

12. Cyclops

N1 *-[INT.]*: I was just passing the time of day with old Troy of the D. M. P. at the corner of Arbour hill there and be damned but a bloody sweep came along and he near drove his gear into my eye. I turned around to let him have the weight of my tongue when who should I see dodging along Stony Batter only Joe Hynes.

N1: Lo, Joe. How are you blowing? Did you see that bloody chimneysweep near shove my eye out with his brush?

JOE: Soot's luck. Who's the old ballocks you were talking to?

N1: Old Troy, was in the force. I'm on two minds not to give that fellow in charge for obstructing the thoroughfare with his brooms and ladders.

JOE: What are you doing round those parts?

N1: Devil a much. There's a bloody big foxy thief beyond by the garrison church at the corner of Chicken lane--old Troy was just giving me a wrinkle about him--lifted any God's quantity of tea and sugar to pay three bob a week said he had a farm in the county Down off a hop-of-my-thumb by the name of Moses Herzog over there near Heytesbury street.

JOE: Circumcised?

N1: Ay. A bit off the top. An old plumber named Geraghty. I'm hanging on to his taw now for the past fortnight and I can't get a penny out of him.

JOE: That the lay you're on now?

N1: Ay. How are the mighty fallen! Collector of bad and doubtful debts. But that's the most notorious bloody robber you'd meet in a day's walk and the face on him all pockmarks would hold a shower of rain. TELL HIM says he, I DARE HIM, says he, AND I DOUBLEDARE HIM TO SEND YOU ROUND HERE AGAIN OR IF HE DOES says he, I'LL HAVE HIM SUMMONSED UP BEFORE THE COURT, SO I WILL, FOR TRADING WITHOUT A LICENCE. And he after stuffing himself till he's fit to burst. Jesus, I had to laugh at the little jewy getting his shirt out. HE DRINK ME MY TEAS. HE EAT ME MY SUGARS. BECAUSE HE NO PAY ME MY MONEYS?

N2: For nonperishable goods bought of Moses Herzog, of 13 Saint Kevin's parade in the city of Dublin, Wood quay ward, merchant, hereinafter called the vendor, and sold and delivered to Michael E. Geraghty, esquire, of 29 Arbour hill in the city of Dublin, Arran quay ward, gentleman, hereinafter called the purchaser, videlicet, five pounds avoirdupois of first choice tea at three shillings and no pence per pound avoirdupois and three stone avoirdupois of sugar, crushed crystal, at threepence per pound avoirdupois, the said purchaser debtor to the said vendor of one pound five shillings and sixpence sterling for value received which amount shall be paid by said purchaser to said vendor in weekly instalments every seven calendar days of three shillings and no pence sterling: and the said nonperishable goods shall not be pawned or pledged or sold or otherwise alienated by the said purchaser but shall be and remain and be held to be the sole and exclusive property of the said vendor to be disposed of at his good will and pleasure until the said amount shall have been duly paid by the said purchaser to the said vendor in the manner herein set forth as this day hereby agreed between the said vendor, his heirs, successors, trustees and assigns of the one part and the said purchaser, his heirs, successors, trustees and assigns of the other part.

JOE: Are you a strict t.t.?

N1: Not taking anything between drinks.

JOE: What about paying our respects to our friend?

N1: Who? Sure, he's out in John of God's off his head, poor man.

JOE: Drinking his own stuff?

N1: Ay. Whisky and water on the brain.

JOE: Come around to Barney Kiernan's. I want to see the citizen.

N1: Barney mavourneen's be it. Anything strange or wonderful, Joe?

JOE: Not a word. I was up at that meeting in the City Arms.

N1: -What was that, Joe?

JOE: Cattle traders, about the foot and mouth disease. I want to give the citizen the hard word about it.

N1 -[INT.]: So we went around by the Linenhall barracks and the back of the courthouse talking of one thing or another. Decent fellow Joe when he has it but sure like that he never has it. Jesus, I couldn't get over that bloody foxy Geraghty, the daylight robber. For trading without a licence.

