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## MICHAEL COLLINS

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Michael Angelo said that "death and life are the two wings which bear man from earth to heaven." Cicero avowed that "death is dreadful to the man whose all is extinguished with his life; but not to him whose glory can never die." Collins sang, "Death has made his darkness beautiful with thee." There is no excuse, no pillation, no satisfactory explanation that can atone for the foul murder of Michael Collins. The assassination of Ireland's chieftain will not make any converts to the Republican cause—rather will it solidify and strengthen the forces of the Free State. Ireland mourns a faithful son and one who was a combination of a man of action and affairs.

He was not born rich, but was a typical son of the old soil and an Irishman who was instructed at the village school with those boys who were amongst his colleagues in the fighting ranks, all imbued with the great task of bringing peace and freedom to Erin. Foully, cruelly murdered in the heyday of his prime, his followers, it is hoped, will not resort to "the eye for an eye and the tooth for a tooth" theory, but will rely upon their respect and love for their late leader by achieving bloodless victory.

Like Dan O'Connell.

The sadness and pity of it all! Since the days of Daniel O'Connell, Ireland has never had a leader so well beloved of the people and one who had a more charming personality. Good-natured, looking, big, broad-shouldered and debonair "Mick" Collins was just what they looked—one of those typical six-foot Irishmen who, built in proportion, are the envy of the nations today wherever they go. "Mick" had a big heart and head; a pride to the country in which he was bred. Through sunshine and shadow since Easter Week, 1916, Collins has gone about, wearing his heart on his sleeve, and a smile always with a hearty laugh accompanying it on the slightest provocation. It can scarcely be realized that this great good fellow is dead, but dead he is; he has been foully done to death by Ireland's enemies. Collins had an indestructible cheerfulness and sense of fun that made him of immense service during the trying days that Erin has gone through in her fight for freedom.

Somebody has said that Collins' immense stock of vitality and intense crude sagacity were an almost incalculable asset. Collins was no craven coward. Rather did he court a struggle and revel in upsurge and opposition. Famine and others resented the vulgarities and importuning of the mobs in opposition at times; but Collins merely laughed and laughed opposition in the face of his own viewpoint. Collins bore no enmity to warlike those who differed with him, he rather pitied them, and on all occasions besought his followers whatever else they did to spare human life. He said on one occasion, "Never send a man before his Maker unprepared," the pithy of which remark carries home the nature of the great man Collins undoubtedly was. In a hot discussion in the Greenham Hotel on one occasion, when words were almost blows, when insulting epithets were being hurled at his head by those Republicans who could not see eye to eye with him, Collins volleyed

and thundered retorts of the most cutting kind—ending all up with a hearty laugh.

Collins has tasted the sweets of popular acclaim, and that unsolicited, with the result that his name stands higher in Ireland today than almost any other, with the exception perhaps of his bosom friend, the late Arthur Griffith, who was called to his reward a few short days since.

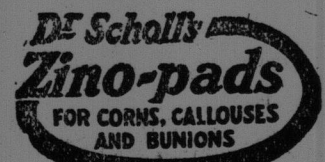
Michael Collins had the instinct to govern and the will to dominate in him strongly developed. His sentimental, sensitive Irish disposition made him a man of great hopefulness and his artistic temperament rose and surged, according to his own natural imaginative capacity—so like a host of his distinguished and brilliant fellow-countrymen. "Mick" had the mental sagacity to "sense" aright the pulse of the Irish people, and thus it was that he was able at short notice to get things done and to make deals actualities, even if they did lose a little of their bloom in the process. He hated with a positive aversion the sneaking, sly, blustering bully.

Absolute Versatility.

What struck one about Collins was his absolute versatility. He was a publicist, a politician, a diplomatist and an extraordinary student. Like the scholar in Chaucer, "Gladly would he learn and gladly teach." He had been laboring night and day for the last few years in the seemingly thankless task of being responsible for bringing tranquility to his beloved Erin. Some of his colleagues have fretted at his methods at times, and others have chafed at what they considered his lack of perspective and at the stubborn opposition he put up to any pressure designed to deflect him from his own chosen path. He has ended his days endeavoring to stand for the promotion of good order against the forces of disruption, giving at times flashes of shrewd judgment in keeping with the real sweets of Ireland's victory which he did so much to achieve.

But his death may serve a useful purpose by solidifying the remnants of the forces of reason and statesmanship in the Emerald Isle. It is to be hoped that those who were associated with Collins in the great work of Ireland's regeneration will look to the abiding realities at this grave moment and will "recapitulate" like men and be strong." Collins verily died at his post. He proved the truth of the aphorism that all life "is surrounded by great circumstance of death." But if Collins had been asked to make his choice he would have said, "It is beautiful for me to die for Ireland—doing a service to my native land." He has been called like a watch-woman and weary sentinel to put his arms off and rest in heaven. President Garfield's epitaph may be rightly quoted with regard to Michael Collins:

"Life's race well run,  
Life's crown well won—  
Life's work well done,  
Now comes rest."



