

MR. REDMOND GETS HIS WAY AGAIN

Announcement of Winter Session Prevented Grave Crisis.

(By T. P. O'Connor, M.P., Correspondent of the New York Times.) London.—Mr. Redmond has scored again. I have pointed to the difficulty of his voting for the budget while the conference over the veto bill was proceeding and the veto struggle held up for weeks. Mr. Redmond once more was face to face with the same perplexing situation as that of some months ago, namely, the impossibility of reconciling Ireland to the acceptance of the budget unless Ireland was convinced that a strenuous and hopeful campaign against the House of Lords was given as compensation.

GRAVE CALAMITIES.

Such a step, though inevitable, must also have brought some grave calamities, such as the postponement of the fight against the Lords, the postponement of Home Rule, the exasperation of the Liberals, and, therefore, the creation of two anti-Irish parties in British politics instead of one.

There were, accordingly, many anxious hours for Mr. Redmond in the past week. The situation has now enormously cleared. Mr. Asquith's promise of a winter session, coupled with a postponement of the later stages of the budget to these sittings, leaves Mr. Redmond master of the situation.

FRUITFUL CAMPAIGN EXPECTED.

An incidental advantage of the winter sittings in that Messrs. Redmond, Devlin, and Boyle, who will go on an American tour beginning with the Buffalo convention, can remain from four to six weeks in America, where all indications reaching us promise a most fruitful campaign.

Though the prospects, therefore, are now enormously brighter than last week, Mr. Redmond's difficulties are not entirely removed. Mr. Lloyd-George made an enormous blunder in yielding to the clamor of the ultra-temperance party and renewing the whiskey tax.

The results on the Irish whiskey trade will be serious, though greatly exaggerated, and Messrs. O'Brien and Healy will make this tax a weapon with which to attack Mr. Redmond, but this game was tried in the spring and ended in hopeless failure, and faction is dying hourly in Ireland.

O'Brien's speeches and his open alliance with the Tories are driving the people from his ranks, and Healy is doomed in Louth. In addition, the temperance movement in Ireland has made such gigantic strides in the last two years that the anti-whiskey sentiment will largely discount the sentiment against the whiskey tax.

CONFERENCE SITUATION NEARLY SETTLED.

The conference situation is still mysterious and nebulous. The general impression is that it must end in failure. This was reflected in the widespread rumor this week that the conference already had burst up. The hopelessness among Liberals also has reached such a point that a written communication would have been presented to Mr. Asquith if the meeting of the conference of Mr. Asquith, the Liberal Whip, had not calmed the excitement.

confidence, and a closer union of the English and Irish progressive forces. The near future promises either the acceptance by the Tories of some compromise which will give the Liberals and Irish most of what they want or an immediate and more violent removal of the campaign against the present powers of the House of Lords.

AN ANXIOUS TIME.

There is a rumor afloat that Lloyd George favors conferences between the two Houses of Parliament in case of disagreement; the Lords, of course, being considerably reduced in number at such a conference; that is to say, instead of all the 600 appearing, they should delegate their powers and duties to 100 or 150. Of these about one-fourth would be Liberals, leaving three-quarters of the number to the Tories.

Such a representation would be outvoted, of course, if the Liberals plus the Irish had a substantial majority of something like 100. That would mean that when the Liberals did have a substantial majority, they could carry their bills at the joint conference. But the scheme, or, indeed, almost any scheme would, while satisfying some, displease others: there might be a split in the Liberal Party itself; there might be a split with the Irish; and such a split would mean, of course, not merely the destruction of the Ministry but the present great combination, and of all the hopes with which the combination is bound up. And, therefore, this is an anxious, perilous, and an epoch-making hour. He would be a wise prophet who could anticipate what will be its final outcome.

A. O. H. Board of Erin Appoints Delegates.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Division, A.O.H. Board of Erin, was held in St. Ann's Hall on last Tuesday night, Bro. Dan. Gallery occupied the chair, supported by Bro. Thos. Markey, vice-president; John Landy, financial secretary; L. Brophy, corresponding secretary; D. O'Sullivan, treasurer; Messrs. J. Hughes, J. McGinn, M. Meade, J. Shaw, K. A. Palmer, J. Doolan, W. D. Burns, D. F. Foley, J. A. Heffernan, B. Clancy, M. Cahill, J. Donohoe, P. Donohoe, etc.