N2: In Inisfail the fair there lies a land, the land of holy Michan. There rises a watchtower beheld of men afar. There sleep the mighty dead as in life they slept, warriors and princes of high renown. A pleasant land it is in sooth of murmuring waters, fishful streams where sport the gurnard, the plaice, the roach, the halibut, the gibbed haddock, the grilse, the dab, the brill, the flounder, the pollock, the mixed coarse fish generally and other denizens of the aqueous kingdom too numerous to be enumerated. In the mild breezes of the west and of the east the lofty trees wave in different directions their firstclass foliage, the wafty sycamore, the Lebanonian cedar, the exalted planetree, the eugenic eucalyptus and other ornaments of the arboreal world with which that region is thoroughly well supplied. Lovely maidens sit in close proximity to the roots of the lovely trees singing the most lovely songs while they play with all kinds of lovely objects as for example golden ingots, silvery fishes, crans of herrings, drafts of eels, codlings, creels of fingerlings, purple seagems and playful insects. And heroes voyage from afar to woo them, from Eblana to Slievemargy, the peerless princes of unfettered Munster and of Connacht the just and of smooth sleek Leinster and of Cruahan's land and of Armagh the splendid and of the noble district of Boyle, princes, the sons of kings.

N2: And there rises a shining palace whose crystal glittering roof is seen by mariners who traverse the extensive sea in barks built expressly for that purpose, and thither come all herds and fatlings and firstfruits of that land for O'Connell Fitzsimon takes toll of them, a chieftain descended from chieftains. Thither the extremely large wains bring foison of the fields, flaskets of cauliflowers, floats of spinach, pineapple chunks, Rangoon beans, strikes of tomatoes, drums of figs, drills of Swedes, spherical potatoes and tallies of iridescent kale, York and Savoy, and trays of onions, pearls of the earth, and punnets of mushrooms and custard marrows and fat vetches and bere and rape and red green yellow brown russet sweet big bitter ripe pomellated apples and chips of strawberries and sieves of gooseberries, pulpy and pelurious, and strawberries fit for princes and raspberries from their canes.

N1 -[INT.]: I dare him, says he, and I doubledare him. Come out here, Geraghty, you notorious bloody hill and dale robber!

N2: And by that way wend the herds innumerable of bellwethers and flushed ewes and shearling rams and lambs and stubble geese and medium steers and roaring mares and polled calves and longwoods and storesheep and Cuffe's prime springers and culls and sowpigs and baconhogs and the various different varieties of highly distinguished swine and Angus heifers and polly bullocks of immaculate pedigree together with prime premiated milchcows and beeves: and there is ever heard a trampling, cackling, roaring, lowing, bleating, bellowing, rumbling, grunting, champing, chewing, of sheep and pigs and heavyhooved kine from pasturelands of Lusk and Rush and Carrickmines and from the streamy vales of Thomond, from the M'Gillicuddy's reeks the inaccessible and lordly Shannon the unfathomable, and from the gentle declivities of the place of the race of Kiar, their udders distended with superabundance of milk and butts of butter and rennets of cheese and farmer's firkins and targets of lamb and crannocks of corn and oblong eggs in great hundreds, various in size, the agate with this dun.

N1 -[INT.]: So we turned into Barney Kiernan's and there, sure enough, was the citizen up in the corner having a great confab with himself and that bloody mangy mongrel, Garryowen, and he waiting for what the sky would drop in the way of drink.

N1: There he is, in his gloryhole, with his cruiskeen lawn and his load of papers, working for the cause.

N1 -[INT.]: The bloody mongrel let a grouse out of him would give you the creeps. Be a corporal work of mercy if someone would take the life of that bloody dog. I'm told for a fact he ate a good part of the breeches off a constabulary man in Santry that came round one time with a blue paper about a licence.

CITIZEN: Stand and deliver.

JOE: That's all right, citizen. Friends here.

CITIZEN: Pass, friends.

N1 -[INT.]: Then he rubs his hand in his eye and says he:

CITIZEN: What's your opinion of the times?

N1 -[INT.]: Doing the rapparee and Rory of the hill. But, begob, Joe was equal to the occasion.

JOE: I think the markets are on a rise, sliding his hand down his fork.

N1 -[INT.]: So begob the citizen claps his paw on his knee and he says:

CITIZEN: Foreign wars is the cause of it.

N1 -[INT.]: And says Joe, sticking his thumb in his pocket:

JOE: It's the Russians wish to tyrannise.

N1: Arrah, give over your bloody coddling, Joe. I've a thirst on me I wouldn't sell for half a crown.

JOE: Give it a name, citizen.

CITIZEN: Wine of the country.

JOE: What's yours?

N1: Ditto MacAnaspey.

JOE: Three pints, Terry. And how's the old heart, citizen?

