

IRISH NEWS.

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It may be stated at once frankly that Mr. Gladstone's sketch of a new bill for the relief of the Irish members. There had been, as has already been indicated in these communications, constant rumors that the Government were about to obtain anything like a definite statement of their policy on this question from the Prime Minister. The friends of Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Charles Dilke were busy in the lobbies informing people that the two young energetic Ministers were anxious that the Government should not put out at once and declare that they would not take the question of Ireland from the Franchise Bill as destroying the measure, and they found it impossible to induce Mr. Gladstone to take up this position. We understand, therefore, that the Irish members watched with a keen vigilance the Premier's relation to their country; and their general impression is that his statements are emphatic and loud enough to allow of no escape. He not only knows, they think, himself to stand by the Irish part of the bill, but even went so far as to declare that, in his opinion, no reduction would be made in the number of the Irish constituencies. This, of course, was only a personal opinion, and that Mr. Gladstone must exercise considerable influence on the question of redistribution when it comes to be settled.

The future of the bill is absolutely uncertain. The Tories have intimated that they will exhaust every means of defeating the measure by obstruction, and their other weapon that comes to their hand, their game is this:—They think, first, that they will be able to bring the Government into disrepute on their Egyptian policy; and, secondly, that the dynamic outrage, especially if attended with loss of life, will so inflame national passion in England against Ireland, as to make it impossible to pass any measure giving that country a reduced franchise. On the whole it does not seem likely that the bill will pass; and the Irish members are even this prospect with a certain amount of equanimity because they are sure of an overwhelming increase to their strength, whether the franchise be reduced or not. It is a remarkable and noteworthy fact in connection with the debate that almost every speaker professed this increase of the Franchise as an event absolutely unavoidable. Mr. Gibson and the other Ulster speakers drew a terrible picture of ninety Irish Nationalists invading the House of Commons; and it was indeed a very serious and a horrible contingency that applied to him and the rest of his fellow Conservatives. The friends of the Franchise, on the other hand, were not so much alarmed. Some English Liberals, to do them justice, spoke out firmly and frankly on the point, and declared that, even if ninety Irish Nationalists were to be returned, it was no reason why Ireland should be deprived of her rights. In fact it is a very serious and a horrible contingency that has happened, the great mass of opinion, both inside and outside of Parliament, is in favor of extending equal rights to Ireland. The reduction of the franchise may be deferred for a time, but it may be passed by another Government, but its advent is absolutely certain unless we revert to the point mentioned above—the dynamite and republican concessions to Ireland and Ireland's independence.

Mr. Sexton has done excellent service in calling attention to the character of the Orange Society. He has asserted that the organization is secret and cabal, and therefore, illegal in the eyes of the English law. Mr. Gladstone was apparently so impressed with the speech of the member for Sligo in which these points were laid down, that he gave a conditional promise of an enquiry. The Conservatives, however, did not intend to show very plainly that, if such an enquiry was proposed, they would obstruct public business, and that they would not allow the House to pass any legislation. This, of course, menaced a measure so important as the Franchise Bill, and Mr. Gladstone, therefore, would inquire into the matter. He has taken part in some Rosemary manifestations, and he has been reinstated by the Lord Lieutenant. He has succeeded, though Parliament is sitting, to make an impression on his latest administration in Ireland, because he is practically master of the situation. He has succeeded in obtaining the support of the majority of the English official classes; he can easily threaten resignation; and he is very difficult to find anybody to take his place. Mr. Gladstone, therefore, and his other colleagues, who ignore his Excellency's proceedings and leave him a perfectly free hand; and Mr. Trevelyan is simply his poor and ineffectual mouthpiece in the House of Commons, without any will of his own. The Irish members adopted the only course open to them, and they daily ask questions upon every act of his arbitrary rule in Ireland, and in this way check in some degree the excesses of the present autocracy.

The dynamite outrages have been received with the strange tranquility which is characteristic of the English mind under such circumstances; but there is no doubt that a very profound feeling of anger, which may easily be lashed into revenge, obtains with the majority. English newspapers, as a rule, also speak calmly and rationally upon these matters. There are, however, two of these exceptions, and the first of these, of course, is the Times, which with its usual consistency, has taken part in some Rosemary manifestations, and he has been reinstated by the Lord Lieutenant. He has succeeded, though Parliament is sitting, to make an impression on his latest administration in Ireland, because he is practically master of the situation. He has succeeded in obtaining the support of the majority of the English official classes; he can easily threaten resignation; and he is very difficult to find anybody to take his place. Mr. Gladstone, therefore, and his other colleagues, who ignore his Excellency's proceedings and leave him a perfectly free hand; and Mr. Trevelyan is simply his poor and ineffectual mouthpiece in the House of Commons, without any will of his own. The Irish members adopted the only course open to them, and they daily ask questions upon every act of his arbitrary rule in Ireland, and in this way check in some degree the excesses of the present autocracy.

