

## A CABINET DEAL.

How Sir John A. Macdonald Fooled Hon. John O'Donohue.

A Revelation Showing up the Arch-Trickster—Saying and Doing Cabinet Ministers.

From the Montreal Post.

The murder may as well out now. It is pretty sure to be brought up in Parliament, and the truth may as well be known before the House meets. Well, here it is:—As we all know, the last general elections were held in June, 1882. Up to that time Irish Catholic representation in the Cabinet had been of the most unsatisfactory kind. The men who were selected to represent the Irish Catholics were Irishmen in name only. The Scotchmen had it all their own way, and the Irish Catholics were only allowed to have such men as the Hon. John O'Connor, men who were destitute of all Irish sympathies, and who were Irish merely in name. But in 1882 our people began to clamor for a change. The Irish Canadian, backed up by the Post and True Witness, demanded that the Irish Catholics should have two representatives in the Cabinet, and that those two should be men in whom our people had confidence. Orange influences were becoming so powerful that we found it necessary to agitate for increased representation, in order to enable us to hold our own. So Sir John A. Macdonald, the little storm cloud, and he fled to Toronto. When he arrived there he found that the Irish Catholics, on whose support he counted, were up in arms demanding increased representation, and he resolved to meet the difficulty face to face. And so a private meeting was called at the house of the Hon. (now Sir) David McPherson, then Speaker of the Senate. At that meeting Sir John A. Macdonald, the Hon. David McPherson, the Hon. Frank Smith, John O'Donohue, Q. Q. Patrick Boyle and John Shields, the well-known Tory contractor, were present. In the presence of all these gentlemen Sir John A. Macdonald made the following proposition: He offered to make John O'Donohue a Senator, and this, with the Hon. John Costigan already in the Cabinet, should, Sir John thought, satisfy the demands of the Irish Catholics for increased representation. But Messrs. O'Donohue and Boyle, who were in the interests of our people, refused to accept such a compromise. What they wanted was representation in the Cabinet, and what they asked was that there should be two Catholics in the Ministry, and nothing else would, they said, satisfy the Irish Catholic people. They told Sir John if he wanted to secure the Irish Catholic vote he should do the Irish Catholics justice, and that it was increased Cabinet representation or nothing. At last Sir John yielded, or, as he would have it, he agreed to sign, and he finally promised to take Mr. John O'Donohue into the Cabinet as well as keep the Hon. John Costigan, who was then Minister of Inland Revenue, and a man of whom our people expected something, only to be disappointed. But Messrs. O'Donohue and Boyle were not satisfied with Sir John's "promises." They knew the Premier too well for that, and they insisted on having it in black and white before they would commit themselves to an active support of Sir John in the then forthcoming political campaign. And Sir John again yielded, or, as he would have it, he agreed to sign, and another meeting was arranged, when Mr. O'Donohue's appointment, first to the Senate and then to the Cabinet, would be confirmed. Well, a few days passed. Meanwhile it was publicly announced that Mr. O'Donohue was to be appointed to the Senate with the probable view of his elevation to the Cabinet. And then the Orangemen began to howl. Public meetings were held, and the "Fenian" O'Donohue was publicly denounced. And so the time for the second meeting came on. This second meeting was held at the same place, and the same gentlemen were present as at the previous meeting. And now mark what happened! Sir John produced a telegram purporting to be from the Marquis of Lorne, which said that the Hon. Senator O'Donohue's appointment to the Cabinet had been that day signed! And in order to make the assurance doubly sure, "Sir John wrote letters to the four Irish Catholic Bishops in Ontario, telling them what had taken place, and asking their support in view of what he had done for the Irish Catholics of the Dominion in thus giving them two prominent Irishmen in the Cabinet. And it looked at that hour as if the Irishmen had succumbed. But that meeting was not yet over. Sir John had "one or two little things to explain yet." Of course he said "it would never do to allow the Orangemen to know that O'Donohue was in the Cabinet. That must be kept a profound secret until after the election, that in order to satisfy the Irish Catholics, the best thing to do, he thought, would be to allow the Hon. Frank Smith to be appointed to the Cabinet temporarily, merely to keep the seat warm for O'Donohue until the bluster of the Orangemen blew over. O'Donohue and Boyle, naturally suspicious of "Old Tom," hesitated, but, after all, there could be no deception. Had they not the Governor General's telegram, saying that O'Donohue's appointment had been signed; and had not Sir John said the same thing to the four bishops? Oh, no! deception was hardly possible, and they yielded, and it was then announced that the Hon. Frank Smith was to be the second Irish Catholic in the Cabinet. When that latter appointment was made there were in reality three Irish Catholics in the Cabinet—the Hon. John Costigan, the Hon. Frank Smith and the Hon. John O'Donohue. Of course the latter appointment was still "a secret," but it was fondly hoped that it would be all right. Now we must remember that the Hon. Frank Smith was acceptable to the Orangemen. They knew he was not a "Fenian" or "anything of that sort," and they accepted the announcement of his appointment without a murmur. And then the general elections came off, and Sir John was once more returned to power, after receiving a fair support from the Irish Catholics of Canada in the belief that they had two active friends in the Cabinet. And two or three months passed and the Hon. Frank

