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IRELAND'S DEMANDS

BEFORE THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

Financial Reform, Board of Agriculture, and a Catholic University. Gladstone Appeals to the Liberals to Unite with the Irish Party.

The London correspondent of the New York Sun, in a despatch on Saturday, says:—

The developments of the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech have so far been adverse to the hopes of the Liberals, and especially of the Home Rulers, who expected the Government to be greatly weakened over the Irish finance agitation.

Views have been exchanged between Col. Sanderson, Mr. Harcourt Plunket, Mr. Dillon, Mr. Healey, and others of the Irish members as to how far their agreement on Irish finance meant co-operation towards a common end.

The Irish Unionists therefore, while continuing to support in sentimental fashion the Irish demands, will not vote against the Government, whose majority against the Dillon, Redmond and other amendments remains intact.

This was to be in no respect an Irish session, yet there is a certain prospect that Ireland will absorb the larger portion of the Parliamentary year.

There is meanwhile substantial encouragement for the Nationalists in the adherence of many landlords to the financial agitation.

The Catholic Bishops of Ireland are taking no specially prominent part in the finance discussion.

Mr. Gladstone, in the conference which the ex-Premier recently held with Mr. John Morley, urged the uniting of the Liberal party in Parliament with the Irish National Parliamentary party in defence of the latter's recommendations for the appointment of a royal commission to consider the financial relations of Ireland with Great Britain.

OUR SPECIAL IRISH LETTER.

DUBLIN, January 18.

The agitation over the question of the excessive taxation of this country by England during the last half century is increasing in strength daily.

Fresh adherents from the landlord class to the movement for a redress of this intolerable grievance make their appearance at the meetings which are being held all over the land.

I have just looked into the Government financial blue books, for the purpose of ascertaining what foundation, if any, there is for the ex-Chief-Secretary's taunt. I find that there is no foundation for the suggestion that the revenue from alcoholic drinks consumed in Ire-

land is an extravagant feature of her taxation. The returns for the last fiscal year show that the revenue derived from the consumption of alcoholic drinks in the United Kingdom was as follows: England, £25,380,666; Scotland, £4,388,472; and Ireland, £3,415,118.

In contrast with Mr. Balfour's remarks are those of Sir Edward Clarke who is fast assuming the position of a leader of an independent Conservative party.

APPEALING TO THOMAS SEXTON.

In several parts of Ireland, and particularly in the division of North Kerry, which he recently represented in the House of Commons, meetings have lately been held to discuss the advisability of appealing to Thomas Sexton to return to public life.

Resolved—That waiving party feeling and bickering, the country, at the juncture created by the Report of the Financial Relations Commission, imperatively demands the return of Mr. Sexton to his Parliamentary duty.

AN IMPORTANT SUGGESTION

was made by two priests at a Healyite meeting held a few evenings ago in this city under the chairmanship of the Right Rev. Monsignor Byrne.

THE '98 CELEBRATION.

The Young Ireland League are busy preparing for the celebration of the centenary of '98. At a meeting of its council held last week a resolution was passed arranging for the calling of a meeting on 3rd March.

A CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

Judge O'Brien made a forcible speech here the other day in favor of the State endowment of a Catholic University. He said the late distinguished and eminent cleric who presided over Catholic University education in this country (Cardinal Newman) had left a record of his admiration for what he called the overflowing and almost miraculous liberality of Irish Catholics in this matter of education.

that the justice of the State would crown the edifice by satisfying in this country a want that so often had been discussed and never had been denied by any one.

DEATH OF A DISTINGUISHED TRINITY FELLOW

The death has just occurred of the Rev. J. W. Stubbs, D.D., Senior Fellow, Trinity College. He was 84 years of age and died on the 25th inst.

HIBERNIANS.

CATHOLIC NEWS NOTES.

Intelligence has been received in Constantinople from Marash stating that Colonel Mazhar Bey has been acquitted by the military court before which he was tried on the charge of being answerable for the murder of the Italian priest, Father Salvatore.

