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CONSERVATIVE JOURNALS AND
IRISH OPINION.

The ingenuity with which the Unionist journals discover evidence of hostility to the Home Rule Bill in Ireland is worthy of a better cause. A number of gentlemen, some of whom are very rare visitors to Munster, gathered around them fellow-Unionists from various parts of the country at Cork on Saturday and delivered anti-Home Rule speeches. The masses of the people in Cork, who are all Home Rulers, gave them perfect liberty to speak as they wished and to propose and vote for such resolutions as pleased them. It might be thought that a contrast between the peacefulness of the Nationalists of Cork and the intolerant fractiousness of the Unionists of Belfast would be one of the salient suggestions which the event would present to the minds of all the writers who commented on it in the press. But if such a suggestion occurred to the Unionist journalists it was severely repressed. In at least one Unionist paper the voice of the speakers was represented as that of Munster. From the journalists' vision the people of Munster, that is the Nationalists, completely disappeared for the moment and the province was peopled by uncompromising Unionists. But there seems to be an uneasy feeling that opposition to Home Rule with no better basis than this is but of a feeble kind, and so Unionist writers have been cherishing the hope that their cause would be served by serious discussions at the Convention—a hope in which to their chagrin they have been sorely disappointed.

WALES AND DISESTABLISHMENT.

That the Bill for disestablishing and disendowing the Anglican Church in Wales will be fiercely opposed may be taken for granted. Even when the Protestant Church of England has entered into the enjoyment of property that does not belong to her, she is not disposed to give it up without a struggle. A very determined struggle her forces have made and will continue to make against the Government's proposals. For months past Anglican Bishops, Anglican clergymen, and Anglican laymen have been denouncing the movement for disestablishment in Wales, and some strange versions of history have been heard from Anglican pulpits and platforms or have been read in the Anglican press. But the case for Disestablishment is still very strong. The position of the Church of England in Wales bears some resemblance to that of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ireland before it was disestablished and disendowed. In Ireland the rule was high payment and little or no work for the ecclesiastics. In Wales there is more work for the Anglican clergymen, but their Church is not the Church of the people. Mr. McKenna's statement on Tuesday that the Anglicans constitute only a quarter of the population was contradicted by

Lord Hugh Cecil, but the contention that the Anglicans form a larger proportion is scarcely borne out by such facts as are available. The question of Disestablishment and Disendowment has been raised again and again at elections in Wales, and the voice of the country has been in favour of the policy the Government is now carrying out. At present thirty-one out of the thirty-four Welsh members support the Bill. With this powerful argument the Anglican orators do not grapple.

THE CHURCH AND SUFFRAGE.

The attitude of the Church towards woman suffrage has been summed up by a writer in the *Ave Maria* as follows: 1. Christianity does not discriminate between the sexes in the religious sphere on any natural ground. "You are all one in Christ Jesus." 2. Christianity holds that the sexes are complementary, whence it follows that there is no single standard by which to determine their relative excellence. 3. Christianity, upholding the family group as ordained by God and as the unit of human society, assigns to the father the official headship on the strength of God's revelation. 4. Christianity favors every development of woman's personality, intellectual and moral social and political which can be shown to leave proper scope for her functions in the family. It may come as a surprise to some to learn that in Australia even the nuns vote occasionally when important religious issues are at stake.

MR. GEORGE McDADÉ IS
PUBLICITY AGENT.

Fredericton, N. B., May 9.—Mr. George McDade, who was assistant to the official reporter at the recent session of the Provincial Legislature, was appointed publicity agent of this city at a meeting of the Publicity Committee of the Board of Trade Thursday evening. Mr. McDade is a son of Mr. Michael McDade, St. John, and was for several years editor of the *North Shore Leader*, of Newcastle. After the close of the Legislature here he accepted a position on the news staff of the *Montreal Star*, agreeing to return here and take up the position of publicity agent under certain conditions. He will arrive here probably the first of next week, and will start immediately on the duties of his office. He will have quarters in the City Hall.

