

Home Rule Fails.

MR. GLADSTONE BELIEVES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO CARRY HIS IRISH SCHEME THROUGH—ENGLAND AFRAID OF IT—NATIONALISTS MUST FIGHT THE TORY MAJORITY AND BRITISH OPINION BACKED BY ROME.

A London despatch of the 8th says:—Mr. Gladstone has just admitted that his home rule scheme has proved more disastrous to the Liberal party than he could have imagined.

This is a great change from the position he asserted after the last general election, when he maintained that his defeat was a slight, temporary matter. He now takes a despondent view of the future.

All the more wonderful is it to see the renewed vigor and energy he has suddenly imparted to his policy. Opinions differ widely as to the wisdom of his policy, but for the man himself it is impossible not to feel admiration. Night after night he is necessarily brought into comparison with the Tory leader, Smith, and we who look on feel it to be the most unequal contest seen in parliament. Not eloquence but numbers decide at last, and the veteran leader sees that Gladstone's strength cannot prevail against the ministerial host, nor can he, with all his genius, lure back the seceders.

The true conditions of the struggle in which he embarked with a light heart only two years ago are now fast becoming visible to all eyes. A certain section of Gladstonians are still confident of recovering the allegiance of the Liberal-Unionists, hence the project of sending Chamberlain to wander in sweet simplicity through the New Forest with Harcourt and Morley. The millionaires are to take place in Arcadia. The lion and the lamb are to lie down together, and a little child named John Morley is to lead them!

The Pope and the Tories form a menacing combination. How far the Pope's decree has been influenced by a desire to establish diplomatic relations with England we do not yet know. But few believe that the Duke of Norfolk's recent mission to Rome, following upon Mr. Percival's visit to Ireland, was purely accidental. The Irish clergy cannot in a body revolt against the holy father. Nor, again, will it be possible for the whole body of a congregation to rise and leave Mass when a boycotted person makes his appearance in chapel. No archbishop will dare recommend the plan of campaign. Depend upon it, there will be few Father McGlynn's in Ireland. At the most critical period of their history the nationalists have to fight the Vatican as well as the powerful Tory government. They never before had to encounter such fearful odds, and Parnell, in failing health and spirits, sees his life's work in imminent peril of being totally undone. Perhaps a compromise may still be possible.

Chamberlain has a plan, not conceding a separate parliament for Ireland, but yielding a good deal in the way of local government. To be sure, he tried to thwart Churchill's very moderate proposal the other day, but that is only because he brooks no rival. It must be Chamberlain first and the rest bringing up the rear. Bitter will it be for the Nationalists if they are obliged to accept Chamberlain's terms. Having gone so they had better postpone their hopes indefinitely than be chained to the wheels of Chamberlain's chariot. That, I know, is their present feeling, and who can say they are wrong if their brethren O'Brien, Cox, Blaine and others, are in prison? Who has done so much to send them there as Chamberlain?

The whole situation is one of the most complicated I ever saw in politics. When Gladstone himself sees no way out of it what can lesser men think? Often I hear Radicals say: "What a pity the Home Rule bill was pressed to a division. Why did we not urge Gladstone to withdraw it and bring in a resolution, as he did about the Irish church, pledging the House of Commons to an abstract principle, and then introduce a new measure in an autumnal session?"

People will cry over spilled milk. One thing and another has set the country against the very name of home rule. Gladstone has fairly frightened people by his talk of home rule for dear old Scotland and gallant little Wales, as well as for Ireland. A division worse than that which threatened the northern States in 1861 looms up large before the vision of Englishmen. Every man must have his own opinion. Mine is that a general election would leave Gladstonians in a worse plight than they occupy now, so deeply stirred is public feeling by the fear of seeing separate parliaments spring out of the soil like armed men. Therefore all signs point to a compromise. Will Irish nationalists in the United States accept one? If they are so inclined now is the time for them to show it. They, and they alone, might open up a path through this tangled thicket.

A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

The Army and Navy.

The London Daily Telegraph, in a column article headed "England in Danger," asserts that the highest military authority that the strength of the army is entirely insufficient. It says: "If extra men were enlisted to-morrow there would be no barracks accommodations for them. Many of the artillery batteries are provided with the worst guns served to any existing army. Though we possess an unsurpassed gun, we have no means for manufacturing rifles yet invented. Not a single regiment is provided with such rifles. The army stores are lamentably insufficient. The naval situation is almost as bad. Not a single breech-loader in any land fortress from Portland to the Tweed, the latest type actually in use being a seven-inch Armstrong gun. Armaments of forts, guns served to volunteers, and shot and shell at Woolwich are mostly of obsolete patterns. Four of our finest armor clad vessels are without guns, and two of them will have none until March, 1889. The nation ought to demand that instant attention be given to our army and navy."