The auditors, Messrs. J. P. Landy, G. Donohoe and R. Kelly, submitted a balance sheet which showed the society to be making great progress and having a very creditable account in the bank. The report was adopted. The question of sending a delegate to the convention in New York on the 19th inst., was discussed. It was unanimously resolved that the president, Bro. Dan. Gallery, be their representative.

The officers and delegates of the County Board A.O.H. Board of Erin met in St. Ann's Hall on last Tuesday night, when a full representation from all the local branches was present. Bro. J. A. Heffernan occupied the chair, assisted by the County Chaplain, the Rev. A. P. Cullinan; Bro. T. Markey, D. Gallery, etc. The principal business of the meeting was the appointment of delegates to the New York convention. The honor was conferred on the County President, Bro. J. A. Heffernan, and on the County Secretary, Bro. Geo. Donohoe. A letter was read from Bro. R. A. Palmer, secretary of No. 1 Branch, stating that at the last meeting of their division they had elected Bro. Jas. Doolan as their president. The announcement was received with applause.

Mention was made on the progress of the Irish military company which is being formed, with Mr. Thos. Markey at its head. The question of the coming Eucharistic Congress was also introduced, and the members decided to do everything in their power for its success. A circular letter to the Irish of Montreal was submitted, and it was agreed to mail about 5000 copies.

This letter sets forth the aims and objects of the order in Montreal, and its future intentions of assisting, when necessary, Irish emigrants coming to this city.

The announcement that the Rev. A. E. Cullinan, chaplain of the order, had been appointed the delegate from No. 1 branch was received with acclamation.

Changing the Coronation Oath.

London, Ont. Free Press.—Religious toleration does not require that Protestantism should yield any of the rights which it holds dear. It simply asks that Protestantism shall give Roman Catholicism the same consideration that Protestantism is Roman Catholic countries would ask for itself. It is recognized within the empire that every man shall worship as his conscience directs. To single out any one or half dozen religions and declare them to be the basis of superstitions and idolatry is the grossest of crimes. It is the province of a common-sense government to protect the rights of all.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS NEWS.

Speakers Will be Men of World-Wide Repute.

The following will give some idea of the depth of subjects—dogmatic, moral, liturgical, or discipline—and of those who have been invited to handle them in English. Such names as appear in this yet incomplete list speaks for the careful and learned treatment of the several subjects presented during the conference: The Rev. Bernard Vaughan, S.J., London, Eng., "The Eucharist and Modern Society"; Mr. John J. O'Brien of Boston, "The Upbuilding of a Parish by Frequent Communion"; Father Letellier, S.S.S., "The Sacramental Eucharistic League" (5000 members); Rev. Lewis Drummond, S.J., New York, (editor of "America"); "The Eucharist and the Devotion to the Sacred Heart"; Rev. R. Meagle, Malden, Mass., "The Cultivation of Vocations"; Bishop McDonald, Victoria, B.C., "Faith in the Eucharist and Modern Unbelief"; Mother Loyola, York, England, well known religious writer; Miss Sadler, talented Canadian authoress; Father Finn, Chicago, Ill.; Father Campbell, S.J., well known in this city, "The Eucharist and the First Missionaries of Canada"; Rev. L. A. Lambert, Scottsville, N.Y., Editor N.Y. Freeman, "Popular Objections to the Real Presence"; Father Doyle, S.E. Washington, "The Role of the Eucharist in Heretical Conversions"; Bishop Clancy, Sligo, Ireland, "The Eucharist and the Primitive Church of Ireland."

Announcement is made that the various committees have nearly completed the arrangements for the international Eucharistic Congress to be held in this city on Sept. 6 to 11. Word has been received of the completion of the itinerary of Cardinal Vannutelli, who will represent the Vatican on this occasion. The Cardinal will leave Ostend on Aug. 25, going direct to London. A few days later he and his retinue, the Duke of Norfolk, will leave for Liverpool, where they will board the specially chartered steamship, the Empress of Ireland, which will take them direct to Quebec. There will be fifty bishops, four archbishops and members of the Catholic nobility of England, Italy, Spain and Austria-Hungary in the party. Fourteen altars will be built on the steamship, at which masses will be said every day during the voyage. The Papal Legate will travel incognito and will so be received on his arrival at Quebec. The official reception to him will occur on the evening of Sept. 7, at St. James Cathedral, where the English, American, Spanish, French and Italian hierarchy will be represented. Fully 200,000 visitors are expected during the week of the Congress. The Catholic Club of New York has chartered a train on which it will travel to Montreal. The principal speakers of the Congress will be the Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop O'Connell of Boston, Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis, the Papal legate and professors from the leading universities of Canada, the United States and other countries.

