

MINING IN THE WEST OF THE COUNTY.

WITHIN the last week or two Mr. T. H. CLEMENTS, the celebrated mineralogist of Kensington Gardens, has been making a professional visit to the mining districts in the west of the county. The immense townlands comprising the Lemcon Manor Estate, over 3,500 acres, near Schull, the property of Mr. WILLIAM H. HULL, hitherto untouched for mining purposes, has been carefully surveyed and examined by Mr. CLEMENTS, and a staff of miners under his direction. It was well known by many that the district was rich in mineral produce. The geological formation and the survey made of Lemcon Manor, under the direction of Col. JAMES, of the Royal Engineers, which is now printed, fully proved that fact, as to the fruitfulness of the lodes, &c.; but from its being virgin soil, and not hitherto allowed to be used for mining purposes, it remained for Mr. CLEMENTS, who had opened several shafts for experimental purposes, to prove that in no country that he visited for professional purposes consisting of a thirty years' service in Mexico, California, Australia, Cuba, Spain, Cornwall, Wales, &c., &c., had he seen such rich deposits of copper ore, the lodes extending for miles through the estate. One lode, at a moderate depth, equalled in richness of quality the celebrated Barri Barri mine. This hitherto undeveloped wealth, when made known and worked, must prove a source of the greatest possible benefit to the district and country at large. We must congratulate Mr. HULL on the great and good influence, putting aside other potent reasons, that must accrue to himself and others in that part of the county from the visit of such an eminent practical mineralogist and miner as Mr. T. H. CLEMENTS.—*Correspondent.*
