

HOME RULE AMENDMENT.

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in Scotland ("No.") Yes; that is so. I hope my hon. friend will not imagine that I am making an attack on our friendly relative, Scotland. I am doing nothing of the kind. I am only urging as a matter of fact that crime is less in Ireland than in Scotland, and yet the police and prison system costs more than double what it does in Scotland.

THE INCREASE OF TAXATION is almost entirely due to the increased cost of running this rotten and inefficient system of government in Ireland (cheers). The Government of Ireland is not only not in accordance with the wishes of the Irish people, but it is in itself a bad and rotten government, which does not deserve the support of any free people in the world.

THE IRISH REFORM ASSOCIATION, identified with Lord Dunraven. It is not my business to defend that association, which is not making a demand for Home Rule. The men who are at the bottom of it avow themselves Unionists.

that very time, we learn now, there were searchings of heart among the very men who were carrying out this policy of coercion, and we find Sir West Ridgeway preparing a programme which is nearly, if not quite as extreme as the programme of Lord Dunraven, in which Sir Antony MacDonnell had a hand.

Lord Spencer went to Ireland, and experience taught him the rottenness of the system there. Lord Carnarvon went to Ireland to carry out coercion, and the same experience taught him the same lesson. Lord Dudley went to Ireland to carry out a Unionist policy; he has not been long in the country without discovering the rottenness of the system.

AN INDICTMENT BASED ON THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT OF DUBLIN CASTLE, as evidenced by the refusal of Dublin Castle to do justice to certain isolated parts of Ulster with which the hon. members are identified.

A POLICY OF ENDING AND NOT MENDING. (Nationalist cheers). The system is too bad to be mended. It must be abolished altogether, and I think I am correct in saying that what has occurred during the last few days has made it impossible for any English government in the near future to sit on that bench without proposing some remedy in the present system of government of the country.

be a possible or even a tolerable substitute for self-government. I am convinced Ireland will go on in the future as she has gone on in the past, badly governed, poverty-stricken, and discontented; but with self-government I am perfectly convinced in my heart and conscience that she has before her a future of freedom, prosperity and peace (loud Nationalist cheers).

St. Ann's Temperance Society Annual Religious Celebration.

On Ash Wednesday evening the members of St. Ann's Total Abstinence and Benefit Society held their annual religious demonstration at St. Ann's Church. The members of St. Ann's, St. Patrick's and St. Gabriel's Societies occupied seats in the sanctuary. The sermon was preached by Rev. Father J. P. Kieran, P.P., St. Michael's Church.

"A brother that is helped by his brother, is like a strong city." Prov. 19: 18. Some eighteen years ago in the society of St. Patrick's Church, three priests of the city met to form the series of temperance reunions, one of which we are holding this evening.

The object they had in view was in sympathy with the feelings of the different temperance Catholic societies of Montreal, is proved by the continuity of these quarterly meetings in St. Patrick's, St. Ann's and St. Gabriel's. These societies felt that their strength consisted in their unity; they felt that their interests would be forwarded by mutual intercourse, and their stability cemented by the patronizing efforts of the pastors of the various parishes.

Their expectations have been realized, the temperance societies of St. Patrick's, St. Ann's and St. Gabriel's are in a most encouraging and flourishing condition. They have enriched the vigor of their activity and of their energy by the enthusiasm and fervency of these celebrations. They have been excited to calm, laudable emulation. Every society in its turn vies to equal if not surpass the success of the former reunion.

Not surprising is it that Jesus Christ inculcated unity and that his faithful apostles encouraged it, exhorting us to love one another with brotherly love, for though, says St. Paul, we are many in number, we are of the body of Christ, and members of one another. This unity is the key to success and the fulcrum of all good. May you members of our different temperance organizations, ever keep aloof from the influence of petty jealousies, human weakness and frailties, and ever guided by right principles and noble aspirations, work together for the good of the cause that you have espoused, and in which you have won such glorious epaulets. May the furtherance of the gospel of Christ, the propagation of His axioms, and the sanctification of souls be ever prominently written before the eye of your mind, that you may repeat in truthfulness and without restriction with the brave followers of Father Mathew: "For glory to God, for example to man, and for our own personal safety, we pledge ourselves to practice temperance and to cling to its standard."

