

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION YESTERDAY'S GREAT GATHERING DEMAND FOR HOME RULE

Important Proceedings

The annual Convention of the U.I.L. was held in the Mansion House, Dublin, yesterday. The attendance of delegates, though hardly as great as previous conventions was, nevertheless, of large proportions, and was representative both as regards the clergy and laity of the most active elements in the national organisation in the country. Each of the provinces was well represented, a very large contingent being present from the different districts in Munster. The proceedings were of an important character, and a very large agenda touching upon all the more pressing phases of the national question was set down for discussion. The question of land purchase and the stage which it has now reached was dealt with in all its aspects, while the case for Home Rule, the first question in order in the proceedings of all National Conventions, was eloquently put forward by the Hon. B. Blako, M.P. The question of the labourers, evicted tenants, the town tenants, the financial grievances under which Ireland suffers, the Irish language, and the University questions had also able advocates, and resolutions dealing with each of them were adopted. The Chairman, Mr. John E. Redmond, in his opening speech, impressed the necessity for unity and active organisation amongst the people at the present juncture in Irish affairs. The Government of the Empire was in the condemned cell, and awaiting execution, and nobody could foresee what developments were awaiting the country. A resolution by Rev. Canon Quinn, expressing confidence in the Irish Party, and congratulating it upon the activity and ability with which it had pressed to the front, was adopted. Various Irish grievances, especially the question of Home Rule, were passed unanimously, and the National Director, the Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Mr. J. J. Redmond, and Alderman O'Mara, were authorised to issue an appeal to the Irish people for a general election fund as soon as in their judgment the necessity existed. The resolutions of the National Directory in connection with the Land Act were proposed by the Very Rev. Canon M'Fadden, and seconded in an eloquent speech by Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and passed unanimously. Shortly before three o'clock, Mr. Hayden, M.P., proposed a resolution confirming the action of the National Directory and the Party on the news of Mr. Wm. O'Brien's resignation, and stating that the Convention expressed its deep regret which that event has evoked throughout Ireland that the Irish people were profoundly sensible of the inestimable services which during a long career of labour, sacrifice, suffering, and devotion, Mr. O'Brien has rendered to the cause. Ireland was the poorer for his absence, and that they could not abandon the hope that he may soon reoccupy his position in the League he founded and the party he adorned. This was seconded by the Very Rev. Canon M'Carton, Tyrone; and when Mr. J. J. Howard, Chairman Cork County Council, rose, insisting that he had an amendment to propose, the first evidence of a little breeze was given. Mr. Howard disclaimed any intention of causing a division of any sort, but asserted that the resolution submitted by Mr. Hayden would not bring Mr. O'Brien back. This statement was received with approval and dissent, and then Mr. Howard submitted his amendment, approving of Mr. O'Brien's action in endeavouring to maintain the usefulness of the National Organisation by insisting on the loyal and full adherence to the policy adopted by the Irish people, and in the hope that he could be induced to come back they pledged him their active support at all times in carrying out his policy that the organisation might adopt. The amendment, which was received with applause, was seconded by Mr. E. Barry, M.P., and supported by Mr. O'Connell, M.P., and Mr. Gilhooly, M.P. A very warm discussion followed, and excitement began to rise. The Chairman asked the delegates not to let their heads over the matter, and appealed very strongly to the proposer of the resolution to withdraw. Mr. Howard,

THE JEWS A REMARKABLE LETTER METHODS IN ENGLAND

In the course of a letter Mr. Alfred Walmar writes on the Jewish question in Limerick: 7, Lydia-street, Stepney, London, 18th April, 1904.

Although a Protestant, yet I am in full sympathy with the movement, and wish it every success. Three years ago we started a movement in which all parties joined, irrespective of politics or creed, to restrict at least, the influx of those undesirable aliens, who have ruined hundreds of British tradesmen and shopkeepers, some of whom have inherited their business, &c. from their fathers, by underselling and using the same means as stated in Limerick (*vide Daily Express*, 18.4.04), sweating and usury. Thousands of British workmen have been driven from the homes of their birth and living, through the exorbitant rents demanded by the Jewish landlords, who have bought up in Stepney alone, within the last six years over one hundred streets, which are entirely absorbed by the Jews, the British workman being ousted from his home. From the corner of Oldgate (city) to East India Dock Road, a distance of about two miles, two thirds of the shops and houses are occupied by Jews. Only a few weeks ago an English woman in Stepney, who had lived in the same house for 25 years, was told by a Jewish landlord, who had recently acquired the property, that her rent would be raised by 5s from the following Monday. She replied that she could not afford to pay such an increase, and would have to leave. "And a good job, too," said the man. "There are too many of you people about here already." (*vide National Review*, page 213, February, 1904.) Anyone walking through the streets in the East End of London would believe he is in Palestine: he will hear foreign language unknown to the English race; see nothing but Jewish faces, who defiantly occupy the pavement, compelling the British workman to step aside. Churches and chapels are standing amidst an avenging mass of aliens' fury, a living memento of past grandeur. Ere this century closes the Jew will be the dominating power not only in London, but also in the provinces. "We Jews have turned Englishmen into the street before, and we can do it again," was said to an English woman in the above street where I live, by a Jew, who intended to inspect the houses, which were for sale. "The King is yours but the country is ours," is a common phrase in the East End used by the Jews. I could quote a case that would make the blood boil in the heart of every Christian, yet emanating from a child, who came running to her mother on a Sunday afternoon, stating a Jew had called Christ a b—d. I refrain from quoting it in full. Would the Jew dare to utter such words in any civilised Christian country except "Free England"? The Press is almost wholly in the power of the Jews, and the few remaining papers are afraid to speak out in plain words. I do not blame the Russian Government for expelling a race, alien in creed, thought, idea, mode and manners of living, etc.; the tiger of the human race, the vampire which is sucking the life's blood out of the workman's body. Is not the Jewish race detected by every nation which afforded them shelter? Why? Because it is the inborn instinct of the Jewish race to become the dominating power of the country which has given them an asylum. I do not advocate violence or force, which I abhor, but I advise to adopt the same tactics as used by the Jews against the Christian races. I could quote enough instances to fill many pages, of Jewish usury, sweating, insolence and arrogance, but I believe I have stated enough to stimulate you in your grand work, one who has the courage of his opinion. May God speed and heaven protect you in your efforts to stem the power of a race which is a standing danger to Christianity. Would to God Englishmen would rouse and initiate the example of their Irish brothers and sisters, but alas the British workman is more interested in football, cricket, and betting than in his own moral and social welfare.