Mr. George Fay, an Englishman residing at Guanajuato, Mexico, who is said to be worth \$9,000,000, is building a tremendous palace. It will be nine stories high, have hanging gardens like Babylon of old, telephone, telegraph instruments, electric lights in every room, and a broad terrace leading from every window. The walls are to be of asbestos, brick and paper, and the whole structure will be supported by iron columns of immense girth and height.

Archbishop Walsh on the "Rescript."

Archbishop Walsh has written a letter, containing his views on the Pope's recent rescript, to the press of Dublin. He says that a most determined effort has been made to bring under the unfavorable judgment of the Holy See the Irish nationalist movement or at least the Irish National League, and that the persistent efforts thus made have ended in a most absolute and signal failure as regards the only object that was really aimed at or substantially cared for by their originators. The methods of action in question, that is to say, the plan of campaign and boycotting, involving as they do many grave questions of morality, were submitted by the Holy Father himself to a tribunal where they were to be considered on their own merit, and without any reference whatever to political considerations, with which, in fact, that tribunal has nothing whatever to do. The decision came to after prolonged deliberation was an adverse one, and at once, not perhaps unnaturally in the circumstances, the conclusion was rashly drawn in certain quarters that the national league, if not indeed a nationalist movement in Ireland, was thereby condemned. This pleasing delusion, however, had soon to be abandoned. But since then no effort had been spared by the discomfited intriguers to make it appear that the nationalist organization has somehow or other fallen under the ban. That step already taken by the holy see is, indeed, only the first of a series of such steps which will be taken, no doubt deliberately, but with the utmost determination. The formal condemnation of the national league is thus only a matter of time, and that as a natural consequence all good Catholics who are to be found among its members will take the first opportunity of severing connection with it. Now for all this there is not even a particle of foundation. The decision of the holy see, which has already been published, is clear and definite in its terms. It is a decision on the question not of politics but of morals. As such it will be received by our Catholic people as every decision which has ever yet been pronounced by the holy see in reference either to faith or morals has been received by them. If doubts or controversies should arise to its meaning, these will speedily be solved by the bishops of Ireland, or if it should be necessary by the holy see itself. But the question of morality being thus decided the operation of the recent action of the holy see is at an end. The Irish people, whether at home or abroad, will, I trust, accept my assurance that neither the Nationalist movement nor the National League is in the smallest degree injuriously effected by the recent decree.

National Exclusiveness.

The present tendency in Germany to an almost provincial national pride is extremely marked. Especially is it curious that it is now attempting to make over the German language by disusing all French, English, or even Latin or Greek words that had become naturalized. This is parallel to the strange movement in Greece to classicize the spoken language, or to that even more remarkable movement in Turkey by which, in many places, Armenian communities which had adopted the Turkish language have again recovered the Armenian for colloquial use. In the leading hotels or restaurants of Germany the French terms of menu are being replaced by German. In the Emperor Frederick's two first proclamations, the one "An mein Volk," and the other addressed to Prince Bismarck, out of 1,275 words the only foreign words are: "nation" and "national," "organ" and "organization," "politik," "marine," "religion," "thorn," "interessens," "social," "flanzlich," "reformen," "klassen." Of these the Frankfurter Zeitung thinks one, namely, "marine," might be expunged by the substitution of "seemacht"; the rest are "undesirable," and are but twelve in number.

Boston Markets.

POTATOES.—Receipts for the past six days, 43,000 bushels, including 36,000 bushels foreign; previous six days, 61,500 bushels. The market is still dull, with prices lower than last week if anything. Stocks at the Eastern road are being reduced very slowly, and with warm weather are sprouting badly, so that buyers are only taking such small lots as are needed for immediate use. Receipts of northern continue light, but demand is also light. Foreign are still in full supply, but the quality is very irregular, and there are very few sales of Magnums at over 70c. The general range is from 50 to 70 cents per bushel.

EGGS.—Receipts for the week, 76 boxes, 929 bbls., 11,339 cases; last week, 28 bxs., 697 bbls., 12,286 cases. There has been a very good demand for all choice fresh stock this week, and prices have been gradually gaining strength. A good many western are held above the market by shippers' order, and there are very few offering at anything under 14c. Choice Canadian, New Brunswick and P. E. Island stock firm at 14c. Eastern extras in short supply, and some sales at 15c.

FISH.—No material change to note in prices. Market quiet.

The Wheat Crop.