A. O. H. BOARD OF ERIN.

Circular Issued to the Irishmen of Montreal.

The following circular is being mailed by the A.O.H. Board of Erin, to 5000 Irishmen in the city: "There is now established in Montreal a County Board and three Divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Board of Erin."

This Order has its headquarters in Dublin, Ireland, with Joseph Devlin, Esq., as its National President, and Mr. John D. Nugent as National Secretary. It holds within its ranks in Ireland alone, over 70,000 faithful adherents of Holy Mother Church, who unitedly follow the principles of their leaders in their efforts to further the cause of Ireland by assisting the Irish Parliamentary party.

The A.O.H. Board of Erin, be it understood, is the original Board of the Hibernians, founded away back in the year 1655 by famed Rory Oge O'More, in the County Kildare for the purpose of protecting the Catholic priesthood against the lawlessness then prevailing, of which they were, as history states, the chief sufferers. With such a noble origin the Order has continued its exalted course to the present. To-day it flourishes as never before, and it must and will flourish as long as its imperishable ideals are faithfully upheld. It is the province of a common-sense government to protect the rights of all.

land's devoted sons who abandoned position power and affluence to bring their motherland to the position of a free, self-governing country, the cruel laws of the past have been greatly modified, there still remains a no less arduous task for Erin's sons at home and abroad.

The Board of Erin, A.O.H., has been formed in Montreal with the avowed object of assisting the leaders in Ireland, whose untiring efforts are to better their country's condition through peaceful, straightforward, outspoken and honorable methods. The bishops and clergy of Ireland are fully in favor of the principles set down by the A.O.H. Board of Erin, whose head leaders are foremost in the Irish Parliamentary Party.

Here in Montreal there is still wider scope for good by our people, chief of which is the care—when need be—of Irish Catholic immigrants landing in the city, strangers to its ways and its people. In this connection a work will shortly be undertaken by the A.O.H. Board of Erin, here, for which we bespeak the hearty co-operation of every English-speaking Catholic in the city; a work which will offer a tangible and inviting solution of this question which unfortunately has been sadly neglected.

The son or daughter of Erin, who, on bidding farewell to home and country, knows that on reaching Montreal they have immediate access to a home where the best of advice may be received and temporary assistance given in cases of emergency are sure to embark with less misgivings as to the immediate future, while a similar load is lifted from the hearts of the sad ones they leave behind, whose daily prayers are being waited for their comfort and success in a strange and far-away land.

The A.O.H. Board of Erin in Montreal has started out with these avowed objects:

"With straightforward, open methods—and these alone—it begins its career of usefulness.

"It seeks the hearty co-operation of every right-minded man who is eligible to become either an active or an honorary member.

"Dignity, truth and honor will be associated with all its aims.

"Many men of wide influence in the various walks of life are already with the A.O.H. Board of Erin here, and its appreciative people will be further pleased, as the months roll by, to learn of how added strength is being enrolled.

"A sick benefit of \$5.00 per week will be paid, and a further sum of \$50.00 to the family of a deceased member. The case of a member out of employment will likewise receive attention by a regularly appointed committee. The English-speaking Catholic schools will also be materially assisted.

The Board of Erin recently donated \$175.00 to the Irish Parliamentary Party.

Officers: Chaplain, Rev. A. P. Cullinan; President, J. A. Heffernan; Vice-President, Thos. Markey; Secretary, Geo. Donohoe; Treasurer, D. F. Foley; Marshall, Denis Sullivan.

Mgr. Laflamme Dead.

Monsignor Laflamme, director of Laval University, died at Quebec at noon yesterday.

Monsignor Joseph Clovis Kemler Laflamme was born at St. Anselme, Que., on September 19, 1849. He was educated in the Quebec Seminary and at Laval University, where the degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred upon him in 1868, and Master of Arts in 1884.

