IRISH EYES ULSTER S SHARE OF CUSTOMS

People were so long listening to the claim that Belfast and the North East paid almost all the taxation of Ireland, that many had come to believe it. A few cold figures aired by the Irish Independent, is an eye opener on this matter. The amount collected last year in customs and excise duties in Dublin came to £16,376,306, as compared with £6,355,458 for Belfast. The claim used to be made on behalf of Belfast that it contributed more in Customs and Excise duties than the rest of Ireland. That boast is, however, completely shattered by the returns. Underlying the bragging returns. Underlying the bragging of Belfast was the implication that the duties collected at the port were all actually paid by the merchants of the city, whereas, in fact, the ultimate payers of a large propor-tion of the Customs duties were consumers in Connaught, Leinster, and Munster. In respect of customable goods, Belfast is largely a distributing center.

BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE DEEP SEA

At the present time in Ireland, the position of representatives on Public Bodies is not the most pleasant that could be desired. Each side to the present day fight demands that the public body shall support it, and publicly condemn the other side. If these representatives speak out for either side, they earn the enmity of the other with possible punishment in the back ground. If they speak for neither side they earn the enmity of both. The following document was read at a recent meeting of the Cork Corporation:

Irish Republican Army Publicity Department.

January 29.

To the Deputy Lord Mayor, Alder-

man and Councillors.
"Within the last two months fifty eight men have been executed by the bloody Ministry of the Free State Government. You have re-mained silent and have allowed these men to be murdered without

'As a public body it is your duty to protest against the daily murder of men in Colonial prisons. By your silence you have given moral support to the Free State in its murder

"As supporters of that Government you are as guilty of the mur-der of these men as if you ordered them yourself. The time has now come when it must be known where public men like you stand.

"Either you support that murderdo not, it is your duty to have nothing to do with the administration of Local Government while controlled by that Government. If you do new society will "take." If it t support that Government you must at all it is likely to be a big factor be prepared to take the conse- in Ireland's future.

IRISH TOBACCO GROWING

For quite a number of years experiments in tobacco growing have been proceeding in Ireland. Sir Nugent Everard who, on his Sir Nugent Everard who, on his the course of which there was estate in the County Meath, has killed a beloved Republican leader, taken a leading part in the attempt to establish the tobacco growing widely known, and extremely industry in Ireland - and also its manufacture. He told some interesting things to the Agricultural Commission in Dublin two weeks He said that in 1898 he persuaded the Agricultural Co-Operative Society to carry out experiments in tobacco growing in various himself, in 1900, grew a very fine crop, which he cured in a hay loft. It was so promising that the Irish Agricul-tural Society said that they would try it all over Ireland. Subsequently permission was obtained to grow a limited amount of tobacco with a rebate of one-third of the duty, under the supervision of the Department. In 1915, the high water mark in their trade, there were 225 acres under tobacco. When their own company — Irish Cigar Company—was formed they tried, at great expense, over one hundred varieties of tobacco, and bred about one hundred more hybrids in order to discover the best and most suitable type for Irish soil. At first Cubans were imported to make the but later the work was entrusted to Irish girls, who proved highly efficient. It was also necessary to get rid of Greeks, who were brought over to make cigarettes, as history—"Ferus Fensa ar Eireann." they were unreliable.

The Irish Tobacco Company used as much native-grown tobacco as possible, the average for the years 1918-1921 being 51% He disputed the charge that Irish grown tobacco could not be used in plug, and handed round samples of plug containing 50% native leaf. Dealing with cigars, Sir Nugent said that he himself exported cigars to India, which was much the same as send-

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IRELAND SEEN TH Ireland should be exempt from duty, as growers in other countries were; but manufacturers should pay a reasonable duty. It will mean much for Ireland if they succeed in establishing the tobacco industry.

A number of leading non-partisan Irish men have come together to form a new Irish National Party—which will neither be an opponent of, nor supporter of either of the two parties now in the field. Undoubtedly, thousands of people be-longing both to the Government party, and the present Republican party, will join the Irish National Party without severing their present connections. At the same time it is unquestionable that the more extreme Republicans will not touch the new party. The party is given the Irish name of Cumann nan Gaedhel. Its object is set out to be to carry on the National Tradition and to utilize the powers of Government in the hands of the Irish people as well as other forms of public ac ivity for the fullest development of the Nation's heritage-political, cultural and economic. The programme of the Party as stated is

"To secure the territorial unity of Ireland and to combine the divergent elements of the nation in a common bond of citizenship.

"To preserve and foster the National Language, Literature, Games and Arts, and every element of National culture and custom which tends to give Ireland distinction as a nation.

