

NATIONAL GALLERY, IRELAND.

REPORT

OF

THE DIRECTOR

TO THE

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OF THE

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1887.

National Gallery of Ireland,
November 27th, 1888.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

The following is my Report for the year 1887.

The Gallery was open to the public under the usual conditions from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, with the exception of the month of October, during which it was closed as usual for general cleaning, &c.

Within that period the number of visitors to the Gallery was as follows:—

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| By free admission, | (Of whom 21,570 visited the Gallery on Sundays.) | 80,359 |
| By payment, | | 1,649 |
| The Students' attendances were | | 1,848 |

The number of catalogues sold was 293.

The number of new students admitted to copy was 28, of whom 23 were ladies and 5 gentlemen.

The following pictures, &c., were purchased at the prices named. For the general collection:—

| | £ | s. | d. |
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| 1. "An English Man of War firing a Salute." By William Van de Velde the younger, | 44 | 2 | 0 |
| 2. "The Feast in Simon's House. St. Mary Magdalen Anointing the Head of Our Lord." By Luca Signorelli, | 178 | 10 | 0 |
| 3. "A Halt of Soldiers." By Philip Wouwerman, | 267 | 15 | 0 |
| 4. "Landscape with Cattle." By Dirk Van Bergen, | 42 | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Study of a Girl. By W. D. Kennedy, | 18 | 18 | 0 |
| 6. Portrait of Mrs. Musters. By John Hoppner, R.A., | 30 | 10 | 0 |
| 7. Study for the Head of St. Jerome. Attributed to Dominichino, | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| 8. "The Young Squire," water colour. By W. Hunt, | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| 9. A large Woody Landscape, by Jacob Ruysdael, with figures by T. De Keyser, | 399 | 0 | 0 |

The following for the National Historical and Portrait Gallery:—

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| 1. Portrait of Sir Walter Raleigh. By Zuccaro, | 110 | 5 | 0 |
| 2. Portrait of Lady Raleigh. Painter unknown, | 57 | 15 | 0 |
| 3. A small Portrait of Viscount Melbourne. By George Harlowe, R.A., | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Portrait of Richard Rothwell, the Painter. By himself, | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Portrait of Thomas Moore, the Poet. By John Jackson, R.A., | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Portrait of the Father of Thomas Moore. By Martin Cregan, R.H.A., | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| 7. Portrait of the Mother of Thomas Moore. Attributed to Hugh Hamilton, | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| 8. Portrait of the Right Hon. John Wilson Croker. By Sir Thomas Lawrence, P.R.A., | 54 | 10 | 0 |
| 9. A small oval Portrait of Lawrence Sterne. After Sir Joshua Reynolds, | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 10. Portrait in Crayons of Charles Lever, the Novelist. By Stephen Pearce, | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| 11. A Drawing in Indian Ink of Oliver Cromwell. By Bullfinch, after Samuel Cooper, | 3 | 0 | 0 |

In order to purchase the picture by Ruysdael and De Keyser it was necessary, with the sanction of the Treasury, to forestall the grant for the ensuing year to the amount of £300.

The following Donations were received during the year:—

1. The sum of £1,000 from Sir Edward Cecil Guinness, Bart., to enable the Board to obtain a selection of Mezzotint Portraits at the sale of the Chaloner Smith collection, from the first portion of which 200 Portraits, almost all having some connection with Ireland, and many of them of the greatest rarity, were purchased for the sum of £694, leaving a balance of £306 to be expended at the second portion of the sale in the following year. A list of the Mezzotints purchased is appended.
2. A Portrait in Crayons of the late Right Hon. Lord O'Hagan, Lord Chancellor of Ireland. By George Richmond, R.A. From Lady O'Hagan.
3. A Drawing in Pencil of the Right Rev. Dr. Jebb, Bishop of Limerick. By George Richmond, R.A. From the Artist.
4. A Portrait Sketch in Oil of the Hon. Mrs. Norton. By G. F. Watts, R.A. From Mrs. Janet Ross.
5. A small Plaster Bust of Thomas Davis, modelled from life by Christopher Moore, R.H.A. From Sir Charles Gavan Duffy.
6. A Mezzotint Portrait of Sir John Newport. From Dr. Tormey.
7. A Contemporary Drawing in Indian Ink, by Bullfinch, of Richard, Earl of Tyrconnell, after Sir Godfrey Kneller; and an autograph letter signed by King Charles I. From Henry E. Doyle, C.B.