Put one on--  
the pain is gone!

portable good-will and readiness to serve, from his unfailing understanding of the Irish character, and from the way he set himself to build up the Irish Free State on a secure and lasting foundation.

Approved by King and Pope.

Collins always added light to the discussion of a subject—mostly light without heat. Collins has done good work for Ireland, and his meteoric career affords the best answer possible to those who say in their haste that Irishmen are unfitted to govern themselves. He received both the approval of his sovereign and the sovereign pontiff in his self-sacrificing efforts for the stabilization of Ireland, who hoped that his tread was heavy yet springy; his pale face at one moment wore the somnolent scowl of determination, to be replaced the next by one beaming with chubby glee. His portraits mostly do not do him justice. His eyes are mere slits in his face, smiling or otherwise; his cheeks being full with a "flow." It would be impossible to imagine Collins otherwise than active, except when asleep, nature having endowed him with an unusually large dose of vitality, although he overdid it by expending his energy recklessly in work, socially, and at play.

A Man of Ideas.

But he proved himself to be a man of capacity and with the imagination of the born leader of men; he had also the wary quickness of the politician and the instincts of the statesman. He has been cut off in his prime by the murderer's hand. He has passed away before the dawn of the real sweets of Ireland's victory which he did so much to achieve. But his death may serve a useful purpose by solidifying the remnants of the forces of reason and statesmanship in the Emerald Isle. It is to be hoped that those who were associated with Collins in the great work of Ireland's regeneration will look to the abiding realities at this grave moment and will "recapitulate" like men and be strong." Collins verily died at his post. He proved the truth of the aphorism that all life "is surrounded by great circumstance of death." But if Collins had been asked to make his choice he would have said, "It is beautiful for me to die for Ireland—doing a service to my native land." He has been called like a watch-woman and weary sentinel to put his arms off and rest in heaven. President Garfield's epitaph may be rightly quoted with regard to Michael Collins:

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### Captivated His Audiences.

He captivated his audiences by his Irish charm of manner and the music of his voice, rather than by his masterful oratory. Much sympathy will be spontaneously bestowed today from Irish hearts on the relatives of this gallant son of Erin who has been foully done to death by the assassin's bullet, and more especially will the sympathy be extended towards the charming Irish colleen to whom "Mick" had plighted his troth. Collins tackled big things and little things with the same instantaneity, eagerness, and never postponed the tackling of a task, however difficult, through fear of being unable to master it. His triumph of personality was all the more remarkable because it flowed from the less ostentatious virtues of un-

### ORDINATION AT THE CATHEDRAL

Rev. Deacon Thomas Francis Cashen, who was ordained a deacon last Thursday morning, was raised to the dignity of the priesthood yesterday morning at the 11.30 o'clock mass in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc officiated at the mass and was assisted by Rev. Quertin, of St. Joseph's University, as high priest; Rev. Father McDougall, as first deacon, and Rev. Simon Dorn, as second deacon. Rev. Roy McDonald, a former classmate, assisted the young priest. Rev. Robert Nugent and Rev. E. Reynolds were in the sanctuary. Father Cashen will be attached to the teaching staff of St. Joseph's University, Memramcook.

### DINNER COSTS A BARREL OF MONEY

One Can Lunch in Moscow for 80,000,000 Rubles.

Moscow, Aug. 26.—Americans contemplating visits to Russia should bring with them suitcases of ample proportions in which to carry their money, for ordinary pocket-books have long since ceased to be adequate for carrying the huge quantities of paper currency that one is required to have in order to exist. The following menu from one of Moscow's leading restaurants indicates that one can dine rather well for 25,000,000 or 30,000,000 rubles: Beefsteak, 6,000,000 rubles; potatoes, 3,000,000 rubles; soup, 3,000,000 rubles; ham (two slices), 4,000,000 rubles; cauliflower, 5,000,000 rubles; chops, 6,000,000 rubles; strawberries, 4,000,000 rubles; coffee, 1,200,000 rubles.

### BEACH PROMENADERS HELD

Eighteen Girls and Three Men Charged With Strolling in Bathing Suits.

New York, Aug. 28.—Because they were bathing suits and appeared in them in public elsewhere than on the beach proper of Rockaway Beach, eighteen girls and three men will have to answer to charges of disorderly conduct in the city of New York. They were taken into custody in the course of a roundup by the police, who set out to remind Sunday bathers that the two weeks' old order ban on strolling in bathing suits, was not to be trifled with.

Six girls and one man, all in bathing suits, were taken from a beach by Mount Patrolman James Kelley. They were driven to the station house and served with summonses. They protested that they had rested a house for the day and were only trying to get to the water, but the police contended they were violating the law.

All day long policemen circulated among the crowds, looking for alleged offenders. The recent order forbidding bathers from promiscuous on the streets or on the boardwalk or from riding in automobiles in their bathing clothes.

### TEACHES LESSON TO N. Y. MASHER

Ex-Royal Policeman Puts a Male Nuisance Out of Commission.

