

an ordinary system of tramways to be operative, Mr. Barrington suggests that the tramways might be united to electric lighting. Electric cables would have to be laid and these could be also utilised for the lighting purposes, so that when the force was not required during the day for lighting purposes could be used for the propulsion of a system of cars, and thus perform a double duty. The plan for the electric plant would then be to run both in daylight and in darkness. "If a tramway was laid," says Mr. Barrington, "from New-street, through George-street, Market-street, and Corbally, as far as the Barracks; another from the Railway terminus down Glentworth-street, along the river; from there to Brunswick street, then to the Wellesley Bridge and around the Municipal road—both of these lines could be constructed and supplied with the necessary apparatus, exclusive of the electric cables and connections, for £20,000. The electric cables could in any case be required for the electric lighting; and if a regular service of cars was maintained upon these lines he is of opinion that both electric lighting and electric tramways would be obtained, and an enormous boon conferred upon the citizens. The subject is worked out into details by Mr. Barrington, which it is not necessary to go now. But without doubt the suggestion to combine both objects, and so utilise the capital expenditure for the double purpose, possesses very great practical value.

Some of the statements in the report of the Secretary for Agriculture at Washington are of the utmost interest to Irish farmers. Although the increase in the number of pigs in Great Britain helped to depress the market for American imported meat, yet during the seven months ending 31st July last the shipments of American bacon to Europe increased 15,680,000 lbs, but brought less money by a million dollars. The report states that owing to the rapidity with which the United States and parts of Europe can respond to any unusual demand for bacon and other pork products, it is improbable there will be any considerable and permanent advance in price during the immediate future. As to the export of cattle from America to be killed on the American side re-appears in the market as "prime Scotch," while a Deptford-killed American steer masquerades as "prime English beef." The British consumer, it is said, is unable to detect either by eye or

and instructive paper on "Epigrams." Beginning at the earliest meaning of the word, he gave instances of the simplicity and beauty of the ancient Greek Epigram. Coming to more modern times he considered the best Epigrams were those of Johnson, Herrick, Swift, Burns, Pope, Moore, &c. From the instances quoted by Mr. Foxe it was evident that he gave the subject very careful and close attention. Numerous verses were devoted to "love," from which he went to its natural sequence—marriage. The essayist regretted that most of the epigrams devoted to babies were written after their death—invariably being epitaphs. The satirical epigram was next reviewed, the first of those being Swift's. In the course of his paper, Mr. Foxe read, amongst others, from the works of Judge Harding, Charles J. Fox, Sir Thomas More, Coleridge, Lord Byron, Moore, Evans, Sheridan, Tennyson, Sidney Smith, and O'Kelly, a local poet. The following spoke on the paper:—Messrs Joyce, Enright, Fogarty, Walsh, O'Shea, Moylan, Corbett, and Rev. Dr O'Riordan. On Tuesday, December 5th, Mr. J. H. Enright will read a paper on "Samuel Lover." Members will kindly note that future meetings of the class will be held on Thursday in each week.

THE SAD DROWNING AT THOMONDGATE.

The body of the ill-fated young man, Hanrahan, who lost his life on Thursday afternoon by drowning at the slip near the Distillery, has not yet been recovered, though a diligent search has been made. A reward is offered for the finding of the body.

BODY OF A MAN FOUND IN THE SHANNON.

The body of a middle aged man, of the labouring class, was noticed this morning in the river Shannon, between Mountkennett and Russell's Quay, by Mr. Bell, Military Road, who reported the matter to Constable Connell, of the Dock Station. Constable Connell at once proceeded to the place, secured a boat, and after considerable difficulty succeeded in taking up the body, which was somewhat decomposed and appeared to have been in the water about seven or ten days. The body was conveyed to the morgue, where it was examined by Dr. Shanahan who found no marks of violence on it.

An inquest was held on the body in the City Courthouse at five o'clock this evening by Mr. Coroner DeCoursey and a jury, who returned a verdict of found drowned. Up to the present no evidence of identification of the deceased man has been forthcoming, and he is supposed to be a stranger to the city.

COOKERY AND LAUNDRY CLASSES.

As many ladies have expressed a wish to see cuffs and collars made up, we are asked to state that this will be the subject of the Laundry Class on Monday next at 3 o'clock. The only alteration in the Classes will be that the High-Class Cookery will be held at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday next, when the menu will consist of sole à la crème, potato croquettes, amber pudding, mocha cake.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

John O'Connor, aged 40, an agricultural labourer, was taken into custody on yesterday evening by Constable Doyle, of the Dock station, on the charge of having embezzled the sum of £7 10s, the property of his employer, Thomas Collins, of Ballinantybeg, on the 25th of October. It appeared from the deposition of Thos. Collins, that on the day in question he was in Limerick at the Munster Fair, and sold a horse to a dealer named Mr. O'Connell, for £7 10s; he told

subject—who, we expect, will water—must excuse us if we our pleasures quite so sadly George's Channel. We were impressed on that gentleman that and not in the use of voice harm is done. Further, we named Beckford himself, that to take away the eagerness which should always characterize bold Reynard is to rob this chief attributes.—Yours truly

FOOTBALL

ABBAY SCHOOL, TIPPERARY v. Co. CORK.

This match was played on the ground of the Mallow Football Club for the occasion, and resulted in a win for the Abbey by four tries to nil. The players for the Abbey were: Dr. Flynn (back), Clarke, Butler, and Spaight (2), a fifth try which, however, was sides those named, Scott, W. Studdert played a fine game for Dr. Flynn saved excellent Sikes, Johnson, and Gloucester Heamden, and Humphreys (best form). The following were the Abbey—Dr. Flynn (back), Spaight, Studdert (three-quarter backs) and Hickman (half back), Crosbie, F. Hickman, J. Wall and R. Cullinan (forwards). J. Wilson (back); Johnson, G. King (three-quarter backs); O'backs); Shaw, Heamden, B. Monson, Haines, Lloyd (forwards).

CLANWILLIAM v. L.

This match will be played on Tuesday next, and an interest is anticipated as on the last teams played in Tipperary for the result was a scoreless draw at 10 o'clock, sharp.

PROTESTANT Y. M. A. F.

FORWARDS v. I.

This match took place on the ground this afternoon, and resulted in a win for the forwards by nil. A large number of spectators were present. The names of the players have not yet been published.

THE PAYMENT OF SUBSTITUTES.

A special meeting of the Committee was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of appointing substitutes for Mr. Alderman Graham, who are summoned to attend the Cork Assizes. Mr. J. P. McNamara, the other members present were: Mr. O'Mara, J. P.; John Guinane, J. P.; and the Hon. Secy, Mr. J. P. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, after which the names of the substitutes were read from Dr. Shanahan, who named as substitutes: Mr. Humphreys and Dr. Mulcahy. Considerable discussion took place on the amount of payment to be allowed to the substitutes. Mr. Alderman Hall said he objected to the substitutes more than two guineas per week. Mr. Guinane proposed and was seconded that the substitutes named should be paid at the usual remuneration, which is one guinea per week. This proposition was passed with some dissenting.