

# CHANGE TREATMENT OF IRISH PRISONERS

**Government Officials Announce 'Ameliorative' Methods in Handling Offenders.**

## WOULD PREVENT FRICTION

**Rioting Is Renewed in Londonderry Between Unionists and Sinn Feiners.**

BERLIN, April 19.—Important Government regulations were issued to-night fully providing for the treatment of prisoners so as to avoid the consequences of friction which has heretofore constantly prevailed.

The matter has now been reduced to a detailed code. Not only are prisoners in preventive detention under the Defence of the Realm Act, and other untried prisoners, to receive ameliorative treatment, but in the case of convicted prisoners a clear distinction is to be made between men convicted of political offenses and men who, apart from politics, have committed what are generally understood as crimes.

This is taken to mark a change in the temper of the Castle Administration. Viscount French, the Lord Lieutenant, apparently has no intention of resigning his office. He is at present engaged in carrying out the duties of the Chief Secretary. In the absence of Sir Hamar Greenwood at Sandringham, where he is submitting himself for reelection.

BRISTOL, Ireland, April 19.—There was renewed rioting in Londonderry Sunday evening between Unionists and Sinn Feiners, the police clubbing both impartially. Revolvers were used freely. The rioting was so fierce at Carlisle bridge that pedestrians were unable to return to their homes and were stranded for the night.

The bitterness of the fighting between the Unionists and Sinn Feiners led the police to intervene with fixed bayonets. The combatants were driven into their own quarters by this means. The police were heavily stoned by the mob and made several bayonet charges. They succeeded in clearing the streets about midnight.

As the results of Saturday's rioting more than fifty persons were treated in the infirmary. Many others who had been injured declined medical attention. One chemist, it developed, sold seventy-two bandages for use by wounded individuals.

## LLOYD GEORGE TO IGNORE INDICTMENT

**Irish Murder Charge Is Not Taken Seriously.**

LONDON, April 19.—Legal authorities predict that Premier Lloyd George and Viscount French, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, will ignore their indictment by a Cork Grand Jury for the murder of Mayor McCurtain, who was assassinated last month. Though the indictment itself is not taken seriously in Government circles it is admitted that it will not help Irish sentiment in view of the conduct of the home rule bill.

There is no possibility that the Irish bill will be taken up before May. Much interest has been aroused by the news that the Irish bishops have been summoned to Rome. It is reported that the Vatican is aroused by the Irish killings and has called the bishops before the Curia to report.

## FRENCH AROUSED BY NEW TAXATION

**Debate on Finance Bill Provokes Lively Emotion Throughout Country.**

PARIS, April 19.—The running debate on the finance bill in the Chamber of Deputies is bringing home to the French people the fact that they are about to be taxed almost as heavily as were their ancestors before the great revolution. The prospect of this taxation already is provoking lively emotion throughout the country. It is impossible yet to tell how serious will be the discontent.

The French have escaped lightly war taxation as compared with the British taxpayer; but the poorer classes feel that these new taxes are being forced on them because Germany has not been made to live up to the terms of the treaty of Versailles, or otherwise Germany would have paid what she owes for the destruction she caused in France.

It is this feeling that after being called to witness and the German onslaught they are now being required to pay the German debts through the mistakes of the peacemakers which is at the bottom of the increasing social discontent here and abroad. The demand that Premier Millerand shall pursue a firm policy at San Remo for the field execution of the treaty terms.

As Maurice Barres says in the Echo de Paris: "Eight milliards and five hundred millions in new taxes! And yet they will not suffice to pay the cost of the war. And when we have arranged for normal annual expenses and the cost of mobilization and demobilization we will still have to find money for the mutilated and for the widows and orphans and to rebuild ruins. It is Germany who should pay us!"

On all sides—in the homes, the cafes and the tram cars—nothing save the new taxes is discussed, while the sentiments expressed are like those of M. Barres.

As far as the taxation feature of the Government programme goes the debate in the Chamber has already shown that general opinion is opposed to a levy on capital, as proposed by the Socialists. The latest word in this suggestion is that to make it palatable, it should be proposed as a patriotic contribution. On the other hand, there is a determination to make war on the profiteers and to force them to disgorge the huge profits they made during the war.

Potatoes Still in Ground Are Sold. BROWNSVILLE, Texas, April 19.—Thirty-five thousand bushels of new potatoes still in the ground were sold here today for 85 cents per bushel, a record price for potatoes in this region.

## New British Ambassador and His Wife.



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## HOPE FOR IRELAND IS SEEN BY GEDDES

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necessary to move with slowness, always with caution, but one thing I can say positively and without fear of informed contradiction, the inspiration of British policy during the period I have known it has been, if possible, to bring order out of chaos, to extend the boundaries of freedom, to improve the lot of the oppressed, to increase the material prosperity of the world.

