

HOME RULE NOT DEAD.

The Irish Nationalists Hold Their Own.

To the friends of Ireland there is one bright spot in the dark record of the general election which is now drawing to a close. In spite of the old quarrel between Parnellites and McCarthys, and of the recent dissension within the latter faction between the friends of Mr. T. M. Healy and those of Mr. John Dillon, the Irish Nationalists, taken as a whole, seem certain to command as many seats in the next House of Commons as they possessed in the last. Possibly they will have a few more. It is in England, the predominant partner in the United Kingdom, that the gains of the Unionists have been made almost exclusively, and the cry of Ireland for self-government is as loud and unmistakable as ever.

Under such circumstances, no one can speak of the Home Rule bill as dead. It can perish only by an act of suicide. Its triumph, indeed, has been postponed, perhaps for six years to come, but for that postponement the divisions within the Nationalist party are to some extent responsible. Had the McCarthys been compelled, as they had the power to compel, the Liberals to appeal to the electors immediately after the rejection of the Home Rule bill by the Lords, they would have taken the field under Mr. Gladstone's banner, and while they might have fallen short of victory, they would have at least averted overwhelming defeat. On the other hand, it must be recognized that the Parnellites served their country ill; when by helping to turn out the Rosebery Government they forced a dissolution of Parliament at a juncture when the Liberals were disheartened and ill-prepared. Miscalculated, also, was the transfer through Parnellite influence of a part of the Irish vote in British constituencies to Unionist candidates, a transfer to which Mr. John Morley's defeat at Newcastle and other Liberal disasters are attributed. Undoubtedly, had Mr. John E. Redmond foreseen that a Tory avalanche was impending, he would have striven to check it. We assume that he now regrets his course, and the McCarthys must be equally sorry that they did not second Mr. Gladstone's advice and demand an election eighteen months ago.

What part will the Irish Nationalists play in the next House of Commons? We can easily answer that question were they united under Mr. Parnell's leadership. They will no longer hold the balance of power; even in the improbable event of the Unionist-Liberal quarrel with their present allies and combining with the Gladstonians and Nationalists, it would be, apparently, impossible to overcome the Tory majority. But it will be recalled that in the Gladstone Parliament (1880-1885) the Liberal leader had a considerable majority over Tories and Nationalists combined. Nevertheless, by the persistent exercise of astute obstruction Mr. Parnell won out the Government, and convinced its chief that the first business of an English legislator, who desired a free hand at home, was to make large concessions to Ireland's desire to manage her local affairs. It is true that owing to the adoption of new rules by the House of Commons, the opportunities for obstruction are fewer than they were. But many opportunities remain, and if Mr. Parnell, who is a Liberal, is allowed to return to the Speaker's chair, the Nationalists may take for granted that the rules will not be stretched against them. It is still possible for a resolute band of eighty or eighty-five members to block legislation as to harass grievously the Conservative majority and to cause it to bridle its reactionary tendencies with regard to Ireland.

It is clear, however, that for an effective defensive campaign under the present untoward conditions all of the Irish Nationalists must act together. We may safely assume that Mr. John E. Redmond will not again cast his votes on the Conservative side, where he perceives that they are not needed. It equally behooves the McCarthys to shun even the appearance of subservience to the Liberal minority. We have hitherto refrained from speaking of the charge made by Mr. Healy that four seats in Ulster were sold by the Nationalists to the Liberals. If that charge had been substantiated at an earlier day, it might have had a serious effect upon many Irish constituencies, and we scarcely need to say that the repetition of such a transaction would not be calculated to gain sympathy and support on this side of the Atlantic.

Although the Home Rule battle seems for the moment lost in England, the Irish Nationalists have held their own, and all they need do is to make a sagacious and far-seeing use of the force they still retain in Parliament. The new House of Commons cannot last forever. In about six years at furthest, there will be another appeal to the electors.—New York Sun.

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WHISKY'S WASTE.

One billion, five hundred and seven millions of dollars were spent in a single recent year by the whisky-drinkers of this country, according to ex-Governor St. John, who, commenting on that fact, said:—

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debt in a single year. It is equal to the assessed valuation of all the taxable wealth of five states like Kansas. It would build 1,507,000 comfortable homes for the many homeless families. What would that mean? More axes for our men to go out in the timber and cut down the trees, more saws, more men to handle them, and saw these trees up into saw logs, more oxen, more log wagons, more log chains, more ox drivers, more ox whips, to haul these logs to mill, and more saw-mills and more men to run them more teamsters to haul this lumber after it is cut up for building purposes, more railways to carry it into the different sections of the country, more carpenters and more brick and stone masons, more lath makers, more shingle makers, more painters, more paper-hangers. This one evil blotted out, and the money passed over its counters turned into legitimate channels, would set the hammer and saw going in every town and hamlet in this land, thus doing more than any other one thing to settle the labor question. Today we find two men hunting one job; that is what makes wages low. Blot out the liquor traffic, and there will be two jobs hunting for one man, and that is what makes wages high.—Aired Heart Review.