CITIZEN: Never better, A CHARA. What Garry? Are we going to win? Eh?

N1 -[INT.]: And with that he took the bloody old towser by the scruff of the neck and, by Jesus, he near throttled him.

N2: The figure seated on a large boulder at the foot of a round tower was that of a broadshouldered deepchested stronglimbed frankeyed redhaired freelyfreckled shaggybearded widemouthed largenosed longheaded deepvoiced barekneed brawnyhanded hairylegged ruddyfaced sinewyarmed hero. From shoulder to shoulder he measured several ells and his rocklike mountainous knees were covered, as was likewise the rest of his body wherever visible, with a strong growth of tawny prickly hair in hue and toughness similar to the mountain gorse (ULEX EUROPEUS). The widewinged nostrils, from which bristles of the same tawny hue projected, were of such capaciousness that within their cavernous obscurity the fieldlark might easily have lodged her nest. The eyes in which a tear and a smile strove ever for the mastery were of the dimensions of a goodsized cauliflower. A powerful current of warm breath issued at regular intervals from the profound cavity of his mouth while in rhythmic resonance the loud strong hale reverberations of his formidable heart thundered rumblingly causing the ground, the summit of the lofty tower and the still loftier walls of the cave to vibrate and tremble.

N2: He wore a long unsleeved garment of recently flayed oxhide reaching to the knees in a loose kilt and this was bound about his middle by a girdle of plaited straw and rushes. Beneath this he wore trows of deerskin, roughly stitched with gut. His nether extremities were encased in high Balbriggan buskins dyed in lichen purple, the feet being shod with brogues of salted cowhide laced with the windpipe of the same beast. From his girdle hung a row of seastones which jangled at every movement of his portentous frame and on these were graven with rude yet striking art the tribal images of many Irish heroes and heroines of antiquity, Cuchulin, Conn of hundred battles, Niall of nine hostages, Brian of Kincora, the ardri Malachi, Art MacMurragh, Shane O'Neill, Father John Murphy, Owen Roe, Patrick Sarsfield, Red Hugh O'Donnell, Red Jim MacDermott, Soggarth Eoghan O'Growney, Michael Dwyer, Francy Higgins, Henry Joy McCracken, Goliath, Horace Wheatley, Thomas Conneff, Peg Woffington, the Village Blacksmith, Captain Moonlight, Captain Boycott, Dante Alighieri, Christopher Columbus, S. Fursa, S. Brendan, Marshal MacMahon, Charlemagne, Theobald Wolfe Tone, the Mother of the Maccabees, the Last of the Mohicans, the Rose of Castile, the Man for Galway, The Man that Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo, The Man in the Gap, The Woman Who Didn't, Benjamin Franklin, Napoleon Bonaparte, John L. Sullivan, Cleopatra, Savourneen Deelish, Julius Caesar, Paracelsus, sir Thomas Lipton, William Tell, Michelangelo Hayes, Muhammad, the Bride of Lammermoor, Peter the Hermit, Peter the Packer, Dark Rosaleen, Patrick W. Shakespeare, Brian Confucius, Murtagh Gutenberg, Patricio Velasquez, Captain Nemo, Tristan and Isolde, the first Prince of Wales, Thomas Cook and Son, the Bold Soldier Boy, Arrah na Pogue, Dick Turpin, Ludwig Beethoven, the Colleen Bawn, Waddler Healy, Angus the Culdee,

Dolly Mount, Sidney Parade, Ben Howth, Valentine Greatrakes, Adam and Eve, Arthur Wellesley, Boss Croker, Herodotus, Jack the Giantkiller, Gautama Buddha, Lady Godiva, The Lily of Killarney, Balor of the Evil Eye, the Queen of Sheba, Acky Nagle, Joe Nagle, Alessandro Volta, Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, Don Philip O'Sullivan Beare. A couched spear of acuminated granite rested by him while at his feet reposed a savage animal of the canine tribe whose stertorous gasps announced that he was sunk in uneasy slumber, a supposition confirmed by hoarse growls and spasmodic movements which his master repressed from time to time by tranquilising blows of a mighty cudgel rudely fashioned out of paleolithic stone.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So anyhow Terry brought the three pints Joe was standing and begob the sight nearly left my eyes when I saw him land out a quid O, as true as I'm telling you. A goodlooking sovereign.

JOE: And there's more where that came from.

N1: Were you robbing the poorbox, Joe?

