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The announcement of this proposal (withheld from Ireland for six years after the passage of the bill for imposing or interfering with the town taxes) caused the house of commons to stand aghast. It was received with a protest. It was left to us to protest in the name of the Irish people against a proposal involving national humiliation and calculated to reduce the Irish legislature to impotency.

Signed in behalf of the Independents,

PUZZLING QUESTIONS.

The Victoria Disaster and India's Currency.

CONSIDERED BY THE COMMONS.

Interrogations Which the British Admiralty Declines to Answer—The Latest From the Great Disaster—How the Accident Occurred—Orders Misunderstood.

LONDON, June 27.—A number of questions were asked by members of the house of commons regarding the foundering of the Victoria.

Replying to these questions the Rt. Hon. Sir U. Kay-Shuttleworth, secretary to the admiralty, said there was reason to hope from telegrams received from the British consul general at Tripoli, Mr. N. T. Moore, that the number of persons drowned by the sinking of the ship would be under the estimates at first made. Some of the men belonging to the Victoria had been detached temporarily from that vessel, and delayed for duty on other vessels of the fleet during the maneuvers. These men had of course escaped. So far as now ascertained, the lost numbered 360, comprising 22 officers and 338 men. The saved numbered 287, including 26 officers and 261 men.

Don't Want Questions Asked. Dr. Washburn asked if the government intended keep the San Pareil, the sister ship of the Victoria, in commission or to have her ordered home from the Mediterranean in order to have experts consider her construction and ascertain what, if anything, was the matter with it. The admiralty strongly deprecated the asking of such questions, saying that the time had not come when they ought to be asked. This statement was greeted with cries of "Hear!" "Hear!"

Silver For India. In the house of commons Mr. Gladstone gave information similar to that given in the house of lords by the Earl of Kimberley. He added that gold would not be made a legal tender at present. Regarding the silver now on the way to India, Mr. Gladstone said that the government of India had been instructed that it was open to it to admit this silver to the mints if it thought fit. The Right Hon. J. G. Goschen, formerly chancellor of the exchequer, asked if the admission to free coinage of the silver now going to India would not establish a great injury or effect the destruction of such silver as was in the hands of the natives. Mr. Goschen said that the value of the silver possessed by the natives amounted to 100,000,000 rupees. Replying to Mr. Goschen, Mr. Gladstone said that he was not in possession of precise information, but he assumed that the Indian government would not make discrimination to the disadvantage of the natives holding uncoined silver. Doubtless, most of the uncoined silver referred to by Mr. Goschen was in the form of ornaments worn by the natives.

Looking to the United States.

The correspondence between the government of India and the India office has been issued. It opens with a letter from the Indian council under date of March, 1892, urging the home government to aid in the settlement of the silver question by an international agreement, failing which, not to defer deter-

mining upon an Indian policy, as, if an international agreement should not be obtained, the United States might suddenly stop the coinage of silver, leaving India unprepared. The other communications discuss the fall in the rupee value, and the fluctuation in the rates of exchange. In a minute Mr. Barbour, financial secretary of India, opposes the stoppage of free coinage until it becomes evident that the United States will not adopt free coinage. Mr. Barbour estimates that the total active circulation will amount to 15,000,000 rupees, while a much larger proportion is hoarded.

Impolitic to Make Gold the Standard. To establish a gold currency with a full legal tender currency, composed entirely of gold, it would be necessary to withdraw from circulation 1,150,000,000 rupees, replacing them by 477,000,000 in gold. He therefore contended that with a gold standard in India, a large portion of the circulation must continue in silver, with silver a legal tender to any amount. If both metals be maintained in circulation a gold coinage to the total amount of £15,000,000 will suffice. Mr. Long in a minute to the council in August, 1892, discusses the adoption of the gold standard, and he concludes by suggesting that the ratio be about 1 to 20.

In a telegram from the Earl of Kimberley, dated June, 1893, the earl announces that the recommendations of the Herschell commission were adopted by the council at Simla. In advising the Indian government to exchange gold at the rate of 60 to the rupee, the commission says the object is to guard against a considerable rise in the exchange. Hereafter the ratio ought to be raised, if circumstances make it advisable.

THE LOST VICTORIA.

The Manner in Which the Accident Occurred Detailed.

NEW YORK, June 27.—The Evening World published an extra, in which was the following cable dispatch from Tripoli, regarding the sinking of her majesty's battleship Victoria:

Markham's Fatal Delay.

When they were within five miles of shore, Vice Admiral Sir George Tryon signaled to turn and form in double line. Whether because Admiral Markham of the Camperdown could not believe this movement was to be tried when the ships were so close together, or because he thought Admiral Tryon had miscalculated the distance, he did not set about executing the order, but signaled that he did not understand it. The Victoria began to turn at once as she still held the signal. The Camperdown no longer hesitated, but began to turn. The brief delay, however, had been fatal.

No Opportunity to Escape.

The Victoria had nearly turned and the Camperdown, swinging around, bore down upon her. The 12-foot ram of the Camperdown struck the hull of the Victoria just in front of her armored bulkhead and plunged into the thin plates of her starboard side. Admiral Tryon tried

to make the snore with the Victoria, and had gone about two miles when she careened and plunged beneath the waters, with her propellers still revolving. So sudden was this there was no time for any but those on deck to even attempt to save themselves.

Disorderly Socialists.

BERLIN, June 27.—The taking of the second ballots have been accompanied by riotous socialist demonstrations in several cities.

Jurors Approved.

BERLIN, June 27.—The list of German jurors for the Chicago World's fair has been officially approved.

NEW HAMPSHIRE DAY.

State Building at the World's Fair Formally Dedicated.

CHICAGO, June 27.—The weather is still bright and pleasant, and the World's fair visitors are making the most of it. More had passed the turnstiles up to 11 a. m. than during the entire day Sunday, and the indications are that the total for the day will be three times as great.

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The Kansas Campaign.

TOPEKA, June 27.—Aside from the interest centered in the election of county officers in Kansas this fall, the fight that will be waged in 14 judicial districts will be the most determined in the history of Kansas, for the reason that the new party is determined, if possible, to wrest the judiciary from the hands of the Republicans. In the 14 districts in which elections will take place this year, the new party has a decided advantage.

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