

babe, and rode to Merlin's feet. who stooped and caught the babe and cried 'The King!' Here is an heir for Uther!"

But Merlin, when asked by Bellicent to corroborate the statement of Bleys, merely "answered in riddling triplets of old time." Finally Leodogran's faith is confirmed by a vision. Thus doubtfully, amidst rumor and portent, cloud and spiritual light, comes Arthur: "from the great deep" he comes, and in as strange fashion "to the great deep he goes," a king to be accepted in faith or rejected by doubt. Arthur and his ideal are objects of belief. All goes well, while the knights hold that.

"The king will follow Christ, and we the king
In whom high God hath breathed a secret thing."

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Charles Stewart Parnell.



CHARLES STEWART PARNELL was born at Avondale, County Wicklow, Ireland, on June 28th, 1846. His father was a country gentleman of ample means who had married the daughter of Commodore Stewart of the American Navy. After receiving the common school education he was sent to Magdalene College, Cambridge, from which institution he was graduated in 1865. Not having decided which of the professions he was to follow, he returned to his estates at Avondale, where he remained until he was sent to Parliament, in 1875, as a supporter of the Home Rule movement and a member of the Irish Nationalist party, then under the direction of Mr. Isaac Butt.

After a short while Parnell realized that the peaceful methods employed by Mr. Butt would never obtain any consideration for Ireland, and resolved that the only method of furthering the designs of the Home Rulers was to obstruct the whole machinery of legislation. He immediately offered this obstruction, which compelled both Englishmen and Irishmen alike to realize that he possessed