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THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1911.

THE COMING IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

The coming Imperial Conference which Sir Wilfrid Laurier has set out to attend will be in many respects important and in one respect altogether unique. Mr. Harcourt, the Colonial Secretary, informed the British House of Commons a short time ago of an important step that is then and there to be taken. It is this, that for the first time the Ministers of the over-sea Dominions are to be admitted into the secrets of the Mother Country's foreign policy and her policy of Imperial defence. This information is to be given under a pledge of secrecy.

We have not noticed that this important new departure has yet received much, if any attention in the Canadian press. But we regard it as a great forward step in cementing the bond of union between all parts of the Empire. And it had also become a necessary step. One of the questions that must certainly be discussed at the Imperial Conference is that of the Empire's defence, and defence is so closely related to foreign policy that the one subject cannot be intelligently discussed except in relation to the other.

In these days when the Dominions are organising military forces and creating navies of their own under suggestion, if not under direction of the Home Government, for the defence of the "Five Nations," it became practically impossible to continue the old order of things under which but one of the five partners knew in advance, and alone determined what the foreign policy of the Empire should be. Now the sealed book is to be opened to the leaders of the British nations over-sea and they will know what issues are involved, what dangers threaten and how it is proposed to meet them.

The disclosure of the foreign policy of the Empire to the Dominion Premiers cannot end with merely the opening of the book. Discussion must follow, opinions will be ex-

pressed and a greatly increased responsibility will be imposed upon those who are thus consulted. Without a change of name the Imperial Conference must to some extent become an Imperial Council in which for the first time the weight of over-sea opinion will necessarily become a factor in shaping the foreign policy of the Empire. By so much the change will advance the status and prestige of the First Ministers of the Dominions, who enter at one step the hitherto enclosed arena of international politics and world-statesmanship.

The Dominion Premiers will thus be accorded a knowledge of imperial foreign relations such as is not possessed by Lords or Commons, excepting only those who are members of the British Cabinet. Very often questions are asked touching foreign policy or defence in the House of Lords or the House of Commons at Westminster to which the Foreign Minister replies that for reasons of state no answer can be given. The Dublin Nation suggests that the Imperial Parliament may perhaps be piqued into demanding an equal right in that regard to the statesmen from beyond the seas.

This forward step has, as we have said, become necessary because of the growing importance of the outlying British communities. But a few years ago they were but colonies and little regarded. Federation made them Dominions, rapid growth in population and wealth has raised them to the status of Nations. The Five Nations has now become a familiar term in public discussion, and it is as representatives of nations, and in closer confidence than ever before, that the Premiers and accredited delegates of the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa are now to meet in conference for the discussion of great and weighty matters of common concern to the vast British Empire.

LETTER FROM REV. T. F. FULLERTON

To The Editor of the Guardian.
Dear Sir:—I have certainly enjoyed the reading of your editorials of May 2nd and 3rd, respectively, to which, to some extent, you expected me on my return to give a reply. The enjoyment has been very largely experienced on account of the gymnastics which are displayed in connection with your dissertation on the Tridentian Decrees. It is not my intention to discuss your position, but I may be permitted to say that the real question at issue is not, as you state, "the Canon Law, but is—Is any Church to be allowed to override, by its Canon Law, the Law of the Land, to declare Marriage by Civil Contract, legally sanctioned, to be null and void, and to take steps to bring about a separation of the parties?"

I have hitherto and have been long enough here for all creeds to know that I am no Protestant extremist. My position on the whole question is that while in no way interfering with the right of the Catholic or of any other Church to promulgate its own doctrine, the decree, so much in evidence at the juncture through to supersede the Law of the Land or marriages contracted in accordance therewith.

I also wish to add unhesitatingly that while the Medieval Church included marriage among the Sacra Council of Trent, a Civil Contract which is a vastly different thing from Contract; and further that the Germans resisted the Ne Temere decree issued in 1908, and the Vatican yield.

