

A DESERVED SNUB.

THE DUBLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE VICEROY.

At a special meeting of the Council of the Dublin Chamber on the 7th inst., the following letter was read from Lord Houghton's secretary:—

"Viceroyal Lodge, Dublin,
5th October, 1892.

"DEAR SIR—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date enclosing a copy of the address which the Dublin Chamber of Commerce desire to present to the Lord Lieutenant. I have laid the copy before his Excellency, who desires me to assure you that the wish of so important a body to present an address on the occasion of his assumption of the Government of Ireland, affords him much satisfaction. His Excellency, however, observes with regret that the address contains allusions to matters of a controversial kind, which, in his opinion, render it impossible for him to receive it in its present form.—I remain, yours faithfully,

"HERBERT JEKYLL.

"John R. Wigham, Esq."

The Council having considered the above letter, the honorary secretary was instructed to send the following reply:—

"Chamber of Commerce,
Dublin, 7th Oct., 1892.

"DEAR SIR,—I duly received your letter of the 5th inst., which I have this day laid before a special meeting of this chamber, and I am desired by them to express to you their regret at the decision at which his Excellency has arrived.—I am, dear sir, yours truly,

"JOHN R. WIGHAM, Hon. Sec.
Major Jekyll, R. E.,
Viceroyal Lodge.

The proposed address contained the following among other passages:—

"To your immediate predecessors in the office of Viceroy we have felt it our duty to declare our maintenance of the Legislative Union now existing between Ireland and Great Britain is essential to the prosperity of the trade and commerce of Ireland, and the experience of recent years has tended to deepen this strong and deliberate conviction.

"We earnestly hope that the Government will continue to administer the laws with that impartiality and firmness which are needed to preserve to the people that sense of security and personal freedom in the exercise of their lawful vocations which are essential to the display of energy and enterprise, whether in agricultural or commercial pursuits.—
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We must sincerely thank Mr. Delahanty for his great kindness in offering the TRUE WITNESS to make use of his table or calendar as a supplement to this number. It would certainly give us an opportunity of furnishing our readers with a unique and precious sheet that will be of use for a hundred years after our time, as far as the future goes, and for all time to come, as far as the past is concerned. Unfortunately, the plate does not correspond with our present form, and we are very reluctantly obliged to be satisfied with this notice. We would like to see it in the hands of all our readers.

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