

CORK SCIENTIFIC AND LITERARY
SOCIETY.

The Session of the Cork Literary and Scientific Society for 1867-1868, was opened on Thursday evening, in the Rooms of the Royal Cork Institution and School of Design, both of which had been kindly placed by the governors at the disposal of the society for the occasion. Interesting objects in the Fine Arts, Mechanical Sciences, Natural History, Antiquities, Mineralogy, Geological specimens, &c., were exhibited. Among the most noticeable of these were the superb collection of drawings, casts, &c., belonging to the School of Design, Mr. Parker's book of birds, valuable microscopes and stereoscopes, the fine collection of shells belonging to the Cork Institution, besides other local collections. The doors were opened at half-past seven o'clock, and in a short time the rooms were filled with a numerous assemblage. At nine o'clock all repaired to the lecture-room, for the purpose of hearing the inaugural address of the new President, Dr. Shinkwin.

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