

Short Catechism of the Seven Hundred and Fifty Years War

themselves worthy patriots, and have served as military commanders, Organizers, Campaign writers, Spokesmen and Statesmen in the defense of their country.

Q. Name some of these?

A. Lord Edward Fitzgerald, Wolfe Tone, Napper Tandy, William Smith O'Brien, Robert Emmet, Thos. Davis, John Mitchell, Henry Grattan, Charles Stewart Parnell, John MacNeill.

Q. Name some other Irish leaders who have taken part in the great war and distinguished themselves, though not politicians?

A. The O'Neills, Hugh, Shane and Roe, Patrick Sarsfield, Daniel O'Connell, Michael Davitt, Arthur Griffith, Roger Casement, James Connolly, Thomas Ashe, Thomas MacDonough, Pat. Pearse, T. D. Sullivan, F. Sheehy Sheffington, Laurence Ginnell, Thomas Kelly, Mayor and the present acting Mayor O'Neill of Dublin, Mayor Thos. MacCurtain of Cork, just recently murdered, Mayor O'Dogherty of Derry, President Eamon De Valera and Mayor T. MacSweeney.

Q. Name some leaders on the English side?

A. General Strongbow, the Earl of Essex, paramour of Queen Bess, Geo. Carew, a ruthless minister of the same Queen, Oliver Cromwell scourge of Satan, William of Orange, 'of pious memory,' William Pitt, English imperialist, Viscount French, famous in retreat, Edward Carson, autocrat, and Lloyd George Weathercock.

England's Methods in This War.

Q. Mention some of England's methods of war for the conquest of Ireland, other than religious?

A. In general, Spoilation of the land, Deportation of the Irish from certain zones, Plantation of these zones by Anglo-Saxons, Confiscation of large areas for this purpose such as the notorious Six counties in Ulster; and in particular the use of fire, sword, artificially produced famines, and more recently the up-to-date use of tanks, machine guns and bombing planes, and defamation of Irish Character.

Q. How has England treated prisoners of war and political prisoners?

A. In times past she beheaded, disembowled and quartered them; then exhibited the parts of the body in public places. More recently she hangs, shoots or imprisons them indefinitely, without trial or charge in many cases.

Q. How has England treated the Irish women and children during the war?

A. She has often been known to shoot them down indiscriminately, and without pity. She has quartered her soldiers upon them, to eat them out of house and place, and invade the chastity of the Irish women. She has driven women and children from their cabin homes, and has thus forced them to live upon wild fruits and wild vegetables and on asses' flesh; and the mothers dying of hunger have become food for their own children, the little ones having been known to feed upon the flesh of their own mother!

Q. Why have the civilized nations permitted England to engage in such a long, nefarious and atrocious war upon Ireland?

A. The nations have not known the Irish side of the war, nor the suffering of the Irish people. Reason obvious.

Q. Does England give any public reason for this long horrid war upon Ireland?