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—Fitzpatrick, in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

DEVILIN ROIGULES GOVERNMENT REPORT TO HIT WERPOOL

Greenwood Reveals Alleged Sinn Fein Plans for Destruction of Property in English Cities—Asquith Raps Reprisals—Grey Says Rule by Force in Ireland Impossible.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—The most conspicuous incident in the Irish debate in the House of Commons today was the revelation by Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary of Ireland, of what he alleged were Sinn Fein plans to destroy property in Liverpool and Manchester, a revelation which was greeted by Joseph Devlin with the exclamation: "All that was written in Dublin Castle."

In other respects, the debate followed the customary lines. Former Premier Asquith moved a resolution expressing disapproval of the recent Dublin assassinations and condemnation of reprisals, and urging immediate steps to bring about Irish pacification. An amendment by Col. John Ward converted this motion into an expression of admiration for the crown forces in Ireland. This was adopted by 203 to 83, and the motion as thus amended was adopted by acclamation amid ministerial cheers.

GREY RECOMMENDS WITHDRAWAL OF ALL ARMED FORCES

LONDON, Nov. 24.—The debate in the House of Lords on Irish home rule tonight was made memorable by a notable appeal from Viscount Grey, former secretary of state for foreign affairs, to the Government for an eleven-hour attempt by generosity to Ireland to fashion the bill into an acceptable measure.

In a speech displaying no resentment and taking full account of the Government's extreme difficulties in Ireland, he urged that unless the Government was able to secure effective control in Ireland it would be better to withdraw all the armed forces and let Ireland find her own salvation.

Whether the appeal will be heard tonight will show, but it is significant that Lord Middleton intends tomorrow to move adjournment of the debate for a fortnight, to enable the Government time to consider what amendments, financial and otherwise, it will propose.

Earl Middleton's motion, while genuinely aimed at securing the amendments desired by its promoters, was also intended as a definite trial of strength of the Government's position in the House of Lords with regard to the bill. It is a tactical move by the peers identified with the Unionist, anti-partition league who believe that members of the Upper House, who for any reason desire the bill amended, will support Earl Middleton's motion.

The result of the division may in this case be very close, and the possibility of the defeat of the Government is discussed in the lobbies.

Criticism Bill. Viscount Grey declared the real cause of failure in obtaining a settlement was the differences of opinion in Ireland itself. Until these differences were composed, he asserted, there could be no settlement, and the bill before the House, he said, had not made the differences less. It had conciliated Ulster, Viscount Grey said, but had brought the southern Unionists and Nationalists into opposition.

Lord Grey, arguing that it would have been better had the Government, instead of preparing a detailed bill, started by laying down on broad lines the limits within which Ireland could have complete autonomy and the minimum which Britain must reserve for the security and safety, not only of herself, but of the Empire.

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