











THE MAYORALTY; How a Triumph Was Achieved.

In view of the approaching civic elections in this city, and considering that it is the turn of an Irish Catholic to occupy the mayoral chair, it may not be inopportune to publish the following account of the election of a young Irish American to the office of Mayor of Worcester, Mass.

On the heels of the great November election came the preparations for the mayoralty campaign. Worcester normally is a Republican city with an average majority of three thousand and a party strongly entrenched. Once a year some willing victim gets the honor of unrolling the Democratic standard and falling with it outside the intrenchments.

Philip J. O'Connell took the oath of office as Mayor of the city of Worcester a little late, but as they say, using slang, "He got there just the same." I suppose that if a man had a gun he might be able to hunt up a few persons who take exception to that Mayor O'Connell has been a good functionary, a clean, fearless, honest man.

The phenomenal result of the whole proceeding was a tie each of the candidates receiving exactly the same number of votes. A new city election was therefore necessitated, and this second balloting was held a few weeks later.

Mr. Lytle received a larger vote than had ever been given to a candidate up to his time except one; but Mr. O'Connell went over beyond this and won by a clear and convincing majority.

THE LEAGUE IN TYRONE.

A conference of delegates, representing branches of the United Irish League in Mid-Tyrone, was held last week in the Ulster Hall, Omagh. There was a representative attendance.

As they were aware the United Irish League had been established in order to bring together the whole of the nationalist opinion in Ireland, so that they might secure for Ireland those reforms which were absolutely necessary for her well-being.

Mr. Despard said that he really thought that what he was saying was too serious a thing to be laughed at. He thought it ought to be referred to a committee of the whole board and proper and due attention paid to it.

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opinion, that was a very important matter. He thought they should respect the poor in the house of all denominations, and God loved the poor. (Laughter.) He believed the board would be discharging their duty if they made ample provision for all denominations, so that they might worship God. He would advocate that for their denominations just as much as for his own.

There was considerable confusion for a few minutes, after which Mr. Rainey spoke in support of the amendment, and said that by the time that new board was elected the structural alterations would have been completed and there would be more room.

Young Men And Public Affairs

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