

NAVAL BOAT-RACE AT QUEENSTOWN.

SOME days ago an exciting match was rowed at Queenstown, Cork Harbour, by the crews, respectively, of the gigs of Rear-Admiral Dacres (in command of the Channel squadron) and Rear-Admiral Frederick (Port Admiral), for a considerable prize, subscribed by the officers of her Majesty's ships in the harbour. The challenge came from Rear-Admiral Dacres's gig, which beat the gigs of the French ironclads both at Cherbourg and Portsmouth, and was at once accepted by the flagship Hastings. The permission of Rear-Admiral Frederick having been obtained, his gig was manned by an excellent crew, and the two boats started. The distance was four miles—viz., from the R. C. Y. Clubhouse round the Bar-knock buoy and Spit Light, back and round the Frederick William, finishing at the starting-point. After an exceedingly close and well contested race, in which great interest was manifested, Rear-Admiral Frederick's boat won by fourteen seconds—equal to three or four lengths. The winning crew was heartily cheered by the spectators.

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