

RISE OF HOME RULE

As American's Impressions of Conditions in Ireland.

POLITICAL BALANCE OF POWER

Struggle for Self-Government Paralleled in Canada—Contrasts Wrought in South Africa.

The political situation in Great Britain developed by the election just closed practically places the balance of power in the hands of the Irish nationalists.

With the nationalists self-government for Ireland is the dominant issue, the sole reason for its existence, the aspiration and inspiration of a determined struggle against power, prejudice and wealth heretofore maintained for a century.

Whoever imagines that the subject of Ireland's grievances has been worn threadbare by repetition will be pleasantly disappointed on reading "Ireland, Yesterday and Today."

Like every other American correspondent who has gone to Ireland to investigate conditions there, Mr. Sunderland condemns English rule in Ireland as oppressive, unwieldy, excessively costly, and wholly out of sympathy with the people.

By every test that can be applied the present system of governing Ireland is a failure. It is complicated, costly, irremediable, incumbered with prejudices and injustices, a detriment to the advancement of the country and its people, because it is wholly removed from and antagonistic to the public opinion of the nation.

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as foreigners. Their sole purpose is to serve Ireland, to win for it every advantage they can, and frequently they accomplish their ends by hampering and obstructing the business of the empire.

Self-Government and Loyalty. Surely this is a strange attitude when the history of the British empire shows, as might be expected, that loyalty is the result, and not the forerunner, of self-government.

Let those who condemn Ireland for demanding home rule while opposing imperial policies consider the case of Canada, as remarkable a parallel as may be found in history.

During all this time the Canadian "ulster" was, of course, active, loudly proclaiming its loyalty to England, not to Canada, and calling upon the government to exterminate the propaganda of the majority and restore the rule of the minority.

Two Curious Pictures. As I close these letters two curious pictures come to me. On a bright June day in 1909 I stood on the railroad platform at Pretoria, chatting with a stout, bearded man who leaned over the rear platform of a train.

The other picture was seven years later—May, 1907. Outside the Guild hall in London, the streets are packed with dense crowds, the buildings gay with many flags, over the stony hills to the southward came the irregular thud of field guns, for the attacking army was closing in on the Boer capital. Presently the train pulled out, the man on the rear platform waving a courteous good-bye.

Religious Notes. The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, gation, unanimously called to its pastorate Rev. Henry Johnson, present pastor of Carr Lane Congregational church of Birmingham, England, and offered him one of the highest salaries ever extended by a New York congregation to any man to be its pastor.

Rev. Theodore T. Munger, D. D., LL. D., retired minister of the United Congregational church, of New Haven, and former one of the most prominent congregationalists in Connecticut, died of apoplexy recently. He was 89 years old, and was graduated from Yale in 1851. He was the author of "The Willing Servant," "The Threshold," and "The Freedom of Faith."

Rev. Xavier Sutton of the Passaicat Order recently gave a non-Catholic mission of eight lectures at Willow Hill, N. J., a town of about 800 inhabitants, in which there is not a single Catholic resident.

BUSY AND TIRELESS KAISER

Every-Day Life of the Energetic German Emperor.

RIDING AND HUNTING HIS SPORTS

Energy in His Play as Well as His Work—Moderation at the Table—Surprisingly Frank of Speech to Visitors.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The kaiser's voice was originally strong by nature, and it remains so to this day. It never seems tired even when, as he often does, he reads aloud for the pleasure and benefit of himself and a party of friends.

The human voice is usually a good index to the state of a person's general health. This is true of the kaiser. Born with an exceptionally sound constitution, he has not failed to develop and strengthen it by careful treatment.

Notwithstanding the difficulties created by the partial uselessness of one arm, the kaiser is a great lover of lawn tennis. Golfers would probably explain this by saying that he has never learned to play golf.

He takes it seriously, as he does all things, and it is seldom that he ceases play before he has had two hours exercise at it. He is a fair player and wisely chooses partners and opponents of greater skill than himself so that he must put forth all his powers to keep level with them.

Next to riding, particularly at the head of his cavalry in manoeuvres, he takes delight in hunting. A tireless stalker and excellent shot, he will follow the quarry at his hunting place at Rominten for long hours at a time, bringing down his deer on occasion from a distance of 200 or more paces.

He bears likewise duties of his station which he performs with the greatest efficiency. At manoeuvres he has been known to spend the night until 3 in the morning, with his generals consulting on plans for the next day's work, and yet at 4 o'clock, after a two hour rest, to be up and in the saddle ready for the field day before him.

Rest on Sunday. On Sunday there is a complete rest, for if the kaiser is unconventional in many things, in political matters at least, he is entirely conventional in his observance of the teachings of religion, and among those regarding the keeping of the Sabbath. It may here be noted that it is strange that against a man who all through his reign has constantly insisted by word and deed on the strictest tenet of the highest spirit of Christianity the accusation of a bad faith, particularly with regard to war and peace, should so often be brought. The accusation indeed is not made against him in his own country or by his own people; in Germany the notion that the kaiser is planning war, or, in any other way, is accused as obviously untrue.

Yet the emperor is no puritan, save in morals. His idea of the way to spend the Sabbath is no narrow, but he is naturally perhaps, what may be termed the continental view of it, a day to be devoted to God indeed, but not so as to exclude the recreation, even amusement, which is to prepare the body for the work of the week to come.

The kaiser eats a substantial breakfast and midday meal, but carefully avoids anything with an appetite for a heavy dinner. The breakfast is after the English fashion, including tea and fish or flesh, the former being more favored than the latter. Lunch at 1 o'clock is the next meal, and at it the kaiser usually partakes heartily.

