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there, down to the last detail, go through all the ceremonies that distionniched the observance of the impossible and unstainable, source in the madness, for after all Sir Balfast there is no religious fend at able results if turned into Christian are meeting it. But this way there is channels.

and the celebration of the tercentary resentment, or else there is sheer of their landing on Plymouth Rock, confusion. Either of these things Mr. Gilbert Chesterton has a may come out of the present struggle in Ireland, but what can hardly come characteristic article in the Illustrated London News. "Whatever a contented people. the great Paritan migration was," he writes, "it was emphatically not at these things? Have they any the foundation of America." And he reasoned conception of how they are proceeds to show in his usual vein of epigram and paradox, that it was the more characteristically English colony of Virginia that was not only the attacks of Sinn Fein banditti the backbone of the Revolution, but by letting loose their own banditti. that produced the great men of that period, and predominated in the to their kind in house burning, rick Union down to the time of the Civil burning, crop burning, general ter coriem, including very disgusting and

"IN A general sense," he goes on ders, the Government stands by and to .say, "it would not be wise to does nothing. Sir Hamar Greenwood compliment even the Paritan States professes disapproval in the House of merely as the most English States of the Union. For, as matter of But the disapproval is quite parfancefact, they were not the most English tory, nobody is punished or even States of the Union. Anybody will be reprimanded. No steps are taken to much mistaken who translates New keep the means of destruction out of England merely as renovated England. Nobody, certainly, would always an ample supply of petrol for describe New England as Merry setting the fires going, and incend England. The policy which the liary bombs, which at least need not Pilgrim Fathers founded was in always handy when wanted. The some ways very un English, even in whole thing, in fact, goes on so its virtues. Its fixed theology, its systematically and with so complete fantastical faith, and, above all, its an absence of any real attempt at rigid and ruthless logic, were not native to the mass of Englishmen which these exiles left behind."

IT IS in the cavaliers of Virginia and Maryland that Mr. Chesterion flads not only the truer Englishmen, but the truer progenitors of the modera American. From Virginia as he reminds his readers, came Washington, its hero, and Jefferson, its prophet. The State was known as the Mother of Presidents, and to understand its obvious implicaitself a sort of council chamber of the Fathers of the Rapublic. In iation in self-defence or hot bloc Virginia, in the dark hour of the Civil War, aross the greatest of just described and which alone are American generale, Robert E. Lee, really in question. These he studi who "was, parhaps, the noblest of ously ignored, and by thus ignoring Americans." "I really cannot but encourage them. When the imagine," he concludes, "why a same charges were repeated in the history which begins with Raleigh House of Commons deb its a few days and ends with Lee, and incidentally later he was silent. This, clearly, is includes Washington, should be utterly swept aside and forgotten in matter deeply effecting the honor favor of a few sincere, but limited and fair fame of this country in all non-conformists who happened to the other countries of the world. It guarrel with Charles I." Mr. Ches. is also a matter which goes to the terton might reasonably have added root of the credit and efficiency of the terms "fanatical," and "intolerant" to his description of these restoration of order and Puritan worthies. His own criti. ment. Along the path of illegality cleme which he admits are "heretical," are "heretical because they

no solution, for either the previous state out of which the conflict arose ON THE subject of the Paritans Is resolved, when and a deeper multiplied bitterness and a deeper is restored, with the addition of AN ENGLISH PROTESTANT [The writer of the following article,