It was resolved to introduce into the National Historical and Portrait Gallery autograph writings of persons therein represented from time to time as opportunities offer, and a collection of 20 such was presented by Richard Green, Esq., containing, amongst others, autographs of Grattan, Curran, Plunkett and O'Connell. A letter written by Thomas Moore relating to it, was included in the purchase of his portrait by Jackson; and an autograph of one of his melodies, both words and music in his handwriting, was purchased for £2.

Three solid screens were erected down the centre of the Historical and Portrait Gallery for the exclusive exhibition of the Mezzotints presented by Sir Edward Cecil Guinness, Bart., 80 of the choicest of which were framed and glazed and arranged early in the month of August.

At the special request of the Committee of the Arts and Manufactures (Jubilee) Exhibition of Manchester, the following pictures were lent for the term of the Exhibition:—

1. "A Merry Christmas in the Baron's Hall." By Daniel Maclise, R.A.
 2. Portrait of Sir Maziere Brady, Bart., Lord Chancellor of Ireland, by Sir Thomas A. Jones, P.R.H.A.
- The former was insured for £1,000 and the latter for £300. They were safely returned.

The pictures lent to the President and Council of the Royal Academy at their request to form part of their Winter Exhibition of Old Masters at Burlington House were:—

1. "Saint Jerome praying." By Ribera.
 2. A portrait inscribed "Alexander Oliverius V." School of Leonardo Da Vinci.
- The former was insured for £300 and the latter for £200. They were safely returned.

The following Pictures were restored, cleaned and varnished—The Portraits of Sir Walter Raleigh, Lady Raleigh, the Father and Mother of Thomas Moore, John Wilson Croker, and Richard Rothwell.

The Pictures by Luca Signorelli, Van de Velde, Ruysdael and De Keyser, Van Bergen, Harlowe and Hoppner—all the above, together with the Picture by Wouwerman, were glazed.

The following were framed as well as glazed—The Pictures by Luca Signorelli, Watts, Cregan, and Rothwell; also the Drawings of Lord O'Hagan, Bishop Jebb, and Lord Tyrconnell, and the 80 Mezzotints mentioned above.

The Portrait of Thomas Moore, by Jackson, and the Picture by Luca Signorelli were placed in glazed mahogany cases.

I have the honour to be,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

HENRY E. DOYLE.

LIST OF MEZZOTINT PORTRAITS PURCHASED AT THE CHALONER SMITH SALE IN 1887.

ROYAL PERSONAGES.

| Subject. | Painter. | Engraver. |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Queen Elizabeth, | Holbein (?) Proof, | J. Faber. |
| King James I., | F. Hilliard, | J. Faber. |
| Children of Charles I., | Sir A. Vandyck, | Alex. Browne. |
| Princess Anne, | Sir A. Vandyck. Proof, | A. Blooteling. |
| King Charles II., | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | A. Blooteling. |
| The same. Head. Life size, | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | A. Blooteling. |
| The same. Full length, | Sir P. Lely, | Alex. Browne. |
| Queen Catherine of Braganza, | Sir P. Lely, | A. Blooteling. |
| The same. Small oval, | Sir P. Lely, | A. Blooteling. |
| King James II., | Sir G. Kneller, | J. Griffier. |
| The same, | P. Schenck, | P. Schenck. |
| Queen Mary Beatrix, | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | J. Griffier. |
| William, Prince of Orange, | Miniature. Proof, | A. Blooteling. |
| Mary, Princess of Orange, | Same. Proof, | A. Blooteling. |
| William, Prince of Orange, | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | I. Beckett. |
| The same. Small oval, | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | I. Beckett. |
| King William III., | Sir G. Kneller, | J. Brooks. |
| The same, | P. Schenck, | P. Schenck. |
| Queen Mary. Full length, | B. Lens, | E. Cooper. |
| The same. Small size, | B. Lens, | E. Cooper. |
| The same, | I. Vandervaat, | E. Cooper. |
| King William III. at Battle of the Boyne, | J. Wyck, | J. Faber. |
| King William III. and Count Schomberg, | M. Ford, | M. Ford. |
| Queen Mary, | — | J. Gole. |
| George, Prince of Denmark, | P. Schenck, | P. Schenck. |
| King George I., | D. Stevens, | J. Faber. |
| King William III., | Sir G. Kneller, | J. Brooks. |
| King George II., | R. C. Pyne, | W. Dickinson. |
| George, Prince of Wales, | D. Luders, | J. MacArdell. |
| The same, | Kneller (?) | J. Faber. |
| King George II., | T. Worlidge. Proof, | R. Houston. |
| Queen Caroline, | J. Vanderbank, | J. Faber. |
| King George III., | B. West. Proof, | E. Fisher. |
| The same, | Sir J. Reynolds, | W. Dickinson. |
| Queen Charlotte, | Angelica Kauffman, | T. Burke. |
| The same. Head. Life size, | T. Frye, | T. Frye. |

LORDS DEPUTY AND LIEUTENANT.