JOE: Sweat of my brow. 'Twas the prudent member gave me the wheeze.

N1: I saw him before I met you, sloping around by Pill lane and Greek street with his cod's eye counting up all the guts of the fish.

N2: Who comes through Michan's land, bedight in sable armour? O'Bloom, the son of Rory: it is he. Impervious to fear is Rory's son: he of the prudent soul.

CITIZEN: For the old woman of Prince's street, the subsidised organ. The pledgebound party on the floor of the house. And look at this blasted rag. Look at this. THE IRISH INDEPENDENT, if you please, founded by Parnell to be the workingman's friend. Listen to the births and deaths in the IRISH ALL FOR IRELAND INDEPENDENT, and I'll thank you and the marriages.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And he starts reading them out:

CITIZEN: Gordon, Barnfield crescent, Exeter; Redmayne of Iffley, Saint Anne's on Sea: the wife of William T Redmayne of a son. How's that, eh? Wright and Flint, Vincent and Gillett to Rotha Marion daughter of Rosa and the late George Alfred Gillett, 179 Clapham road, Stockwell, Playwood and Ridsdale at Saint Jude's, Kensington by the very reverend Dr Forrest, dean of Worcester. Eh? Deaths. Bristow, at Whitehall lane, London: Carr, Stoke Newington, of gastritis and heart disease: Cockburn, at the Moat house, Chepstow ...

JOE: I know that fellow, from bitter experience.

CITIZEN: Cockburn. Dimsey, wife of David Dimsey, late of the admiralty: Miller, Tottenham, aged eightyfive: Welsh, June 12, at 35 Canning street, Liverpool, Isabella Helen. How's that for a national press, eh, my brown son! How's that for Martin Murphy, the Bantry jobber?

JOE: Ah, well, handing round the booze. Thanks be to God they had the start of us. Drink that, citizen.

CITIZEN: I will, honourable person.

N1: Health, Joe. And all down the form.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Ah! Ow! Don't be talking! I was blue mouldy for the want of that pint. Declare to God I could hear it hit the pit of my stomach with a click.

N2: And lo, as they quaffed their cup of joy, a godlike messenger came swiftly in, radiant as the eye of heaven, a comely youth and behind him there passed an elder of noble gait and countenance, bearing the sacred scrolls of law and with him his lady wife a dame of peerless lineage, fairest of her race.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Little Alf Bergan popped in round the door and hid behind Barney's snug, squeezed up with the laughing. And who was sitting up there in the corner that I hadn't seen snoring drunk blind to the world only Bob Doran. I didn't know what was up and Alf kept making signs out of the door. And begob what was it only that bloody old pantaloons Denis Breen in his bathslippers with two bloody big books tucked under his oxter and the wife hotfoot after him, unfortunate wretched woman, trotting like a poodle. I thought Alf would split.

BERGAN: Look at him. Breen. He's traipsing all round Dublin with a postcard someone sent him with U. p: up on it to take a li ...

N1 *-[INT.]*: And he doubled up.

N1: Take a what?

BERGAN: Libel action, for ten thousand pounds.

N1: O hell!

N1 -[INT.]: The bloody mongrel began to growl that'd put the fear of God in you seeing something was up but the citizen gave him a kick in the ribs.

CITIZEN: BI I DHO HUSHT.

JOE: Who?

BERGAN: Breen. He was in John Henry Menton's and then he went round to Collis and Ward's and then Tom Rochford met him and sent him round to the subsheriff's for a lark. O God, I've a pain laughing. U. p: up. The long fellow gave him an eye as good as a process and now the bloody old lunatic is gone round to Green street to look for a G man.

JOE: When is long John going to hang that fellow in Mountjoy?

DORAN: Bergan

N1 -[INT.]: says Bob Doran, waking up.

DORAN: Is that Alf Bergan?

BERGAN: Yes. Hanging? Wait till I show you. Here, Terry, give us a pony. That bloody old fool! Ten thousand pounds. You should have seen long John's eye. U. p ...

N1 -[INT.]: And he started laughing.

DORAN: Who are you laughing at? says Bob Doran. Is that Bergan?

BERGAN: Hurry up, Terry boy.

N2: Terence O'Ryan heard him and straightway brought him a crystal cup full of the foamy ebon ale which the noble twin brothers Bungiveagh and Bungardilaun brew ever in their divine alevats, cunning as the sons of deathless Leda. For they garner the succulent berries of the hop and mass and sift and bruise and brew them and they mix therewith sour juices and bring the must to the sacred fire and cease not night or day from their toil, those cunning brothers, lords of the vat.