Ordained in 1872, he was appointed Professor of Geology and Physics in his Alma Mater, which position he had retained. He has written geological reports for the Quebec Government on various sections of the Province and represented Canada at the International Geologists' Congress in 1891, being chosen president of the Royal Society of Canada in the same year. In 1897 he was elected an honorary member of the International Geographical Congress, which was then in session at St. Petersburg. He was also a member of the Societe Geologic de France, American Geologic Society and of the Societe Francaise de Physique.

American Catholics Congratulated.

Catholics in the United States have forwarded to the King of England, through the American Federation of Catholic Societies, a protest against the text of the present oath of accession. The communication, which is signed by the Archbishop of Milwaukee, the Most Rev. S. G. Messmer and the Bishop of Trenton, the Rt. Rev. James A. McFaul, reads in part as follows:

"Report has reached us that Your Majesty is opposed to that part of the royal oath of accession which is insulting and offensive to Roman Catholics. The American Federation of Catholic Societies, representing three million Roman Catholics and voicing the sentiments of fourteen million Roman Catholics, desire to congratulate Your Majesty on the position taken and to thank you for your kind and noble sentiment."

LATEST NEWS FROM ROME.

Vatican Conciliatory—Prepared for Reform in Spanish Concordat.

In an interview this week the Marquis Gonzales, first secretary of the Spanish embassy to the Vatican, stated:

"The negotiations between Spain and the Vatican continue, and are not likely to be interrupted, as the Pope realizes the necessity for reform in the Concordat. He is willing to make reasonable concessions. The press reports of the situation in Spain are greatly exaggerated. The fall of the Cabinet is not imminent." At the same time the negotiations are at a standstill.

The Pope's health continues excellent. Recently he suspended private audiences in order to take part in a series of religious exercises which he himself established by decree. He has been stronger and brighter since eliminating the audiences, which sometimes are trying physically, especially in the summer months. Only this week His Holiness remarked on the excellence of his health and added that he had never experienced such cool, delightful weather in the beginning of July as this year. He spends the day in spiritual exercises, renouncing even his daily walk in the Vatican gardens. The religious exercises are attended by the Pope and about thirty ecclesiastics attached to the Vatican. Hereafter these exercises are to occur every three months. They consist chiefly of sermons by the Jesuit Father Turchi; two services in the morning and two in the evening.

AMERICAN PRIESTS WIN HONORS.

Two American priests, the Rev. George D. Lucas, of Pittston, Pa., and the Rev. James P. McGraw, Chancellor of the Diocese of Syracuse, have carried off the highest honors this year in the canon law examinations at the University of Apollinari. The examinations for doctorate in canon law have been made especially severe, so only fifty per cent of the trained scholars entered were successful. At the head of this list were the priests mentioned above. In civil law Father Hennig, of Syracuse, was among the few successful students.

HAVE AUDIENCE WITH POPE.

Among those who were received in private audience by the Holy Father were the Rev. Dr. James P. McGraw, of Syracuse; the Rev. T. Brennan, of Berkeley, Cal.; the Rev. Hugh and Daniel I. MacGettican, of Philadelphia; the Rev. Thomas J. McCloughlin, of New York, and Mrs. Henry C. Loughlin, of Philadelphia. Mr. Thomas Hughes Kelly, of New York, who, with Mrs. Kelly, and his brother, Mr. Eugene Kelly, has been officially appointed by the Pope to form part of the suite of Cardinal Vannutelli at the Eucharistic Congress in Montreal.

It is practically settled that after the great religious gathering in Canada, the Cardinal Legate will make an unofficial visit to the United States, and that New York will certainly be included in his itinerary. Mgr. Tampieri, of the Papal Secretary of State department, will also form one of the party.

The Cardinal will be the bearer of a special message from the Pope to the Congress, which will be the first gathering in America to be solemnly opened by a Cardinal Legate.

Letters to the Editor.