I have carefully read the letter of Rev. Dr. McLellan in your issue of May 2nd, and do not find anything therein sufficient to justify the unusual procedure of an editor resigning from his own statement.

I say now on my own authority, on the voluntary statement of two Clergymen of another denomination, and on the authority of many others who witnessed the scene—
1st That the remains were removed twenty minutes before the advertised hour.

2nd That on the information of the approach of Mr. Wright's hearse, and of myself, the casket was, as you most correctly state, removed hurriedly; and,
3rd That on the arrival of the funeral procession at the Cathedral there was an unusual delay, presumably owing to the undue haste displayed in removing the remains from the house.

2nd. The deceased was constantly for years and up till the hour of her death looked after by St. James' Church, and in her last, as in every other illness, looked to me to secure for her medical attendance etc., which of course I did.

3rd. On Sunday, April 3, a messenger came from her requesting me to visit her. I made the usual pastoral call, asked her if there was anything she desired, and arranged at her request that the medical attendant should visit her as soon as possible. This was shortly before she became comatose, as I learned from the Doctor after the visit. The priest came in before I left, as I naturally thought, to visit the daughter-in-law, who has been a lifelong Catholic and is his parishioner. Why did he not at once say to me that the dying person belonged to his Church and that he would look after her? Why did the family, in whose home she died, not inform me of what, they profess, had transpired? The contrary the woman of the house, after the death, and not until then, declared that the deceased made the request for the priest in the presence of a member of my Church of unimpeachable veracity.

The latter denies the statement absolutely, and unwaveringly asserts what is directly opposite.

4th. The question of funeral expenses naturally would not be raised in my presence as I held her money and she had implicitly confided in myself that her wishes would be carried out. The medical report to me shows that at 6 P. M. on April 23rd she was in a stupor out of which she never rallied.

5th. On Wednesday the 26th, when I made arrangements for the funeral, owing to some rumors that reached me I asked the confidant of the Roman Catholic Church, and his reply was "No, not that I know of." On Thursday afternoon in the presence of a witness he said to me that it was his mother's wish as it was his own that she should be buried a Protestant. I have now also expressions of indignation that I should have been interred with any way from the members of her family, abroad, and from her relatives here.

6th. Who gave the prior instructions to the Undertaker? Not certainly the Roman Catholic authorities nor yet the family who conceded at the time my right to take possession of the remains for burial purposes. What right then had anyone on any fair minded basis to interfere? The undertaker informed me that at 11.45 P. M. on the night before the funeral he was told by the people in the Palace that his services were no longer required. This information he conveyed to me on the following morning, asking at the same time for instructions. As I had written to Dr. McLellan setting forth my right in the case, and my sense of obligation to the deceased, and had received no reply I told the undertaker to be present with his license in time to remove the body at the advertised hour 9 A. M. when I would be present to conduct the service.

7th. The other undertaker alluded to in Dr. McLellan's letter removed the body as before mentioned twenty minutes before the funeral, explicitly named in the press funeral notice, which was evidently inserted either by, or after consultation with the Catholic Church authorities.

8th. Finally it is my deep seated conviction based on years of knowledge and on my recent experience with the deceased that she died, as she had lived, a Protestant, whatever may have transpired, and what may be claimed, a conviction in which I am joined by the surviving members of her family, by all her relatives, and by many others who have known her for the most part of her life but especially during her later years. What you, Mr. Editor, call the charitable way of looking at grounds is justified.

The whole incident was painful and regrettable and I am sure is so regarded by all right thinking persons in the community. In the light of the foregoing, however, I ask who gave any church in this Canada of ours, the home of a free, happy, and contented people, the authority to assume with such arrogance a position denied by every sense of justice, humanity, and fine sensibility. Such an unseemly circumstance can not arise in Canada, between any two denominations unless the Roman Catholic Church was one of the two. If the Roman Catholic Church has rights, and she has in this civilized age and enlightened country she only has them on an equality with, and within the well defined limitations of, all other churches.

THOMAS F. FULLERTON
Charlottetown, May 12.

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