> out of it is peace, a stable order, and his country. He is a County Councillor, representing one of the Metro-politan districts of Greater London. Is the Government really aiming He is also a magistrate and adjudi cates both at Stratford Police Court, to be attained? So far every step they have taken is calculated not to London, and at the Quarter Sessions remedy the existing mischief but to make it worse. They are meeting from the fact that he is an ex Presi dent of the Liverpool Free Church They have trained them, armed them, and when they act according pied the distinguished position of District Moderator of the Lancashire Churches was Vice-President of the indiscriminate flogging, with not World's Union of Peace Organizations. infrequent quite undeniable mur whose headquarters are at Berne, Swit zerland; also a member of the inter-national Law Association which omprises the leading Judges and Commons, and is met with angry shouts of "Why?" from his own side. Jurists of all nations. Rev Herbert Dunnico attended the World Brother. hood Congress, held recently at Wash. ngton, and is prolonging his visit in order to get a clearer understanding of American and Canadian life the hands of troops or of the newly He is the accepted - Parliamen recruited auxiliary police. There is ary candidate for an Ænglish constituency at the next general elec ions. During his stay in Canada he preached at a number of churches in Toronto in the past few weeks, includ ing St. David & Presbuterian Church. harlscourt Methodist Church, Broad-

> way Tabernacle, etc.; also leading Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and suppression by the authorities-though occasionally, as last Friday at Bandon, one body of guardians of the law seeks to prevent or to undo the HIS INTEREST IS IN WORLD work of another -- that it is becoming FEDERATION quite impossible to doubt that the

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VIEWPOINT

My concern with the Irish procentral authority, while nominally blam is not that of either a political disapproving, actually allows comor religious partiean, but that of plete indulgence to these proceeda man whose life's work is that of ings, and even relies on them as the evolving a world policy of mitigation they deny it in their hear's. and pacification. World Federation ULTIMATE VICTORY CERT most effectual means of terrorism. That this is in fact the policy must is the natural term of development have been apparent to anyone who in the history of nations, but the hope of World Federation enjoins, read the Prime Minister's speech at Carnarvon with the elightest desire above all, the maintenance and natural growth of independent tions. For the proceedings which he nationalities. So long as nations condemned-broadly speaking, retal. are held in bondage by other nations and against the wishes of the people. were not the proceedings we have no gradual evolution of internation alism is possible, and all efforts to realize it will be but a series of unsuccessful attempts at a chaotic and unstable cosmopolitanism.

CASTLE RULE BRUTAL, STUPID AND PROVOCATIVE Ireland is suffering today from a

malady which has many evil effects, but only one cause-the frustration of national aspirations. A feeling of bitter resentment against British rule has been transmitted from one generation to another, and nothing that British administration has government in Ireland, and puts in done, or can do, in mitigating question the very possibility of the the conditions of life for the Irish content right to control and manage her own affairs.

have been assaulted, their bomes by setting scrionsly to work to form sides firmly put aside their political which was written specially for the wrecked and their lives endangered his own mind upon the question, predilections whenever a clear moral Statesman, is at present on a visit to by Protestant mobs incided by base- and then by uniting to a form a principle comes in sight. Sophistry minded politicians. The very de-mand to treat Protestant Ulster as upon it. Adherents of the full the plain categorical imperative, even a separate entity reveals the hollow, nass of the "Rome Rule" cry, they stand; what is wanted is that, afford the clie to difficulties Protestantism in Uls er is well able the indeterminate mass, which, after apparently insoluble .- The Universe. to look after itself, yet its demand all, counts for so muca in our Chelmsford, Essex. That he is a for partition involves the hanging politics when it can be brought to pronounced Protestant is apparent over of small Protestant minorities assert itself, should become deter over of small Protestant minorities assert itself, should become all over Ireland to Catholic rule. minate. As present, that mass is If Catholics are such tyrants as is just drifting, and as long as it does Council, the largest Council of Free alleged, this description of them so drift, the position will go from Churches in England. He has occu- indicates craven cowardice. The bad to worse. indicates craven cowardice. The bad to worse. fact is "Rome Rule" is a bogsy and Yet there are and Cheshire Association of Baptist | testant who knows Leland well.

reason for partition. Partition Public men in both Eagland and violates national idealism, which is Ireland, of all political allegiances, Ulster itself. In Balfash itself onefourth of the population is Nationalist and Catholic.