N2: Then did you, chivalrous Terence, hand forth, as to the manner born, that nectarous beverage and you offered the crystal cup to him that thirsted, the soul of chivalry, in beauty akin to the immortals.

N2: But he, the young chief of the O'Bergan's, could ill brook to be outdone in generous deeds but gave therefor with gracious gesture a testoon of costliest bronze. Thereon embossed in excellent smithwork was seen the image of a queen of regal port, scion of the house of Brunswick, Victoria her name, Her Most Excellent Majesty, by grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British dominions beyond the sea, queen, defender of the faith, Empress of India, even she, who bore rule, a victress over many peoples, the wellbeloved, for they knew and loved her from the rising of the sun to the going down thereof, the pale, the dark, the ruddy and the ethiop.

CITIZEN: What's that bloody freemason doing, says the citizen, prowling up and down outside?

JOE: What's that?

BERGAN: Here you are, chucking out the rhino. Talking about hanging, I'll show you something you never saw. Hangmen's letters. Look at here.

N1 -[INT.]: So he took a bundle of wisps of letters and envelopes out of his pocket.

N1: Are you codding?

BERGAN: Honest injun. Read them.

N1 -[INT.]: So Joe took up the letters.

DORAN: Who are you laughing at? says Bob Doran.

DORAN: So I saw there was going to be a bit of a dust Bob's a queer chap when the porter's up in him so says I just to make talk:

N1: How's Willy Murray those times, Alf?

BERGAN: I don't know, I saw him just now in Capel street with Paddy Dignam. Only I was running after that ...

JOE: You what? *[throwing down the letters.]* With who?

BERGAN: With Dignam.

JOE: Is it Paddy?

BERGAN: Yes. Why?

JOE: Don't you know he's dead?

BERGAN: Paddy Dignam dead!

JOE: Ay.

BERGAN: Sure I'm after seeing him not five minutes ago, as plain as a pikestaff.

DORAN: Who's dead?

JOE: You saw his ghost then, God between us and harm.

BERGAN: What? Good Christ, only five ... What? ... And Willy Murray with him, the two of them there near whatdoyoucallhim's ... What? Dignam dead?

DORAN: What about Dignam? Who's talking about... ?

BERGAN: Dead! He's no more dead than you are.

JOE: Maybe so. They took the liberty of burying him this morning anyhow.

BERGAN: Paddy?

JOE: Ay. He paid the debt of nature, God be merciful to him.

BERGAN: Good Christ!

N1 -[INT.]: Begob he was what you might call flabbergasted.

N2: In the darkness spirit hands were felt to flutter and when prayer by tantras had been directed to the proper quarter a faint but increasing luminosity of ruby light became gradually visible, the apparition of the etheric double being particularly lifelike owing to the discharge of jivic rays from the crown of the head and face. Communication was effected through the pituitary body and also by means of the orangefiery and scarlet rays emanating from the sacral region and solar plexus. Questioned by his earthname as to his whereabouts in the heavenworld he stated that he was now on the path of pr l ya or return but was still submitted to trial at the hands of certain bloodthirsty entities on the lower astral levels. In reply to a question as to his first sensations in the great divide beyond he stated that previously he had seen as in a glass darkly but that those who had passed over had summit possibilities of atmic development opened up to them. Interrogated as to whether life there resembled our experience in the flesh he stated that he had heard from more favoured beings now in the spirit that their abodes were equipped with every modern home comfort such as talafana, alavatar, hatakalda, wataklasat and that the highest adepts were steeped in waves of volupcy of the very purest nature. Having requested a quart of buttermilk this was brought and evidently afforded relief. Asked if he had any message for the living he exhorted all who were still at the wrong side of Maya to acknowledge the true path for it was reported in devanic circles that Mars and Jupiter were out for mischief on the eastern angle where the ram has power. It was then queried whether there were any special desires on the part of the defunct and the reply was: WE GREET YOU, FRIENDS OF EARTH, WHO ARE STILL IN THE BODY. MIND C. K. DOESN'T PILE IT ON. It was ascertained that the reference was to Mr Cornelius Kelleher, manager of Messrs H. J. O'Neill's popular funeral establishment, a personal friend of the defunct, who had been responsible for the carrying out of the interment arrangements. Before departing he requested that it should be told to his dear son Patsy that the other boot which he had been looking for was at present under the commode in the return room and that the pair should be sent to Cullen's to be soled only as the heels were still good. He stated that this had greatly perturbed his peace of mind in the other region and earnestly requested that his desire should be made known.