"To stimulate and safeguard the developments of manufacturing industry, fisheries and natural resources.

'To make the whole soil of Ireland available for the use of the people by completing land purchase and by utilizing the depopulated grass lands in according broad National plan. lands in accordance with a

"To obtain the provision of hosp adequate financial assistance for a and

To substitute, as far as possible, for the unemployment dole, State. To force the atholic National schemes of useful work including arterial drainage, reafforestation, improvement of roads was defeated by a narrow margin. and waterways.

'To encourage the proper physical development of the children of Ireland

educational facilities by easy access from primary to higher schools, so that all children shall have oppor-tunities for the fullest training of their mental powers." their mental powers.'

The first convention is scheduled for March 20th. People will watch If it takes

The historic Glen of Aherlow in widely known, and extremely popular with everyone. He was a brave, heroic and dashing fellow, who had many brilliant exploits to his credit. For him eyen his enemies had great respect. That picturesque valley of Aherlow has been the scene of many martial exploits in days gone by. In it O'Sullivan Beare found shelter in that amazing retreat that was the talk of every court and camp in Europe in Elizabethan days, and which Thomas Davis described as "the most romantic and gallant achievement of that age." However, Aherlow has an immortal hero of its own in Scan O'Duibhir a Gleanna John O'Dwyer of the Glen) who held the valley against the English for many years in Crom-wellian times, and at last fell in the gap of danger. His memory lives in the haunting Irish melody called after him, with its said refrain: "Scan O'Duibhir a Gleanna, we're worsted in the game." Another Tipperary man who found refuge in Aherlow was the illustrious Dr. Geoffrey Keating. Here for many years he hid with a price on his head. A cave called Paul Grauna is still pointed out, where, it is said, Keating wrote a portion of his classic

SEUMAS MACMANUS, 264 West 94th Street. New York City.

TOO MUCH STATE CONTROL

Higher education is too much under State control and the policy of standardization in education "is the greatest peril in American life," according to President

enlist support in the campaign Scheing conducted by Mills College, a private school for girls.

"I do not look for great discoveries or new ideas in education to come out of our public institutions," said Dr. Barrows. "Look into the history of America and you will find that nearly all our great ideas were privately conceived or that they emanated from private

"I do not want to see American education stereotyped. Men and women should in many cases be trained in separate colleges. We should be true to our individuality and this we may achieve in private and this we may achieve is private

OREGON FEARS POPE MORE THAN GOD

A scathing editorial denouncing the bigotry that prevails in the present State legislature is published by the "Capitol Journal" of

Salem, Öregon. The "Capitol-Journal" says:

"Oregon may no longer be a Godfearing State, but there is no doubt of its being a Pope-fearing State, and the papal dread which dominated the recent election is reflected in every act of the legislature. No one knows what this superstitious session will accomplish outside of establishing its ecclesiastical independence, by hurling bricks at the religion of Rome.

"To take a crack at parochial schools, the records yet of the religion of the religion of the results with the results

schools, the people voted to abolish all private schools, no matter how meritorious, regardless of their excellent record or the good they have done and are doing, and one of the first bills to pass the legislature was that barring religious garb from the Public schools from which religion has already been banned.

"To take a crack at a Catholic hospital at Eugene, the house of representatives has passed a bill putting on the tax rolls all the hospitals, colleges, Y. M. C. A.'s and other sectarian institutions, National scheme of housing, urban while another bill, aimed at a and rural. while another bill, aimed at a all the first-class hospitals in the

> "The house has, to emphasize its 100% patriotism, voted to repeal Columbus day as a holiday—not on the ground of having too many holidays, which would be a valid excuse, but because Columbus is the patron of a Catholic society. What surprises all is that having ousted Columbus as an imposter, that the legislature, while rewriting school history, does not eliminate Columbus as discoverer of America and substitute Lief Erickson and give us an Erickson inoliday, as an effective expression of religious intolerance not witnessed in legislature halls since the

> days of the 'Know-Nothings.' session of the Oregon legislature to shake the foundations of a 2,000 year old institution whose experi-

> martyrs is the seed of the church. "Meanwhile Oregon is getting some fine advertising, which if it our 'inferiority complex,' for if we have not got ability enough to reduce taxation we can certainly capitalize fanaticism and safeguard ourselves from the 'tyrant of the Tiber,' if not from the flesh and the devil.

