

OUR ENGLISH BUDGET.

The Shamrock Incident Again Before the House of Commons.

A Beautiful Custom for Palm Sunday at the Pro-Cathedral, Kensington.

Mr. Goschen's Lame Excuse for the Punishment Inflicted upon Seaman Pilkington—Bible Lectures at Hyde Park—An Appeal for the Sufferers in the South and West of Ireland—Mr. Morley and the Local Government Bill—That Famous Surnames Bill—Mr. Gladstone's Condition.

LONDON, April 13.

THERE was a somewhat unusual function in Hyde Park last Sunday when an open-air lecture was delivered by Mr. Morris, who chose for his subject the 'Catholic Church and the Bible.' The lecture was attended by a tremendous crowd, which was not only respectful in its hearing, but enthusiastic in its applause.

'Father Fitz' may sound somewhat flippant to ears that do not know the familiar and loving relations which exist between Father Fitzpatrick and his congregation at St. Joseph's, Bemhill Row.

The Pro-Cathedral, Kensington, was the scene of a very impressive ceremony on Palm Sunday, when His Eminence Cardinal Vaughan blessed the palms. All the male members of the congregation received a leaf after kneeling and kissing the episcopal ring.

Gloria, laus et honor tibi sit, Rex Christe, Redemptor. Cui perire decus prompsit, Hosanna plium, the party outside taking up the strain, kneeling the while.

At a recent session of the House of Commons, Mr. J. F. X. O'Brien requested that some definite information be given in regard to the punishment meted out to gunner seaman Pilkington of H.M.S. Retribution.

Mr. Goschen's reply was worthy of the system in vogue in dealing with Irish matters generally. Here is what he said:— I have ascertained the following facts: Three men, one of whom was Pilkington, were wearing the shamrock in their caps, and they were individually ordered by the officer of the watch to take it out.

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to the second class for conduct. The captain ordered his clerk to make out his warrant in pencil and bring it to him for his signature. He further considered it, and reduced the sentence to seven days' cells, retaining Pilkington in the first class for conduct.

Mr. W. Redmond again in a milder form took up the question and asked whether, in view of the existing strong feeling in the matter, the Admiralty could not see their way to make some arrangement with regard to wearing of the shamrock such as the army authorities have very wisely done.

The British Medical Journal, in referring to the condition of Mr. Gladstone's health, says it is undoubtedly grave, and we have authority to state that though there is no immediate cause for anxiety, the future is looked forward to with great apprehension.

News of the sufferings of the people in the South and West of Ireland is of more than ordinary interest just now, which will probably be seen in a more definite way from the following letter:— 98, Campbell Road, Bow, E.

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Parliament has been considering a short measure entitled the "Irish Surnames Bill," and the discussion it provoked has caused a goodly share of amusement amongst honorable members, sallies of wit and satire being frequent, the whole proceedings being characterized by a degree of humour, usually foreign to the serious nature of the Westminster salons.

1. When any person of Irish birth or extraction desires to use the prefix O, or Mac, before his surname, it shall be lawful for him to do so, on making known in writing such intention:— (a) in Great Britain, to the Secretary of State for the Home Department; and (b) in Ireland, to the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant; and in either case an acknowledgment shall be given that the document has been received.

On motion of the Attorney General for Ireland, the first clause was struck out, their being no statute or any principle of common law to prevent any one from taking the prefix O or Mac. On motion of the Attorney General the second clause was also struck out, and clause No. 3 was omitted and the words inserted, 'So

much of any Statute as prohibits the use of O or Mac before any surname is hereby repealed.' Mr. Macaleese, the father of the bill, could hardly have recognized it when it came from the hands of the Committee, and expressed much indignation at the jocular manner in which the Attorney General had treated what he, Mr. Macaleese, considered to be a serious matter, accusing him of 'chiming in' in harmony with the small pressmen of Ireland who had made jibes and jeers at him and his little bill.

Those who took part in the discussion seem to have overlooked the fact that a case recently occurred, and may occur, where a will in which the testator had placed a 'Mac' before his name, contrary to his usual way of signing it, was the cause of much litigation and resulted in a verdict that it was null and void.

In the course of an address recently delivered by Mr. John Morley before the National Liberal Federation, at Leicester, he referred to the fact that 'the particular chapter in the relations of the Liberal party to Ireland, which opened in 1886 might be approaching its last page.' He said if the Local Government Bill was a good bill, there was no reason why it should be regulated.

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THE EXPERIENCE OF MISS FLORA FERGUSON, OF SYDNEY, N.S.

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(From the Sydney, N.S., Reporter.)

Many of our Cape Breton readers, especially those residing in Sydney and vicinity, will remember the subject of this article, and also knew Miss Ferguson when residing at her home on Hardwood Hill, just on the borders of the town. From 1890 to 1895 sickness preyed upon Miss Ferguson, and from a bright and healthy girl she became an invalid, completely given up to weakness and dependency.

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2. Proof that such intention was duly communicated to the said Secretary of State, or to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, shall be held to satisfy the revising barristers, registrars, and all others whomsoever, that O, or Mac, is a legal portion of the surname of the person desiring its use.

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ECHOES FROM ROME.

ROME, April 11.

The principal topic of conversation here just now is the intervention of the Holy Father in the Hispano-American question. It is generally thought that the telegraph agencies have attempted to distort the real meaning of the good offices which the Pope had in mind, and which all made for the preservation of peace. The intention of His Holiness was such as became the Vicar of Christ, and whether war comes or not the world knows that the Holy Father and the whole influence of the Church was averse to bloodshed.

The "Dogmatic Teaching of the Catholics" was the title of a lecture delivered before the Catholic Truth Society by Mr. Campbell. The theme may seem a somewhat old one to be interesting to a Roman audience, but for all that the audience was a large one, and what is better still, it was in a great measure comprised of non-Catholics.

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Cheese took another move to-day and some large transactions which have been under negotiation for several days were finally put through. The quantity involved was between 8,000 and 10,000, and though the figure was kept private it is believed to be 3 1/2 at the very least.

Much comment has recently arisen on a paragraph which appeared in the Osservatore Romano regarding why His Holiness the Pope is never seen in the streets of Rome or anywhere else except St. Peter's, the Sistine chapel, or the Vatican gardens.

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