

available to render impotent the power of England to hold Ireland in subjection by military force or otherwise.

"Whereas, no law, without the authority and consent of the Irish people is or ever can be binding on their conscience, therefore in accordance with the resolution of Sinn Fein, adopted in the convention of 1915, a constituent assembly shall be convoked, comprising persons chosen by Irish constituencies as supreme national authority to speak and act in the name of the Irish people, and to devise and formulate measures for the welfare of the whole people of Ireland, such as

(A) The introduction of a prospective system for Irish industries and commerce by combined action of the Irish councils; urban councils, rural councils, port law boards, harbor boards, and other bodies directly responsible to the Irish people;

(B) The establishment and maintenance under the direction of the National Assembly or other authority approved by the people of Ireland, of an Irish consular service for the advancement of Irish commerce and Irish interests generally;

(C) The re-establishment of an Irish mercantile marine to facilitate direct trading between Ireland and the countries of Continental Europe, America, Africa and the Far East;

(D) An industrial survey of Ireland and development of its mineral resources under the auspices of the National Assembly or other national authority approved by the people of Ireland;

(E) The establishment of a national stock exchange;

(F) The creation of a national civil service embracing all employees of county councils, rural councils, port law board, harbor boards and other bodies responsible to the Irish people by the institution of a common, national qualifying examination and local competitive examinations, the latter at the discretion of the local bodies;

(G) The establishment of Sinn Fein courts of arbitration for the speedy and satisfactory adjustment of disputes;

(H) The development of transit by railroad and water, and of waste lands for the national benefit by a national authority approved by the people of Ireland.

(I) The development of the Irish sea fisheries by