

## OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

**THE DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH.**—Lady Frances Anne Emily Vane, eldest daughter of the third Marquis of Londonderry, K.G., was married, in 1843, to the sixth Duke of Marlborough, who, from 1876, has been Viceroy of Ireland. Two sons and six daughters are the issue of this union. Her Grace's name has of late been prominently brought before the public, because of the energy she has displayed in initiating a fund for the relief of Irish distress. In her letter, which appeared in the public journals of the 18th ult., she predicts—and her forecast has already been painfully fulfilled—that "in most of the western districts of Ireland there will be extreme suffering and misery among the poor, owing to want of employment, loss of turf, loss of cattle, and failure of potatoes, unless a vigorous effort of private charity is got up to supplement the ordinary system of Poor Law Relief." Her Grace proposed to meet this distress by organizing a Central Committee in Dublin aided by local committees elsewhere, and suggested that the moneys collected be spent on fuel, food, clothing, especially for the aged and weak, and in small sums to keep out of the workhouse the families of the able-bodied. It is only fair to state that besides the "Duchess of Marlborough's Fund," which is intended for the most distressed districts of the South and West, there is also the (Dublin) Mansion House Fund, which embraces the whole country in its object, besides considerable sums which have been collected by the Roman Catholic clergy, both in Ireland, the United States, and the colonies. Nor must we forget the loans advanced to land-owners, which are being freely applied for, and which ought, if judiciously applied, not merely to relieve temporary pressure, but to produce permanent benefit.

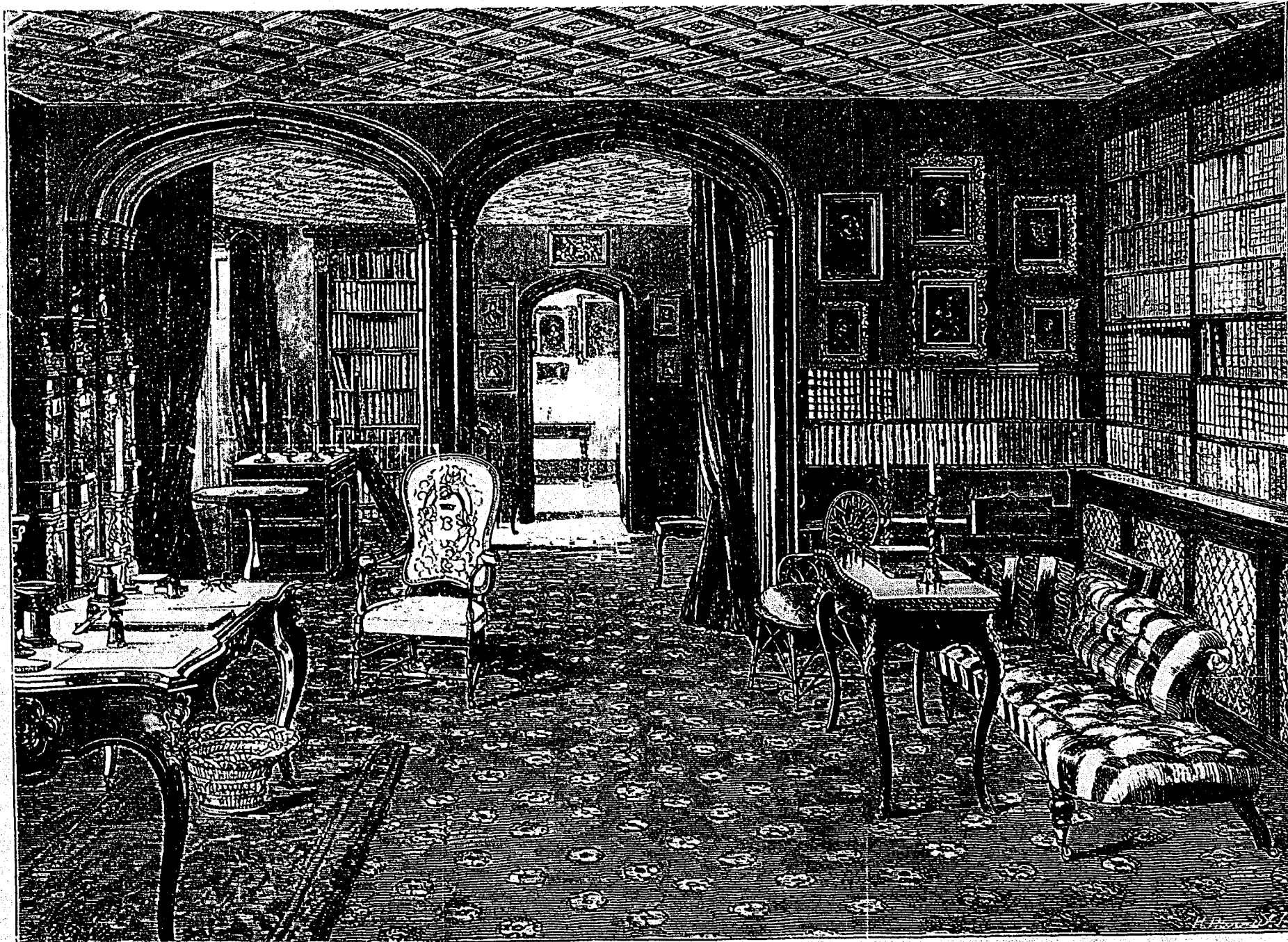
**LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR WILMOT.**—The new Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, is son of John M. Wilmot, Esq., who sat for St. John [county] in the New Brunswick Assembly for many years, by Susan Harriet, daughter of Samuel Wiggins, Esq., merchant of St. John, and grandson of Captain Lemuel Wilmot, formerly of the Loyal American Regiment, who settled in New Brunswick at the time of the American revolution. He was born in Fredrickton, New Brunswick, 15th October, 1809, educated in St. John, and married in 1833, to Miss Mowat, of St. Andrew's. He is a director of the Quebec and New Brunswick Railway Company. He was a member of the Executive Council, New Bruns-