There was an impression that the new Speaker was rather meek in his opening observations, and it is well known that some of his speeches have been characterized by a strong feeling of hostility to the Irish cause. The Irish party, however, "view the prospect with no foreboding. Mr. Peel does not look either physically or mentally a very strong man; and, in any case, the Irish members have now become such a powerful and adroit debating, that they can defy the attempts of even cleverer men than Mr. Peel to try them up. The Irish party looks to the present session with great satisfaction. Their business will be simply to keep quiet and allow the Government to do their work for them, and, unlike either of the two other parties in the House, they can confidently count on the future.

It is not unlikely that one or two further vacancies will be made in the Irish ranks for the purpose of getting young men in who may have the benefit of a year's training before the opening of the new Parliament. The Government, however, is expected to enact a law prohibiting the incoming of British troops into the Province of Ulster, which would be a very serious and a dangerous class that could not be made amenable to local laws, and who would render the Province unsafe for white people to live in.

Mr. Gordon followed in a similar strain. The debate was then adjourned. After recess the John Graham divorce bill was passed by 84 yeas to 94 nays. Mr. Charles's bill to make reduction a criminal offence was read a third time, and Mr. Foster withdrew his amendment on the evils of intemperance and

advocating prohibitory legislation as a means of promoting the moral and material welfare of the people.

The debate was adjourned on motion of Mr. Bage.

The papers in connection with the petition against the order passed on Mr. Temple, M. P. for York to-day.

New Brunswick Legislature.

FREDERICTON, March 13.

After routine, Mr. Stockton introduced a bill relating to the New Brunswick Army Company.

Mr. Ellis introduced a bill in explanation of the act respecting the union of certain Presbyterian Churches.

Mr. Burrell introduced a bill to consolidate and amend the acts relating to the South-West Boom Company.

Dominion Parliament.

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Mr. Casgrain sought to have his bill to prevent fraud in the letting of contracts passed on the order paper, but the majority voted his motion down.

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LOCAL & PROVINCIAL.

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The Forty Hours Devotion commenced at the Cathedral yesterday (Friday) morning.

Doos killed fifty sheep belonging to J. H. W. of Windsor, N. S., on the night of the 14th inst.

This amount of tonnage on the register of Yarmouth, N. S., up to the end of last year was 120,042 tons.

Tax Collector W. H. Barry, from this port for Boston, with a cargo of coal, went ashore at Herring Gut, Me., and became a total loss.

Shooting Accident.—Mr. John Price was accidentally shot, while moose-hunting in the woods back of Pettoodan, on Friday of last week.

T. E. Thomey, charged with breaking into the New Brunswick Railway building and stealing tickets valued at some \$400, has been up for trial and remanded to the County Jail.

Lecturer.—Mr. John Connor will deliver a lecture on temperance, under the auspices of St. Malachi's T. A. R. Society, in St. Malachi's Hall, on Sunday evening, 30th inst.

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173 Bales Best Refined and Spike IRON; 210 BLS. CAKUM. Ex S.S. Hibernal (last week).

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139 Boiler Plates, 1/2" & 1/4" & 1/8" & 1/16" & 1/32" & 1/64" & 1/128" & 1/256" & 1/512" & 1/1024" & 1/2048" & 1/4096" & 1/8192" & 1/16384" & 1/32768" & 1/65536" & 1/131072" & 1/262144" & 1/524288" & 1/1048576" & 1/2097152" & 1/4194304" & 1/8388608" & 1/16777216" & 1/33554432" & 1/67108864" & 1/134217728" & 1/268435456" & 1/536870912" & 1/1073741824" & 1/2147483648" & 1/4294967296" & 1/8589934592" & 1/17179869184" & 1/34359738368" & 1/68719476736" & 1/137438953472" & 1/274877906944" & 1/549755813888" & 1/1099511627776" & 1/2199023255552" & 1/4398046511104" & 1/8796093022208" & 1/17592186044416" & 1/35184372088832" & 1/70368744177664" & 1/140737488355328" & 1/281474976710656" & 1/562949953421312" & 1/1125899906842624" & 1/2251799813685248" & 1/4503599627370496" & 1/9007199254740992" & 1/18014398509481984" & 1/36028797018963968" & 1/72057594037927936" & 1/144115188075855872" & 1/288230376151711744" & 1/576460752303423488" & 1/1152921504606846976" & 1/2305843009213693952" & 1/4611686018427387904" & 1/9223372036854775808" & 1/18446744073709551616" & 1/36893488147419103232" & 1/737869762948