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caught. It is, therefore, part of the duty of the crew to fish, and when a capture is made the catch must be brought to the kaiser for inspection not only that he may see if it promises good eating, but also as a test for his acquaintance with the inhabitants of the sea. Nothing more delights him than to be able to recognize some rare species and dilate on its properties and place in natural history to his encouragement.

Moderate in Smoking and Drinking. The kaiser is that rare thing, a moderate smoker. As a young man he smoked more than now, but he found that it interfered with work particularly when writing, and doubtless also with some remembrance of the throat affection of 1903, he now keeps himself within moderate limits.

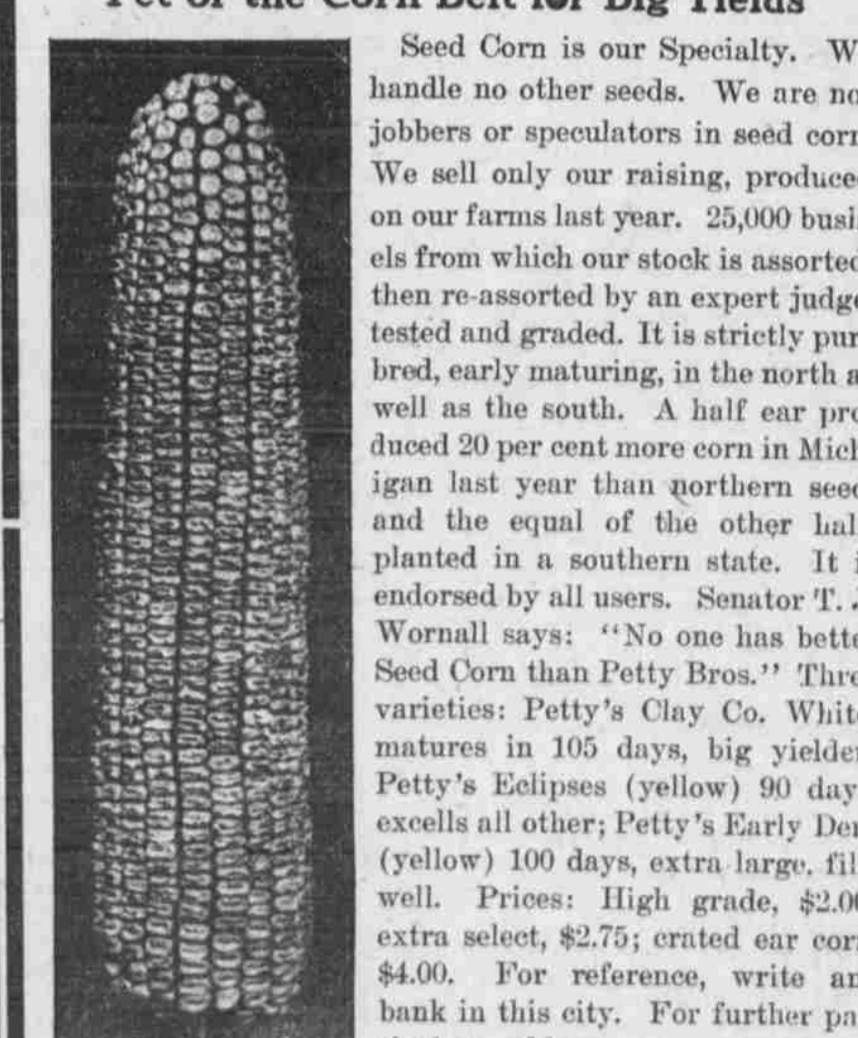
for the kaiser's eyes if keen are kindly, and unless the visitor is an ambassador, who usually speaks first, the kaiser at once opens the conversation. It has been said that the kaiser has a habit of monopolizing the conversation and is impatient of contradiction. The majority of those who have met him and spoken afterward on the subject declare that this is not the case. It is universally admitted that when talking to the kaiser all sense of embarrassment is soon lost, for he makes one talk however inclined one might naturally be only or chiefly to listen courteously and respectfully. It is etiquette, naturally so, for the visitors to allow the kaiser to lead the conversation.

way in which he expresses his opinions on subjects of the highest importance. Two or three instances of the latter quality have by being repeated led to great and angry discussion. The interview with the American who repeated his comments on the necessity of Europe uniting in face of the yellow peril is not yet forgotten. Indeed the besting sin of frankness on the kaiser's part on a great number of occasions became obvious on the publication of the celebrated Daily Telegraph interview and of the so-called Tweedmouth letter. But whatever be the subject of the kaiser's conversation—he is by etiquette always supposed to suggest the topic—the charm of his frankness remains, and this with an entire absence of pomp, immediately puts the stranger at his ease.

Assuming the audience to be in Berlin, the ambassador is driven into the palace courtyard and the carriage draws up at a side entrance leading to the royal apartments on the first floor. There are a couple of servants in livery at the entrance to show the visitor up the flight of stairs at the top of which is standing a chamberlain, possibly the court marshal himself or a vice-master of ceremonies. A dozen lackeys with powdered heads and purple liveries and pink silk stockings are kneeling in the office. The court marshal, after bowing to the visitor, precedes him to the antechamber of the reception chamber if the audience is indoors, or if the audience is outdoors, as frequently happens when the weather is fine, and particularly of course in summer, to the garden of the palace bordering on the Sprea, if it is at Potsdam to the small pavilion in a garden of the new palace, outside of which the kaiser will probably be found.

From this moment the sense of embarrassment drops away from the visitor. The visitor on seeing the kaiser makes a bow and advances toward his host who probably comes a step or two forward. Arrived close up, the visitor bows again, and as he raises himself finds the kaiser's hand outstretched to greet him. It is a full and warm grasp, far different from the cold and perfunctory shake of ordinary Germans.

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