"Consolidation, economy and taxation are all right in their way, but the paramount issue in this session is—'to hell with the

THREE SISTERS AT ONCE ENTER ORDER

Brooklyn, March 12. — Three sisters from this city are to join the order of the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Servants of the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity simultaneously. They are Misses Katharine, Anna and Isabel McGrath. Each is a woman of unusual intellectual and professional attainments.

Katharine McGrath. B. S., M. D. is a graduate of New York University and of the Women's Medical College of Philadelphia. For a number of years she has practiced medicine in New York and is well known at Long Island Hospital, St. Catharine's Hospital, and St. Mary's Hospital, Jamaica. She has been an instructor in the Post Graduate Hospital in New York and is leaving a large practice to consecrate her

address, which was designed to a graduate of the Trenton Normal

School.

They will enter the religious life at the Motherhouse of the Order, Holy Trinity Station, Cottenton, Alabama. The order of the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity has in recent years devoted particular the state of the Most Blessed Trinity has in recent years devoted. particular attention to the care and education of Italian children in the United States.

IMMORAL BOOKS

planned a crusade against pub-lishers and book-sellers of immoral

to a flagrantly immoral book recently placed in the hands of his
unmarried daughter by a local
bookseller. The publishers had
advertised that the book in question
was given a page with a local prayer or reverence to Almighty
God of any kind.

"Lord Gleneavy, the Chairman,
sympathized with Lord Wicklow's
plea. . . . But he went on to

Justice Ford recommended that obstacles which made the prosecu-tion of publishers and purveyors of immoral literature difficult be cleared away by an act of the Legislature which would change the present statute by inserting three amendments to strengthen weak points which have developed through judicial interpretation.

He advocated clarifying the statute as to what shall constitute indecency, making provision that if any part of a publication is obscere tne whole as a whole shall be classed as obscene, and the taking from a single judge of the power to determine whether a publication offends against the statute and making it a question of fact for the jury in all cases where a jury is

Justice Ford attributed the failure of courts and other agencies to fight books alleged to be vicious, to the fear of the shafts of wit of literary columnists. From these columnists, he said, the greatest opposition to the movement for a purging of the book-stores might be

Recommendations of the District Attorney's office as to how present statutes might be strengthened were Orders. read at the meeting.

JUSTICE FORD'S STATEMENT

Justice Ford opened the meeting by reading a statement which was in part as follows:

About two weeks ago a local bookseller with whom my family has traded for several years, take home with her a certain book. He recommended it highly as an interesting love story. Upon dis-covering a vile passage in it, she showed it to her mother, who came running to me in high perturbation.
If that book dealer had been within reach of my hands at that moment, does nothing else, calls attention to I have little doubt I should have done bodily harm.

A careful reading of the volume of 584 pages of close print convinced me that it had little or no claim to literary merit, and depended for its circulation solely upon its shocking decency. Knowing as I did the State statute prohibiting such publications, I assumed that all I had to do to procure its suppression was to call it to the attention of the proper authorities.

What was my surprise to learn that the book and two others which are even more objectionable were in lawful circulation with the judicial sanction of a City Magistrate and their sale boosted by his distinct contributions to literature. The publishers were prompt to coin the words of that magistrate into tainted dollars. They have published widely his commendatory dictum as an advertisement of three books. The encomium of the magistrate has been worth to them thousands of dollars.

Further I discovered that other-judicial decisions had been rendered which have had the effect of so emasculating the statutes that our homes are now practically robbed of the protection which the statute was the country, and which will.

"DANGEROUS" TO PRAY PUBLICLY

The fact that no public prayer is offered up at the beginning of the sessions of the two houses of the Irish Free State is discussed by the Dublin correspondent of the London Universe, the Catholic weekly.

After commenting on what he refers to as "a strange fact" that "inneither Houses of Parliament has IMMORAL BOOKS

JUSTICE FORD LEADS CRUSADE
IN NEW YORK

Aroused by the menace of vicious books which are freely being offered for circulation in New York by booksellers and circulating libraries representatives of churches and civic and religious organizations met recently at Hotel Astor and planned a crusade against pub-

The meeting was called at the instance of Supreme Court Justice John J. Ford, who called attention daily without any form of public

advertised that the book in question was given a panegyric by a New York magistrate.