ALFRED WALMAR.

"THE NEW TERROR"

SPORTING NEWS (SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.)

PONTEFRAC T MEETING—THIS DAY.

The Selling Handicap Plate—Begone, 1; Dame Lucy, 2; Doll Keene, 5. Nineteen ran. Betting—9 to 4 agt the winner.
The Alexandra, Walter Handicap Plate—Viper, 1; Thor, 2; Ethel May, 3. Seven ran. Betting—4 to 1 agt the winner.
The Victoria Plate—Irish Bride, 1; Buoyantly, 2; Certificate colt, 3. Nine ran. Betting—5 to 2 on the winner.
The Juvenile Selling Plate—Traitor, 1; Polly Jones, 2; Worcester Flo, 3. Nine ran. Betting—3 to 1 agt the winner.
The Carleton Handicap Plate—Leviathan, 1; Craigmount, 2; North Deighton, 3. Six ran. Betting—5 to 1 agt the winner.
The Park Plate—Handcut, 1; Royal Gard, 2; Master Camy, 3. Five ran. Betting—6 to 4 agt the winner.

SANDOWN PARK MEETING—THIS DAY.

The Clays Plate—Surrender colt, 1; Chronos, 2; Flower of Teviot filly, 3. Twelve ran. Betting—8 to 1 agt the winner.
The Sandown Park Stud Produce Stakes—Vedas, 1; Norman Bride, 2; Khammurabi, 3. Ten ran. Betting—3 to 1 agt the winner.
The Tudor Plate—Admiral Breeze, 1; Mountain King, 2; Corday colt, 3. Fifteen ran. Betting—100 to 8 agt the winner.
The Walton Two Year Old Selling Plate—Evacuation, 1; The Greek, 2; Harpury, 3. Twelve ran. Betting—20 to 1 agt the winner.
The Twickenham Handicap—Mouravill, 1; Pan Michael, 2; Wild Willow, 3. Twelve ran. Betting—6 to 1 agt the winner.
The Guildford Handicap—Pure Gold, 1; Aralia, 2; Olaner, 3. Fourteen ran. Betting—8 to 1 agt the winner.

RUGBY

Transfield Cup Competition

Young Munsters v Rovers meet in the this match in above competition on Sunday next at Market Field. Kick off, 3.45.

G. A. A.

LIMERICK COUNTY BOARD

FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW BOARD

The first meeting of the new County Board was held at the Commercial Hotel on Wednesday, 17th inst. L. Roche in the chair. Also present—Messrs O'Rourke, V.P.; W. Sheehan, D.C.; T. M'Namee, P. Meany, M. J. Creed, P. Leahy, O. D. Coll, O'Sullivan, T. Landon, J. D. O'Neill, T. Campick, P. O'Reilly, J. O'Reilly, and P. J. Hayes.

Co option

Mr Con Leahy was co-opted a member of the County Board for Colmanawell.

New Club

Castlemahon football team affiliated to the board for 1904.

Objections

The objection by Clounagh against Milford (Cork) in reference to the match for the Ballingall Tournament again came before the board, and was decided by 8 votes to 3 that the match be played, with a member the County Board referee. The match between Reens Pike and Castlemahon in the same tournament was order to be replay as Castlemahon was illegal to play, and not be affiliated at the time of the match.

London Hurlers to Visit Limerick

The Secretary read a letter which he had from Mr H. A. Kearney, hon. sec, Brian Boru Hurling Club, stating that they had decided to send a hurling team to Ireland this year, and would the first visit to Limerick.

The board were very pleased to hear that a prominent club was to visit Limerick in the future, and the secretary was instructed to communicate with the London secretary, and make arrangements for the match.

Fixtures—Hurling.