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ROSEBERY'S speech at Manchester last night has not a cheerful or hopeful ring about it. First of all he is not satisfied with the machinery of Parliament. He complained of "incessant talk," and considering the amount of talk there was over the abortive Rule Bill of last year, there are grounds for complaint. But the fault is not with the machinery, which discusses these bills, but with the Ministry which brings in bills, so crude, and so contentious, that there is no chance of their passing. Lord Rosebery did not place so much blame on the machinery as the arts and sciences of debate, by which a politician or two might put an almost permanent block before any measure. Besides all this it was difficult to get Parliament to do anything tangible or practical, and therefore a system of devolution had to be adopted, "a principle which had given County Councils, Parish Councils, and which would give the Rule to Ireland, and possibly elsewhere." Dealing with those difficulties, which are great enough, Lord Rosebery thought there was an additional danger in "groups." He had no objection to "groups" in themselves, but he strongly objected to the movement now going on for an independent Labour Party, "a party which is to strike both political parties." But large enough, the section so impartially applied to strike both parties, as Lord Rosebery predicted, would effect a change of Government and shatter the power of the Liberals. "Eventually successful," says Lord Rosebery, "the Labour Party could bring in a Tory

The marriage arranged between Mr Harry Crowe, barrister-at-law, son of the late Wainright Crowe, of Cahircalla, Ennis, Co Clare, and Miss Constance West, younger daughter of the late Alexander West, of Balhan, Forfar, N B, will take place on the 25th July.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT NEAR KILFINANE—On Tuesday a farmer named Michael Walsh, of Bettyville, Kilfinane, while training a young horse was thrown off the animal and, falling violently to the ground, he sustained concussion of the brain. The injured man, who is in a very critical condition, was attended by Drs Lee and Connery, of Kilfinane.

WOODCOCKS IN MAY—A correspondent writes that a day or two since Mr Mollison, gamekeeper to the Hon W C Trench, of Castleoliver, found a woodcock, with three young ones apparently about a fortnight old, in the demesne near the castle. Very seldom has the like been seen in Ireland at this time of the year, as the bird arrives in October and leaves in March.

DEATH OF MR JOHN FRANCIS EBRILL, B.A.—We regret very much to observe in our obituary notices this evening the death of Mr John Francis Ebrill, of this city. The sad event took place this morning at Summerville Cottage. Mr Ebrill had a most distinguished school and college course, and from year to year we had the pleasure of announcing the many exhibitions and honours which he carried off with great brilliancy. He had a very bright future before him, and the cutting short of his most successful career at the age of 22 years is deeply regretted by a large circle of friends. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 9 a.m.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.—The average annual death-rate represented by the deaths registered last week in the sixteen principal Town Districts of Ireland was 22.5 per 1,000 of the population. The deaths registered in the past week in the several towns, alphabetically arranged, corresponded to the following annual rates per 1,000:—Armagh, 14.0; Belfast, 25.8; Cork, 20.1; Drogheda, 17.6; Dublin, 22.8; Dundalk, 4.2; Galway, 30.2; Kilkenny, 37.8; Limerick, 16.8; Lisburn, 21.3; Londonderry, 12.6; Lurgan, 4.6; Newry, 20.1; Sligo, 20.3; Waterford, 20.0; Wexford, 31.6. The deaths from the principal zymotic diseases in the 16 districts registered during last week were equal to an annual rate of 3.2 per 1,000, the rates varying from 0.0 in 7 of the districts to 10.2 in Sligo, the 4 deaths from all causes registered in that district, comprising 2 from typhus. Among the 133 deaths from all causes registered in Belfast are 13 from measles (an equal number to that for the preceding week), 5 from whooping-cough, 2 from diphtheria, 4 from enteric fever, and 2 from diarrhoea; and the 29 deaths in Cork comprise 3 from measles and 1 from diarrhoea.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE ARCHDEACON HALPIN, P.P., RATHKEALE.

The funeral obsequies of the late Archdeacon Halpin, P.P., V.G., Rathkeale, who died at the Presbytery on Monday, took place yesterday in the Parish Chapel. There was a very large attendance of the community, all classes and creeds being represented. Requiem High Mass began

ALARMING ACCIDENT TO FIRE BRIGADE

CAPTAIN WYLDE VERY INJURED.

On Tuesday evening, about 8 o'clock, an alarming accident occurred in the Corporation Fire Brigade. It is a regret to say, very serious injury to Captain Mr Wylde. Our readers are aware that last year the Corporation purchased a new Merchants' Fire Engine and Captain Wylde, an Englishman, as Captain of the brigade drawn from the Corporation and was most energetic in putting the engine through various drills and practical exercises every day evening the engine, with five men—Stephen Leo, engine driver, Michael Moloney, coachman, and Michael Beary, and Michael O'Connor, fireman, from the Fire Station in Rochestown, for the purpose of undergoing practical exercises across the Wellesley Bridge, and round by the work through Thomondgate, intending to go to the North Strand to commence a trial of the engine, which was drawn by two horses down the hill by Osmington Street at a fast pace, partly owing to the fact that there was no brake to retard its speed. At the corner where the engine was to turn, the engine suddenly threw its occupants out on to the road. Captain Wylde was flung on to the pavement, and the engine, or rather the boiler, came with dead weight upon him, the result that he sustained a compound fracture of the lower end of the thigh bone, the limb being very bad. The injured man, who suffered awfully from the engine as quickly as possible, was brought by a vandriller to the hospital, where he was attended by Dr. Shanahan, and Graham. His injuries are serious. Constable McCormick, who followed by Sergeant Beatty, of the station, who, with other residents of the local neighbourhood, rendered assistance in their power. John Beary sustained injury to his right elbow. Leo was injured to the road, and as soon as he was able to get up, he protected the boiler by raising it. It was a providential occurrence that the engine was up or else the whole party would have received frightful injuries. The accident created the greatest sympathy is felt with the wife and a large young family. It is stated that some time ago the Corporation provided a boiler, but that the matter was done, it is another instance of a very poor and foolish policy. The boiler was severely strained, the fuel was broken, and in fact until it is impossible to say what the injuries are or what the repairs will be, the evening she was taken to the hospital. With the exception of the other men have been injured. We may add that the me