

Lloyd George Cancels Inverness Conference.

De Valera Insists on Absolute Independence of Ireland--Mayflower Ineligible to Race for Fishing Trophy--Bermuda in Grip of Hurricane--Barbados Vessel Lost With All Hands.

DE VALERA'S REPLY A VIRTUAL REFUSAL.

DUBLIN, Sept. 15. Eamon De Valera, in his reply to Premier Lloyd George, accepts the invitation to the proposed Inverness conference in the terms of the final paragraph of Lloyd George's last letter, but re-asserts the Sinn Féin demand for Ireland's independence as a Sovereign State, and declares that only representatives of such have Sinn Féin negotiations any authority. The text of De Valera's delivery says, "In this final note we deem it our duty to re-affirm that our position is, and can only be, as we have defined it through this correspondence. The principle of Government by consent of the governed must be the basis of any agreement which will achieve a final reconciliation. We hope that these representatives (Sinn Féin negotiators) will find it possible to be at Inverness on the date you suggest, September 20th. Our Nation has formally declared its independence and recognizes itself as sovereign. It is only as a representative of that State, and as its chosen guardian, that we have authority or power to act on behalf of our people. We are unhesitating in declaring our willingness to enter a Conference to ascertain how the Association of Ireland with the community of Nations, known as the British Empire, can best

be reconciled with Irish National aspirations. Our readiness to contemplate such an Association was indicated in our letter of August 10th. We have accordingly summoned Dail that we may submit to it for ratification the names of the representatives it is our intention to propose. As regards the principle of government by consent of the governed, in the very nature of things it must be the basis of any agreement that will achieve the purpose we have at heart, that is the final reconciliation of our nation with yours. We have suggested no interpretation of that principle save its every day interpretation, in the sense, for example, in which it was understood by plain men and women of the world, when on Jan. 6th, 1918, you said "The settlement of Europe must be based on such grounds of reason and justice as will give some promise of stability. Therefore it is that we feel that government with the consent of the governed must be the basis of any territorial settlement in this war." These words are the true answer to the criticism of our position, which your last letter puts forward. This principle was understood then to mean the right of nations that had been annexed to empires against their will, to free themselves from the grapple of hook. This is a sense in which we understand it. In reality it is your gov-

ernment, when it seeks to dismember our ancient nation and to partition its territory, that would give to the principle an interpretation that would undermine the fabric of every democratic state and drive the civilized world back into tribalism. I am, sir, faithfully yours, EAMONN DE VALERA."

MEETING CANCELLED.

LONDON, Sept. 15. Prime Minister Lloyd George tonight cancelled arrangements for the Conference of Sinn Féin delegates with himself and members of his cabinet at Inverness on September 20th.

CIVIL WAR IN BELFAST.

BELFAST, Sept. 15. Rioting was renewed in the North Queen's Street area here this afternoon and two women were wounded. Troops were called out and soon the whole district was swarming with them. The area is about equally divided between Loyalists and Sinn Féiners.

MAYFLOWER RULED OUT.

HALIFAX, Sept. 15. The Boston schooner Mayflower, selected by the American Committee, as a defender of the Halifax Herald International Trophy, won by the Gloucester schooner Esperanto, last year, has been ruled out by the trustees of the trophy on the ground that the Mayflower is not a bona fide fisherman and is therefore, ineligible as a contestant under the provisions of the deed of gift.

FISHERMEN NOT SURPRISED.

BOSTON, Sept. 15. The action of the trustees of the North Atlantic Fishermen's Trophy in barring the schooner Mayflower of this port from the proposed International Championship Race off Halifax, reported in dispatches to-day, was no surprise to New England fishermen. The question whether the Mayflower with the speed and lines of a yacht, would be accepted, has been discussed up and down the coast for months. Fishermen back from the banks, where she has plied the fisheries through the spring and summer, have come back with word of sailing stunts that made old salts of the fleet withhold entry of their vessels for the championship, conceding that the Mayflower was the queen of the fleet. Whether the action

of the trustees will be accepted as final by the United States Race Committee will be determined at a meeting to-night or to-morrow, chairman Charles D. Brown said, when he was informed of it.

THE COMING HURRICANE.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Sept. 15. The Bermudas have been in the grip of a hurricane since midnight last night, the wind shifting from south-east to due south, to south-west, from which direction it was blowing with unprecedented fury late this morning. Telephone and electric light wires are down everywhere and property damage, it is believed, will be considerable. The hurricane gave no sign of moderating at a late hour to-day.

THE STORM IN BARBADOS.

