

**FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.**

*War-Office, Dec. 10.*

Regiment of Foot—Lieutenant-General Sir Frederick Phillips Robinson, K. C. B. to be Colonel, vice Ross, deceased.

Commissions—General Sir David Baird, Bt. and G.C.B. Governor of Fort George, vice General Ross, deceased. Major-General William Guard to be Governor of Fort Mifflin, vice General Sir David Baird. Major-General Anderson to be Lieutenant-Governor of Gravesend, vice Lieutenant-General Guard.

**OFFICE OF ORDNANCE, DEC. 10.**

Under-mentioned First Lieutenants of the Royal Artillery, whose commissions are dated previous to the 1st Dec. 1845, have accepted the unattached rank of Captain, with full pay, viz.—John Curzon Burton, James Day, Elgee, James Smith Law, Charles Manners, Walter, Kenelm Chandler Wulff, John Pascoe, Richard Speer, Reynolds Palmer, Andrew Orcher Schalch, Richard Litchfield.

First Lieutenants—Second Lieutenants Ashton Shattleworth, vice Burton; George Bingham, vice Elgee; Thomas Uvedale Walker, vice Elgee; John Dupuis, vice Law; John Low, vice Manners; John Carter, vice John H. Cockburn, vice Henry S. Coombe, vice Pascoe; Geo. Markland, vice Robert Robertson, vice Palmer; John Hill, vice Howe C. Bevan, vice Litchfield.

John Curzon Burton, from unattached half-Second Captain, vice Lempriere, retired upon

**DUBLIN, DECEMBER 14.**

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant laid the first stone of the new Bridge yesterday. His Excellency was accompanied by his Officers of State, the Lord Mayor, several of the Aldermen, the Right Hon. Mr. Sir George Murray, Sir C. Grant, General Colonel Shaw, Mr. Blake, C. R. the Surgeon-General, the Managing Committee, with the Hon. and Mrs. Pomeroy, their Secretary, and several other distinguished persons. The ceremony was very well conducted, and his Excellency, though the rain was pouring heavily, performed his part with the greatest cheerfulness, and seemed in excellent spirits.

His Lordship is engaged since Saturday in the consideration of the various documents read, on the petition of Mr. Frederick Shaw, on his claim of being entitled to hold the situation of Secretary to the Master of the Rolls, to which he had been appointed. All this day he has been busy to an appeal to the House of Lords, in his decision against the claim.

His Lordship was engaged the greater part of this day in the consideration of the petition of Mr. Wallace, Counselor, on the petition of Mr. Wallace, admitted to hold the situation of Secretary to the Master of the Rolls, and in pronouncing his opinion on the documents which had been brought forward by the subject of the claim. His Lordship intimated that he could not allow the case to proceed by an appeal to the House of Lords, or by the arbitration of the Lord Chancellor, as he considered his Majesty was not a person qualified to act in the settlement of the petition of the Master of the Rolls. His Lordship at the same time signified that he would give the petition another consideration, and would on a future day give a final decision.

His Lordship is determined to send an issue to the Bench, to try the priority of judgments in the case of the Master of the Rolls. The public and the profession are under great anxiety to the adjustment of this question.

The Roman Catholic Association, on Saturday, Mr. O'Connell said the wretched collection he had made in Ireland, was a proof of the degraded spirit which pervades the nation. Ireland, he added, would never be a Province, and her affairs administered by a man. But there was a spirit, like a beacon, which would enlighten the country, and send forth the people of Liberty. The Orange faction was at its height, and its vitality had departed in the steam-boat. Lord Manners from the shores of Ireland. Mr. O'Connell moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Staunton, for his services in the Catholic Cause. In the Freeman's Journal, he gave up £500 a year to publish the Register on Catholic principles, and to publish the celebrated letter of Mr. Saurin, besides the original lessons to Mr. O'Connell. Mr. O'Connell gave testimony to the fact that Staunton, born and educated in the same country, Ennis.

Roman Catholic Chairmen of Counties have been rebuking to the Catholic rent. Mr. O'Connell has done this three times, and three times they have refused to pay.

Their reply was, "What—a man in office should pay the Catholic rent—a pretty joke, indeed!" Mr. O'Connell gave notice of a motion for next Saturday.

