THEATRE TO BE DEVOTED TO DRAMA IN GAELIC

Rich Englishwoman Contributes $10,000 for the Purpose—National Exhibition Being Urged Instead of an International One Planned for Ireland.

(Special Correspondence of The Evening World.)
(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

DUBLIN, Ireland, Aug. 12.—There is in this city a small theatre, popularly known as "The Mechanics," and famous in the days of young Ireland and of the Fenian movement as a rallying place for the enemies of the Gaelic, which has of late years fallen into decay. A wealthy English lady—an enthusiastic admirer of Mr. Yeats—has applied for a patent to produce drama at this theatre. It is her intention to spend about $10,000 in renovating the building, and then to hand it over to the Irish Theatre Society, of which Yeats is President, for the production of Irish and classic drama.

Her application was opposed by the other theatre proprietors in Dublin, and supported by a number of men prominent in literary and other walks of life. Eventually the application was held over to see if an agreement could be effected with the opponents of the application. The result is awaited with considerable interest.

The work of the eighth Oireachtas, or gathering and festival of the Gaelic League, which was in session here for a week, was extremely productive.

Dublin Crowded with Visitors.

The capital was thronged by visitors and delegates from the provinces and overseas, and the celebrated rotunda was the centre of attraction. There throughout the week, from 10 in the forenoon until near midnight, an uninterrupted series of competitions and entertainments were carried on each day, competitions in Irish vocal and instrumental music, oratory, dancing, &c. There were entertainments comprising dramas and farces in the Irish tongue, concerts and literary conversazioni. In addition an industrial exhibition, principally devoted to the display of the cottage industries in the Irish-speaking districts, was this year opened in connection with the festival and proved a wonderful attraction.

One of the most interesting exhibits was one of Irish toys made by the peasants on our northern coast. These are remarkable for ingenuity and humor, far surpassing in those respects the finished products of the Continent. Great assemblages each night thronged the rotunda, which was visited by Cardinal Vannutelli, the Papal Legate, in company with Dr. Walsh, the Catholic Archbishop. His Eminence, who was loudly cheered, speaking in Italian, expressed his good wishes for the success of the Irish language revival movement. On the previous Sunday he had been presented with an address by the Dublin Corporation in the Irish tongue, the address being read by Alderman Cole, who was garbed in Irish fifteenth century costume.

Entertained by Lord Mayor.