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados, Sept. 15. The schooner Majestic with 35 passengers and crew from Demerara for Barbados is believed to have been lost in the hurricane which swept over this region on Sept. 8th. The British warship Valerian returned here to-day from an unsuccessful search for the schooner, which was commanded by Captain Barnes. Four boatsmen were drowned here during the storm but only slight damage was caused the sea front.

U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15. Inauguration of a permanent policy to combat unemployment throughout the United States in future years was said authoritatively to-day to be one of the purposes of the Administration in assembling in Washington a national conference on unemployment. Primarily the United States Administration is understood to be anxious to meet immediate unemployment needs and avert any hardship from this source during the coming winter, but beyond the remedy of the moment, it was asserted, the administration would look to the conference to develop a constructive programme, which could be followed in successful years.

Published by Authority.

Under the provisions of Chapter 121, Consolidated Statutes, (Third Series) entitled "Of the Solemnization of Marriages," His Excellency the Governor in Council, has been pleased to issue Licenses to the undersigned persons, representing the Methodist Church at the places named, authorizing them to perform the Marriage Ceremony, viz.:—Messrs. Sidney Rowe (Port Blandford), William Thistle (Laurelton), Francis J. Little (New Bay), A. McKinley Rose (Pacquet), Robert Belbin (Englee), Ernest Howse (Burge), William Farmer (Bonne Bay), Robert Atkinson (St. Anthony), Harvey Russell (Bay Bulls Arm), Albert Abbott (Hillview), Bond Brown (Harrowood), James Sweetapple (Nippers Harbor), Joseph C. Lewis (La-Sole), J. D. Bourne (Red Bay, Labrador), Joseph M. Somers (Hamilton Inlet, Labrador), Josiah Osmund (North West River, Labrador).

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint:—Messrs. Stephen Hatcher, (Lumsden North, District of Fogo); Edgar James Greene, Winterton, District of Trinity; Nathaniel Caraven, (Flower's Cove, District of St. Barbe); John W. Kendall, (Morrisville, District of Fortune Bay); Leo C. Murphy, (Bell Island, C.B.); Eli Harris, (Grand Bank, District of Burin); Ernest E. Hynde, (Fogo); and Wilson Garland, (Gaulois, District of Fortune Bay), to be Justices of the Peace for the Colony.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint:—Thomas Balleit, Esq., to be member of the Commission under the provisions of an Act passed in the present Session of the Legislature entitled "An Act Respecting the appointment of a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John's." Dr. W. R. Barlow, to be Quarantine Officer at Port aux Basques, and District Surgeon at Channel, and vicinity, in place of Dr. Wm. Grant, resigned. Mr. A. E. Howell, to be Inspector of Weights and Measures for Carbonear, in place of Mr. Joseph Joann, deceased. Mr. S. R. Dawe, to be a member of the Church of England Board of Education for the District of Bay Roberts, in place of Mr. A. M. Campbell, retired. Mr. John Sullivan, (of F.), to be a member of the Church of England Board of Education for the District of Fogo Cove, in place of Mr. Henry Kirby, retired. Mr. John Charles Payne, to be a member of the Church of England Board of Education for the District of Cow Head, in place of Mr. John Herbert Payne, resigned. Sir John C. Croble, M.H.A., and Mr. Philip H. Hudson, to be members of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of St. John's East, in place of Messrs. Alex. Marshall, resigned, and Archibald R. Macpherson, deceased; also Messrs. Josiah S. Vatcher and Willis Reid, to be additional members of the same Board. Mr. George Parsons, (Newtown), to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Newtown, in place of Mr. Samuel Barbour, retired. Mr. Oliver Warr, (Little Harbor), to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Twillingate, in place of Mr. Edgar Warr, retired. Mr. Edward Sheaves, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Channel, in place of Dr. William Grant, left the District. Messrs. Luther Smith, (Asey Brook) and Herbert Kelly, (Lacy

Cove), to be members of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Random West, in place of Messrs. Geo. Smith and Henry Soper, retired. Mr. Heber House, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Bonaville, in place of Mr. Heber G. Miller, retired. Mr. Daniel Davis, (Saunders Cove), to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Glovertown, in place of Mr. Walter Dewey, retired. Mr. Frank Dewey, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Greenspond, in place of Mr. E. J. Wornell, J.P., retired. Rev. Frank J. Little, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of New Bay, in place of Rev. Josiah Osmund, left the District. Rev. Sydney Rowe, to be a member of the

Methodist Board of Education for the District of Port Blandford, in place of Rev. Rm. Vatcher, left the District. Rev. William Fernes, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Bonaville, in place of Rev. Eugene Vaters, left the District. Rev. Robert Atkinson, to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of St. Anthony, in place of Rev. A. Chesley LeGrow, left the District. Department of the Colonial Secretary, September 13th, 1921.