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| Lord Mountjoy, | Van Somer, | V. Green. |
| Thomas, Earl of Strafford, | Sir A. Vandyck. Proof, | J. MacArdell. |
| Oliver Cromwell, | Vanden Hoeve, | Van Velde. |
| The same, | R. Walker, | P. Pelham. |
| The same. Profile, | S. Cooper, | R. Brookshaw. |
| Oliver Cromwell and General Lambert, | M. Ford, | A. Miller. |
| Arthur, Earl of Essex, | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | J. Lloyd. |
| The same, | Sir P. Lely. Proof, | J. Smith. |
| Sir William Parsons, | Proof, | J. S. Paul. |
| General Lambert, | Attributed to Lely. Proof, | F. Place. |
| Second Duke of Ormonde, | P. Pelham, | E. Cooper. |
| Henry, Duke of Grafton, | Sir G. Kneller. Proof, | I. Beckett. |
| Lionel, Duke of Dorset, | Sir G. Kneller, | J. MacArdell. |
| Philip, Earl of Chesterfield, | T. Gainsborough. Proof, | E. Bell. |
| The same, with speech to Irish Parliament, | — | R. Houston. |
| Simon, Earl of Harcourt, | T. Gibson. Proof, | P. Pelham. |
| The same, | R. Hunter, | E. Fisher. |
| Henry Seymour, Marquis of Hertford, | T. Gainsborough, | Gainsborough Dupont. |
| William, Duke of Devonshire, | Sir J. Reynolds, | J. Faber. |
| John, Earl of Westmorland, | G. Romney, | F. Jones. |
| Charles, Duke of Rutland, | Sir J. Reynolds, | W. Dickinson. |
| George, Lord Townsend, | T. Hudson, | J. MacArdell. |
| Charles, Marquis Cornwallis, | D. Gardiner. Proof, | J. Jones. |

PEERS, ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS, LORDS CHANCELLOR, &c.

