

PERFORMED IN THE PROTESTANT YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION HALL.

most successful concert, under the auspices of the Protestant Young Men's Association, was given on Tuesday evening in the Lecture Hall of the Association. The audience was fashionable, so numerous that comfortable accommodation was unavailable. Of course, as might be expected, the female element, which goes a long length to giving the place a more attractive aspect, formed the major portion of the audience. The programme was varied and most interesting, and the items thereon—highly interesting were admirably sustained by those who participated in it. A most interesting feature for the first time, we believe, introduced in the Protestant Young Men's Association's entertainments on this occasion in the form of Hatton's opera, *Robin Hood*, which is universally recognised as a favourite piece of composition. We sincerely hope that those who are entrusted with the arrangement of the programme may hereafter uphold this new departure. The evening was inaugurated by "Oh! merry is the outlaw's life" which was rendered with due precision and expression by the Choral Class, numbering some 70 voices. Mr R. Evans followed with the plaintive and air of "Villains! ha! what do you say?" in which he was very successful, and received enthusiastic plaudits. "Under the Greenwood tree," a really acceptable ballad, was sung in ample justice to by Mr J. Stewart, who was enthusiastically applauded at the conclusion. The "Oh! bold Robin Hood," (with chorus) which was capably interpreted by Messrs Stewart, Hook, and Evans, was evidently much admired. The chorus "Right glad are we," followed, after which "Rouse up, rouse up, my merry merry men" was sung by Mr Stewart with spirit and correct intonation, and was worthily applauded. Mr Stewart was heard to advantage in the song "Oh! the sea is like the ocean wide," one of the best songs in the programme. "Hark, tis the bugle note," was rendered by Mrs McNab and Mr Stewart in a manner which delighted the house. Mrs McNab possesses a voice of much sweetness, and as for Mr Stewart, we think the fewer the words the greater the compliment. The first part and cantata "How let us make the welkin ring," which was excellently given by the class, all of whom seem to be possessed of the highest musical talent. In the second part Miss Graves' beautiful soprano was heard to good advantage in "The Milkmaid Song" by M. Carmichael. The lady, as usual, a great favourite, and her contribution was most heartily applauded, as it deserved to be. Mr C. H. Barrington delighted the audience by his rendition of "Going to Market." He declined to rest content with what he had done for himself, but as usual was obliged to respond to an insistent re-call. The response "Three Jolly Boys" was also highly acceptable. A reading entitled "Barney Maguire's Picture," though it might be thought to be falling on the ancient—but a good thing is ever new—was given by Mr Eakins and evoked much merriment, the fair sex seeming to enjoy it very much. Miss Myles sang "Grandfather's darling" with perfect taste, and was cordially applauded.

THE FUNERAL OBSEQUIES OF THE VERY REV. FATHER O'CONNELL, C.S.S.R.

The funeral obsequies of the late Very Rev. Father O'Connell, took place to-day at the Church of St Alphonse, of which the rev. gentleman had been Rector. The immense concourse of people which was present at the Church testified to some extent to the respect and esteem in which the rev. gentleman was held, not only by his congregation and the Roman Catholic community at large, but the other communities who were largely represented. The deceased gentleman had gained the respect and esteem of all classes, but especially among the poor and afflicted, whose hearts he had won, and who now must mourn over the loss they have sustained; especially by them, he was looked upon as a guide, philosopher, and friend. The attendance included the Most Rev. Dr O'Dwyer, R.C. Lord Bishop of Limerick, and the clergy of the city and county, and the Mayor, the High Sheriff, and the members of the Corporation, accompanied by the mace and sword bearers. attended in state as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased. At 11 o'clock Office and High Mass commenced, at which the Lord Bishop presided, the Rev. Father Lombart being celebrant; Rev. Father Maigner, deacon; and Rev. Father Palliola, sub-deacon; Rev. Father Hayes being master of ceremonies. At the conclusion of the ceremonies the coffin containing the remains was borne on the shoulders of some of the members of the Confraternity and deposited in the crypt under the High Altar. The coffin, which was of a plain description, was literally strewn with wreaths and immortelles, the wreaths being presented by citizens. The chief mourners were Mr Matthew O'Connell, brother of the deceased; his son, and Mrs O'Connell, Mullingar. The following clergymen were present—Rev. P. Condon, O.P., Limerick; Rev. J. Ambrose, C.C., Ardagh; Rev. F. Carrick, P.P., Killeedy; Rev. F. O'Keefe, S.J., Rector, Sacred Heart College, Limerick; Rev. F. O'Donnell, C.C.; Very Rev. F. Meehan, P.P., D.D., St. Patrick's; Rev. F. Dundon, O.S.A., Limerick; Very Rev. Dr. Moloney, P.P., V.G., St. Munchin's; Rev. F. M'Coy, P.P., Fedamore; Rev. J. Foley, S.J., Limerick; Rev. F. Cussen, Kilkenny; Rev. F. Shanahan, P.P., Ballin-garry; Rev. F. Shanahan, C.C., St. Michael's; Rev. R. O'Kennedy, C.C., St. Munchin's; Rev. F. Higgins, Adm., St. John's; Rev. F. O'Grady, C.C., St. Mary's; Rev. F. O'Brien, O.S.A.; Rev. F. Coveney, O.P.; Rev. F. Kavanagh, O.S.F.; Very Rev. F. Halpin, P.P., V.G., Rathkeale; Rev. F. Brady, O.M.I., Inchicore, Dublin; Rev. F. Griffin, St. John's; Rev. F. Head, Rev. J. Murphy, Rev. A. Murphy, Rev. P. Doherty, O.S.A.; Rev. Father Sheehy, Rev. Father MacDermott, O.S.F.; Rev. J. Mulqueen, P.P., V.F., Shanagolden; Rev. Father Mortel, St. Mary's; Rev. Father Donor, Rev. Fr. Little, P.P., Sixmile-bridge; Rev. Fr. MacNamara, P.P., Loughill; and the Redemptorist Fathers.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs McCarthy & Son, George street.

THE CORPORATION AND THE LATE VERY REV. FATHER O'CONNELL, C.S.S.R.

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The Quarterly Meeting with the sale of horses as not infrequently is "slushy," but the night, nevertheless, was able. As to the equine we imagine, was not what we don't know—while was very brisk; in fact not near equal to the well as useful horses. were picked up at low purchases were made and the Army. Buy Waterford, and various following are some of

The following sales at Horse Repository:— thoroughbred brood mare; Mr Donovan weight carrying four stone for £70; Mr Hubert gelding at £40; Mr M. Donovan, Rea race mare "Rinka D" for £40; Canon Ryan good looking four year old sold to Mr Thomas D. The same dealer Hickman, a black gelding for £200; Mr Daly bought for cavalry purposes well, and anything at its value. The spe repository of fifty fairly brisk. The G be held to-morrow (upwards of 50 horse riding-horses, will be

The following sales effected at Mr O'Donnell Thomas street:—Mr Keale, sold a four year old Donovan, dealer, Rea Widger, Waterford, Donovan, Grouse L. Mahon, Ennis, sold M'Kinlay, Glasgow, Mr Aitken, London Humble, M.F.H., N £140 for a splendid hunting class; Mr street, Limerick, so Mr Donovan of Co dealer, Liffey B. troopers at an average year old colt belonging cannon, Athlaca, Fort Elizabeth, Co. bay hunter, by of Carlow, purchased colt from Mr for £57 10s; Mr J some cab horses at Magnier, Fermoy, Scully of Dublin, huntress to an 10s. Mr P. D.