MISTAKEN CANADIAN VIEW

The mistake made by many people be solved by any scheme devised in Downing Street and conferred upon Ireland as a favor from Britaio. Ireland is a rebellous paton, as unreconcilable to English rule as Anglican churches in various parts Polard was to Russian and German of Canada and United States.] rule, or as Italy of Garibaldi's time rule, or as Italy of Garibaldi's time was to Austrian. Ireland is a nation which nothing will ever appea-e short of her claims to freedom especially at a time when the doctrine of the right of self. determination is on the lips of statesmen in all lands even though

ULTIMATE VICTORY CERTAIN

Will Ireland win through? Ultimately, yes. No power on earth can ever crush the aspirations of a brave people struggling for liberty. The of the journey may not be in the wilderness for seven centuries, she is not likely to give up in despair ecause Lloyd George and Carson block the path. Is is true that the vast majority of the Irish pople have grown weary of moderate men, who brought home neither victory, nor the promise of victory, and that some of her sous in their passion and despair are now in open revolt, but while I do not believe that force present situation, I would prefer to e on the side of those who revolt than on the side of those who inflict

upon Ireland a brutal tyranoy. people alters this feeling. Ireland claims what, in my opinion, she is legitimately entitled to claim, the poople today without realizing this. none to come forward and lead The very atmosphere is electric, the nation from destruction to a The light in the people's faces permanent settlement?"

distinguished the observance of the more this week. But there they are Edward Carson knows what he is all, and there it is fostered by solemnly and more explicitly than what it may, might produce admir-what it may, might produce admir-what it may, might produce admir-Protestants. In districts that are trouble, but its causes must be faced, overwhelmingly Catholic I found and it is our object today to press Protestants holding positions of upon our readers that it is a really is equally outraged by the spectacle importance. I have not heard of a urgent matter for each and all of Ireland presents to the world today. single case where Protestants have them to take the question up practi- Let their common influence be used been maltreated in Catholic centres, ally, each in his or her sphere of but there are hundreds of cases on influence, and press it to an issue. even yet become possible. But this record where unoffending Catholics Each may do this, in the first place, can only happen it Catholics on both record where unoff-nding Catholics | Each may do this, in the first place,

Yet there are not wanting foci for used language which, when carefully sciutinized, invites response from the other side. The Prime Minister's

I have met in Canada is their exercise is called for by the consensus perhaps, the outstanding feature of apparent insbility to see that the of the nation, and that he will be his character and temperament, Ir sh question is not one that can supported in beating down any namely his uncetentations modesty obstructions.

> Westminister Gazette of the 15th, seducitive plaudits of the world about Mr. Shane Leslie says that "one of him. the secrets revealed to the Angels is the mass of plain people on both was marked by unmistakable evi-sides determined that it should, dence on every hand, of a new and and agree, as we shall agree in a is abundantly shown in the forma-twelve month, that is was not worth tion of the new Parishes, in the while!

sorely as the British. "All through Ireland today are Protestants and Catholics who, in a hundred ways are ensuring each other's safety and sight, but having marched through practicing Christianity to each other. Priests are busy saving lives through the Con essional, and Protestants ara sheltering or rescuing Catholic refugees, unbeknown to the fanatics on both sides. Meantime, in the struggle for life, whether the life of a small nationality or the life of a baffled bureaucracy, the very causes and ends of life are being destroyed. And the eminent irishman who writes under the name of "Pax," has produces any real remedy for the just made a further touching appeal to the heart and conscience of bosh countries. "A permanent peace and settlement is longed for and being prayed for in every home in Ireland. Sinn Fein in its noblest aspects is founded upon the belief that each the United States when the destrucnation has a cort of inner light, tion is complete are reckless of what

annually on Mount Gerizim, and facts are ignored or denied by the It is perhaps a risky experiment, and is a desire on the part of the Roman article. Naturally, public opinion is Irish situation, and, putting aside

The Irish Hierarchy, in a situation of tragic difficulty, has done and is doing its utmost to reduce the evil manifestations that arise from such a si nation as the present. Not a week passes without record of some action on their part in this sense. The conscience of British Catholics is equally outraged by the spectacle and a "sane political outlook ' may can excuse anything. But to follow when it is against one, will often