New York, Aug. 26.—Tony Deforo, aged thirty-four, is sitting in jail reflecting upon the suddenness of former members of the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police. Deforo had been soundly thrashed and afterwards arrested for misconduct toward a woman visitor in the monkey house in Bronx Park. The incidents leading to the arrest were related to the Magistrate by Thomas Davies of Montreal, the former "Moon-tie," who gave Deforo the thrashing. Davies is now a mounted patrolman of the Montreal force. He and Mrs. Davies are in New York on a vacation.

Sunday, according to Mr. and Mrs. Davies, they visited Bronx Park. Mr. Davies remained outside the monkey house to smoke while Mrs. Davies, a handsome woman of twenty, watched the antics of the animals. She was approached, she testified, by Deforo, who pinched her. She went outside and told her husband. Then she returned to the building, while her husband watched Deforo. When the latter approached Mrs. Davies again, the Montreal policeman got into action. After a time Deforo was fanned back to consciousness and found himself under arrest. The magistrate held him without bail for probationary investigation.

### WOOD ALCOHOL'S VICTIMS

Half Year Shows Twenty-two Blinded, 130 Killed.

New York, Aug. 26.—Figures gathered by the National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness in the Russell Sage Foundation Building, 130 East Twenty-second street, show that during the first half of 1922, wood alcohol caused 130 deaths and twenty-two cases of blindness.

"These figures do not, however, begin to measure the total loss of life or sight through the drinking of bootleggers' whiskey containing wood alcohol," said Mrs. Winifred Hathaway, secretary of the committee, yesterday. "Many relatives and friends of victims try to conceal the real cause of death, and in some cases succeed. And as the deterioration of sight resulting from wood alcohol poisoning is frequently a gradual process, it is difficult to obtain accurate records of the total number of cases of blindness and partial loss of vision from this cause. Even children have been victims."

It was announced that more than half of the 130 fatal cases brought to the attention of the National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness during the first six months of this year were in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Forty-five fatalities were reported in New York, twenty-eight in New Jersey and fifteen in Pennsylvania. Five deaths were reported in Texas and four each in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Ohio and Missouri. In the first twelve days of this year 109 of the 130 deaths were reported.

Only three or four deaths per year were reported in New York State prior to 1919, said Mrs. Hathaway, "while more than eighty deaths from this cause have been reported in the state within the last three years. In Pennsylvania wood alcohol killed sixty-one persons last year." Acute alcoholic poisoning caused the death Tuesday night of Edward P. Daugherty, thirty-two of Bellingham Wash, whose body was found early yesterday in his room at the Hotel Navarre, according to Assistant Medical Examiner T. A. Gonzales. Contents of a nearly empty bottle found near the body indicated that Daugherty may have drunk wood alcohol.

Arthur E. Butler, thirty-one of 608 First street, Carlisle, N.J., a salesman for the Sterling Tire Company, died Tuesday of alcoholic poisoning before he could be removed to the Hackensack Hospital. He drank a quantity of wild cherry wine which he made a few days ago.

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### WOODFORD AVARD, SHEDIAK, PROMOTED

Shediac, Aug. 27.—(Special)—Woodford Avard, of this town, who for many years has been customs excise examiner at this port has been promoted to the position of sub-collector of customs and excise for the district of Shediac.

### "ANGEL-FACE" IS SENTENCED

Twenty-Three-Year-Old Pickpocket Has Been Arrested Twenty-Five Times.

"You should be incarcerated for the rest of your life as a protection to the community," Judge Talley told Elmer Dillon, a printer of 48 Middagh street, Brooklyn, in General Sessions in New York last Thursday, when he sentenced him to thirty months in Sing Sing for pocket-picking. Dillon, according to the police, was known as the "angel-faced boy" when he was first taken into custody fourteen years ago.

He pleaded guilty last week to the theft of a wallet containing \$3 from Henry Heifer of Verona, N. J., at the Hudson Terminal Building.

He said he was twenty-three years old and police records revealed that he had been arrested twenty-five times.

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By "BUD" FISHER



## ST. JOHN 1922 EXHIBITION

OPENS SATURDAY

THE BIG FAIR FLINGS WIDE ITS DOORS ON SATURDAY NEXT to welcome the incoming throngs to what will undoubtedly prove one of the most notable events of the kind held here for some years. Of special interest will be the

- MANIMOTH FREE VAUDEVILLE SHOW on the Exhibition Grounds before the Grand Stand and in full view of the crowds on the campus.
- Thrilling Feats in Mid-Air—Daring Pole and Perch-Balancing—Clever Juggling—Skilled Gymnastics—Band Concerts all the while—Fireworks—
- THE NOISY PIKE
- The Aeroplane Swing—The Whip—The Ferris Wheel—New Horse-Racing Game—Fortune Tellers—
- THE FASHION SHOW
- Women's Work Exhibit—Art Galleries—Dairying—Agriculture—Kendall Show—The Machinery Hall.
- DINING HALL IN THE MAIN BUILDING.
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- PARKING FOR MOTOR CARS.
- A GOOD TIME FOR EVERYBODY.
- SECURE YOUR TICKETS EARLY.

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