

ential franchise, in a single House. If the Roman Catholics of each constituency returned a member, and the Protestants returned a member, an equally divided House would result. The possibility of deadlock might be avoided by the first Government being a coalition one by previous understanding, including the leading and most representative men of both parties. It would find quite sufficient to occupy it in framing rules and regulations, getting matters put in proper working order, and many other things not specially contentious or controversial. The clear headed business constructive and administrative talent of the North would unite with the ready wit and quick insight of the South in working together for the good of the entire country, and neither party nor individual throughout the land would be without that protection and influence that representation alone can effectively ensure. Nothing could better meet present Irish conditions than a Coalition Government with an equally divided House.

There is another differential franchise that might work equally well, but would probably not obtain the same consideration in Ulster, as it would not be so certain to divide the House equally. If income tax-