> RIGHT REV. WILLIAM A. MACDONELL -----

The Glengarry News, Nov. 12

In the death of the Right Rev. nothing more. I speak as a Pro-testant who knows I cland well. No one can give any satisfactory there is going to be "Home Rule." William Andrew Macdoneil, second Bishop of Alexandria, which occurred at the Hotel Dieu, Cornwall, on Wadneaday morning, Nov. 10, 1920, the community at large and the the vial force in the demand for have put forward considered pro- faithful of his own Diocese in parself government. It makes no pro-vision for minority interests outside who are looked on, by many as the a feeling of personal loss and heart the excluded area. Partition would most uncompromising and provoca- felt sorrow. A man of singularly leave a discontented minority in twe exponents of their cause, have brilliant attainments, which under God, by their very force and strength ultimately placed him in the exalted office that he occupied, -now that he genius for political accommodations has passed from the scene of life's has a unique field awaiting it, if only activities, a fuller and a more vivid he can be encouraged to feel that its realization is possible, of what was and his unalterable purpose to escap In a remarkable article in the ali e, the flattering notice and the

For upwards of fourteen years, he that really any scheme would prob ably work," as it cortainly would if its Chief Pastor and whilst his reign sides determined that a vitalizing infusion of remained that a vitalizing infusion of remained that and process of the vitalizing infusion of remained that and process of the vitalizing infusion of remained the "Ireland vitalizing infusion of religious fervor building of new Churches, Schools and Convente, and in the restoration Meanwhile, the Irish need peace as at enormous cost, and in highly creditable form, of most of the older churches of the Diocese ; whilst the cause of education, the cause of temperance, the cause of patriotism in his country's hour of sorest trial ; in a word, whilst any and every cause for social betterment, that could worthily appeal to him, was sure to enliet his sympathy and did in fact. engage his interest, h s generous support and powerful influence, yet it is nevertheless the simple truth to say, that in all these years, and in the faithful and dignified and invariably successful performance of his Episcopal daties, the strong personality of Bishop Macdonell remained largely screened from view and it was the privilege, only of the few, to know him and to appreciate him in his just and true proportions. One might well wish that he had been better known and that greater numbers had come under the spell of