**TRIAL OF MR. MAGUIRE.**

**COURT OF EXCHEQUER—THURSDAY.**

At an early hour of the day all the avenues leading to the Court were crowded with anxious spectators; a scene of the greatest bustle was visible, and, long before the doors were opened, the pressure was excessive. A party of Police, under direction of Mr. Fearon, the Sub-Sheriff, continued to preserve some degree of order in the crowd, but the rush for seats, when the Court opened, was really tremendous. At 12 o'clock, Baron Smith took his station on the bench. The Rev. Mr. Maguire, and two friends, appeared in Court, a short time before; and, at half past one, the Jury (composed almost equally of Protestants and Catholics) was impanelled. James M'Cormick, Foreman; Thomas Manning, Henry Williams, James Duggan, Thomas Doran, John Douglas, Edward Gorman, Jeremiah M'Carthy, William Bullock, John Carroll, Thomas Daniell, and John Aylmer. About this time, the young female, Mary Anne M'Garahan, the cause of the action, was ushered into Court by the Sheriff, and attended by two ladies. On her entry, she was assailed by a volley of hissing and groaning from the crowd in the Hall, but it was evident her feelings were prepared for the attack, and she received the salute with an assumed indifference. A party of Horse Police arrived to assist in protecting the witness from the violence of the multitude outside.

Mr. Keating for the prosecution, opened the pleadings in the declaration, and stated the damages were laid at 500*l.* Mr. Bennett stated the case at length, and introduced the letters of the Rev. Mr. Maguire, to Mary Anne M'Garahan, which were of a monitory tendency, and beseeching her not to consent to become the instrument of her own ruin, and of injury to his character.—It was four o'clock before Mr. Bennett concluded, and Miss M'Garahan was then examined, her evidence lasted nearly an hour, when Mr. O'Connell for the defendant, commenced a most rigorous cross-examination.

We annex the direct testimony of Miss M'Garahan, and her cross-examination by Mr. O'Connell, which forms the most interesting and material part of the proceeding:—

Ann M'Garahan, on the table, exhibited much self-possession. She wore a Leghorn bonnet, neatly trimmed; black fitch pelerine, purple bombazine frock, gloves, and reticule; her person is small and rather delicate, and apparently about 24 years of age. She became acquainted with the Rev. Thomas Maguire, in February, 1825, at her father's inn, in the village of Drumkerrin, Parish of Innismagragh, in the County Leitrim; he lodged at the inn, about six weeks; a very close intimacy commenced between them, which continued after his departure from the house; her seduction was accomplished by Mr. Maguire, at the period of her father's confinement for debt; herself and family were Protestants; Mr. Maguire married himself to her, in her father's house; no one was present; her pregnancy, in March last, was the consequence of their intercourse, and at his suggestion she went by Dublin to Liverpool, and lay in at Manchester of a still-born infant, the 2d July; Mr. Maguire gave her £10 on that occasion; returned home in a fortnight; her family became aware of the business, and Mr. Maguire offered her 300*l.* to give up the prosecution, and that he would marry her again in the presence of a witness.

Cross-examined—Never took her oath the charge against Mr. Maguire was false; might have offered to do it; cant say to whom she might have said it; did say he was innocent of the charge, but cant tell where or to whom; offered to compromise the business with Mr. Maguire, and wanted him to marry her; was quite satisfied she should continue priest; often played back gammon with the late Barrister Dickson for a guinea; knew Captain Armstrong; Captain Bartley, made her a present of ear rings, and Captain Armstrong a gown after his death—"That is a handsome bonnet, will you condole to tell me what it cost? Mr. Maguire, will you perhaps—Oh, then, it was he gave it you? I never heard her brother say he served Mr. Maguire." Witness testified in this case, at the Chapel door, when a letter was there, (witness acknowledged having written) to Mr. Maguire, admitting she was the innocent cause of the present prosecution, and that she would explain a Magistrate to his innocence—this letter, when it was dictated to her by Mr. Maguire, and made a solemn vow he would never reveal it to his Bishop—Witness here burst into tears, and exclaimed in the eyes on Mr. Maguire, in the Court—"Oh, you villain!"—greatest agitation—"Oh, you villain!" She concluded by saying, that after a book to satisfy her, and said, "it was out of my mouth, and confuted Pope."

