"The Lost Mission of the Irish Gael"

On Pubruary 2, at the weekly meting of the Juvilia Literary and Ocbatting Society a locture with a
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moderate band of auxiliaries, would be sufficient to achieve the conquest of Ireland. Such an event, he said, would contribute greatly to briddithe stubborn spirit of the Britons who, in that case, would see with dismay, the Roman arms triumph, and every spark of liberty extinguished round their coast." We may put aside Agricola's boast of what he could do, since he did not even attempt to invade Ireland. At that time, indeed, the fries Gael were more willing to meet him haif-way, as HE DIRCOVERED IN SCOTLAND WINTITIES THEIR ARMIES HAD GOOR IN TOO WHAT HE DIRCOVERED IN SCOTLAND WINTITIES THEIR ARMIES HAD GOOR IN TOO WHAT HE DIRCOVERED IN SCOTLAND WINTITIES THEIR ARMIES HAD GOOR IN TOO WHAT HE WAS AND TOO WHAT HE WAS

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with the generations who exemplified at then? If there could be such an assertion, but there is more, how convincing would be the contradiction given by the great nations of Russia, Austria, Spain, and France, where the exitied Irish and their noble descendants upheld the honor of their adopted lands, and the memory of their fore-tathers with heroic fidelity. The New World, American, both North and South, would bear generous witness, nor could Great Britain be silent when the chief commanders of her armies and navy are Irishmen (applause.) There romains another characteristic of the Celtic race which I have kept for the lest, that of intellectuality.

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The lord of earth and time. No one can contest its posecession to our predecessors. It was the passion and the pride of the ancient nation. In Pagan times men of lecarning held the foremost reank in Ireland next to the monarch, their wands conferred protection and sanctuary. When the Christian Church, emerging from the sloom of the cateoombs and many persecutions, began like a bird on whose wings the sunshine falls after a thunderstorm—to raise its voice in hymns of praise, the stift of song came finto the Wostern Church from the Celts. St. America Church from the Celts. St. Church met in Rome, to decide set to what tooks should be approved and what rejected, one work whilely met with the highest commendation—which almost every year since has been published in new editions was the "Carmen Paschale"—the Essers song—by Seduliuc, an friesh bard. Most of the nations of Europe have been proud to produce this poem, which is the first epic of Christendom, but Ireland has been silent. So great was the enthusiasm for learning in the old days, so high was the honor of literature that the Irish universities counted their students by thousands. Their renown OVERSPREAD EUROPE AND CALLED VISITORS TO THEIR HALLS from all the adjoining kingdoms. Norsemen and Saxons and Gauls had streets named after them in our university towne; Romans came, and even Greeks. For Ireland, in the world ever witnessed such magalincent hospitality as that lavished on foreign students by the Irish nation. On the evidence of that great Saxon, the vent of returned them, giving them books to real when books were rare and precious—instruction in every ert and ecince these known and all grautiously (applause.) When Rome fell, amid the wreck of nation, its intellectual scoptre did not pass to any country of the Conti

mans, to the French, and to the Spaniards, directly or indirectly. They lards, directly or indirectly. They TAUGHT THE NEW NATIONS THE SYSTEM OF VERBE AND MUSIC. of rhymed and non-rhymed lines, on which all later poetry has been feasioned. Beyond the classic world they created new realms of heroic rounder, imaginative inction, aerial visions of other states, mystic dreams, and humorous tales, which inspired or influenced much of the great intellectual efforts of other and later men. It is an undesidable fact that ancient Ireland was the Mother of Literatures (loud applause). What of modern Irelandr Have her people of the present proved faithful to the noble characteristies that glorified her peat, and made her name famous among men. Is this faculty exercised, is this function rightly cuifilled, is Ireland now faithful to the great mission bequeathed her in illustrious heritage? All pleas that can be put forward are foreseen and admitted. No doubt, storm after storm has swept over our country, wrecked nor universities, destroyed our great our universities, destroyed our great our universities, destroyed our great schools, and at last, for a time, swept