The Abbé Roussel, whose death is announced from Paris, was the founder of the great Autueil Orphanage for boys and several other philanthropic works. The first subscription of 350,000 francs was raised nearly twenty years ago by the Figaro, and the institution has flourished ever since.

The Papal Nuncios have, says the London, Eng., Standard's Roman correspondent, been instructed to convey to the Governments to which they are accredited that it must be understood at any idea of exercising the veto at the next Papal election, which has been alluded to by some of the Powers, must be totally abandoned from henceforth.

HOSPICE AUCLAIR.

Inauguration and Dedication Ceremonies.

On Sunday last the parishioners of St. Jean Baptiste turned out in full force to witness the imposing ceremonial of the blessing of the new and beautiful home of the orphan and old and infirm of the parish, the Hospice Auclair.

Three bishops were present, Mgr. Langevin, Archbishop of St. Boniface; Mgr. Laflèche, Bishop of Three Rivers; and Mgr. Emard, Bishop of Valleyfield, and about fifty priests and members of the different religious orders.

A solemn pontifical high Mass was chanted in the parish church at which Bishop Emard officiated.

After the service, the clergy and visitors proceeded to the Hospice Auclair, where Bishop Laflèche performed the ceremony of blessing every portion of the building.

There are at present in the building eighty orphans, thirty-eight girls and forty-two boys, besides fifty old and infirm people.

AN APT REPLY.

It was in an Irish court that a man was called into the witness box not long ago, and being old and just a little blind, he went too far, in more than one sense, and instead of going up the stairs that led to the box, mounted those that led to the bench.

THE CAUSE OF UNITY.

ST. PATRICK'S LEAGUE.

ORGANIZED BY TWELVE LOCAL IRISH NATIONAL SOCIETIES—THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE NEW ORGANIZATION.

The idea of unity among English-speaking Catholics has received substantial embodiment in the new and vigorous organization now in our midst, the St. Patrick's League.

English-speaking Catholics are no small or unimportant part of our city population, but their influence has not been felt in due proportion to its weight for lack of concentration.

The aim and purpose of St. Patrick's League is to remedy this evil, not by the formation of a new society, on new ground, or by inaugurating new principles, but by amalgamating and consolidating those already in existence.

Moreover, such a plan for unity as that formulated by St. Patrick's League seems but the rational development of our social growth. It is like the blossom on the plant—the keystone to the arch of national and religious life that Irish Catholics have been gradually erecting.

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County Leitrim, Ireland. He had resided in Cote des Neiges for a long period and accumulated quite an amount of property, which he left to his children.

He was much esteemed for his numerous good qualities, and was a practical and faithful Catholic. The deceased left a wife, who is at present dangerously ill, a daughter and one son.

His funeral took place Wednesday, the 13th, and a large attendance testified to the esteem in which he was held.

DEATH OF REV. J. J. KELLY.

Rev. Father John James Kelly, the bright and popular young parish priest of Tr. vghy, Leeds County, Ont., died on the 18th ult. at the parochial residence, from consumption.

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THE PRACTICE IN THE CONVENTS OF THE ORDER OF THE CONGREGATION OF NOTRE DAME.

(On the Semaine Religieuse.) Devotion to the Holy Child Jesus, so gloriously begun by the angelic hosts of heaven, so admirably continued by the shepherds of Bethlehem, the Wise Men of the East, the aged Simeon and the prophetess Anna, and so perfectly practised by Mary and Joseph, has been kept as a precious inheritance in the heart of the Church, as is proved by historians, by the Fathers and by the authors of spiritual books.

But, in the last two or three centuries, God seems to wish to develop this devotion among the faithful, that it may serve as an antidote to the spirit of pride, dissimulation, ambition and sensuality which seeks to poison the Christian soul, even from the first tender years and smother its baptismal grace.

