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Bitterness in Belfast is Intensified.

Some Evidence, Though, of Cleavage Between Political Leanings and Business Interests-A Summary of the Letters.

(Canadian Press Cable)

Dail Decision On Thursday

DeValera Raises Question of Conference Delegates Exceeding Powers by Signing Without Consulting Parent Body-Secret Session Follows Opening Proceedings.

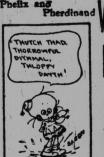
Dublin, Dec. 14—The Dail Eireann was convened in special session at the noon hour foday for consideration of the treaty with Great Britain establishing the Irish Free State. The proceedings were opened by Eamonn de Valera, after the roll had been called. He spoke a few words in Gaelic and then broke into English. The Dail, after its preliminary proceedings went temporarily into secret session, with the public session to be resumed on Thursday. The question of ratification or rejection of the agreement by the Dail is thus

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George Foster Pearce, Australian minister of customs and a member of the Bitish delegation to the Washington conference, has been appointed a privy forthcoming.

Paris, Dec. 14—France is willing temporarily to forego cash repadules a high official in the French official in the



Irish Matter Sole Business

In Speech From Throne at Opening of British Japan Wants to Keep Her Parliament King George Hopes to See Strife of Centuries Ended and Ireland's National Ideals Fulfilled.

(Canadian Press Cable.)
London, Dec. 14—The special session of parliament called to consider the Irish peace settlement was opened at noon today by

that by the articles of agreement now submitted to you, the strife of centuries may be ended." The text of the king's speech was as

"My Lords and Members of the House of Commons: "I have summoned you to meet at this unusual time in order that the articles of agreement which have been signed by my ministers and the Irish delegation can at once be submitted for your approval. No other business will be brought before you at this present session.

"It was with heartfelt joy that I learned of the agreement, reached after negotiations protracted many months, and affecting not only the welfare of Ireland, but of the

ABOUT ADJUSTED New Battleship.

British and U.S. Opposed, But May Give Way on a Compromise—Not So Good Progress Relative to Shan-

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