HER GRACE THE DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH.

wick, from 1851 to 1854, [from 1856 to 1857; and again in his own Government in 1865, and again in 1866 until the Union; held office of Surveyor-General from 1851 to 1854; and that of Provincial-Secretary from 1856 to 1857. He was Mayor of St. John, 1849; a delegate to Confederate Council of Trade, Quebec, 1865; and to the Colonial Conference for the Union of the British North American Colonies, London, 1866-7. He was appointed a Commissioner on behalf of Canada to the Philadelphia Exhibition, 1870. He holds a patent of rank and precedence from Her Majesty, as an Executive Councillor, New Brunswick. He sat for St. John (city and county) in the New Brunswick Assembly from 1846 to 1861, and from 1865 until the Union. He was called to the Senate by Royal Proclamation, May, 1867, sworn a member of the Privy Council without portfolio, October, 1878, and appointed Speaker of the Senate, October, 1878.

**MR. CARLYLE AND KIRKCALDY.**—In Kirkcaldy, says Dr. Barnardo, I came across some reminiscences of celebrities. Near to my host's house was an old building now used by him as a store-house for flax. Drawing my attention to its aged, weather-beaten walls, he remarked: "Fifty years ago this was a school, the chief grammar school in the town. Here Adam Smith, the author of the 'Wealth of Nations,' was educated. Here Thomas Carlyle was for a while schoolmaster, having a stipend of £90 per annum. And not far from this building was another used as the High School, over which the celebrated Edward Irving presided as dominie, and earned the reputation of being the most severe schoolmaster of the whole district." My host, who is now an old man, was for a time a pupil of Carlyle, and remembers him and Edward Irving distinctly. Talking of Carlyle, any authentic information one can gather about a man like him must be interesting to everybody. A friend of mine was visiting him some time ago, and in the course of the evening Mr. John Ruskin arrived, and added, as may be imagined, to the enjoyment of the occasion. My friend drove away with Mr. Ruskin, and after a while said, "We who love and value Carlyle for his own sake, often wonder if in his hearts of hearts he has received for himself the grand truths of the love of God?" After a moment's silence, Mr. Ruskin replied, "He believes in the justice of God, and," added the great art critic, "to my mind such a faith is a cold one and brings but little comfort."



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