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May his soul rest in peace.—ST. MARY'S CALENDAR.

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IRELAND'S HANDBALL CHAMPION.

Fitzgerald Makes His Debut at the Brooklyn Club's Court.

(N. Y. Sun)

There was a representative gathering of handball players, promoters, and critics at the Brooklyn Club's court last week to see the Irish champion, James Fitzgerald, make his American debut.

Ex-Alderman Dunne took Fitzgerald under his wing, and the pair went in against Phil Casey and J. Dunne, jr., for a rubber.

Before "Fitz" and the ex-Alderman got fairly well together the other pair ran away with the first game.

J. Dunne, Jr., and Phil Casey 21 21 21 30-83 Ex-Ald. Dunne and James Fitzgerald..... G 14 17 21-58

Great interest was then manifested in Fitzgerald's past record, and it was found to be well worthy of scrutiny. He was born at Tralee twenty-five years ago and picked up the game naturally in the open court there.

This paved the way for the match with John Lawlor, who returned to Ireland from this country specially to wrest the Gaelic crown from the Tralee boy.

Ever since Fitzgerald saw Casey and the Dunnes play under the Sun's rules in Ireland he has hankered to come and settle in this country, as he thought the modern system of play now in general vogue here would suit him.

Other games played during yesterday's celebration were: J. O'Brien and W. Tierney 21 21 20-22 M. O'Donnell and M. McMahon 21 21 21-28

THE PROVISION MARKET.

The local provision market is without any new feature, business being quiet and prices about steady.

The market for heavy dressed hogs was easier, and the outside figure now for car lots is \$4.60 per 100 lbs., while in a jobbing way sales are being made at \$4.90 to \$5.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.

The cheese market is quiet. What little stock remains is held firm at 12c, and so far there have been no bids of that figure.

There was no change in eggs. The demand is chiefly for small lots to fill actual wants.

The demand for beans was slow, and the market is without any new feature.

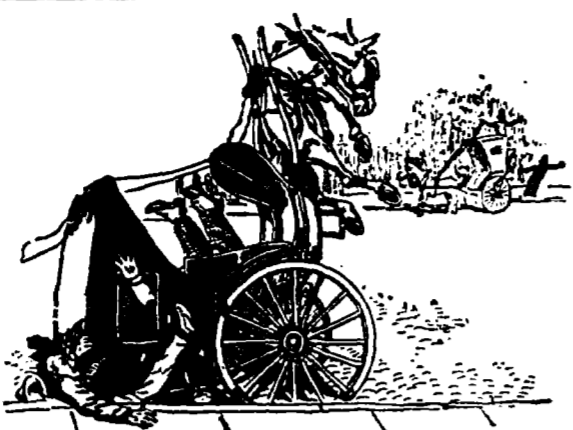
NERVOUS Troubles are due to impoverished blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier and NERVE TONIC.

The market is without any new feature. Car lots are offering at 80 to 85c, and in a small way sales are being made at 90c to 95c.

The market for potatoes continues quiet and about steady at 35c to 40c in car lots, and at 45c to 50c per bag in a small way.

There was a fair enquiry for fresh killed poultry of which the offerings were small and buyers in consequence found it difficult to fill their wants.

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Live Stock Trade.

LONDON, January 26.- On account of the short supply of cattle, for which the demand was good, trade was firm and prices show no material change from a week ago.

A private cable received from Liverpool quoted choice States cattle easier at 11 1/2c to 11c, and sheep unchanged at 10 1/2c to 10c.

Messrs John Olde & Son, live stock salesmen, of London, Eng., write W. H. Beaman, live stock agent, of the Board of Trade, under date of January 14th, as follows:—At Deptford market to-day the beasts in all numbered 1,506, a decrease against last Thursday.

At the East End Abattoir market there was a fair supply of cattle offered but owing to the extreme cold and rough weather that prevailed the attendance of buyers was small.

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