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SOME IRISH PLEASANTRIES.

The Irishman, who has ever been renowned for his gift of repartee, has also acquired a reputation—at any rate in England—of making the most outrageous "bulls" on the slightest provocation. When Ireland still had her own Parliament many were the ludicrous tales related of what went on in the debates. In the discussion on the leather tax, during the war with France, in 1795, in the Irish House of Commons, the Chancellor of the Exchequer observed, with emphasis, that "in every man ought to give his last guinea to protect the remainder." Mr. Vandeleur said that "however that might be, the tax on leather would be severely felt by the bare-footed peasantry of Ireland." To which Sir Boyle Roche replied that "this could be easily remedied by making the under leathers of wood."

In the same category to the foregoing is the story of the Irish officer who, on his arrival in Dublin after a lengthy sojourn in the West Indies, was invited to dine with Dr. Harvey. Several medical men were present, and the conversation turned upon the advantages and disadvantages of tropical climates. The officer, whose opinion was asked about the climate of the West Indies, replied that it was 'most infernal,' adding, 'Had I lived there until today I would have been dead of the yellow fever two years ago!' Without observing the 'bull,' one of the doctors present gravely declared that the climate certainly was very unwholesome and that vast numbers of people died there. 'Very true,' observed another member of the Faculty, Dr. O'Donnell, 'but if you'll tell me of any country where people don't die, I will go and end my days there to-morrow.'

There is the other story, too, of the Irish gentleman who, when giving orders for a pair of boots, observed to the bootmaker that, as one leg was bigger than the other, the boots must be made accordingly. When the boots were brought home he tried the big boot on the smaller leg, and, after vainly attempting to fit the smaller boot on the big leg, he said, 'I ordered you to make one boot bigger than the other, and instead of that you have made one smaller than the other.'

Like the anecdote which precedes, the following has probably been elaborated east of St. Georges Channel. A lady was lengthily expatiating in company on the glory and usefulness of the sun, when her eloquence was cut short by an Irish quest. "Why, yes, madam," he observed, "the sun is certainly a very fine body, to be sure; but, in my opinion, the moon is much more useful, since she gives us light in the night-time, when we really want it; whereas we have the sun with us in the daytime, when we have no absolute necessity for it."

Of the whimsical remarks attributed, rightly or wrongly, to Irishmen there is an unending supply. Who has not laughed at the story of the officer travelling in company with a bald man? He had desired the waiter of an inn, where they both put up the first night to wake him very early, as he had some letters to write before resuming his journey. Just before setting out it so happened that he had had his hair cropped, a circumstance which he had entirely forgotten when the waiter aroused him from a deep slumber as ordered. Putting his hand to his head, and feeling it practically bald, he exclaimed furiously, 'You dirty spalpeen, what do you mean by this? You have waked the bald man instead of me.'

This is on a par with the story of a certain Irish baronet not exactly celebrated for his physical attributes. Walking one day with a friend he was stopped by an old woman, who, it turned out, had formerly been his nurse. She begged him to bestow some charity 'I will give you nothing,' vehemently exclaimed the baronet; 'you played me a scurvy trick in my infancy.' The old woman, with many protestations, entreated him to be more explicit. 'You know very well what I mean,' spluttered out angrily her former nursing; 'I was a fine boy, and you changed me!'

The Scotch, too, must have their fine story of an Irish priest who, after examining with much attention the portraits of the Scottish kings in Holyrood Palace, was much perturbed. He could not get over the fact that one of the monarchs was represented as quite a young man, while the next picture, supposed to be that of his son, depicted a per-

sonage with a long white beard and all the traits of extreme old age.

'Sancta Maria,' at length exclaimed the perplexed Irishman, 'is it possible that this king was an old man when his father was born?'