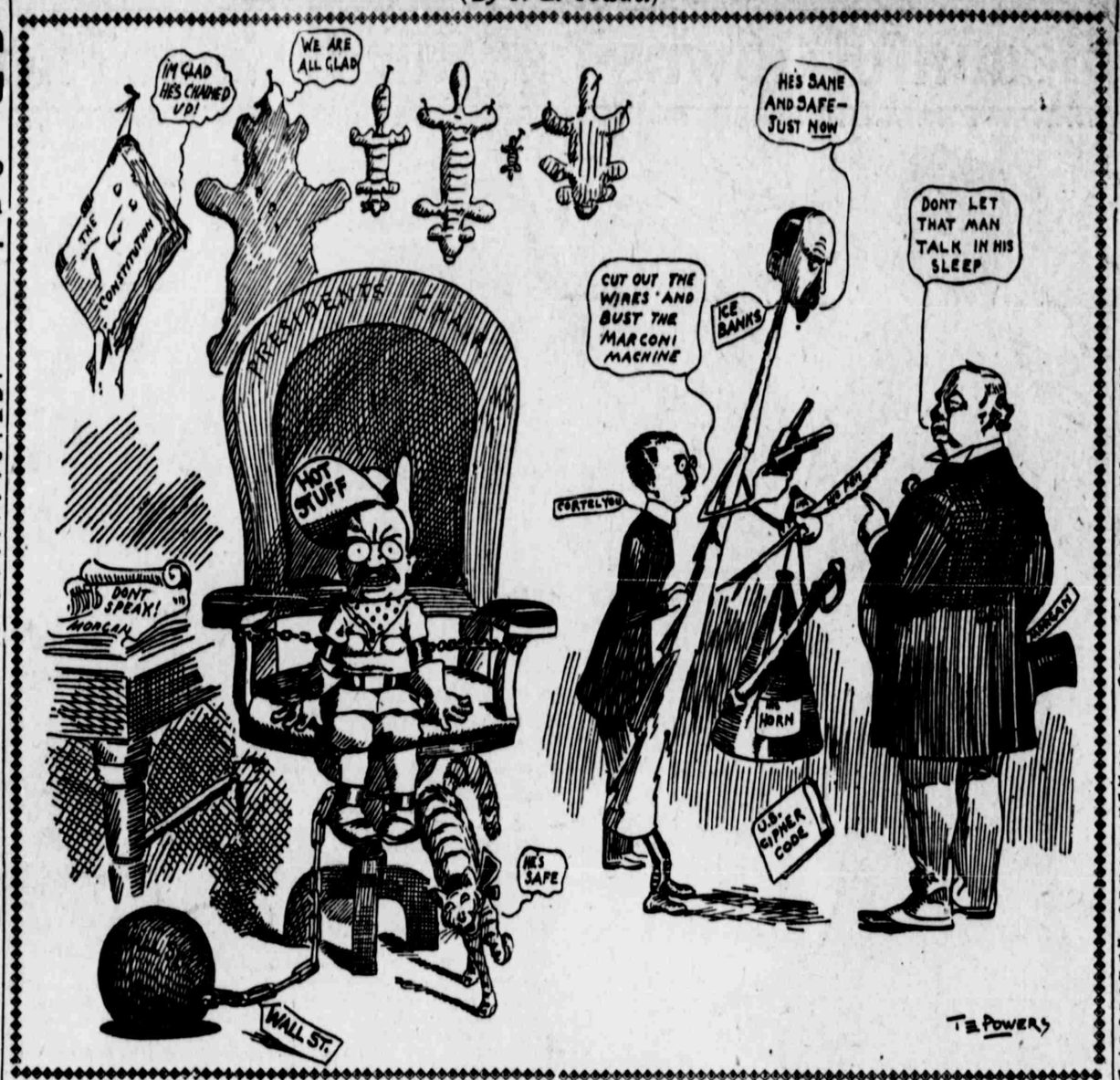
The delegates to the Ard Thela, or annual convention of the Gaelic League, together with the prominent supporters and friends of the movement, were entertained in the Mansion House. Fully 2,000 persons were present, and the scene was the most brilliant and joyous one witnessed for many years. Many of the male guests came dressed in Irish mediaeval costume, and several of the ladies were garbed in the flowing white and blue robe associated with "Tara's Halls." Among the visitors from distant countries present were Senor Balfin and Senor Rath, of the Argentine Republic; Mr. J. J. Collins, of Kimberley, South Africa; the Rev. Father Roche, Australia; Rev. Dr. Kelly, Washington, and several from Brittany, Spain, and other European countries. The reception lasted from 8 P. M. to 2 A. M., and was a most enjoyable function.

Resolutions Are Patriotic.

Resolutions were adopted condemning the project of holding an international exhibition in Ireland and warmly supporting the National Exhibition project; calling on the managers of the training colleges, Catholic and Protestant, to make the Irish language a compulsory subject in their curricula, and on the Catholic Bishops to make a knowledge of Irish essential to the admission of students to Maynooth. A deputation from the Coisde Gnotha, or Executive Council, has been appointed to wait on the bishops to urge this reform. If it be conceded—and if the profession of sympathy with the language movement made by the Irish Catholic hierarchy be real—it will be conceded, it will mean that in future Irish will be taught in every Catholic seminary in Ireland, and the future priesthood will be bi-lingual. A resolution was also adopted unanimously declaring that no university save "an Irish university conducted on national lines" would be satisfactory to Ireland.

THE COUNTRY IS SAFE.

(By T. E. Powers.)



Is he safe? Is he sane?
Yes; he's fastened with a chain.

NIHILISTS SAY CZARINA GAVE BIRTH TO A GIRL

They Declare that a Peasant Woman's Boy Was Substituted for the Imperial Infant to Prevent a Popular Revolt.

PARIS, Aug. 20.—Russian revolutionists here declare positively that the Empress of Russia really gave birth to a female child, for whom, at her birth a male child was substituted—a peasant woman's baby.

The revolutionists vouch for the truth of this statement and, astounding as it is, they insist that it comes from a perfectly reliable source, and that it will be verified later.

The Nihilists say that the internal condition of Russia is such—and it is made more precarious by the reverses in the Far East—that had the people been disappointed again in their hope of the birth of a Czarevitch a revolt would have been imminent.

This danger, magnified by the probability of the fall of Port Arthur at any moment, caused the Czar's advisers to take their precautions.

Peasant Smuggled.

