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THE PROPOSED TRAMWAYS SCHEME.—The Mayor, at the request of the promoters, has consented to convene another meeting of the Town Council for the purpose of further considering the proposed electric tramways scheme for the city. The meeting is fixed for Thursday, the 11th August.

ST MARY CATHEDRAL.—Eighth Sunday after Trinity. Morning Prayer, 11:30; Venite, Crotch in D; Chanta, O'Niel in G, and Dupuis in G; Service, Hatton in C; Hymn, No. 495; Ante-Communion Service, G. sa, Kyris in G, and Hatton in C; Preacher, The Desc. Evening Service, 3:30; Chants, Aldrich in G and Hopkins in D; Service, Parry in D; Anthem, "Hearken unto me," Isa. Lt., ver. 4-6, Sullivan; Preacher, Rev W E Bentley, M A, V C; Hymn, No 482. Westday Services at 11 a m and 3 p m daily. Litany on Wednesday and Friday. Celebration of Holy Communion on every Sunday after Morning Prayer, and on First Sunday in each month an early celebration also at 8:30 a m.

SUDDEN DEATH NEAR NEWCASTLE WEST .-Yesterday morning about 7 o'clock Mr John Dillane, of Templegiantine, midway between Newcastle and Abbeyleals, met with his death in a very sudden manner. It appears he was up on a loft in his house looking for a rake, when it gave way and be fell on his book, and it is supposed distorated the spine, causing almost instant death. The left is a temporary structure, and is only 5 feet high. In mediately the cresh was heard his son John, who was at his breakfast, rushed in and found his tather lying on his back. He reised him up, but he never spoke and died in his arms. Deceased was a smith and farmer, and was well known in the district, where he was highly esteemed.

THE MAILS.

Yesterday the mails were late in arriving in the city, and again on this merolog. Express started from Kingsbridge this morning at twenty-nine minutes after its appointed time. and, of course, when it arrived at the junction. the Limerck train had taken its departure. Hoth to-day and yesterday the delivery of the English letters was several hours lebind time, many business people not receiving their correspondence until half-past three. The delay in the English and Cross-Channel service is attributable to the usual pressure of tourist traffic which occurs at this season. Much, however, as this increase of traffic is to be appreciated in the interests of the railway companies, it is too bad that lacal commercial interests should suffer by the delay to the arrival of the mails, and the difficulty of which might be obviated, as rep atedly pointed out by the post office, subsidizing a special train from the junction to Limerick, as occasion would require.

FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE.

The marriage took place this morning, at the Franciscan Church, of Edward Valentine

EATING LABURNUM BERRIES.

NARROW ESCAPE OF LIMERICK GIRLS. Three little girls from Mary street have had a narrow escape from poisoning by exting labornum berries. Their names are-Martha Hannigan, Rose Hannigan (sisters), and Anne Culen. While outside the city on yesterday they picked the berries off a laburnum tree and eat them, being unaware that the berries were poisonous. Immediately they were tiken ill, and on returning home were brought to Barrington's Hospital where they were treated by Dr McGrath. After some time all danger was removed, the girls, however, gaining such an experience that probably when next they go on a country excursion they will avoid the unwholesome refreshment afforded by laburaum or other wild berries. It is a coincidence that on yesterday in Cork three children had a similar experience, and these had to be retained for several hours treatment in the South Infirmary.

OBTAINING MONEY UNDER FALSE PRETENCES.

Last evening Sergeaut MacAree, the Docks, arrested two sailors named Sydney Harris and Albert White on the charge of having obtained ten shillings from Mr Thomas Ryan, Shannon street. Both men were employed by Capt Thomas, master of a schooner at present in the Docks, and one of them wrote a note in his behalf, requesting Mr Ryan to send down ten shillings. On getting the money they proceeded to drink around the city, and the circumstances having came to the knowledge of the Captain, he took proceedings against them for obtaining the money without his against them for obtaining the money without his authority. The accused were taken before the Mayor and reminded in custody to Petty Sessions.

THE RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION.

The usual meeting of the Ratepayers' Association was held on Thursday evening in the Town Hall, Mr Robert Hickey presided, and there were present:—Mesers John O'Donneil, T.C.; Peter M'Guire, T.C.; James Hayes, T.C.; J.H. Roshe, E.J. Long, R. Twyford, D. Cremin, and P.T. Dunne, secretary.

A letter was read from the Local Government Auditor, Mr Ellis, stating that as Alderman Hadintended raising questions in r ference to the Corporation, he thought it better to postpone the suggested conference with the Ratepayers' Association until September, when he would audit the Corporation accounts for '97, and then consider the questions to be reised, both by Alderman Hall and the Association.

The committee had under further consideration the question of the Nightwatch, and amongst other correspondence the following letters were read:—

" Mayor's Office, Town Hall,

"DEAR SIR-In reply to your inquiry regarding the employment of a Nightwatch by this Corporation I had to inform you that we do not