

## BLUEJACKETS TO DRAW THE COFFIN.

The precedent observed at Windsor on the occasion of the funeral of Queen Victoria will be strictly followed on Friday next, even to the impressive detail that the gun-carriage will be drawn to St. George's Chapel by a party of bluejackets. It will be recalled that nine years ago the horses intended to draw the coffin, affected by the cold and frightened by the tense silence of the large crowds, refused to move forward at the critical moment. By a happy inspiration the men forming the Naval Guard of Honour were ordered to take up the drag ropes, and, linking hands, pulled the carriage up the hill to the Chapel, thereby adding spontaneously to the affecting dignity of the scene. The precedent thus accidentally established will be followed on Friday as an integral part of the stately pageant, a body of sailors having been ordered to attend from Portsmouth for the high honour of drawing the remains of King Edward on the last stage of the journey to the grave.