A peasant about to become a mother was smuggled into the Alexandra Villa at Peterhof, where the Empress awaited the immensely important event. The Nihilists pretend even to go into particulars and aver that the Czarina was blessed with a girl, the fifth, the day before a boy came to the peasant. The fact of the Czarina's accouchement was concealed until the baby boy was taken from his humble mother's arms, presented to the Czar's relatives and the Court and placed in the Imperial cradle.

Improbable as this story appears, it must be remembered that the revolutionists have extraordinary underground means of intercommunication all over Europe. The Russian Revolutionary Committee in Paris had news, via Geneva, that Von Plehve was assassinated some time before the fact was known on the Bourse. No one can doubt that men who are revolutionists at heart have access to the innermost recesses of the Czar's palaces. It is well known that after Von Plehve's death a Nihilistic pronunciamento was placed in the Czar's private cabinet.

Palace Guards Increased.

Since the birth of the Czarevitch the palace guards have been increased in number by two hundred, commanded by officers chosen for their proved devotion to the Czar. Russian official circles are alarmed by that other danger, the intense activity of the revolutionists. But the precautions of the police are not regarded as effective, because the force is honeycombed with Nihilists.

During the Czarina's retirement before her son's birth she amused herself, to the Czar's great delight, by drawing caricatures of the court functionaries. He asked the Empress to sketch him, and she did so. But so far from being delighted with the caricature of himself, the Czar immediately burned it. It represented him, crowned and holding the sceptre, in a child's perambulator. His mother, the Empress Dowager, who has tremendous influence over him, was pushing the perambulator.

Empress and Czarevitch Well.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 20.—The Imperial family will remain at the Peterhof Palace until Aug. 28, when they will go to Tsarskoe-Selo. The Empress and the Czarevitch are progressing satisfactorily.

Grand Duke Boris, who is on the way to St. Petersburg from the Far East, is bringing a letter on behalf of Gen. Kuropatkin and his army congratulating the Emperor on the birth of an heir to the throne.

SUFFERING FROM APHASIA.

Man Found Wandering Aimlessly at Ozone Park Yesterday.

Patrolman Kenny, of the Jamaica Precinct, found a man wandering aimlessly at Rockaway road and McCormack street, Ozone Park, yesterday. He was taken to St. Mary's Hospital by Dr. Mitchel, and is apparently suffering from aphasia.

In a pocket was found fifty-one brand new $1 bills. In the same pocket was a band such as used in banks, which was stamped $50. There was also a bank book showing a deposit of $1,000. The bank book was made out to Marvin Mudzinski, No. 79 Gold street, Brooklyn. The man is about thirty-five years old, and has the appearance of a well-to-do mechanic.

He is being held by the Jamaica police as a prisoner in the hospital.

ASUNCION ISOLATED.

Paraguayan Insurgents Send Ultimatum to President Escurra.

BUENOS AYRES, Aug. 19.—The Paraguayan insurgents have seized another steamer, having on board the Minister of War and a small escort, all of whom were made prisoners.

The insurgent commander, with 2,000 land forces, is approaching Asuncion, the capital, which is now completely isolated.

To offers of intervention made by the Ministers of France, Italy, Argentina and Brazil the insurgent leaders replied that they would permit President Escurra to continue in office, but would demand the resignation of the Ministers and other high officials of the Government. The insurgents' terms were conveyed to the Government officials and promptly declined.

The insurgents then sent an ultimatum demanding the surrender of the capital within twenty-four hours.

WOMEN MUST HAVE ESCORTS

Will Not Be Allowed to Enter Yonkers Parks Alone.

Hereafter women and girls will not be permitted to enter the parks in Yonkers without proper protection. This rule was laid down by the Park Board of Yonkers at its last meeting and will go into effect.

What constitutes "proper protection" the Park Board fails to state. It also does not say whether married women will be admitted to the park at night.

These important points will be left to the discretion of the police, or to the courts in case arrests are made, so it is alleged.

SAYS PARTNER TOOK $7,000.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 19.—Joseph Cantor, of the firm of Lehr, Cantor & Co., wholesale jewelers, to-day asked for a warrant for the arrest of his partner, Ira H. Lehr, who Cantor says disappeared with $7,000 worth of jewelry belonging to the firm. As there is a technicality in law about partners stealing from one another, Cantor was advised to consult with the prosecuting attorney.

Lehr came to Cincinnati from New York, where he was in the jewelry business and where he has well-to-do relatives. Lehr's wife, of six weeks, is heartbroken in St. Louis at his disappearance.

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