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against the tenants' organization, which alone has displayed either the willingness or the capacity to settle the question, and in the interest of a landlord counter organization, which has set its face against every project of settlement, and has notoriously flouted his own advice as to the proposed Land Conference.

The National Directory, having regard to the fact that the Landowners' organization has appealed to its members for a fund of £100,000 with which to crush the people's combination, and to carry out its abominable projects for the extermination of our race, and in pursuance of this design has instituted costly proceedings in Chancery for the ruin of the people's leaders, and having regard to the fact that the landlords allies and brother conspirators in Dublin Castle have made it one of the principal objects of their Coercion proceedings to heap up crushing expense upon the United Irish League by instituting a general campaign for the destruction of the Irish National press, and for the prosecution with special violence of the members of Parliament and organizers who distinguish themselves by effective action in the movement, and that, in consequence, the ordinary funds of the United Irish League will be quite unequal to the extraordinary demands upon them, while the necessities for large and immediate expenditure are weekly increasing, hereby declare that the time is come to appeal to the Irish people to take immediate steps to raise a National Defence Fund of sufficient extent to enable the National Directory to combat the powerful financial resources at the disposal of our enemies, that the Branches of the United Irish League be requested at the earliest possible moment to institute parochial collections with that object, and that all subscriptions be forwarded to this office on account of the National Defence Fund, or to any of the National Trustees, Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Lord Bishop of Raphoe, Mr. John Redmond, M. P., and Alderman Stephen O'Mara (in whose names the fund will be invested), or to Mr. Alfred Webb, 39 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.

It is unnecessary to emphasize the above appeal by any words of ours. The necessity for an immediate and liberal response from the country is obvious and urgent. The public liberties are being assailed incessantly and unscrupulously by two agencies—the Landlords' Organization and the Castle—commanding vast pecuniary resources as well as all the unlimited powers of Coercion Courts and of armed force under the control of the Administration. To combat these assaults resolutely, and by every legal method, and exhibit the Coercion regime for the indignation of all lovers of National freedom, the League will have to be strengthened with prompt and generous financial assistance. A special obligation lies upon those portions of the country which cannot otherwise come to the rescue of those of their fellow-countrymen who are most exposed to the hateful excesses of Coercion. We appeal with the utmost confidence to the Irish people to make a response worthy of their sacred duty to the peaceful country which is being thus wantonly exasperated and misgoverned. Very truly yours, Patrick O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe, John E. Redmond, Stephen O'Mara, Trustees, Alfred Webb, Hon. Secretary

THE... SCHOOLMASTER'S QUEST

The schoolmaster hung up the key of the school house for the last time, then he went slowly toward the pastor's house, his heart full of sadness. Father Mulligan was smoking in his little parlor as the old man entered. "Well, Father," he said, "everything is in good order for the new man when he comes." "He will be here to-morrow evening," said the priest. "But, upon my word, I will 'wire' him even at the last moment, if you say so I'd rather pay him a month's salary out of my own pocket than let you go. Come now, think it over. I will give you until to-morrow morning. Sleep on it, Mr. Burke."

On the morning of his arrival he had gone from the station to Mass, and had received the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion. His thanksgiving over, he went to the pastoral residence, and was kindly received by the priest. But the latter had never known Thaddeus Burke. "How long is it since you heard from him last?" he inquired of the pale, lonely old man, whose gentlemanly appearance and intelligent recital had impressed him most favorably. "It is nearly eighteen years, Father," replied the priest. "You are too old to begin the world again in a new country, far from friends, friends and familiar associations have often thought you must be very lonely."

kind priest to whom he had spoken that first morning. "I think when I had enough money put by I'll go home again. I see now that I made a mistake in coming at all. I had no idea what an immense place America is, or how hard it would be to find anybody here. And the longer I'm looking, the more I realize how impossible it would have been for my boy to have forgotten me all these years. I was doing him the greatest wrong even to think of such a thing. I feel now that he has been dead many a day."

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