

matter, the deputation are hopeful that something tangible will result from the negotiations that have taken place. The Conservative Agricultural Committee of the House of Commons are also sympathetically discussing the question. The problem does not affect the Free State, which usually finds an outlet for its surplus supply of potatoes by exports to various countries, and its trade is an important and an expanding one.

BOY'S FATAL BURNS.

City Tragedy.

An inquest was held at Barrington's Hospital on Tuesday night by Mr J. S. McNeice, City Coroner, without a jury, on Patrick Shinnors, aged three years, of Curry Lane, John street, who succumbed to injuries received by being accidentally burned on the previous day.

Sergeant Higgins conducted the enquiry. Evidence of identification was given by the mother, Elen Shinnors. She stated that while absent from the house to go to the City Home for her baby she left the deceased with two little sisters at home, and when she returned she learned that the young lad had received burns and had been taken to Barrington's Hospital.

Margaret Reynolds stated while standing at her door on Monday she heard screams coming from Shinnors' house. She ran down and found the little boy in flames, his clothing having come into contact with the fire. She threw a coat round him and extinguished the flames, and had him taken to Barrington's Hospital.

Dr T. Morris, House Surgeon, Barrington's Hospital, stated the boy was admitted at a quarter to three on Monday to the hospital. He was suffering from burns of the neck, chest, abdomen, and thighs, and died on Tuesday evening. Death was due to shock and toxic absorption as a result of the burns sustained.

The Coroner recorded a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony.

IRISH WILD FLOWERS AND THEIR HISTORY.

To-morrow Night's Lecture at the Technical Institute.

As may be seen from our advertisement columns, the third and last of the Royal Dublin Society's Extension Lectures arranged by the Limerick Technical Education Committee for this Session will be delivered to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 8.15. The subject on this occasion is "Irish Wild Flowers and their History," the lecturer being Mr R. Lloyd Praeger, D.Sc.

As the vegetation of our country was destroyed by cold and ice during the Glacial Period, and had to re-migrate into Ireland, the lecturer will explain the various means by which plants spread, even across the sea. He will show that all Irish plants have not come from the nearest parts of the Continent, quite a number having migrated from Spain and the Mediterranean, others having come all the way from North America, which are believed not to have been introduced by man, but to have come by natural means. Some of the most interesting types of plants which inhabit Ireland will be described, such as plants which live upon other plants, plants which eat insects, and the curious plants which live in exceedingly dry places. The lecture will be illustrated by lantern slides.

Mr T. O'Donnell (instructed by Mr J. V. Dundon), for the applicants, Messrs O'Mara, stated that the respondent was willing to accept work as watchman, but the Pork-butchers' Society held if he accepted he would be debarred from unemployment insurance benefit.

Dr T. Foley stated that he found on examination of Collins that he was fit for work.

For the respondent, Dr C. Moloney said the man still suffered from bronchitis, and Arthur Lyons, Secretary to the Pork-butchers' Society, of which Collins was an old member, stated if he accepted the job offered him he would not be entitled to his benefits.

The case was referred to the medical assessor.

Mr G. O. Cullinan (instructed by Mr J. Dodds) appeared for respondents.

MINISTER OF EDUCATION IN LIMERICK.

The Minister for Education, Professor O'Sullivan, T.D., accompanied by Mr Seamus Burke, General Secretary Cumann na nGaedheal, visited Limerick to-day, having travelled by motor from Dublin. At Cruise's Hotel he was received by the local officials of the Central Branch of Cumann na nGaedheal, Messrs P. A. O'Brien, B.C., President; J. G. O'Brien, B.C., Vice-President; Rev. J. O'Connell, C.C., St. John's; M. McMahon and J. J. Quilligan, Hon Secretaries. The Minister paid a visit at 2 o'clock to the Christian Brothers' Schools, Sexton street, which he inspected. He was met by Rev. Brother Donnelly, Superior; the Mayor (Councillor M. J. Keyes), President Past Pupils' Association, Mr W. M. Nolan, Town Clerk, and other prominent citizens.