greater work for his day and gener-Alexandria-eternal rest and a long ation, precisely because he was so last farewell. truly s hidden servant of God. Ever courteous in manner, kindly considerate in speech, tenacious in FATHER FRASER'S CHINA his opinions, yet, because of his MISSION FUND usually unerring judgment, happily free from any nerrow intensity o QUEEN OF AFOSTLES BURSE view; endowed with a keen, vigorous reviously acknowledged \$1 698 27 and penetrating intellect, Fred Gilbert, Kenora..... 10 00 Macdonell was a man of lofty ideals A Friend, Kitchener. 1 00 and of a broad and sympathetic out-John McLean. Mrs. look upon life. It is not at all sur-Bailey's Brook 2 00 prising that such an attitude of ST. ANTHONY'S BUESP mind and such a bent of character. should have manifested itself, in his Previously acknowledged... \$1,005 80 contact with his fellowmen, in an Thos. McNeil, New Waterunstinted charity in every form and ford ... 5 00 in a culture varied, rich and fascia-ating to a degree rarely attained. A Friend "B.," Sydney .. 2 00 Edwin Murphy, Melrose. 2 00 With much truth, we think, the words of the great dramatist, ever Mrs. Edwin Murphy, Mel-1 00 rose so ready on his own lips about o hers, may now be repeated of IMMACULATE CONCEPTION BURGE Proviously acknowledged... \$2 028 03 Friend of the Holy Souls, "His life was gentle; and the ele 5 00 Stratford ... ments Special Intention, So mix'd in him, that Nature might 2 00 Mabou Friend, Toronto stand up L 00 And say to all the world-This was J. O. A. G..... 150 00 COMFORTER OF THE AFFLICTED BURSE Reference has been made to his Previously acknowledged \$827 50 ntellectual attainments. He was a ST. JOSEPH, PATRON OF CHINA. BURSE criptural scholar of exceptional ability, but it was in the devotional Previously acknowledged ... \$1.578 87 sense and not in a controversial or Friend, Toronto 1 00 critical spirit. Herein, it may well BLESSED SACRAMENT BURSE be, we have the key to his life for ha Previously acknowladged 0262 05 was intensely religious and he was ST. FRANCIS XAVISE BURSE abiding trust in Providence and a Previouely acknowledged..... \$248 80 dominating consciousness of his HOLY NAME OF JESUS BURSE utter and complete dependance upon Praviously acknowledged... \$218 00 Almighty God. His native born HOLY SOULS BURSE diffidence and reticence of disposi Previously acknowledged..... \$665 25 Sinn Feiner, Quebec..... 10 00 Mrs. John Murphy, Melrose Mr. & Mrs. D. J. Rankin, pulpit orator; yet his discourses 1 00 came well within Fenelon's defini tion of a good sermon, in as much as South Highlands 2 00 they were ever, "the strong and LITTLE FLOWER BUREN persuasive utterance of a soul nobly Previously acknowledged..... \$431 58 Profusely embellished with scriptural language, of which SACRED HEART LEAGUE BURSE he had a marvelovely easy command Previously acknowledged ... \$1,032 45 M. E. H. Reasher, Little his preaching was the out-pouring Bras D'Or Bridge..... Boys League, St. Catharof a heart aflame, and it went home to the heart of each of his hearers. in such a way, that what ine's Parish, St. Cathar-Was addressed to all was received as if ines 11 50 in the face at the facts of the whole spoken to each in particular. A Friand, West Frampton

ranked higb, which might be expected, but for one whose official duties were orerous and absorbing at all times, it is gaite as astonishing as it was creditable to himself that, to the last, he maintained such a lively interest in other branches of culture. W th modern fiction and the popular literature of the day, h but slight acquaintance, and per-haps, still less concern, deaming them chiefly ephemeral in character and devoid, in the main, of any serious or substantial message. But with the classic masters, whether of fiction, or of postry, or of the drama. an intimacy awakened in his earliest student days, coupled with an extraordinary power for keen critical analysis, was fostered and intensified with the passing of the years, and the literary purity of his diction was not the least of the

His love of study was ever a ruling

passion and it would be difficult to say in what field he was most profl ient. Of course, as a theologian he

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From the study of history he derived many of his rarest pleasures and it was especially significant of the lofty mental stature of the man, that in this study he sought, not so much the mere gathering of the facts of history-although even in this, his retentive memory enabled him easily to excel-but rather, his search was for the meanings of these facts, for the inferences and the findings to be drawn from them and the lesgons they teach in their application to subsequent events and movements, and thus it came about that thoug! he travelled but little, and mixed not at all with the world, few men were better informed on world issues or more familiar, in a way, with world leaders, than the illustrious subject of our sketch.

charms of his rare conversational

Mention must be made of a trait of his character, as amiable as it was noteworthy. We refer to his undisnised fondness for children. It was peautiful to look upon. The joyons and trustful ease of the children in the Bishop's presence seemed to ndicate a near kinship between his

spirit and theirs, and his open admiration for the innocent child was but the unconscious showing forth of the guileless simplicity of his own soul.

There was one place where Bishop Macdonell was entirely at his ease, and where perhaps, he appeared at his best, and that was within the circle of his official family, in the company of his own priests. His learning, marvelously, accurate as it was, and always maturely pondered was within this inner circle, dis pensed with the kindness and the freedom of the devoted father. At all times a master in the use of the apt and well turned phrase, it was there in the congenial atmosphere of Palace or Presbytery, that the vivacious humor, the alert mind, the bright eye and the forceful voice, were ever an inspiration to greater, and nobler efforts, a tower of strength and a kindly light to all. the very end, when at last, there upon his own soul, that dawned Eternal Light, whose rays had so beautifully guided him in his journey through life.

