

by incessant application to his ministerial duties as Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. His remains were honoured by a public funeral in Westminster Abbey.

Robert Stewart, Marquis of Londonderry, was born in June, 1769 (the same year which gave birth to the Duke of Wellington and to Napoleon Bonaparte). He was

Seal for Ireland. He had in the meantime become Viscount Castlereagh. In 1798 he was appointed Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and made a Privy Councillor, and from this time he was regarded as the ministerial leader



1. HOUSE IN WHICH LORD CASTLEREAGH DIED.

2. MOUNT MASCAL.

3. VILLAGE OF NORTH CRAY.

not yet of age when, on his father being raised to the peerage, he offered himself for the vacant seat in the representation of county Down, and was elected. He was subsequently returned to the British Parliament as member for Tregony, and after remaining silent for a session, made his maiden speech in 1795. Having afterwards sat for the borough of Orford, he was again returned, in 1797, for county Down in the Irish Parliament, and was made Keeper of the Privy

in the Commons. In 1801 he was returned for county Down to the first Imperial Parliament after the Union. In the next year he was made a Privy Councillor of Great Britain and President of the Board of Control. In 1805 Viscount Castlereagh became Secretary for War and the Colonies, and later on was appointed Secretary for Foreign Affairs. Between 1813 and 1815 he was much employed in diplomatic business, taking part in the negotiations with the French at Châtillon, and also attending