over the 1 and like a simoon burying all education ander the Sahara of sterlie sand. But our nation outlived it all in the v1y worst time of the tempest, when plunder and death banned learning at home, it created a constellation of college abodes Ever witness for it Salamanca. Alcain Bilboa, Seville, Compostella, Madrid, Lisbon, Evera, Dorai, Antwerp, Tournay, Lille, Louvain, Rome, Prague, Toulouse, Poudeaux, Poilters, Nantes, Rouen, Boulay, Paris, Capranica, and Rome, Boulay, Paris, Capranica, and Rome, Honder, Composition of the space of a century, dating from 1582; they were fostered and assisted out of hard-won salaries, by the gailant commanders of the Irish regiments on the Continent, whyse lands had been confiscated because of their loyality to prince and principles (applause). And of these colleges ances

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in the universities of the generous peoples who welcomed them (applause). Has the nation failon away from its strong enthusians and high ideals? No doubt, in the last half century much has been accomplished, and ruhs have grown again into schools and colleges, but are the people inspired by the same intense yeal as of old? If we look to those lands towards which the Irish race has outflowed we see what, in their proverty and their struggles, they have succeeded in achieving: schools and colleges have appeared, and at last a university raises its hallowed head thear, hear). Due seeks for the harvest that should show if the soil be suitable, the conditions favourable, and the husbandman prompt, earnest, and energetic (applaue). Take a tert and apply it. Look, for instance, at the publishers lists of any years; see what multitudes of volumes are poured forth from the press amongst Englishspeaking peoples, and count how many of these—on, but how few of these—come from Irish authors, and how fewer still are produced by Irish publishers. The result is one that should CAUSE A FEBLING OF PAINFUL HUMILIATION.

in the heart of anyone who holds the broom of his nation dear. It is a general complaint that the Irish people do not buy books, that books are rarely seen even where there can be no excuse of want of means to purchase, that Irish authors find a more friendly audience abroad than at home, and that Irish ilterature, held in esteem amongst strangers because of its fine qualities, is simest ignored by the nation for the vindication of whose honour it has been earnestly created. That was an exceptional and an eminent mission which enabled and inspired the Arctient Nation of Ireland to become a Mother of Literature. My fear is that this may be a lapsed and lost mission if the people be not awakened to the presence and effect of a paralysing apathy. Other nations have been advancing with rapidity, and ours too might and should adva

HER MAJESTY AS GREAT-GREAT-GRANDMOTHER.

It is expected that the Queen will abortly attain the very unique position of being a great-great-grandmotter, as an interesting event is expected in the family of microse Henry XXX. or Reuss, the Prince of Reuse Fredrick. This will make the Prince of Vales a great grand-child or the Employee Fredrick. This will make the Prince of Vales a great grand uncle, and the very youthful Kaiser a grand uncle.

A FISHERMAN'S TRIALS.

Exposure While at Sea Brought on an Attack of Sciatica Which caused the Most Exerusiate

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Mr. Geo. W. Shaw, of Sandford, N. S., follows the occupation or a fisherman, and like all who present this archons calling is exposed frequently to inclement weather. Some years ago, as a result of expourror, Mr. Shaw was attacked by solation, and the months suffered intensely. He says the pain be endured was something agonising, and he was not able to the was defined by the strouble, and the most of shape by the twouble, and the sulf of the was defined by the strouble, and the sulface of the sulface of

FIRESIDE FUN.

Said the Big Man—"You're a little coundrel!" Said the Little Man— Don't bing on your size!"—Puck

"Don't b..g on your size!"—Puck
No man should scold his wife for
keeping plants in winter, when leaving
the window open on a cold night will
have more effect than cross words.—
Atchison Globe.