The simplicity of this good priest must not, however, be accepted as characteristic, by any means, of the rest of his countrymen, in whom there is often seen an underlying vein of real shrewdness which may be entirely lacking in people outwardly far more self-composed. Witness the story of the Irishman who assured an old gentleman that he knew a method by which he could enable the latter to save a thousand pounds a day. The gentleman expressed great scepticism at any such possibility, but the Irishman strenuously maintained his point, and offered to whom you intend to give ten thousand pounds as a marriage portion. Is that not so? 'It is,' 'Very well, sir; give her to me. I'll take her with nine thousand only!'

DEATH.

On Saturday, Feb. 10th, after a brief illness, Florence Marion, beloved daughter of William and Rachel French, aged 20 years and 7 months, "Asleep in Jesus."

NOTE OF THANKS.

Mrs. Wm. French and daughter, Stella, wish to thank all those who sent wreaths to adorn the casket of their dear loved one, Florence, viz: Curtis Mission Band, Ladies' Aid, Misses Dulcie and Myrtle Hierlihy, Mrs. Alfred Sney, Colleen family, Mrs. Emmie Bishop, Mrs. George Hierlihy, Mrs. Albert Morgan, Miss Pearl French, Mrs. James Bowering, Miss Grace Littlejohns, Miss E. Snow, Mrs. Ash Mercer, Miss Maud Russell, Mrs. Emily Butler, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whiteley, Mrs. Nathan Mercer. Also those who sent messages of sympathy, viz: Mrs. Walter Brennan and family, Mrs. A. R. Hierlihy, Miss E. Snow, Miss B. Hull, Miss F. Mercer, Mrs. James Mercer, of John Officers and Members of Curtis Mission Band, Officers and Members of the L. O. B. A., and all who helped in any way throughout their dear one's illness and their sad bereavement.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

London, Feb. 20.—Dortmund despatch says that the French yesterday surrounded the main police barracks and disarmed a thousand men within.

London, Feb. 21.—The Government hopes to be able to reduce expenditure this year by eighty million pounds, according to the Daily News, half this being saved by the automatic lapsing of expenditures entailed by war.

Sydney, Australia, Feb. 20.—In a luncheon speech, yesterday, Prime Minister Captain S. M. Bruce emphatically declared the Government is going to lift all war time control of commerce and industry. The country is best governed that is governed least, he said.

Dublin, Feb. 20.—Downhill House belonging to John Garvey, former Crown solicitor at Balina, was fired and destroyed by a gang of armed men last night in reprisal for Free State executions of irregulars. According to a statement the incendiaries took the Garvey family, whom they held under guns, while the house burned. Senator O'Rourke's mansion at Dundalk was also burned.

FOUR VICTIMS IN PACIFIC.

Seattle, Feb. 15.—The North Pacific graveyard for ships claimed four victims to-day as follows: the Nika burned to the water's edge, the freighter Santa Rita on a rock ledge of Vancouver Island, high and dry, the British freighter Tuscan Prince, dashed to splinters on Etevan Point, British Columbia, and the motor ship Coochea, grounded by huge waves on a reef near Albert, British Columbia.

LOCAL NEWS.

Misses Alice Dee and Mary Bates, of St. John's, are here on a visit to Mrs. John Kelly.

Mr. Aubrey Sparks went to St. John's on a business trip by Friday's train and returned on Saturday night.

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Berlin, Feb. 20.—The German Government has sent a note to the French, British and Belgian Governments and the Rhineland Commission at Coblenz, vigorously protesting against the expulsion of German officials from occupied territories. The note also protests against what is described as the brutal manner in which the expulsions are carried out.

Sydney, Feb. 21.—On the 20th inst. the jury today in the Supreme Court returned a verdict of guilty in the case of Norman MacIntosh, charged with the attempted murder of Isaac Weir, a Sydney miner, on August 15 last. Chief Justice Harris will sentence MacIntosh at the conclusion of the present term. This is the second time the case has been tried, the jury disagreeing before. The evidence briefly showed that Weir was beaten by MacIntosh during a drunken fight early in the summer. On the morning of August 15th MacIntosh burst into Weir's kitchen with a shot gun and exclaimed "Isaac Weir, you have got to die." He fired a load of duck shot and Weir threw up his hand which received the charge in his wrist which otherwise might have pierced his heart. The arm was subsequently amputated. MacIntosh pleaded irresponsibility on account of being drunk.