\$24.80.

Twenty-four eighty will buy a new Tricotine Dress at BISHOP'S sale of Manufacturers' Samples.

Personal.

Captain Benjamin Tavernor, of St. Sagona, has had to enter the Hamilton Hospital, North Sydney, for treatment. His many friends will hope for a speedy cure. Mr. J. W. N. Johnstone and his son Master Gordon, returned from an extended trip abroad by the Canadian Sealer. Mr. J. C. Pippy is making the round trip by s.s. Fortis, sailing for the Westward this morning. G. F. S. Candidates please meet at the Synod Hall on Saturday, 17th, at 2.30 p.m. for a Picnic.—sept15.21

Richard's Luliment for Burns, Etc.

When You Buy Lantic Sugar in 2 lb. or 5 lb. Yellow Packages

YOU GET

Your money's worth. You get your full weight of the finest Granulated Sugar. You get Sugar which comes direct from the Refinery to your table unsoiled by contact with any person's hands.

Anyone who proves this to be untrue can claim the sum of **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS GOLD**

The Best Shops Sell Lantic Sugar. The Best Housekeepers Use It.

Colin Campbell, Limited
Distributors of Lantic Sugar.

Serious Fires.

Yesterday the Deputy Minister of Justice was notified by Magistrate Alcock, of Grique, that the dwelling and contents attached to J. T. Currie's premises at Quirpon, were destroyed by fire on September 11th, and that the loss was estimated at \$4,000.

The shop of A. G. Hudson, in Island Cove, Conception Bay, was badly gutted by fire on Sunday night. About \$2,000 insurance was carried on the building and stock and the loss will consequently be a heavy one.

A fire occurred recently in the Brick Yard of Aaron Smith & Sons, Smith Sound, Trinity Bay. All the wood used in the making of the brick was destroyed. No insurance was carried on the wood but the Brick Yard itself was insured.

There have been several fires in the various outports, during the past week.

If You Want the Best Tea
Buy from the Firm that Grows it

LIPTON'S TEA

Direct from their Tea Gardens to the Tea Drinker. The possession of thousands of acres of the finest Tea Plantations in the World enables LIPTON'S to maintain the high standard and quality for which their Tea is noted.

No. 1 Quality, Yellow Label, The Best, 75c. lb.

No. 2 Quality, Red Label, Extra Good, 65c. lb.

Lipton's Tea, Largest Sale in the World.

HENRY BLAIR,

Sole Agent for Newfoundland.

ROLLED OATS!

A New Shipment of barrels and halves just received. Phone 1200.

HARVEY & CO., LTD.

SWEET, PURE MILK—always on hand when you want it!

If you have never used Libby's Evaporated Milk, you will be amazed to find how good, how convenient and economical it is. Many women who first tried it in some emergency now use it always—they find it gives such satisfactory results.

There's no waiting for the milkman—you can always keep several cans on the shelf and in summer there's no bothering with ice, and in winter the milk wagon can get stuck in a heavy drift of snow as often as it wants to!

And there's less waste—a can of Libby's Evaporated Milk will keep indefinitely before being opened—and after you have opened a can you can use just what you need; the rest, put in a cool place, will keep several days.

Libby's Milk comes from the finest dairying section of America and is processed in our own sanitary condensaries—it is not the "distributed" product of an unknown and nameless plant.

Order a tin from your grocer to-day.

Libby, McNeill & Libby

sept15.21

shown on 1

KNOWLING'S CHINA & GLASS DEPT.

Another shipment of **Brown Teapots**, 3 sizes, 45c., 55c., 60c. Also medium and large

Mixing Bowls. Fawn color, white lined; 4 sizes, 60c., 70c., 90c., and \$1.50.

Here's a real snap in **Jelly Tumblers.** Tight fitting tin cover; half pint size, only \$1.00 per dozen.

Our large size **Butter Crocks** have just arrived.

Sanitary and cool for butter, cream, bakapples or preserve. Equal to a refrigerator.

1 Gallon \$1.10
1½ Gallon \$1.40
2 Gallon \$1.65
3 Gallon \$2.25

OUR Preserving Jars

are moving rapidly. Have your wants supplied before they are all sold. One pint size, with screw top and rubber rings, only \$1.50 dozen.

Ball Mason Jars.

Screw Top and Rubber Ring.
1 Pint \$2.35 doz.
1 Quart \$2.50 doz.
½ Gallon \$3.50 doz.

Patent Spring Jars

With Glass Cover and Rubber Ring.
1 Pint \$2.60 doz.
1 Quart \$2.75 doz.
½ Gallon \$4.00 doz.

G. KNOWLING, Ltd.

sept15.21