

THE LORD LIEUTENANT AT CORK

The visit of the Duke of Marlborough, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, accompanied by the Duchess of Marlborough, to Cork and Queenstown, affords subjects for two illustrations. His Excellency and her Grace arrived on Monday week and were received by the Mayor of Cork, Mr. V. Gregg, and the other members and officers of the Corporation, with the customary honours due to the representative of Royalty. They went on to Bandon, where they were the guests of the Earl and Countess of Bandon, with a large party of distinguished friends. Next day they returned to inspect the public schools, hospitals, and charitable institutions of Cork, and in the afternoon went down the river, in a steam-boat named the City of Cork, accompanied by the Mayor, and by Lord Bandon, Lord Doneraile and others, to the harbour and seaport town of Queenstown, formerly called Cove. At Haulbowline they were met by the Queenstown Commissioners, on board a steam-tug, and Mr. J. W. Scott, the chairman of that body, presented an address of welcome, after which they proceeded down the harbour. At Passage and on passing the guardship, H.M.S. Revenge, the Lord Lieutenant received the Royal salute. The steamer then passed up the Carrigaline river, a district which for its beautiful scenery deserves to be more widely known than it is. Returning to Haulbowline, the Viceregal party and excursionists were met by a guard of honour formed of military and police. Shortly after the company, with appetites sharpened by the fresh air, sat down to a sumptuous déjeûner, which was laid out in a large temporary pavilion on the island. The interior of the structure was decorated with flags and evergreens, and presented a very pleasing appearance. The Mayor of Cork, who was the host upon this occasion, presided at table having at his right and left hand the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, with the Mayoress, the Duke and Duchess of Leinster, the Earl and Countess of Bandon, Lord and Lady Carysfort, Lady Doneraile, and others of the Irish aristocracy: there were two or three hundred gentlemen besides. The health of the Lord Lieutenant, after that of the Queen and Royal family, was cordially responded to, and his Excellency returned thanks in a speech expressing his warm interest in the prosperity of Cork and of all Ireland. The Viceregal party returned to Queenstown in a steam-launch, on their way to Bandon. They have since visited Limerick and other places in the South of Ireland, and everywhere had a friendly reception.

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