At the conclusion of the sermon, solemn benediction was imparted by Rev. Father Rioux, C.S.S.R., St. Ann's, assisted by Rev. Father Killoran, St. Patrick's, as deacon, and Rev. Father Fortier, C.S.S.R., St. Ann's, as sub-deacon. The altar was tastefully decorated with colored lights. The choir, under the direction of Prof. P. J. Shea, rendered a choice programme of music.

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ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE GESU CHOR. The annual banquet of the choir of the Jesuit's Church took place on Thursday evening, at St. Mary's College. Rev. Father J. Lalonde, S.J., Rector of the College, presided, assisted by Rev. Father Garceau, S.J., formerly director of the choir.

TRUE IRISH HEARTS AT SOMMER PARK. The Emerald Dramatic Co. will present Dan McCarthy's favorite Irish drama "True Irish Hearts," in Sommer Park, afternoon and evening, St. Patrick's Day. This superb



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drama has not been seen here for ten years. The cast is an excellent one, and the Park a suitable place for such an entertainment, with its large seating capacity and up-to-date stage equipment.

FOR "GALWAY LAW." Prof. P. J. Shea, musical director of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, has received from New York several of the latest Irish songs, which he is arranging for orchestra, and will be heard here for the first time in "Galway Law," on St. Patrick's night at Monument National. The members of the cast have been rehearsing for the past two months.

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Vol. LIV., No. 1. Gardien de la Lecture Assemblée I. On March 4 Irishmen the world celebrated with not the 127th birthday of most illustrious and patriotic who occupies a political martyrology of the birthday of Robert I. His memories of one who fortune, the love of a pur woman, and abandoned g ly prospects for the cause ed and which he thought redemption of his native only did those of Irish lineage do honor to the Emmet, but all who cherish of soul, largeness of heart, ness of character, lofty g pure patriotism gave him He may have failed to r wrongs of his country. W did? Others, who drew in the cause of liberty, ha ceeded. His memory is n nored because of failure. of Emmet is enshrined in of his fellow-countrymen. his commanding presence, fish character, his magnan refusing to save himself by others, and his many bea presence of death have en to the Irish race. Robe may have been over-impul patriotic ardor may have intense through the hope th from youth, but his heart to Ireland; his soul burne love for the fatherland. P eashes? Honor to his immor Reverence to his memory! Irishmen stood at his unk and said with John Boyle "With pride and not wit We lay this century leaf Upon the tomb, with heart not falter: A few brief, tolling years Since fell the nation's te And lo, the patriot's gibbet altar!" Robert Emmet was born in 1782. His father was ing physician in the beautif the Liffey, which is filled many memories of Ireland's prosperity and independe erment. It was the wi family that he should study bar, and at 16 years of ag him entering Trinity Colle Protestant institution of founded by the blood-thir Elizabeth, and which is still endorsed by the British ment. Emmet made rapid in college. He possessed qualities of a high order, w ant speaker and industrious His intellectual accompl quickly brought him to a fr in the "Historical Society" ty. In the rooms of the So dents met in debate to disc political and social questio day. Emmet, through his f per and ardent presentation land's wrongs, attracted th tion of Lord Chancellor Cla expelled him for advocating publican form of government place English tyranny. Af expulsion he became the obje ction to the "Castle" mien watched his every move wit dogged persistency of govern Berlings. He was forced to Ireland on the suspension Habeas Corpus Act and take residence in France. At thi Napoleon was in the zenith power. England, to the "L tional" was an enemy d down, and as Ireland was ap ing a stage of rebellious tom