

EVENTS IN THE OLD LAND.

The Financial Grievances of Ireland Before the House of Commons.

A Motion For an Early Adjustment of the Matter Voted Down—Some of the Speeches During the Debate.

The Educational Question Again—Distress and the Efforts Made to Cope With It—Mgr. M. Redmond Refers to a Bad Custom at Wakes and Funerals.

The eyes of united Ireland are fixed in steady gaze upon the splendid stand her sons are making at Westminster, where the financial relations between Great Britain and Ireland are being discussed by as intelligent patriots and as determined a set of men as ever were sent to Parliament.

By agreement between all sections of Irishmen the place of honor on this occasion was given to Mr. John Redmond, who opened the debate in a clear, moderate and convincing address.

"That the disproportion between the taxation of Ireland and its taxable capacity, disclosed by the findings of the Royal Commission, constitutes a grievance and demands the early attention of the Government with a view to proposing a remedy." Mr. Redmond stated that he made this motion at the request of a conference representing every political party in Ireland, for since the Act of Union there had been no great public question on which Irish opinion had been so united.

During the second day of the debate, the gallant Colonel Sanderson, the inveterate foe of Nationalism, supported the measure, and Lord Charles Beresford said that he would vote for the motion as an Irishman, a Unionist and a Loyalist.

A racy speech from Mr. Healy gave life to the proceedings, and when Mr. Balfour rose to review the several speeches the Chamber speedily filled. He combated the several contentions advanced by those who supported Mr. Redmond.

The Managerial question continues to attract much attention, and the Archbishop of Tuam and other prelates and priests have spoken their minds very plainly and firmly. Dr. McEvilly, addressing a large congregation at Ballinasloe, said the agitators who claimed independence of the teachers from the bishops and priests might as well claim independence from God.

The nuns and other religious orders are making noble efforts to cope with Irish distress by providing work for the peasantry. It is the proper remedy for the misery which at all times prevails in the West of Ireland.

The well-to-do Irish farmers who sprayed their potato crops with the predicted solution have the pleasure of seeing them grow up free from blight.

DOWN BY THE SEA.

The Prince Edward Island Agriculturalist, in announcing the death of Rev. Father MacMillan, says:

We regret very much having to chronicle the death of Rev. Michael J. MacMillan, the beloved Parish Priest of St. Teresa's, which sad event occurred Tuesday afternoon, after a long illness. The deceased clergyman was a native of Indian River, and was fifty three years of age at the time of his death.

The funeral of the deceased priest took place at St. Teresa's Thursday morning, His Lordship Bishop Macdonald and the clergy going by special train. There was a very large attendance, and the services were solemn and impressive.

The Charlotte Harbor Herald says:—The cornerstone of the new church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, at Fifteen Point, was laid with solemn and appropriate ceremonies by His Lordship, Bishop Macdonald, on Sunday, 10th July.

And yet, while reason, experience and religion combine in urging on us an exact observance of this salutary law, how sad it is to tell, the senseless pride or hospitality but too often perverts the house of mourning into a scene of debauch.

His Lordship congratulated the congregation on the fact that his last words did not apply to them. They were not as remarkable as other districts of the diocese for sins of outrage such as he had described, and they were not perpetrators of the other sins that followed the distribution of intoxicants at wakes and funerals.

An open air meeting in furtherance of the temperance movement was held under the auspices of the Irish Association for the Prevention of Intemperance at the Custom House on Monday evening. The chair was occupied by Mr. M. J. Dunn, B. L.

Rev. Father Hays of Nottingham, nephew of Mgr. Nugent of Liverpool, was the principal speaker. He delivered a stirring address, during the course of which he said:—I come once more to take part in the great work of temperance, which is for the social and moral regeneration of the people.

A new altar was dedicated in St. Gabriel's Church, Chicago, recently. Archbishop Feehan and forty priests took part in the consecration ceremonies. The altar is one of the finest in the country and no other Chicago Church can boast anything approaching it in richness and beauty.

The high altar is composed entirely of white Italian marble and onyx. The whiteness of the marble is brought into relief by the onyx panels, pillars and trimmings.

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

Winchester is the scene of grand festivities in commemoration of the fact that at this is the thousandth year of its civic life. According to the annals Winchester, as the capital of Wessex had a guild of merchants in the year 898 when its Governor was Beornwulf.

United Italy has few friends to-day amongst the British daily journalists who were so enthusiastic in their admiration of it a few years since—as may be judged from the fact that the Times deems it a blessing that the regime of the Marquis di Rudini is at an end.

The Money Lending Committee, whose meetings are attracting much attention, have reported in favor of giving the Courts absolute and unfettered discretion in dealing with the transactions of professional money lenders.

At certain seasons of the year the streams in some parts of North America, not far from the coast, are filled with fish to a surprising extent. A real Newfoundland dog belonging to a farmer who lived near one of these streams, used to keep the house supplied with fish.

Under the heading of "Lawlessness in the Church of England" the Times and other journals are filled from day to day with letters which serve to show how incontestable is that glorious proof of the Catholicity of the Church of England—variety of belief.

According to the fifty-second report of the Commissioners in Lunacy, just presented to Parliament, insanity is still on the increase in England and Wales. The returns for last year show an advance of 2,607 in the number of officially known lunatics as compared with 1896.

Though more particularly necessary in the case of the English and continental system of railway carriages, the suggestion of the committee who have been enquiring into the means of communication between passengers and persons in control of trains is not without value as applying to all systems.

Perhaps in possible ignorance the Prince of Wales granted the use of the Imperial Institute for a bazaar on behalf of the Roman Catholic Institution. To this impertinent imbecility the Council of the association added the further piece of vulgar barbarism that, in consenting to open a fancy fair in aid of an orphanage of Catholic children, the Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has shown herself unimpaired.

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The main body of the altar rises in three pinnacles, the highest point being twenty-three feet from the ground. Across the base it measures sixteen feet. On each side of the high altar is a smaller altar of the same general design.

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COUNTRY PRODUCE.

There was a stronger undertone to the egg market and prices have scored an advance of 4c to 10c per dozen. This is due, it is said, chiefly to the good demand from foreign buyers for choice new laid and pickled eggs, the supply of the latter here being pretty well disposed for fall shipment.

Business in honey was dull and prices were nominal. We quote: White clover comb, 11c to 12c; dark do., 8c to 10c; white strained, 6c to 7c, and dark, 4c to 5c.

There was no change in maple product, sales being slow. We quote: Syrup, in wood, 42c to 43c per lb., and in tins, 45c to 50c, as to size. Sugar, 6c to 6 1/2c per lb.

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Butter continues quiet with a heavy tendency, though there is no quotable change in the range on creamery, which we give at 16c to 16 1/2c. Receipts to day were 2,773 packages.

Kingston, Ont., July 21.—At the cheese board to day 1,700 colored, 700 white were boarded. Sales, 1,000 boxes at 7c.

Chesterville, Ont., July 21.—At a meeting of the cheese board held this morning 825 boxes were boarded, 608 white, balance colored; 7c offered for both white and colored; 47 white accepted the offer.

Woodstock, Ont., July 21.—The cheese this week were light, but the supply was more than equal to the demand and bidding had almost to be done. Sales were made from 7 1/2c to 7 3/4c.

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