

THE LATE MR. C. P. MELLY.

Much regret will be felt in Liverpool at the death of Mr. C. P. Melly, which is announced in our obituary column this morning, as having occurred on Saturday at his residence, Riversley, Aigburth. We understand from what we can gather that Mr. Melly, who has been under medical treatment for some years, has been often in the habit of visiting, accompanied by his attendant, at Scarborough, and at his sons' houses, and also at his own home at Aigburth. Last week he was paying one of those visits to Riversley, where he continued to show great signs of the terrible nervous depression under which he has been suffering for so many years, but there was nothing whatever to lead his attendant, or any of his family, to believe that there was any risk of the terrible catastrophe which has now occurred. From what we can gather it appears that Mr. Melly's attendant left him for a few minutes on Saturday morning, at 7.30, and when he returned with Mr. Melly's breakfast he found the deceased gentleman lying quietly in bed, death having been instantaneous. He had evidently died by his own hand; a pistol was lying by his side. When Mr. Melly's health failed some years ago his mind became obscured, but the facts concerning this will be sufficiently in the recollection of the public, without being further dwelt upon here. Mr. Melly was well known and highly respected in Liverpool, and in his day and generation did great service to his fellow-townsmen. The deceased, who is the eldest brother of Mr. George Melly, J.P., was born in 1823, and would have been sixty years of age next May. He was elected a member of the City Council for Abchurch Ward in 1886 without a contest. In 1869 he was opposed by Mr. Robert Vining, when he was re-