Alexandria will ever gratefully appreciate his enduring example of exalted Christian citizenship, just as it will, no doubt, cherish the privilege of being the custodian of the mortal remains that evehrined so noble and so saintly a soul.

To the Right Reverend William Andrew Macdonell, second Bishop of his influence, but, perhaps he did a

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RUTHLESSNESS AS A POLICY

GREENWOOD DENIES - BUT THE FACTS ARE GLARING, UNDENIABLE, DAMNING

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The Lord Mayor of Cork is dead. Its effect, it not its tion. and it is now possible to see more (apart from the repeal of the Home clearly why he has been allowed to Rule Act, which though now an die. Many people wished him not to inadequate is a quite incomparably die. The king, it became plain, did better measure), is to divide Ireland not wish it. Mc. Bottomley did not into two hestile camps and to arm wish it, and a multitude of persons one of them against the other. in between were of the same mind. Autonomous Uister will be hand. The pressure on the Prime Minister somely supplied with funds to the was general. It might have been tune of several millions, and will thought to be irresistible, for ha is not fail to supply itself wish arms. not usually adamant in face of a The rest of ireland will be autonom widespread popular opinion. But he cus only in name and will be outrage of innocent and unoffending resisted and the Lord Mayor is dead. governed as a rebellious province by Ocviously it is part of policy, the a nominated Irish Government suppolicy of ruthlessness. Ireland is to ported by the British army of occupa be terrorized, opposition is to be tion and the military police. crushed. To have shown clemency will be the gain there? Is it not no this stage would have weakened plain that this is no remedy for disthe ffect of that policy. It might affection ? It is the very nursery of even have suggested the application desperate measures and desperate of another-that of redress. So the men. Meanwhile Ulster is not even Lord Mayor had to dis, and there to wait for autonomy in order to are quite a number of other prisoners arm. Already the plans are pubin like case who will all die in due lished for converting the Orange course. One, indeed, has anticipated lodges into military police, duly the Lord Mayor and is already dead. equipped and paid by the British And so the path is cleared and the Government. Mr. Bonar Law has course made smooth for other pretended that this would be an applications of the same principle, entirely non-partisan body, and has such as those which formed the said anybody might join it. But subject of a series of questions in how many active followers of Mr. the House of Commons by Mr. Devliv, let alone Sinn Feiners, we Davin this week and of a debate on a motion of urgency by Mr. T. P. O'Connor. The death of the Lord M syor of Cork did not make part of this discussion. His ordeal has entered into the soul of Iraland and elsewhere, and who have displayed of Icishmen the world over, and it their impartiality and respect will not quickly or easily get out. law by forcing out the many thou-Bat in truth his ordeal has to some sands of Catholic workers from extent been merged and lost in the employment in the shipyards and general ordeal which since he began pursuing them even in their homes, his passive protests has overtaken will suddenly be converted into for believing, as many Protestants in nearly every part of Ireland. The armed guardians of law and order. Canada do, that the underlying issue sufficiently felt, that we write this

Governm at lies only discredit and failure and the invocation of evils even far worse than any which Ireland or this country has well-founded. Much of the prevailyet been called on to suffer.

ing discontent in Ireland is unquestionably due to the methods And what besides this do the Government offer us? There is the of the present Administration, apart Government of Ireland Bill, which, from the wider cloims of the Irish we are told, no doubt with truth, is people to the control of their own to be rapidly pushed through its affairs. No self respecting and remaining stages in both Houses. It spirited p ople could submit to the is clearly now in itself a remedial tyranny of Dablin Castle rule. It is as boutal as it is stupid, and as measure : it is a measure of precaudesign provocative as it is unintelligent.

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WANTON, RECKLESS, INDISCRIMINATE MURDERS AND OUTRAGE

Yes, one must in all fairness admit

It is quite true that acts of violence are deplorably frequent, and no man can condone murser by whomsoever committed, but it must be stated that on the popular side there has been nothing done within measureable reach of the wanton. recklass, indiscriminate marders and people, as that charged against the forces which are supposed to be in Ireland in the interests of law and policemen did not precede, but was unfortunately, political outrages are always produced by political corin Ireland.