There is a prospect of a shortage of the winter wheat crop in the Western States, and the fact is causing some anxiety among wheat dealers. Reports from winter wheat sections in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Kansas and California, indicate a partial failure of the crop. It is estimated that the shortage in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois will foot up from fifty to eighty millions of bushels, as compared with last year's production. In fact the indications are that there will be a serious shortage in all the wheat States—due partly to decreased acreage, but mainly to unfavorable weather. It is satisfactory to know that in the Canadian Northwest the prospects of the wheat crop are excellent. The early spring and fine weather are bringing on the crops rapidly and there is also increased acreage sown. If our American cousins fall short in their supply we may be able spare them some from our surplus.

A warning to lovers. A young man at Reading, Pa., is seriously ill from kissing a girl's rouge-painted cheeks.

Turkey Looking to Her Defences.

IMMENSE WORK FOR THE PROTECTION OF CONSTANTINOPLE.

In view of the renewal of war rumors pointing to almost immediate action by Russia in the Eastern complications, the Porte has sanctioned elaborate plans for the complete fortification of Adrianople and Tchataldja. The Sultan will shortly give his personal endorsement to the contemplated work, which will then be pushed with all possible speed. Tchataldja, about three miles from Pera, will become the centre of a large entrenched camp, holding 50,000 troops. It will be made the pivot of a large army of defence, of which the right wing will be protected by the Black Sea, and the left wing by the Sea of Marmora. The whole position will be defended by an army of 100,000. This is a very important sign of the times, and shows that in the event of war the decisive battle is expected to be fought in the neighborhood of Tchataldja, and that Constantinople is being secured as strongly as possible against attack from the north-east. It is an old story that the war party of Russia is powerfully in the ascendant at St. Petersburg; and all indications of Muscovite plotting point to an invasion by way of Eastern Roumelia. Hence this particular line of fortification, and apparently of the definite policy of the Powers is to have the Turks await the Russian onslaught just where it will be the easiest for them to turn the tide of war and throw back the invading army upon the Roumelia border. The Foreign Office has nothing to say just now, but everything seems to point to this attitude of the Eastern situation.

Personal.

Mr. W. E. Wood, of the All Rail Line, is at the Davies. Mr. Gladstone is said to be at work on another essay on Vaticanism. His Worship Mayor Haviland returned from Ottawa on Saturday evening. The late Matthew Arnold is credited with this graceful if characteristically odd remark to a friend: "You say you are happy to know me; you should know my wife, she has all my sweetness and none of my conceit." Those Eggleston died at Sparlockville, West Virginia, last week, aged 111 months, 10 months and 23 days. He was born in the neighborhood where he died, and had not been more than twenty-five miles from home all his life. He smoked a pipe every day from the time he was sixteen years old, and believed his life was prolonged by it.

Longevity and Brain Work.

Personal statistics singularly point out the fact that hard brain-work and unremitting intellectual labor necessarily abbreviate life. If we take poets, we find that Rogers lived to be 93; Sophocles, 90; Calderon, 87; Juvenal, 86; Anacreon, 85; Voltaire, 84; Metastasio, 84; Euripides, 78; Goethe, 83; Klopstock, 79; Wieland, 86; Lamartine, 78; Beranger, 77, and Victor Hugo, 83. If we turn to philosophers and men of science, we find among our contemporaries M. Chevreuil, the French philosopher and chemist, who, on the evening of his 100th birthday, occupied the President's box at the opera; and if we look into the past we find the names of Fontenelle, who died at 100; Hoyle (who wrote the treatise on whist), at 98; Hobbes, at 92; Morgagni, at 89; Ried, at 86; Dr. Heberden, at 90; Sir T. Watson (I) at 90; Sir William Lawrence at 84; Rover-Collard, at 82; William Harvey, at 80; Schelling, at 77; Cousin, at 76, and, greatest of all, Plato, at 82.

THE BEER QUESTION.—A bill for "better securing the purity of beer" has been introduced into the British parliament by Mr. Quiller, the member for South Suffolk. Its object is to enable the public to distinguish between beer brewed from hops and barley malt and that composed of other ingredients. Every one who sells by wholesale or by retail, beer containing any other ingredients is directed by the bill to keep conspicuously posted at the bar or any other place of sale a notice stating what these ingredients are. For not complying with this direction the penalty is a fine not exceeding £5, and in the case of a second or subsequent offence \$20. In every case half the fine is to be paid to the informer.