The company were entertained to lunch by the Superior and Community, after which the Minister proceeded to Kerry.

On Monday night at 8 o'clock Professor O'Sullivan will address a meeting of the City Central Branch of Cumann na nGaedheal in the Town Hall on the new Technical Education Bill.

ROADS IMPROVEMENT.

Mr P. Bourke mentioned at the meeting of the Public Health Committee last night that the scheme formulated for the reconstruction of a large area of streets in compressed and grouted concrete had been very favourably entertained by Mr J. Quigley, Chief Roads Inspector to the Local Government Department. That was the impression made on the deputation that waited on the Department last week in reference to the matter. Mr Quigley stated that he would give the Council all the help possible from the Road Fund for the concreting of the remaining trunk roads, and urged that they should approach their Treasurers without delay to secure the loan of £20,000 required for the other roads outlined in the scheme. The work was pressing, and would give much needed employment to a large number of men from March until next November.

The Mayor said the position was as stated by Mr Bourke, and on the motion of Ald. J. Reidy, seconded by Mr M. J. Brouder, a deputation comprising the Mayor, Ald. D. Bourke, T.D., Councillor P. Bourke, A. E. Goodwin, and J. G. O'Brien, with the City Treasurer, was appointed to interview the manager of the Munster and Leinster Bank with the object of receiving the requisite loan.

so much discomfort and drudgery. A house fitted up so that electricity can be used everywhere provides such a home. Health and cleanliness go hand in hand, and nothing is more calculated to keep the home spotless than a complete installation for the use of electricity. Electric light is admittedly the most hygienic form of illumination, while the first experimental cleaning with an electric vacuum-cleaner should be enough to convince any housewife that real cleanliness and a healthy home can only be obtained by such means.

The man or woman who has electric light service within reach and does not avail of it is depriving the home of a real essential and the family of something which justly belongs to them. Health is very precious, and no effort should be spared to insure against its loss. Electricity and electrical appliances are cheap, but in any case the money spent on them, bringing as it will, increased health and comfort into the home, is in fact a first class investment.

INSPECTION OF ENTERTAINMENT HALLS.

The unsuitability of a Hall in Broad street for providing entertainments was referred to at the meeting of the Public Health Committee last night in a letter received from the Law Agent, who had been asked to give his opinion on the powers of the Council in the matter. He stated that where the exits were not adequate and the sanitary arrangements imperfect the Council could prosecute.

The Mayor observed that instruction had been given at last meeting to prosecute, and it was strange that it was not done. It would be a very serious matter for the Corporation if anything occurred, as the onus would be thrown on them.

The Borough Surveyor said the impression conveyed at last meeting was that nothing be done pending a report from the Law Agent.

When Alderman Reidy stated that the law should be impartially administered with regard to other places of entertainment, the Mayor replied that such a statement was unwarranted and contrary to the facts.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to inspect the Hall and ascertain if the regulations were being complied with.

DEATH OF MRS JAMES O'HALLORAN.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs Margaret O'Halloran, wife of Mr James O'Halloran, foreman of the Typographical department of the "Chronicle," which took place this morning at her residence, Keeper View Terrace, Athlunkard street, after an illness of some duration. Of a very kindly and gentle disposition, she was very popular in the district, where she had so long resided, and deep sympathy, in which the staffs of this paper sincerely join, is extended to her husband and family in the loss of a loving wife and mother. Remains will be removed to St. Mary's Catholic Church this evening at 9.30, and the funeral will take place on Saturday at 3 p.m. to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery.

FASHIONABLE INTELLIGENCE.

Latest colourings in Overcoatings and Riding Breeches can be had from Thos Donovan, 29 O'Connell Street. No garment is so severely tested in wear as an Overcoat or Riding Breeches. Place your order, therefore, with the Tailor who will have them made to stand the severest test.

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