N2: Assurances were given that the matter would be attended to and it was intimated that this had given satisfaction.

N2: He is gone from mortal haunts: O'Dignam, sun of our morning. Fleet was his foot on the bracken: Patrick of the beamy brow. Wail, Banba, with your wind: and wail, O ocean, with your whirlwind.

CITIZEN: There he is again, staring out.

N1: Who?

CITIZEN: Bloom. He's on point duty up and down there for the last ten minutes.

N1 -[INT.]: And, begob, I saw his physog do a peep in and then slidder off again.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Little Alf was knocked bawways. Faith, he was.

BERGAN: Good Christ! I could have sworn it was him.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And says Bob Doran, with the hat on the back of his poll, lowest blackguard in Dublin when he's under the influence:

DORAN: Who said Christ is good?

BERGAN: I beg your parsnips.

DORAN: Is that a good Christ, to take away poor little Willy Dignam?

BERGAN: Ah, well, trying to pass it off. He's over all his troubles.

N1 *-[INT.]*: But Bob Doran shouts out of him.

DORAN: He's a bloody ruffian, I say, to take away poor little Willy Dignam.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Terry came down and tipped him the wink to keep quiet, that they didn't want that kind of talk in a respectable licensed premises. And Bob Doran starts doing the weeps about Paddy Dignam, true as you're there.

DORAN: The finest man, snivelling, the finest purest character.

N1 *-[INT.]*: The tear is bloody near your eye. Talking through his bloody hat. Fitter for him go home to the little sleepwalking bitch he married, Mooney, the bumbailiff's daughter, mother kept a kip in Hardwicke street, that used to be stravaging about the landings Bantam Lyons told me that was stopping there at two in the morning without a stitch on her, exposing her person, open to all comers, fair field and no favour.

DORAN: The noblest, the truest. And he's gone, poor little Willy, poor little Paddy Dignam.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And mournful and with a heavy heart he bewept the extinction of that beam of heaven.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Old Garryowen started growling again at Bloom that was skeezing round the door.

CITIZEN: Come in, come on, he won't eat you.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So Bloom slopes in with his cod's eye on the dog and he asks Terry was Martin Cunningham there.

JOE: O, Christ M'Keown, reading one of the letters. Listen to this, will you?

N1 *-[INT.]*: And he starts reading out one.

JOE: 7 HUNTER STREET, LIVERPOOL. TO THE HIGH SHERIFF OF DUBLIN, DUBLIN.

JOE: HONOURED SIR I BEG TO OFFER MY SERVICES IN THE ABOVEMENTIONED PAINFUL CASE I HANGED JOE GANN IN BOOTLE JAIL ON THE 12 OF FEBUARY 1900 AND I HANGED ...

N1: Show us, Joe.

JOE: ... PRIVATE ARTHUR CHACE FOR FOWL MURDER OF JESSIE TILSIT IN PENTONVILLE PRISON AND I WAS ASSISTANT WHEN ...

N1: Jesus.

JOE: ... BILLINGTON EXECUTED THE AWFUL MURDERER TOAD SMITH ...

N1 *-[INT.]*: The citizen made a grab at the letter.

JOE: Hold hard, I HAVE A SPECIAL NACK OF PUTTING THE NOOSE ONCE IN HE CAN'T GET OUT HOPING TO BE FAVOURED I REMAIN, HONOURED SIR, MY TERMS IS FIVE GINNEES. H. RUMBOLD, MASTER BARBER.

CITIZEN: And a barbarous bloody barbarian he is too.

JOE: And the dirty scrawl of the wretch. Here, says he, take them to hell out of my sight, Alf.

[Enter Bloom.]

JOE: Hello, Bloom, what will you have?

N1 *-[INT.]*: So they started arguing about the point, Bloom saying he wouldn't and he couldn't and excuse him no offence and all to that and then he said well he'd just take a cigar. Gob, he's a prudent member and no mistake.

JOE: Give us one of your prime stinkers, Terry.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And Alf was telling us there was one chap sent in a mourning card with a black border round it.