Smith was still "keeping the place warm for O'Donohue," but he showed no signs of relinquishing his position. Then the local elections in Ontario came off, and the Irish Canadian, the Hon. John O'Donohue, and many of his private friends, supported the Conservative party. One well known journalist was urged to write an appeal to the Irish Catholics, asking them to stand by the Conservatives, because of the benefit they were doing our people, and the proofs of that document were corrected by Sir John A. Macdonald before the paper was sent over Ontario. Well, a few months passed. The Hon. Frank Smith counted for nothing as a Minister, and the appointment of the Hon. John O'Donohue had not been made public. Sir John pleaded for "time." At first he begged his "dear O'Donohue" to wait until the Parliamentary session began, and when the Parliamentary session began he called on his "dear O'Donohue" to wait until it was over. And so the session of '83 came and went. Then there were several interviews between O'Donohue and Sir John, and there were as many "put off's" and "wait's," Sir John asking Mr. O'Donohue not to "embarrass him and that the Orangemen would make a row if the appointment was announced, but that O'Donohue might rest assured that that sacred compact would be fulfilled," while Mr. O'Donohue plainly told Sir John that by delay he, O'Donohue, was "making himself a party to a fraud on the Irish Catholic electors of the Dominion." And another session came and went, and at last O'Donohue came to the conclusion that he had been sold.

The Hon. Frank Smith held on to the seat he obtained by Sir John's subterfuge. The Hon. John O'Donohue and Patrick Boyle interviewed him, but he would not resign until Sir John asked him. Then Sir John was again interviewed, and he expressed "astonishment" at the Hon. Frank Smith "not resigning his position." Of course all this was arranged between them. The Hon. Frank Smith asked Sir John's purpose: the Hon. John O'Donohue did not. He asked the one to gain the Irish Catholics and to deceive the bishops: he used the other to pacify the Orangemen. And day after day, month after month, he pleaded for "time." It was always his "dear O'Donohue." Session after session passed and still no move, until now the murder is all out and the Irish Catholics of Canada will demand a full investigation into this outrage. Was that telegram from the Marquis of Lorne a forgery? We believe it was not. In fact we know that John O'Donohue's appointment was signed by the Governor General, because the Hon. Frank Smith admitted that he, John O'Donohue, "was a Privy Councillor for a short time." Or if the telegram was a forgery, who forged it? Who but Sir John A. Macdonald. If it was not a forgery, as we believe, why was the Hon. John O'Donohue not sworn in after being appointed? Why, but because the Orangemen did not want him and the Irish Catholics counted for nothing with Sir John. And then Sir John's letter to the bishops, who were going to be appointed, and, with a rancorous born of antipathy to our people, he deceived them all. We repeat that this is the most outrageous piece of political treachery ever practiced on the Irish Catholics of Canada, and the Irish Catholic who does not resent it deserves to be treated as the scum of the sea.

Meanwhile the Irish Canadian has been kept quiet by receiving Government patronage, and now the time has come for the Hon. John O'Donohue to tell the truth, and the whole truth, and save himself from being made any longer an instrument of deception to the people he professed to champion. The session is now close at hand, and time is opportune to tell the public how the Prince of Tricksters deceived our people on the 21st of May, '82, and how he kept up the deception from that day to this. If he remains silent now he too must be placed among those who are lost to our people. This session or never if he wishes to save his reputation, and prove to Sir John A. Macdonald and his Orange surroundings that the Irish Catholics of this Dominion are not the syphonists he takes them to be. The deception practiced on the Hon. John O'Donohue and the bishops of Ontario was an Orange victory and an Orange insult, and if our people are made of the stuff they once were they will remember what it was that he did on the 21st of May, 1882, made the "croppie lie down." And this is a true history of the Cabinet Secret.

## Gallies.

Miss Maude Farquhar, daughter of W. T. Farquhar, of 5th con., who was ill with inflammation of the lungs, is recovering.

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Flour (Patent) 9 cwt	21 00 21 00
Oats 9 bush	20 00 20 00
Peas 9 bush	20 00 20 00
Barley 9 bush	20 00 20 00
Potatoes 9 bush	20 00 20 00
Hay 1 ton	7 00 7 00
Butter 1 lb	0 16 0 17
Eggs (fresh) 1 doz	0 12 0 12
Chickens 1 doz	0 12 0 12
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