ARCHBISHOP REPRESENTED

Archbishop Patrick I Haves Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes was represented at the meeting by Monsignor Lavelle. Fordham University, The Catholic Club of New York and the Knights of Columbus also were represented.

a cnaplain would be an expense and apart from that, would entail great difficulty. His suggestion, in which he said the Speaker of the Dail agreed, was that at the beginning of their business both Dail and Senate should arrange that there should he with all members stand. should be with all members standing, a minute's silence, during which each member might make the particular prayer suitable to his own belief. He believed that other-wise it would be difficult to frame a prayer that would receive universal

members made plain their sense of the need for public prayer, while nobody endorsed the view as to the difficulty of framing a prayer of universal agreement. A writer in the Independent (Irish Catholic daily) expressed his amazement that such a discussion should take place in Catholic Ireland, and asked: 'Is this predominantly Catholic nation to be eternally muzzled from praying in the Nation's parliament lest the feelings of a small minority should be hurt?'

'What is wrong with the Lord's Prayer?' continues the writer in Independent, 'and if the Senate is too mean to pay a chaplain or too broad minded to hurt the feelings of the minority by appointing one, could not the Speaker give out the Lord's Prayer in Irish?"

Eventually the matter was referred to the committee on Standing

HOME MORAL TRAINING TO SAVE STATE

Washington, March 19.-Lack of moral training in the home was blamed as responsible for the bookseller with whom my family spread of pernicious radicalism, in has traded for several years, induced my unmarried daughter to T. Franks member of the Federal Board for Vocational Education. "The weakness of the American home today is that it is losing its old time moral basis," Mr. Franks said

turning to these destructive doctrines because they have not been grounded in moral precepts by home teaching. Show me a Christian home, and I will show you a home from which 'red radicals' will not expense.

will not emanate.
"The only influence which will stem this tide which is threatening the American home is a return to moral teaching. The sacredness of the marriage relationship, the sanctity of home life, the obliga-tions of parenthood and respect for the State and its laws must be restored by a great upsurge of aroused public opinion. Today we are drifting away from sex sanity, because our chosen moral leaders are slacking their duty of directing judicial sanction of a City Magis-trate and their sale boosted by his glowing panegyric on their value as distinct contributions to literature distinct contributions to literature examples of moral unrestraint to the people."

CATHOLIC EVIDENCE GUILD

London, March, 1 .- An examining board, which has power to issue licenses to Catholic laymen for open-air speaking, has been set up by the Bishop of Nottingham.

The announcement provides one more link in the powerful and influential chain of the lay apostolate, which is extending itself throughout the protection which the statute was designed to give against the evil special degree, provide England with an organization analagous to the preaching friars of the Middle Other books in free circulation are even worse than the three endorsed even worse than the three endorsed.

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which was much the same as sending coals to Newcastle, and he
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The Nottingham experiment is not new, and the issuing of special licenses to approved speakers has been in force in the Westminster diocese for some time now. The speakers to whom such licenses are issued are not allowed to address crowds on Catholic matters all and sundry. The license permits each speaker to give addresses on his own particular subject, and to answer questions in the same, although certain speakers are allowed a wider latitude.

SHIFTY MODERNISTS

It is curious to note how these nodernists, who so roundly condemn what they call the shifty mentality and the disingenuous conscience of the orthodox are really shifty and disingenuous themselves. We have he is tricking himself. Why doesn't Dr. Grant say, "I have ceased to believe in the fundamental doctrine of the Christian religion. I need not be asked to resign. I voluntarily relinquish the charge that was bestowed upon me by the Protestant stowed upon me by the Protestant Episcopal Church. I invite my congregation and my followers to come together, and build me a new and independent church. I will be beholden to no church whose author ized representative informs me that my ideas and my actions are an embarrassment to the Church. I cannot recant and I will not wait to be asked to resign." This, at least, would be honest. But it would be uncomfortable. And Dr. Grant is rather comfortably situated.

shifted the ground of battle from morals to "dogma." And wisely, for his moral principles are more shaky than his doctrinal principles. Months ago, in a full-page interview in the New York Sunday World, he said, speaking in defense of divorce:
"The home is a sacred institution, and our greatest problem is to save it from collapse. But how? The answer of the dogmatists is to enforce a formula. . . . The answer of the scientists is to study the now conditions, to discover how they came about and to attempt to adjust our thinking to the new de-

The ethical principle itseif, of studying the new conditions and trying to adjust our thinking to the new demands of life," is precisely what the politicians call "keeping what the politicians call "keeping your ear to the ground." First you find out what the mass of the people are thinking and doing, and then you "adjust your thinking" to suit the "conditions." But suppose that But suppose that being attacked. the age is what Christ called "a wicked and adulterous generation." Will you then "adjust your thinkto conform to its standards? Jesus found his own age scandalously loose as regards divorce. Some of the rabbinical teachers were permitting divorce for as trivial reasons as are now alleged at Reno. "From the beginning it had not been so." Should He have said: "We are no longer at the beginning. We have advanced since the times our minds to the new way of living? Rather He said that one who marries a divorced woman is an adulterer, and the woman is an adulteress. Dr. Grant thinks we have advanced

stupid, but they are honest. They think that Christ meant what He said. And they think that what He said is valid forever. If we must "advance," they consider it better to advance by catching up with Christ, than by running away from Him. Incidentally, it would be interest-ing to know whether Our Saviour's teaching on divorce has any connection with Dr Grant's doubt of His divinity. If so, it would not be the first time that an alleged difficulty about a creed turned out to be, in reality, a difficulty about a commandment.-The Catholic World.

