

as the Roman Catholic church is known in Ireland, has intervened in the Irish peace negotiations. The most Rev. Edward Mulhern, Bishop of Dromore, came to Dublin tonight with a message from the highest authority, which he delivered to Eamon De Valera and the other Sinn Fein leaders. There were long consultations over the message. Asked whether the message came from the "Cardinal" meaning Cardinal Logue, the Primate of Ireland, a priest who accompanied Mgr Mulhern replied in the negative. This was considered in some circles here as possibly meaning that Rome had intervened.

Dublin, Aug. 22nd.—The Dail Eireann held two secret sessions today to consider the question of what shall be its reply to the British Govts. offer. It adjourned this evening without having arrived at any decision, but will meet again tomorrow in private, simultaneously with the gathering of the Sinn Fein Executive Committee. This evening the following official communication was issued. The Dail Eireann met this morning at 11 o'clock, adjourned at 2 o'clock, reassembled at 4 o'clock and rose at 6 o'clock. It was occupied all day with Mr. Lloyd George's proposals. It will meet again tomorrow. There were no long speeches delivered at today's meeting of the Dail Eireann. Any Deputy speaking for more than 5 or 10 minutes would make himself unpopular, except of course Mr. De Valera or other members of the Cabinet when making an explanatory statement. One of the members said tonight that thus far the deputies merely had shown considerable curiosity concerning the terms of the Govts. offer and that the members of the Cabinet had been called upon for explanations from all parts of the room in the Mansion House at which the sessions of the Parliament are being held.

Dublin, Aug. 22nd.—The Irish bulletin tonight prints a long argument contrasting the British Govt.'s dealings with North-east Ulster and the remainder of Ireland. "Compulsory free trade" says the bulletin, "is imposed between Ireland and Great Britain." There is no such obligation between Ulster and Ireland, but there are proposals involving a custom barrier between them. This is the traditional policy of using Ulster as the bridgehead for maintaining British military rule in Ireland." The bulletin says it declines to believe that the speech in Parliament last week of Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Curzon constituted the Govt.'s last word. It adds that the Irish people do not desire a renewal of the warfare, but that they will face renewal without hesitation in order to preserve their natural honor.

Dublin, Aug. 23rd.—Irish Republican leaders gathered here to frame the reply to the British Govt.'s offer of dominion status for Ireland divided their activities today between the secret session of the

Dail Eireann and a meeting of the executive committee of the Sinn Fein. The meetings of the two bodies were held in the Mansion House, and it was believed that both would concern themselves with the attitude taken by the Irish Republicans towards the terms laid down by Mr. Lloyd George as the basis of a settlement of the Irish controversy.

Smyrna, Aug.—It is reported that the Greeks have forced a passage of the Sakaria river and are pushing the forces of Mustapha Kemal Pasha towards Angora. The Greek front now extends ten miles eastward of the river. An official communication probably will not be published before the final Greek attack or the occupation of Angora. The Turks are fighting desperately on the mountains on both sides of the railroad in Angora.

London, Aug. 23rd.—It is stated unofficially that the census of England and Wales, taken on June 19th, will show an increase of about two millions in population, notwithstanding the country's war losses.

Howden, England, Aug. 23rd.—The dirigible ZR-2, purchased from Great Britain by the United States, commenced a trial trip at seven ten o'clock this morning. British and United States aerial officers were in charge of the giant balloon, which will start on its night across the Atlantic to the United States as soon as practicable. If the conclusion of today's test should be successful, Commander Maxfield, with the concurrence of the Naval Department in Washington, will take over the craft. The next step will be the training the crew in one or two fifteen or twenty hour flights and then, barring unexpected difficulties, all will be ready for the jump off towards America.

Constantinople, Aug. 22nd.—A British airplane which was making a practice flight on Saturday last was brought down within the Turkish lines at Geiveh, 35 miles southeast of Ismid. Its pilot and observer were made prisoners by the Turks, who affirmed they were making a reconnaissance in it for the Greeks. The Turks also declared the flight was proof that the British were assisting the Greeks. As the Turks are refusing to liberate the pilot and observer, the British are expected here to make reprisals against the Turks. British warships have been despatched to the Black Sea.

Washington, Aug. 23rd.—The House today adopted the conference report on the anti-beer bill by a vote of 169 to 81.

Dublin, Aug. 23rd.—The Dail Eireann adjourned until Thursday, when it will again sit privately.

SPECIAL.

Hull, England, Aug. 24th.—The giant British dirigible ZR. 2 which was recently purchased from England by the United States Government exploded over Hull bursting into flames and broke in

two. Latest reports say that only six of the crew of fifty have been rescued.

NEW YORK, August, 24th 1921.
Flour, Blended Clears St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$8.00.
Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$1.95
New Season's Pork per brl. \$37.00
Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$25.00
Sugar---Crystals maximum per 100 lbs. \$4.50

Molasses Sugar 89° test, no quotation.
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 8 90-100d.

Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$3.66

Exchange New York and London, sight \$3.68½

LONDON, August 24th. 1921.
Sugar, Demerara Crystals, per cwt. 44s. —51s.

Muscavado per cwt. 35s. 0—48s. 0.
German Beet 88° f.o.b. no sales
White Java sugar cif United Kingdom 23s. June shipments.

Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.
Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Red nominal per cwt 56s. 58s. nominal.

Cotto good Medium West Indian Sea Island per lb. 26d. nominal.

Bank of England rate of Discount per cent. 5½.

Consols 48.
Three per cent rents in P. & Fcs. 56.50.

DIVIDING EQUALLY.

Two darkies who had been partners in a small junk business decided to close out and quit. So one of them posted a notice on the shop door reading like this:

"Dis am to inform de public dat me an' Ike am goin' out of business. Dem dat owes de firm may settle wid me. Dem dat de firm owes ma, settle wid Ike."—Dallas News.

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THE CHURCH?

There is a cry in the religious world because the attendance at church is so small. Various schemes are tried to interest the people and to secure their attendance. When Jesus was on earth, we are told that when He spoke the word, the people pressed about Him. This same word is what the people desire today. They are tired of hearing about Shakespeare or some national hero, about civil or economic questions.

Drop these, and preach Christ. Pack the sermons full of Words. Let the ministry be in earnest, seeking the help which comes from above, and drawing power will attend their words. Send the audience home with a realization of a mighty spiritual uplift in their hearts, and they will surely come back again. Sheep always come when fed.

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