THE AWAKENING

The foreman of a gang of railway men had more than his share of Irish wit. The other afternoon he was walking along his section of the line when he found one of his laborers fast asleep in the shade of a hedge. Eying the man with a stern smile, he said slowly: "Slape on ye, idle spalpeen, slape on. So long as ye slape ye've got a job; but when ye wake up ye're out of wurruk!"—Motor Sparks.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

Patrick Mulcahy of Bay Bulls was accidentally killed at Bermuda a few days ago. The unfortunate man went to and secured work at the above place about three weeks ago. According to a message received from Hon. J. P. Hand the body is being sent home for interment and will arrive by the next trip of the S. S. Silvia.

There are far too many people in this country, especially in the out-ports, who take the position, so far as public matters are concerned, that because certain things are so it must be so. This is Fatalism, pure and simple. There are others who think and act differently and makes an effort to improve matters and get what is their rights. The latter are termed cranks, but they are usually the kind who compel public men to remain awake sometimes at night.

Notice to Fishermen.

On the 13th June, 1922, the Government reduced the Export Tax on Fish, viz: Cod, Haddock, Hake, Ling, Pollack and Halibut, dried or otherwise preserved.

On the 17th November, 1922, the Government removed the export tax altogether from the above named fish, and the amount paid as export tax was to be paid the Exporters and they to repay the fishermen.

This was found impossible because the Exporters could not be sure of whose fish was exported and whose was not, so on the 22nd January, 1923, the Government decided to pay 10 cents per quintal to all fishermen who actually caught any of the above named fish, provided he produced a receipt or certificate where it could be proven that the fish was sold between the 13th day of June, 1922, and the 17th day of November, 1922, both days inclusive, and thereby was entitled to the 10 cents per quintal that the Government have decided to give.

The following Committee: H. V. HUTCHINGS, ESQ., Asst. Deputy Minister of Customs, W. H. CAVE, Minister of Shipping, HON. W. W. HALFYARD, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, HON. ELI DAWE, A. W. PICCOTT, ESQ., ROBERT PIKE, ESQ., under the direction of H. W. LeMessurier, Esq., Deputy Minister of Customs, has been appointed to go into the payment of this refund. As this work represents the payment of 10 cents per quintal on somewhere near one million quintals of fish to about twenty or twenty-five thousand fishermen, it must be understood that the payment of such a sum to such a number will take time. Therefore, for the guidance of the fishermen, and to facilitate the work and quick payment, the following is requested of those who are entitled to receive payment:

- 1st—Have you sold any fish either for cash, barter or credit of your account to anyone between the 13th day of June, 1922, and the 17th day of November, 1922, both days inclusive.
- 2nd—If you have the original receipt from the person to whom you sold fish, with the purchaser's address, forward it to the Secretary.
- 3rd—If you have no receipt, get a sworn statement from the person to whom you sold the fish, stating the date of sale and quantity sold, with the name and address of the purchaser.
- 4th—A Shareman applying for repayment must get an account of the total catch as landed and sold and in each case a record of the vessel, and the name and address of each man composing the crew, so that he may get the payment direct for himself.
- Owing to the large number of fishermen involved, the first payment will not be made until March 10th, and it will be for receipts received up to February 25th.
- Second payment will be made April 10th and will be for receipts received up to March 25th.
- Third payment will be made May 10th, and will be for receipts received up to April 25th.
- Fourth payment will be made June 10th, and will be for receipts received up to May 25th.
- Fifth payment will be made July 10th, and will be for receipts received up to June 25th.
- Sixth payment will be made August 10th, and will be for receipts received up to July 25th.
- Last payment will be made September 10th, after which date the accounts will be closed and no further applications will be considered.
- Positively no payments will be made other than on dates named, and it is useless for anyone to bring receipts to the office and expect payment.

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H. W. LeMessurier,
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