BERGAN: They're all barbers, from the black country that would hang their own fathers for five quid down and travelling expenses.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And he was telling us there's two fellows waiting below to pull his heels down when he gets the drop and choke him properly and then they chop up the rope after and sell the bits for a few bob a skull.

N2: In the dark land they bide, the vengeful knights of the razor. Their deadly coil they grasp:

yea, and therein they lead to Erebus whatsoever wight hath done a deed of blood for I will on nowise suffer it even so saith the Lord.

N1 -[INT.]: So they started talking about capital punishment and of course Bloom comes out with the why and the wherefore and all the codology of the business and the old dog smelling him all the time I'm told those jewies does have a sort of a queer odour coming off them for dogs about I don't know what all deterrent effect and so forth and so on.

BERGAN: There's one thing it hasn't a deterrent effect on.

JOE: What's that?

BERGAN: The poor bugger's tool that's being hanged.

JOE: That so?

BERGAN: God's truth. I heard that from the head warder that was in Kilmainham when they hanged Joe Brady, the invincible. He told me when they cut him down after the drop it was standing up in their faces like a poker.

JOE: Ruling passion strong in death, as someone said.

BLOOM: That can be explained by science. It's only a natural phenomenon, don't you see, because on account of the ...

N1 -[INT.]: And then he starts with his jawbreakers about phenomenon and science and this phenomenon and the other phenomenon.

N2: The distinguished scientist Herr Professor Luitpold Blumenduft tendered medical evidence to the effect that the instantaneous fracture of the cervical vertebrae and consequent scission of the spinal cord would, according to the best approved tradition of medical science, be calculated to inevitably produce in the human subject a violent ganglionic stimulus of the nerve centres of the genital apparatus, thereby causing the elastic pores of the CORPORA CAVERNOSA to rapidly dilate in such a way as to instantaneously facilitate the flow of blood to that part of the human anatomy known as the penis or male organ resulting in the phenomenon which has been denominated by the faculty a morbid upwards and outwards philoprogenitive erection IN ARTICULO MORTIS PER DIMINUTIONEM CAPITIS.

N1 -[INT.]: So of course the citizen was only waiting for the wink of the word and he starts gassing out of him about the invincibles and the old guard and the men of sixtyseven and who fears to speak of ninetyeight and Joe with him about all the fellows that were hanged, drawn and transported for the cause by drumhead courtmartial and a new Ireland and new this, that and the other. Talking about new Ireland he ought to go and get a new dog so he ought. Mangy ravenous brute sniffing and sneezing all round the place and scratching his scabs. And round he goes to Bob Doran that was standing Alf a half one sucking up for what he could get. So of course Bob Doran starts doing the bloody fool with him:

CITIZEN: Give us the paw! Give the paw, doggy! Good old doggy! Give the paw here! Give us the paw!

N1 -[INT.]: Arrah, bloody end to the paw he'd paw and Alf trying to keep him from tumbling off the bloody stool atop of the bloody old dog and he talking all kinds of drivel about training by kindness and thoroughbred dog and intelligent dog: give you the bloody pip. Then he starts scraping a few bits of old biscuit out of the bottom of a Jacobs' tin he told Terry to bring. Gob, he golloped it down like old boots and his tongue hanging out of him a yard long for more. Near ate the tin and all, hungry bloody mongrel.

N1 -[INT.]: And the citizen and Bloom having an argument about the point, the brothers Sheares and Wolfe Tone beyond on Arbour Hill and Robert Emmet and die for your country, the Tommy Moore touch about Sara Curran and she's far from the land. And Bloom, of course, with his knockmedown cigar putting on swank with his lardy face. Phenomenon! The fat heap he married is a nice old phenomenon with a back on her like a ballalley. Time they were stopping up in the CITY ARMS pissur Burke told me there was an old one there with a cracked loodheramaun of a nephew and Bloom trying to get the soft side of her doing the mollycoddle playing bezique to come in for a bit of the wampum in her will and not eating meat of a Friday because the old one was always thumping her craw and taking the lout out for a walk. And one time he led him the rounds of Dublin and, by the holy farmer, he never cried crack till he brought him home as drunk as a boiled owl and he said he did it to teach him the evils of alcohol and by herrings, if the three women didn't near roast him, it's a queer story, the old one, Bloom's wife and Mrs O'Dowd that kept the hotel. Jesus, I had to laugh at pissur Burke taking them off chewing the fat. And Bloom with his BUT DON'T YOU SEE? and BUT ON THE OTHER HAND. And sure, more be token, the lout I'm told was in Power's after, the blender's, round in Cope street going home footless in a cab five times in the week after drinking his way through all

the samples in the bloody establishment. Phenomenon!