PROLONGED VISIT TO IRELAND

tunity of interviewing persons representing all phases of religious Fein movement as such was either directly or indirectly responsible for for the policy of assassination. SPEAKS AS A PROTESTANT WHO

KNOWS IRELAND WELL There is not the slightest reason

betokens a consecration to a great that her hatred of British rule is cause, and to kill the immortal is beyond the power of puny politi-cians.-Herbert Dunnico in the Statesman.

FOR PEACE

IRELAND MAY BE AN ASHHEAP BY EASTER'

Urgent as is the need of within the borders of Great Britain. far more urgent is the need of peace

between Great Britain and Ireland. This may seem, in a time of social upheaval like the present, a strong more urgent. thing to say. That to many English men it seems a strong thing to say, is one of the root difficulties of the situation. For if only all English-men-and Catholic Englishmen Englishmen particularly-could really visualise the Irish trouble, could get is home to their minds, to their imaginations, to their hearts, it would be on the way towards being solved. There is order. Moreover, the shooting of one way in which we can all get some measure of realiza ion. Let us the outcome of the Government's imagine our own country dislocated policy of rigorous representon, and, by the moral effects of a few weeks' unfortunately, political outrages are coal strike, and on top of that, our Capital, our cities, our countryside ruptions, such as those which exist in military occupation, wi h soldiers, machine guns and tanks everywher

(cightly or wrongly, it matters not) our houses being forsibly en ered

During a prolonged visit to and searched; guns going off. as Ireland immediately prior to my gans will, on any occasion or none. leaving England, I took the oppor-Such, to indicate only the surface of things, is the state of Irelan i, and it needs no discussion of the merius and political opinion. Several, who of the case to arrive at the conclusion were strongly opposed to the Sinn that it is intolerable, morally as well Fein movement, thought that its as politically. And with what leaders should publicly disassociate special urgancy the question presses themselve from acts of murder, but on the Catholios of this country no one even hinted that the Sinn Cardinal Bourne pointed out a Downside, when, in weighed words uttered on a notably solamn occasion His Eminence put forward the settling of the relations between England and Ireland as a supreme

object of supplication foday.

It is simply because we fear that this sense of supreme urgency is not

Such is the state of the case, and it places a very special onus on the Catholics of both countries, united as they are in the boad of the Faith,

to seek dessation of this horrible scrife and a holy peace. By the nature of the case it is a work they cau only do in their capacity as citizens. The Church cannot intervene in the province of political setslement, unless freely invited in circumstances in which the prospects of success are greater than the dangers of departing from her attitude of non-intervention in politics. But this makes the need for action on the part of the individual Catholic citizen only the

Nothing, we would suggest, could petter help to make such action himself. fruitful, than that individual Catuolics of ooth nationalities throughout his country should make a effort to get into touch, and find points of contact rather than of recrimination. It is difficult, we c a man." know, with feeling wrought to th nitch at which it stands today. No doubt there are impossible people on both sides-people who, in the face of the Irish Hierarchy, will defend the assassination of policemen, and people who will excuse conduct on he part of the multary for which in the late War, any sold er would have been court margialled and shot. ruled in all his activities by an No doubt, too, there are some on both sides who have no desire for peace, unless it be a peace of victory -and desolation. But extremists though they make the most noise, do nut best represent the real sense of tion, we can well understand, pre any community. Moreover, so long cluded his ever becoming a popular as people are fighting, each maintains the extreme of his theoretical claims; but once get the fighting temper out, and responsible persons meeting round a table, then practical business is soon done. Last week the inspired.' Bishop of Achonry made a statement which should be well pondered by all on both sides. "Reprisals and crimes of all kinds should cease the first condition for the coming of the same political outlook that will enable

true statesmanship to look straight