MONTREAL IRISHMEN ACTIVE. The Editor of the True Witness: Dear Sir,—It will be interesting to the public of Montreal to learn that an elaborate scheme is being planned by the friends of Ireland to establish in this city an auxiliary branch of the United Irish League. The preliminary meeting will be held in St. Ann's Hall, the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The first of these will be held on the 12th inst. It is hoped that after a short time they will be in possession of a central hall of their own, where an Irish Literary and Debating Society will be formed, and the members kept well in touch with the history of their country. Periodical entertainments, lectures, concerts and Irish games will be arranged, and efforts will be made to keep the Irish element of the city together and thus encourage healthy amusements and recreations. It is expected that the clergy of the city will aid the project as much as possible. All men in sympathy with Irish aspirations are invited to join. The annual subscription for membership will be one dollar. Larger donations will also be accepted and will be acknowledged through the press.

The Irish of Montreal have in the past subscribed generously to the parliamentary fund, and now that the question of victory rests on their hands, it would ill become this great

city to be backward in the hour of triumph. Under any conceivable set of circumstances it is impossible to deny any longer to Ireland that principle and system of Home Rule now granted to all the British Dominions and leave in its place the present system of government admitted by all British statesmen to be a complete and utter failure. If the Irish at home are working towards that end, her exiles abroad must remain firmly attached to the principle, "Ireland a nation," and make their organizations here not only numerically but financially formidable and show the world they mean business and value liberty.

Irishmen, then, rally to the call. Join this great organization. Come and talk with your fellow exiles, express your views on current politics, and thus educate one and other and help to set your country free.

As an answer to abstract statements sometimes made by people ignorant of the achievement of the Irish party, by parliamentary agitation, I quote the following list, which is by no means complete, yet is instructive and shows the party's great work since 1879. The figures stand unchallenged for any quarter. The financial gain shows a record of substantial and steady progress on the part of Ireland, and fully justifies all efforts made to sustain the National movement.

The Land Act of 1881 reduced Irish rents \$10,297,375 annually. Arrears of Rent Act 1882 wiped out completely ten millions. The Light Railways Act, 1882, eight millions; migration act 1882, five millions; Laborers Act, 1883, ten millions; Land Purchase Act of 1887 and 1898, fifty millions. The Land Purchase Act of 1891, \$150,000,000. Agricultural Act, 1898, one million and \$8,300,000 received annually for same since 1898. Land Act of 1903, \$600,000,000. Bonus under Land Act, \$600,000,000. Laborer's Act, 1906, 22 1-2 millions, and \$1,981,500 expended by the Congested Districts Board in settling problems of congested. In the session of 1908 the National University grant, \$3,780,000; building fund, yearly, \$300,000; grant for education, yearly, \$160,000; old age pensions act gives Ireland yearly ten millions. And an additional sum of \$15,000,000 for land purchase proposed under the new Birell Act of 1909. From the above it can be seen that the Irish representatives have been pretty well in action.

Remember the date of our meeting, the 12th inst., at 8 p.m. All Irish people cordially invited, both ladies and gentlemen.

GEO. DONOHOE.

Associated Press Appoints Representative for Congress.

The Associated Press has assigned Mr. Augustin McNally to the task of reporting for the great Eucharistic Congress. Mr. McNally was until recently dramatic editor of the New York Tribune, being associated on that journal with Mr. William Winter. During his connection with the staff of the Tribune he edited for it what is believed to be the first Catholic supplement ever issued by a leading daily paper in the States. That was on the occasion of the centennial of the Archdiocese of New York which he also compiled the official account published under the title of "The Catholic Centenary as a Newspaper Man Saw it." Mr. McNally contributes, from time to time, to the Literary Digest and writes reviews of the plays during the theatrical season in New York. He will come to Montreal in the latter part of August to complete arrangements for the transmission of news of the great event. His present address is No. 244 West 16th street, New York City.

He will be thankful for any suggestion from the reverend chairman of the various committees, especially those having charge of the literary section. In order that no paper may have an excuse for not publishing a full and accurate account it is desirable that copies of the more important addresses be in the general office of the Associated Press by the middle of July, and not later, if at all possible, than the first week in August. Mr. McNally will acknowledge receipt of all such addresses mailed to him.

Cardinal Gibbons, the Archbishop of St. Louis, and the Rev. J. J. Campbell will send copies direct to the office.

Official.

Baltimore, July 1, 1910.—I beg leave to say that Mr. Augustin McNally, who, I learn, is engaged by the Associated Press to report the proceedings of the Catholic Congress at Montreal, is a gentleman worthy, in my judgment, of confidence, and the important trust confided to him, I believe he will discharge his duties with conscientious fidelity.