| Subject. | Painter. | Engraver. |
|--|-------------------------|---------------|
| William Robert, Duke of Leinster, | C. G. Stuart. Proof, | C. H. Hodges. |
| Robert, Viscount Molesworth, | T. Gibson, | E. Cooper. |
| Frederick, Count of Schomberg, | P. Miquard. Proof, | Faithorne. |
| The same when Duke, | — | J. Gole. |
| Lord Macartney, | M. Brown, | Hudson. |
| Lord Chancellor Viscount Lifford, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | R. Dunbarton. |
| The same, | Wyndham Madden, | W. Dickinson. |
| Lord Chief Baron Burgh, | H. Hamilton. Proof, | W. Barnard. |
| John Boyle, Earl of Orrery, | T. Faber, | J. Faber. |
| James, Earl of Kildare, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | MacArdell. |
| Henry Boyle, Earl of Shannon, | J. Brooks. Proof, | J. Brooks. |
| The same. Full length, | J. Brooks, | J. Brooks. |
| Nicholas, Viscount Taaffe, | R. Hunter, | J. Dixon. |
| Lord John Cavendish, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. Grozer. |
| Earl of Chatham, | W. Hoare, | R. Houston. |
| Archbishop Usher, | Sir P. Lely, | A. Miller. |
| John, Duke of Dorset, | Sir J. Reynolds, | T. Hardy. |
| Archbishop Boulter, | F. Bindon, | J. Brooks. |
| Bishop Berkeley, | T. Latham. Proof, | J. Brooks. |
| The Honorable James Annesley, | W. Lawrence, | A. Miller. |
| The same. Oval, | J. Brooks, | J. Brooks. |
| Lord Chancellor Lord Newport, | J. Brooks, | J. Brooks. |
| Lord Chief Justice Singleton, | J. Brooks, | J. Brooks. |
| Archbishop King, | W. Dahl. Proof, | T. Beard. |
| Archbishop Hort, | T. Carlton. Proof, | T. Beard. |
| Archbishop Cobbe, | F. Bindon. Proof, | A. Miller. |
| Earl of Abercorn, | T. Gainsborough, | J. Dean. |
| Lord North, | N. Dance, | T. Burke. |
| Earl of Charlemont, | Livesey, | J. Dean. |
| Lord Chancellor Lord Clare, | C. G. Stuart, | C. H. Hodges. |
| Molinetx, Lord Shuldham, | N. Dance. Proof, | W. Dickinson. |
| Viscount Fitzwilliam, | H. Howard. Proof, | R. Earlom. |
| Arthur, Duke of Wellington, | J. Hoppner, | Clint. |
| Chief Baron Bowes, | J. Brooks. Proof, | J. Brooks. |
| The Bishop of Clogher, | T. Carlton. Proof, | Beard. |
| Bishop Percy of Dromore, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | W. Dickinson. |
| General R. St. George, | F. Bindon, | J. Brooks. |
| Admiral Rowley, | — | J. Brooks. |
| Right Honorable John Beresford, | C. G. Stuart, | C. H. Hodges. |
| Right Honorable W. Brownlow, | C. G. Stuart, | C. H. Hodges. |
| Right Honorable W. Cunningham, | H. Hamilton. Proof, | V. Green. |
| C. Burton, Lord Mayor of Dublin, | R. Hunter, | J. MacArdell. |
| Right Honorable Luke Gardiner, | C. Jervis, | J. Brooks. |
| Thomas How, Lord Mayor of Dublin, | J. Brooks, | J. Brooks. |
| Right Honorable Thomas Carter, | C. Jervis, | J. Brooks. |
| Right Honorable Speaker Foster, | C. G. Stuart, | C. H. Hodges. |
| Sir J. Fitzpatrick, M.D., | S. Drummond, | W. Barnard. |
| Right Honorable W. Pitt, | G. Romney. Proof, | J. Jones. |
| Right Honorable C. J. Fox, | Abbott, | W. Barnard. |
| Right Honorable E. Burke, | G. Romney. Proof, | J. Jones. |
| Charles Lucas, M.D., | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. MacArdell. |
| Charles Lucas, M.D. Full length, | — | A. Miller. |
| Colonel Barré, | H. Hamilton. Proof, | R. Houston. |
| Charles Tottenham, M.P., in his Boots, | Stevens, | A. Miller. |
| His Excellency Speaker Boyle, | — | J. Brooks. |
| The Rev. George Walker, of Derry, | Van der Werf, | J. Gole. |
| The Honorable Robert Boyle, | — | T. Faber. |
| Dean Swift. Full length, | F. Bindon, | A. Miller. |
| The same, | F. Bindon. Proof, | A. Miller. |
| Rev. Dr. Higgins, | E. Luttrell. Proof, | E. Luttrell. |
| Cornelius Callaghan, M.P., | — | J. Brooks. |
| Charles Lucas, "A Free Citizen," | W. Jones, | A. Miller. |
| His Excellency Arthur Dobbs, | W. Hoare, | J. MacArdell. |
| Very Rev. Bishop Giffard, | J. O. Hysing, | T. Burford. |
| John Crauford, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. Grozer. |
| Arthur Blaney, | Sir W. Beechey, | T. Hardy. |
| Sir John Jennings, | Sir G. Kneller, | J. Faber. |
| George Byng, | Downman. Proof, | J. Grozer. |
| Captain George Farmer, | C. Grignon. Proof, | J. Murphy. |
| Mr. Commissioner Grey, | Jas. Worsdale, | J. Brooks. |
| Eaton Stannard, Recorder of Dublin, | J. Lathom, | A. Miller. |
| Mr. Gunning, | — | — |
| Rev. Father Archer, | J. Murphy, | J. Murphy. |
| Lord Henry Fitzgerald, | J. Hoppner. Proof, | T. Park. |
| General Monckton, | T. Hudson. Proof, | J. MacArdell. |
| The Right Rev. Dr. Preston, | C. G. Stuart. Proof, | W. Dickinson. |

DISTINGUISHED LADIES, FAMOUS BEAUTIES, &C.