NEW COUNCIL.—Jubilee Council, No. 3, at Hunter River, was organized May 11th, by Grand Deputy, R. E. Bagnall, with a list of 16 members. The following are the officers: S. C.—Daniel McKinnon. V. C.—B. R. Jewell. P. C.—John A. Ross. Chaplain.—Mary Ellen Silliphant. R. S.—Georgina Silliphant. F. S.—Theo. S. McLeod. Herald.—Robert C. Jewell. Goard.—Hugh Manley. Night of meeting—Saturday.

While we are not as large as some Councils, we are not deprived of the privilege of growing, and we mean to do our best to make this year the most prosperous in the history of our Council.—Com.

Local Notices.

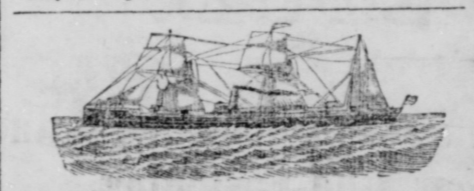
BEER BROS. are now receiving a large stock of new Carpets, the best value offering in the city. GREAT BARGAINS in Mens' and Boys' Ready made Clothing, at J. B. Macdonald's. may12—4y wky. THE only house in the city where you can get a Custom Boot bottomed with American Oak Tanned Sole Leather, is at J. H. Bell's. may12—s t. EIGHTY DOZEN Mens' Hard Felt Hats opened to-day at J. B. Macdonald's. may12—4y wky. SEE our ties. They can't be beat for style—very cheap.—John Macleod & Co. EIGHT CASES Ladies' Hats and Hat Shapes opened since Show Day.—Beer Bros. FIVE cases American hats, nobbiest in town, opened to-day.—John Macleod & Co. JUST ARRIVED at J. H. Bell's, another lot of English Elastic Side Tops, very nice. may12—s t. SIX HUNDRED Children's Suits in variety of styles, very cheap, at J. B. Macdonald's. may12—4y wky. LEAVE your orders with J. H. Bell and get a pair of his nice Uppers, bottomed with oak tanned soles. s t—may12. WINDOW SHADES, &c.—Our new stock of American window shades and shade cloth now open, and is, without doubt, the finest lot ever shown in the city; Hatched spring rollers 20 cents each.—Mark Wright & Co. ma9 3i

Sugar and Molasses.

Just received direct from West Indies: 40 Hhds. CHOICE BARBADOES GROCCERY SUGAR, 78 Bbls., Paris, Tierces and Barrels Choice New Crop BARBADOES MOLASSES. ALSO, IN STORE: ANTIGUA and CIENFUGOS MOLASSES. GRANULATED and YELLOW REFINED SUGAR. Wholesale at Lowest Rates. FENTON T. NEWBERY. may14—dy pat 3i wky li jour 2i

Anti-Scott Act Boycotting Club.

A MEETING of the Executive Committee of the above Club will take place in their Room on FRIDAY NEXT, the 18th inst., at 8 p. m., to meet the Delegates from Country Branches and transact of general business. By order of the President. may14—3i pd



STEAMER ELDON.

Next Week's Trips.

TUESDAY, May 15—Piaette and Orwell, at 3 o'clock, p. m. WEDNESDAY, May 16—Vernon River Bridge, at 3 o'clock, p. m. THURSDAY, May 17—Murray Harbor, Wood Islands and Little Sands, at 3 o'clock. Freight received at Queen's Wharf. W. W. CLARKE, Agent. may12—4i

PUBLIC NOTICE.

E. KINSMAN, General Agent for the Province of Prince Edward Island for the sale of the well-known line of Goods handled heretofore by him, has taken the Premises of WILLIAM DODD, ESQ., who has retired from business. In addition to the line of COMMISSION and AGENCY BUSINESS heretofore done by me, I am prepared to conduct

AUCTION SALES

of Real Estate, Bank Stock, Lumber, Household Furniture, Horses, Carriages, Fruit, General Merchandise, &c., at Sales Room or elsewhere to suit customers. Also, to sale of consignments of Flour, Tea, Sugar, Molasses, Apples and other goods, for which purpose the Premises are specially suited, being central and having large Sales Room and first-class Warehouse and Cellar accommodations. Having secured the services of Robert Bearist, late of the firm of William Bearist & Son, Summerside, who, after an experience of over twenty years in the Commission and Auctioneering Business, will manage that branch, and trust that by careful attention and prompt returns will receive a share of public patronage. Just Received—50 BUGGIES, for sale low. E. KINSMAN. Ch'town, May 11, 1888.

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT.

St. Peter's Schoolroom.

THE ENTERTAINMENT lately held in St. Peter's Schoolroom, will be repeated

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Come early and avoid a crush. Admission, 15 cents. Entertainment to begin at 8 o'clock. may13

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