Jane M'Garahan, sister of the witness, deposed that she waited on Mr. Maguire to her, she is not married to do with his victim, and she on his knees, and said

Yesterday, the Mayor held an inquest on the body of Michael Riely, a poor turf-carrier, who died the previous morning. It appeared in evidence that some days before he was moving a car on Arthur's-quay, when the owner, Thomas M'Namara, struck him a violent blow on the stomach. He was instantly seized with severe pain, went home and took sick. During his illness he was frequently heard to say that he never should be better of the blow, and he died on Wednesday morning. Surgeon Thwaites examined the body, and was of opinion that inflammation of the stomach was the cause of his death; perceived no external mark of injury, but the inflammation might have been occasioned by a blow. The Jury found that Riely died of inflammation, but could not say that it was owing to the blow.

Charles Bustin, one of the County Limerick Militia Staff, while sentry at the Depot, in Henry-street, Thursday night, was struck with a flash of lightning, which at the same instant deprived him of the use of speech and eye-sight. When the relief came up, he was found extended on the ground, and his fire lock by his side. The young man has not since recovered the shock.

A mother and her infant were found drowned in the neighbourhood of Kilchrist, County Galway, last week. An inquest was held, and a verdict of wilful murder returned against the monster, her husband, who is in custody.

The Mayor of Cork has written to the Mayor of Bristol, on the hardship of sending over from England, all the Irish Paupers by way of Cork, where they are landed in a most destitute condition.

Sunday morning the Londonderry Steam-boat arrived at Derry, from Glasgow, after weathering a furious gale, in the night of which, an old man on deck became so terrified, that he actually leaped over board, in a frenzied moment, and was lost.

A young man was murdered in the vicinity of Loughrea, a few days ago.

Michael Hife has been appointed an officer for the service of Civil Bill Processes, at Herbertstown, in the County, in the room of John Morony, deceased.

William Sheppard, of the City of Limerick, Gent, was sworn in, the fittings of last year, as Attorney of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer, and admitted a Member of the Honorable Society of King's Inns.

The Bank of Ireland has declared a dividend of 5 per cent. on the bank stock, for the half year, ending Christmas day ensuing.

The Provincial Banking Company, has declared a dividend of 4 per cent, for the half-year ending Christmas next, payable in London, Dublin, and Edinburgh, and at their offices in Cork, Limerick, Waterford, Belfast, Clonmel, Wexford, Kilkenny, Londonderry, Sligo, Wexford, Athlone, Colerain, and Armagh.

Colonel Blanc and the officers of the 53d Regiment, patronised a splendid ball in Kilkenny last week.

The mates of the House of Industry, amounting to 420 look with confidence to a generous public to enable them, at the approaching grand Christmas Festival, to forget their poverty, by enjoying a complimentary dinner, which their former benevolence has afforded, in providing for them a Breakfast and Dinner on Christmas Day, to commemorate an event which has done more for the poor than any other. Donations in the form of books of the Establishment had once amplified, and will be thankfully received by Alderman Watson, Treasurer, or by the House Steward.

Eight or nine unfortunate emigrants of both sexes landed here this week from St. John's, Brunswick, per the Hope, in the most destitute condition.

They were sent back to this country as paupers by the official authority at St. John's, having sailed from Londonderry in the beginning of the season. Francis Spaight, Esq. will receive the contributions of humane individuals, to enable those poor creatures to return to their native home.

Alderman Watson, has received from the Honourable Richard Fitzgibbon, by the hands of Stephen Dickson, Esq. the sum of ten pounds, of which five pounds will be applied to the Fever Hospital, and five pounds to the Lying-in Hospital, in this City.

In the fourth page of this day's Chronicle, is inserted an address from the Rev. Mr. Coll to the Protestant Inhabitants of the neighbourhood of Newcastle. To the mode, it appears, the Rev. Gentleman has adopted, consequence (as he alleges in a Letter to us) of our having "closed" the controversy, between him and the Rev. Mr. Locke.

Our readers are aware, that, for some past years, back, the Chronicle has been teeming with Letters from both these Rev. Gentlemen, alternately, and latterly his swelled to the enormous extent of four closely printed columns each. This excited many of our readers, and the number of penny-post remonstrances against the continuance of it, has already increased the Post Office Revenue.

Rev. Mr. Coll (in his Letter to us) says, "You have given Mr. L. a cover for his flight, and per him to fire from your batteries."