

MARINE FESTIVITIES AT CORK.

THE Exhibition at Cork has contributed a great accession of gaiety to the life of that "beautiful city." In conjunction with the Squadron Regatta, which commenced yesterday week, a very amusing performance took place—a scene of pantomime, as the Sadler's Wells managers were wont to say, "upon real water." A sort of stage or raft—a *fleur d'eau*—was prepared, and six of the crew of N.M.S. *Leander*, dressed in pantomimic costume, were cast adrift upon it. One of the crew was dressed as *Columbine*, another as *Clown*; and a third as *Pantaloon*, who was provided with a fiddle; the three others being the *corps de ballet*. They executed several grotesque dances in the water, as it were, to the great amusement of the guests on board the frigate, &c.; and were afterwards towed round the squadron, and received the hearty cheers of the various crews. As a grand and most unexpected *finale*, they afterwards jumped overboard; but, Triton-like, emerged, and played all kinds of antics in the water. A similar nautical entertainment took place on board the *Prince Regent*, Captain Hutton, on Saturday.

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