

tude of merits, but spots have even been discovered on the sun, and unfortunately an irreparable, and as I may call it a congenital defect attaches to this appointment, Lord Lorne is not an Irishman ; (loud laughter.) It is not his fault, he made the best use he could for himself, he came as near the right thing as possible by being born a Celtic Highlander. There is no doubt the world is best administered by Irishmen. (Hear, Hear.)

Things never went better with us, either at home or abroad, than when Lord Palmerston ruled Great Britain, (Cheers.) Lord Mayo governed India (Cheers;) and Lord Monk directed the destinies of Canada, (Cheers,) and the Robins, the Kennedys, the Laffans, the Calaghans, the Gores, the Hennesseys, administered the affairs of our Australian colonies and West Indian possessions. (Loud laughter.)

Have not even the French at last made the same discovery in the person of Martial MacMahon? (Laughter.) But we must be generous, and it is right that Scotland should have a turn. (Laughter.) After all, Scotland got her name because she was conquered by the Irish. (Laughter.) And if the real truth were known, it is probable the House of Inverary owes most of its glory to an Irish origin. (Applause.) Nay, I would go a step further ; I would even let the poor Englishman take an occasional turn at the helm. (Laughter.) If for no other reason than to make him aware how much better we manage the business. (Renewed laughter.) But you have not come to that yet ; and though you have been a little spoiled by having