THE SEIZURE OF OBSCENE LITERATURE IN ROME

On the order of Premier Mussolini the police seized all the obscene books, pamphlets, postal cards and pictures they could find in the city, arrested scores of notorious characters who have been roaming the streets of Rome, rounded up drug peddlers and deported many vagabonds.

Certain French authors certain French authors were particularly hard hit by the order to confiscate immoral books. Signor Mussolini directed a special raid on Victor Margueritte's "La Garconne," which had been hastlly translated and widely advertised immediately following the announce-

· CATHOLIC NOTES

Rome, March 12.—Two lenten courses in English at the Church of Santa Susanna, designated by Pope Benedict XV. for American visitors and residents in Rome and which is under the direction of the Paulist fathers. The courses are attracting large congregations.

Pittsburgh, March 10th.—Rev. Thomas F. Coakley, D. D. Rector of Old Saint Patrick's church, has been invited to address the Protestant Ministers of Pittsburgh at their March Ministerial meeting, and has consented to speak on the subject: "The Contribution of the Roman Catholic Church to Christianity.

Buenos Aires, March 11.-While celebrating Mass at Bahia Blanca, the Rev. Luis Perez was strbbed several times and received injuries from which he died. His assailant, a Dane, has been arrested but refuses to discuss his motive for the crime. He is thought to be

Paris, March 2.—The historian, Frederick Masson, Perpetual Secretary of the French Academy, has just died. Before his death, while in full possession of all his faculties, he received the last sacraments from the hands of his fellow Academician, Msgr. Baudrillart, rector of the Catholic Institute of Paris.

Philadelphia, March 12th.-His Eminence Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia, pre-sided at the ceremony of profession at Cornwall Heights where eight new members of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Colored and rather comfortably situated.
We have said that Dr. Grant

Indian people made their vows. The
Cardinal also presided in the afternoon when twelve received the habit of the order.

Passenger steamers of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha line plying between this port and Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki. Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila, will hereafter carry complete Mass kits for the convenience of missionaries and other priests who may be traveling to the Orient, according to an announcement made here by J. Vincent Braga, general passenger agent.

Education is the solution of the terrible race hatreds of the Near East, according to the Right Rev. Monsignor R Barry-Doyle, chaplain of the British forces in Constantinople, who in speaking before a group at the residence of Mrs. Clarence Mackey recently, declared the Turks are not adverse to Christian advancement, but that they will not stand for their own religion

Washington, D. C., March 12.— News dispatches indicating that Monsignor Salvatore Luzio has been appointed as a special representa-tive of the Holy See to visit Ireland have been received with great interest in Washington, where Monsignor Luzio is well known to several prelates. Monsignor Luzio served for ten years as professor in Maynooth and is well acquainted with the Irish people and the Irish

The Pastoral Letter of Cardinal Schulte, Archbishop of Cologne, reads in part: "For the duration of the present conditions of need and misfortune, general dispensation from the observation of fasting and away from that "formula," let him say so plainly. Why blame the "dogmatists" — why not blame From that dispensation Good Friday "dogmatists" — why not blame of the conditions important the conditions in the conditions in the conditions in the condition of the conditions in the condition of the conditions in the condition of the conditions in the conditions in the condition of the condition of the conditions in the condition of prove, a new episcopal regulation will revive the obligation of

Washington, March 12.—Sergt. Michael A. Donaldson of St. Peter's Parish, Haverstraw, N. Y., has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest decoration granted to an American soldier. He was a member of New York's famous "Fighting Sixty-ninth" and had already received twenty-one war decorations from the various governments allied with the United States during the War.—N C. W. C.

Cologne, Feb. 19.-Several recent events seem to indicate that the strength of Socialism is waning. For example, when the petitions regarding the retention of the consional school system were circulated, it was found that large numbers of Socialists were willing to sign. With them, Socialism seems be a purely economic question and they will not allow it to make them deny their religious beliefs, nor do they want it to interfere with the religious instruction of their children.

Cologne, February 19.-A letter