FATHER AND SON CURED.

THE VILLAGE OF WHITECHURCH DEVELOPS A SENSATION.

THE FATHER ATTACKED WITH RHEUMATISM AND THE SON WITH ST. VIT'S DANCE—A STORY THAT CAN BE VOUCHERED FOR BY ALL THE NEIGHBORS.

From the Wingham Advance.

Mr. Joseph Nixon is the proprietor of the only hotel in the village of Whitechurch, and is known to the whole country side as a man who thoroughly understands his business, and a jovial companion as well. It is well known in this part of Ontario that Mr. Nixon's hotel was destroyed by fire, but with that energy which is characteristic of him he quickly set to work to re-build. His story, as told a reporter of the Wingham Advance, who recently had occasion to visit his hostelry, will prove of interest: "I was helping to dig out the cellar," he said, "and in the dampness and cold I contracted rheumatism which settled in my right hip. It got so bad that I couldn't sit in a chair, and I couldn't ride in a buggy without letting the affected leg hang out. I suffered a great deal more from the trouble than anyone who has not been similarly affected can imagine. How I was cured



"I was helping dig out the cellar."

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A scientific writer tells how water can be boiled in a sheet of writing paper. We don't doubt it. We have known a man to write a few lines on a sheet of writing paper that kept him in hot water for three years.

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MR. SATOLLI'S BOOK.

A Selection From the Speeches of the Delegate Apostolic.

Under the title of "Loyalty to Church and State," Messrs. John Murphy & Co., of Baltimore, publish a selection from the speeches and addresses delivered by Mr. Satolli since His Excellency's arrival in this country. A short preface is contributed by Cardinal Gibbons, who recites the main facts with regard to the Apostolic Delegate's visits to and residence in the United States. This handsome volume is full of good things from a scholarly point of view and contains many important utterances on topics of general interest.

The Papacy: the Constitution of the Church; the spirit of American institutions and their harmony with the spirit of Catholicity; the unification through the Church of the various national elements that go to make up the American people; education; schools, public and private; religious associations and confraternities and interests local to the places where the addresses were delivered. Such in brief are the topics dealt with by the Apostolic Delegate. Not the least interesting of these addresses is the one delivered at the Carroll Institute in Washington last February in which His Excellency exhorted Catholics to extend to their non-Catholic brethren that kindness and charity which is the soul of the Catholic religion. Mr. Satolli's remarks on that and on other occasions are specially valuable as showing the attitude of the Church towards the United States, and for this reason the present volume possesses a peculiar interest not only for Catholics, but for Protestants as well. A certain section of the latter affected to regard the advent of Mr. Satolli with considerable suspicion and as being the first step toward the complete capture of this country by the Church. Such persons will be not a little surprised to find in this book nothing of that antagonism which they presumably look for.

On the contrary, the broad spirit in which the subjects touched upon are treated is the most striking feature of these addresses. The breadth of mind and sympathy of heart manifested in them are the result of training in the Philosophy and Theology that have their highest and most finished exponent in St. Thomas Aquinas. As the foremost living student of that great master and as the favorite pupil since earliest years of the present enlightened Pontiff whose conciliatory attitude towards all that is fair, just and morally good everywhere and anywhere among non-Catholics has endeared him to the hearts of all men irrespective of religious belief, Mr. Satolli could not be narrow of mind or cold of heart in this land where the civil and religious future of the world is being wrought out.

It was to show his sympathy with the cause of the Negro Missions that the Apostolic Delegate consented to the publication of these addresses. The Very Rev. J. R. Slattery, whom His Excellency chose for the task of editing them, is well known throughout the United States for his zeal in this noble but too much neglected cause, and the proceeds of the sale of the present work will go towards the support of St. Joseph's Seminary and Epiphany Apostolic College at Baltimore for training missionaries to the colored people, of which Father Slattery is rector.

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PAWSON: I hear that your grandfather was hanged, Clump. Is it true? Clump reflectively: Well—er—I don't remember him ever saying anything about it.

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THE TROUBLE.—"How is your wife?" "Um—her head has been troubling her a good deal lately." "Sick headache?" "Not exactly. She keeps wanting a new hat every month."

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LITTLE DICK: I don't believe I'll be a sailor when I'm grown up after all. Little Dot: Why not? Little Dick: I talked to an old man to-day who had been a sailor for fifty years and never been shipwrecked on a desert island once."

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