THE BOYS IN BELFAST.

Belfast, Ireland, May 8.—The drilling of the members of the Unionist clubs in Ulster has at length attracted the serious attention of the government. The lord lieutenant's office in Dublin has made a requisition to the authorities for an immediate return of the names of all officers and non-commissioned officers active or retired who are engaged in drilling the members of the clubs and Orange lodges and the men in the factories and shipyards.

ENTERTAINED.

The Sunday school teachers, Altar Society collectors, choir members, ushers and members of the Young Ladies' Dramatic Club of St. Peter's church were entertained at a banquet on Tuesday evening in St. Peter's Hall, Elm street, by Rev. A. J. Duke, O. S. S. R., rector of the parish. The guests, numbering over two hundred spent a most enjoyable evening. Following a selection of St. Peter's Y. M. A. orchestra, dinner was served, after which Rev. Father Duke addressed those present, and in a few well-chosen words thanked them for their hearty co-operation in the work of the parish during the year. Before closing, he heartily congratulated Mrs. A. Wilson for the grand success which the young ladies' dramatic club achieved, under her direction, in their recent production of the sacred drama, *Pontius*. He then, in the name of the members of the club, tendered her a slight token of their appreciation. An excellent programme, consisting of musical selections, readings and vocal solos, was carried out, after which the entertainment was brought to a close.

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FAILINGS.**

Laziness.—It is a married woman's first duty to do all she can for the comfort and happiness of her husband and children. Laziness leads to slovenliness and indifference. A woman indifferent to the conditions of her home is a woman any man would do well to avoid. It is quite impossible for a lazy woman to perform the duties of her position satisfactorily.

Neglect of Personal Appearance.—There is something contemptible in a married woman's neglect of personal appearance. Having succeeded in winning her husband's love, she imagines there is nothing more to be gained by making the most of her looks, once she is safely married. A man has every right to expect that his wife should be as trim and neat as the maid he wooed.

Jealousy.—The woman who gives way to unreasonable jealousy risks losing her husband's love and respect in esteem. Jealousy kills that natural trust and confidence without which marriage is a meaningless farce.

Inhospitality.—The woman who objects to entertaining her husband's friends at home practically forces him to seek their society at the club and elsewhere. And who would blame him?

Disloyalty.—The woman who is in the habit of discussing her husband's failings with outsiders, or comparing him with other people's husbands or mentioning his name slightly in disloyal both to him and to herself. The woman who so far loses her dignity as to do this deserves to forfeit the respect of her friends.—Glasgow Weekly.

**WHAT TOBACCO DOES TO THE
BOYS.**

It is generally admitted that in the immature the moderate use of tobacco stunts the normal growth of the body and mind, and causes various nervous disturbances, especially of the heart—disturbances which it causes in later life only when smoking has become excessive. That is to say, though a boy's stomach grows tolerant of nicotine to the extent of taking it without protest, the rest of the body keeps on protesting.

Furthermore, all business men will tell you that tobacco damages a boy's usefulness in his work. This is necessarily so, since anything which lowers vitality creates some kind of incompetence. For the same reason the boy who smokes excessively not only is unable to work vigorously, but he does not wish to work at all. This result, apparently during growth, is only less apparent after growth, when other causes may step into neutralize it.

Tobacco, in bringing about a depreciation of the nerve-cells, brings together with physical results like insomnia, lowered vitality and restlessness, their moral counterparts, like irritability, lack of concentration, desire to avoid responsibility and to travel the road of least resistance.

If there were some instrument to determine it, in my opinion there would be seen a difference of fifteen per cent. in the general efficiency of smokers and non-smokers. The time is already at hand when smokers will be barred out of positions which demand quick thought and action. Already tobacco is forbidden during the working hours in the United States Steel Corporation.—Charles B. Towns in the *March Century*.

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