Engrossing Clerk (Ohio Legislature)-Here is this bill proposing Engrossing Clerk (Ohlo Lestlature)—
Here is this bill proposing to restrict
marriage to persons of sound bodies
and sane minds; how shall I entitle it?
Married Solon—An Act prolibiting matrimony.—Cleveland Lender.
Aunt—Wouldn't you like to study
languages, Bobby? Bobby—I can talk
two languages now, Aunty. "You can?
What are they?" "Brailsh and baseball."—New York Weckly.
Wife (aghast)—Henry whom All

ball."—New York Weekly.

Wife (aghast)—Henry, where did you get that appetite? Returned Soldier (taxenously eating away)—That appetite, Jane, was presented to me by the War Department for gallant and meritorious orvice in the field.—Chicago Tribune.

Tribune.

Pillanthropist—Do you believe contial punishment, may I ask? Cynid I certainly don't "Why, how's that' "Because I never yet met a man th I thought it worth while hanging a other for."—Brooklyn Life.

"Wal. Pim. wot d've think abart roag of Roosia and this 'ere unive disarmament?" Jim—Well, it's s mat like me and my ole woman, f when there's a bit of shindy bre' The one wot proposes peace is th wat ain't gat 'old of the poker.—Fun Scene—Pawnbroker's shop in east o

when theres a but or sningy pre The one wot proposes peace is the word ain't got 'old of the poker.—Fun Scene—Pawbroker's shop in east of London. Time, 930 pm. Boy enters with fryingpan and shouls fuppence." 'Hand it over. Whv. you young rascal it's hot!" said the shopman. 'In course it's hot! Ain't mother leaf fried the sausages, and ain't she waiting for the supper beer?"—Spare Moments. Mrs Wigkins—Let the children have beir fun, Henry. You and I must not forget 'hat we were your one our selves. Mr. Wigkins—What's the use harking back to the atons see, at your time of life? The storm sienal was then holsted.—Cleveland Leader.

Don't you think tit's too had to lose the good old-fashioned custom of going from door to door siening Christines canolay" asked Willia Wishington. 'Oh I dan't know,' answered Miss Cayenne 'Our forceathers had 'op put up with such primitive methods. The plano wasgon wan't invented then, you know."—Washington Star.

'This is outrageous: it ought to be hissed off the stare." 'What's all that?" "Why 'shis 'Uncle Tom's Cabin,' with two Cyranon in ti."—Detroit Free Press.

Mrs. Peek-Prof. Reader, the palmist. looked at my hand to-day and told me

Mrs. Peek—Prof. Reader, the palmist, looked at my hand to-day and told me that it was a pity I had not studied art. He said I had the hand of an artist. Mr. Peek—My sakes! I'm sorry you that the think that out before. Who knows. You might have got wedded to art—Chicago News.

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"I reckon," said Senator Sorphum.
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"that I am one of the most unbiased ren in congress. I kin always hear a spects of a case discussed without any leanings one way or another." "You mean that you are never prejudiced beforehand?" "Certainly. What's the use of being? Both sides generally have money,"—Washington Star,

DEATH OF JOHN FOIK.

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After only two days' filness the deams of Mr. John Foik occurred on Monday morning, February 13, from la grippe. Deceased February 13, from la grippe. Deceased for the proprietor of the Aringston hotel, Tavistooo, and formerly one of the best-known residents of Streetord. John Foik was born ith of December, 1886, in the town of Gleiwker, in the Province of Silecia, Prussia. When a young man he served in the Prussian army, fighting for the Fatherland through the terrible Franco-Prussian war. He came to this country in 1877, and was proprietor of the Ontario house, this city, for a number of years. After disposing of it he established a tailoring business, and ontario house, this city, for a number of years. After disposing of the established a tailoring business, and ontario house, this city, for a number of years. After disposing of the established a tailoring business, and ontario house, this city, for a number of years, and his unexpected with the property of the control of

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