt; smoked, 0
per lb; Canadian, 7d per lb; Hams, 9d per lb.
HAY & STRAW—There were 96 loads of hay and
wheaten reed in market yesterday. Rye hay, 22s 6d
per ton; upland, 15s to 40s 0d. 18 loads oaten straw,
27s 6d. Wheaten reed, 42s 6d to 46s. 1 load rye re
6d; 1 load wheaten straw, 15s.
HIDES & SKINS—Hides, 2s 6d to 3s 0d per stone
runner, 2s 0d to 2s 6d; calf skins and runnet, 1s 4d to
horse skins, 7s 0d to 9s; sheep skins, 4s 6d to 5s 6c
skins, 2s to 2s 6d.
TURNIPS—8 loads turnips in market, 13s to 14s p
POTATOES—20 loads of potatoes in market. White
3d to 4d per stone.

BY TELEGRAPH.

CORK BUTTER MARKET, this day.—Ordinary—1sts
2nds 99s; 3rds, 92s; 4ths, 77s. Kegs—1sts, 112s; 2nds
3rds, 88s; 4ths, 72s. Mild cured firkins—Superfine, 131
mid, 120s; mild, 97s. Do. kegs; Superfine, 0s; fine
114s; mild, 0s. In market—212 firkins, 19 kegs, 47 m

LONDON CATTLE MARKET, this day—1,241
10 foreign, flat, 2s 4d to 5s; 1,05 sheep, dull, 3s 4d
4d; 20 calves, 3s 8d to 5s 4d; 20 pigs, 2s 6d to 4s
8lbs. 50 English milch cows, £15 to £26 per head.

DUBLIN CATTLE MARKET, this day—Over
head loss in both cattle and sheep departments to
trade slow and irregular, and prices uncertain. Top
60s; mutton, 7d. Numbers—Basts, 2,403; sheep,

BRISTOL CATTLE MARKET, this day—We
small supply of beef to-day, with very little inquir
consequence of the butchers having made their nece
purchases at the Christmas market; prices were non
Sheep were not numerous, and made from 7d to
pigs sold at from 8s 6d to 10s per score; very little
done in store cattle.

FAIRS OF MUNSTER—DECEMBER.

Friday 21—Cork: Ballygurteen, Castletown Bere,
cummer. Limerick: Cahirellywest. Tipperary: C
white.
Saturday 22—None.
Monday 24—Clare: Kilkishen. Cork: Li-goold,
bereen.
Tuesday 25—Waterford: Kilmaethomas.
Wednesday 26—Cork: Anngrove, Ballinspiddle, I
feard. Kerry: Scortaglin.
In places marked thus (*) a pig fair is held on the
previous.
Fairs are held in the city of Limerick on the first
third Tuesday of every month for pigs.
Ennis monthly fair is held on the first Saturday of
month.
Kilkee Fairs—Third Monday in April, each year. I
is also a monthly market for the sale of pigs held o
second Tuesday of each month.
Mallow Monthly Cattle Market is held on the first
day of each month.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

The Garrison Stag Hounds will meet on Satu
22nd, at Sheehan's Cross. Hour—1 o'clock.
The Limerick Harriers (Mr T. Cooney's) will only
one day next week, St. Stephen's Day, at Sheehan's (C
Hour—12 o'clock.

LOWER SHANNON SS. SAILINGS—DECEMBER

FROM LIMERICK.		FROM KILRUSH.	
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