

the sad exception. A cruel conspiracy—Burning homesteads, torturing cattle, and maiming and murdering men—has warred there with social order, religion and liberty, and sought to sever Ireland from the British Crown. The destruction of the British Constitution is an old design. For centuries it has never been lost sight of by crafty foes of our religion and realm. Behind the scenes is the system that has made all this possible and has never ceased to dream of humiliating the nation and race that arose to greatness and glory with the freedom and faith of the Bible.

But everywhere throughout the Empire of the Queen, the Orange Institution emphatically asserts the principles on which rests Britain's Throne, at home and in the glorious colonies of the Empire, vast numbers of our brotherhood are ever ready to do valiant fight for the Queen and Constitution. Disloyal men in Ireland are hostile to the Union, and scarcely conceal their treason to the Crown. Every Orangeman is bound to resist the aims and efforts of these traitors, and guard the integrity of the Empire and the honour of the Throne.

If, brethren, the days seem dark, our hope is still in God. We have the same Guiding Power that our fathers had when Derry was defended, and William was victorious at the Boyne. Be men of faith and prayer. Uphold the Orange Institution. Be foremost in every good word and work. Than our cause none is higher or holier. We labour for man's welfare and God's Glory. Homes and altars let us guard with heroic hearts, and keep the Christian faith; the day of triumph for that faith approaches. Earth and Heaven, long waiting, shall join in the acclaim—"Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power to the Lord our God." And as a voice of mighty thundering, at last shall be heard—"the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth."

After the above address, which was listened to with deep attention,

On the Motion of Major James Bennett, G. M. O. W., C., seconded by the Rev. S. G. Potter, D.D., G. C. E.; it was unanimously

No. 1—*Resolved*, "That the Rt. Hon. Lord Trevor, G. M. of England, be President of this Imperial Grand Orange Council for the ensuing three years."

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