| Subject. | Painter. | Engraver. |
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| Elizabeth, Countess of Kildare, | W. Wissing. Proof, | I. Beckett. |
| The Countess of Ossory, | W. Wissing, | E. Cooper. |
| The same. On blue paper, | W. Wissing, | E. Cooper. |
| Mary Feilding, daughter of Lord Carlingford, | Sir P. Lely, | I. Beckett. |
| Countess of Chesterfield, <i>nee</i> Butler, | Sir P. Lely, | I. Beckett. |
| Countess of Sarsfield, | Proof, | V. Green. |
| Emily, Countess of Kildare, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | MacArdell. |
| Emily, Duchess of Leinster, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | W. Dickinson. |
| Elizabeth Gunning, Duchess of Hamilton, | F. Coates, | J. MacArdell. |
| The same. Full length, | Gavin Hamilton, | J. Faber. |
| The same, | F. Coates, | R. Houston. |
| The same. Small, | F. Coates, | R. Brookshaw. |
| Maria Gunning, Countess of Coventry, | F. Coates, | J. MacArdell. |
| The same. Full length, | Gavin Hamilton, | J. MacArdell. |
| The same, | C. Read. Proof, | J. Finlayson. |
| The same, | Leotard, | — |
| Miss Gunning, | F. Coates, | R. Brookshaw. |
| Kitty Gunning, Mrs. Travis, | F. Coates, | R. Houston. |
| Mrs. Trapaud, | Sir J. Reynolds, | E. Fisher. |
| Countess of Alborough, | J. Hoppner, | S. Einslie. |
| Lady Susan O'Brien, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. Dixon. |
| Lady Anne Dawson, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. MacArdell. |
| Diana, Viscountess Crosbie, | Sir J. Reynolds, | W. Dickinson. |
| Lady Charlotte Fitzwilliam, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. MacArdell. |
| Lady Gertrude Fitzpatrick, | Sir J. Reynolds. Proof, | J. Dean. |
| Viscountess Dungannon, | Sir J. Reynolds, | J. Grozer. |
| Baroness Nolchen, | E. E. Calye. Proof, | V. Green. |
| The Honorable Susanna Fitzpatrick, | A. Soldi, | J. MacArdell. |
| Madam Jane Kelleway, | Sir P. Lely, | Alex. Brown. |
| Lady Charles Spencer, | Sir J. Reynolds, | W. Dickinson. |
| Anne Killegrew, | Anne Killegrew. Proof, | A. Blooteling. |
| Jane, daughter of Lord Wenham, | Sir A. Vandyck, | Jos. Boydell. |

AUTHORS, ARTISTS, ACTORS, ACTRESSES, &C.

| | | |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------|
| James MacArdell, | Himself. Proof, | R. Earlom. |
| Thomas Frye, | Himself. Proof, | T. Frye. |
| The same. Small profile, | Himself. Proof, | T. Frye. |
| Nathaniel Hone, R.A., | Himself. Proof, | N. Hone. |
| Mrs. Hone, | N. Hone. Proof, | J. Greenwood. |
| Miss Hone, | N. Hone. Proof, | C. Phillips. |
| Camillus Hone, | N. Hone. Proof, | W. Humphrey. |
| Maria Cosway, | Herself. Proof, | V. Green. |
| The Rev. Dr. Samuel Madden, | — | J. Brooks. |
| Richard Cumberland, | G. Romney. Proof, | V. Green. |
| Matthew Peters, | W. Peters. Proof, | J. Murphy. |
| Mrs. Peg Woffington, | Pickering. Proof, | J. Faber. |
| The same, | J. Æ. Eccard, | A. Miller. |
| Miss Powell, | C. Read, | R. Houston. |
| The same, | Sir J. Reynolds, | R. Houston. |
| Henry Brooke. The Farmer, | T. Lewis. Proof, | A. Miller. |
| John Swan, | Hugh Barron. Proof, | V. Green. |
| William King, | Thomas Hudson, | J. MacArdell. |
| Mrs. Jordan as Hypolita, | J. Hoppner. Proof, | J. Jones. |
| The same as the Comic muse, | — | — |
| Mr. Moody, | J. Hardy. Proof, | J. Hardy. |
| Mr. Woodward, | F. Hayman, | J. MacArdell. |
| Joe Miller, | C. Stoppelaar, | A. Miller. |
| Mr. Quinn as Falstaff, | MacArdell, | J. MacArdell. |
| Nelly O'Brien, | Sir J. Reynolds, | S. Okey. |
| Mrs. Barry, | Kettle. Proof, | S. Paul. |
| Mr. Barry as Macbeth, | J. Gwinn, | M. Jackson. |
| Hugh Kelly, | H. Hamilton, | Jos. Boydell. |
| Five of the celebrated large heads, | Thos. Frye. Proofs, | Thos. Frye. |

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