"We are trying now as always to meet the legitimate aspirations of the dependent peoples, such as those in India and Egypt, so far as in our judgment is possible without working a mischief where we seek to do good. Similarly in Ireland we are trying to provide political machinery whereby the antagonized sections of the Irish peoples can work out their own internal political situation without economic ruin to Irish interests. If it be true that it takes two to make a quarrel there is in this generation no quarrel between England and Ireland.

"The new home rule bill which passed its second reading in the British House of Commons by a great majority on March 31 is designed with intention to secure that end. When it becomes operative it will be the duty of all British subjects who are not domiciled in Ireland to stand aside and leave those who live there to solve their problem. I venture to add that it will also be helpful if the many in all parts of the world who are not British subjects but are interested in Ireland, likewise stand aside and leave the Irish in Ireland to grapple with their own political difficulties.

**Secession Proposals Rejected.**

"It should, I think, be known that proposals for the secession of Ireland from the British Empire have been submitted to the British Cabinet, but, as announced by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons, have been rejected. A sufficient reason, though only one of many, is that strategically the British Isles form one unit for purposes of defence.

"I have seen it stated that the British Government is pursuing a Pro-Bolshevik policy dictated by purely selfish British ends with regard to trade with Russia. That really is not so. The British Government has frankly expressed the belief that until Russia comes once more into the circle of the producing and trading nations the economic conditions of the world and the cost of living can-

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tioned British Empire. Still I hope that that will not prevent the American people regarding me, when they know me, as a friend, who, when his duty to his own people is done, will esteem it a rare privilege if he is able in any way whatever to serve the interests of the great nation among whom it is his lot to find for a time, and I hope it may be for a long time, a home.

## Welcomed at the Battery.

The diplomat and his wife were welcomed at the Battery at 4:25 in the afternoon and hustled into automobiles that took them to the Pennsylvania Station, where they boarded a special car of the express departing at 5:08 for Washington.

Lady Nancy Astor recently boasted that she was instrumental in helping to choose Sir Auckland to represent in her birthland the hand of her adoption, saying that he was the "brainiest man in the Government today." Sir Auckland is 41 and has crowded much adventure, physical and psychical into his young life, which began in Edinburgh. He was a Lieutenant in the Boer War, and after his marriage became assistant professor of anatomy at Edinburgh University. Later he was a professor in the Royal College of Surgeons in Dublin, and then held a professorship at the McGill University in Montreal, of which he finally became principal.

He joined the British army at the beginning of the world war, going to France as a Major in the Northumberland Fusiliers. He was badly hurt by a fall from his horse and was invalided home, made a Brigadier-General and organized, as Director of Recruiting, the effective recruiting system that combed out the skulkers. He held at the close of the war the mighty job of Minister of National Service and Reconstruction, and was also president of the Board of Trade. He is a Shakespearean scholar, talks English much in the manner of an American and with fluency intermingled with a spirit of Americanese anecdote and humor. He has been a traveller in Europe, Africa and these States, and says he found most of mankind "remarkably like himself."

## MISS APPEL'S BODY FOUND AT VERSAILLES

**Evidence of Suicide of Friends' Welfare Worker.**

PARIS, April 19.—The body of Miss Mary Ellen Appel of Allentown, Pa., a Society of Friends welfare worker who had been missing since April 7, was found in a clump of trees in the vicinity of Versailles last evening. The Versailles authorities said the death was plainly one of suicide by poison. The examining physician said Miss Appel had been dead for eight days.

Miss Appel's body showed no evidence of violence except a slight abrasion over the left eye, which Dr. Fleury

said might have been caused by Miss Appel falling on the stump of a tree near which the body was found. Eight letters addressed to members of her family in America, written legibly and carefully, were found on the body, as well as other letters, 616 francs, a watch, a diamond ring and earrings.

This evening the Versailles judicial authorities summoned before them Miss Allison Fox, to whom Miss Appel had addressed a letter, and later it was said that this letter confirmed the previous theory that Miss Appel had committed suicide.

## AMERICAN AVIATORS FIGHTING FOR POLES

**Kosciusko Squadron Fails Reds Whose Offensive Fails.**

WARSAW, April 19.—According to military observers, the Bolshevik offensive

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The present week has been devoted chiefly to local attacks by Red patrols. Polish aviators flying behind the line report considerable activity there. In the late engagements the Kosciusko Aerial Squadron, composed principally of Americans, made one of the principal raids upon various enemy positions.

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