CITIZEN: The memory of the dead

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N1 *-[INT.]*: says the citizen taking up his pintglass and glaring at Bloom.

JOE: Ay, ay.

BLOOM: You don't grasp my point. What I mean is ...

CITIZEN: SINN FEIN! SINN FEIN AMHAIN! The friends we love are by our side and the foes we hate before us.

N2: The last farewell was affecting in the extreme. From the belfries far and near the funereal deathbell tolled unceasingly while all around the gloomy precincts rolled the ominous warning of a hundred muffled drums punctuated by the hollow booming of pieces of ordnance. The deafening claps of thunder and the dazzling flashes of lightning which lit up the ghastly scene testified that the artillery of heaven had lent its supernatural pomp to the already gruesome spectacle. A torrential rain poured down from the floodgates of the angry heavens upon the bared heads of the assembled multitude which numbered at the lowest computation five hundred thousand persons. A posse of Dublin Metropolitan police superintended by the Chief Commissioner in person maintained order in the vast throng for whom the York street brass and reed band whiled away the intervening time by admirably rendering on their blackdraped instruments the matchless melody endeared to us from the cradle by Speranza's plaintive muse. Special quick excursion trains and upholstered charabancs had been provided for the comfort of our country cousins of whom there were large contingents. Considerable amusement was caused by the favourite Dublin streetsingers L-n-h-n and M-II-g-n who sang THE NIGHT BEFORE LARRY WAS STRETCHED in their usual mirth-provoking fashion. Our two inimitable drolls did a roaring trade with their broadsheets among lovers of the comedy element and nobody who has a corner in his heart for real Irish fun without vulgarity will grudge them their hardearned pennies. The children of the Male and Female Foundling Hospital who thronged the windows overlooking the scene were delighted with this unexpected addition to the day's entertainment and a word of praise is due to the Little Sisters of the Poor for their excellent idea of affording the poor fatherless and motherless children a genuinely instructive treat. The viceregal houseparty which included many wellknown ladies was chaperoned by Their Excellencies to the most favourable positions on the grandstand while the picturesque foreign delegation known as the Friends of the Emerald Isle was accommodated on a tribune directly opposite. The delegation, present in full force, consisted of Commendatore Bacibaci Beninobenone (the semiparalysed DOYEN of the party who had to be assisted to his seat by the aid of a powerful steam crane), Monsieur Pierrepaul Petitepatant, the Grandjoker Vladinmire Pokethankertscheff, the Archjoker Leopold Rudolph von Schwanzenbad-Hodenthaler, Countess Marha Viraga Kiaszony Putrapesthi, Hiram Y. Bomboost, Count Athanatos Karamelopulos, Ali Baba Backsheesh Rahat Lokum Effendi, Senor Hidalgo Caballero Don Pecadillo y Palabras y Paternoster de la Malora de la Malaria, Hokopoko Harakiri, Hi Hung Chang, Olaf Kobberkeddelsen, Mynheer Trik van Trumps, Pan Poleaxe Paddyrisky, Goosepond Prhklstr Kratchinabritchisitch, Borus Hupinkoff, Herr Hurhausdirektorpresident Hans Chuechli-Steuerli, Nationalgymnasiummuseumsanatoriumandsuspensoriumsordinaryprivatdocent-generalhistoryspecialprofessordoctor Kriegfried Ueberallgemein. All the delegates without exception expressed themselves in the strongest possible heterogeneous terms concerning the nameless barbarity which they had been called upon to witness. An animated altercation (in which all took part) ensued among the F. O. T. E. I. as to whether the eighth or the ninth of March was the correct date of the birth of Ireland's patron saint. In the course of the argument cannonballs, scimitars, boomerangs, blunderbusses, stinkpots, meatchoppers, umbrellas, catapults, knuckledusters, sandbags, lumps of pig iron were resorted to and blows were freely exchanged. The baby policeman, Constable MacFadden, summoned by special courier from Booterstown, quickly restored order and with lightning promptitude proposed the seventeenth of the month as a solution equally honourable for both contending parties. The readywitted ninefooter's suggestion at once appealed to all and was unanimously accepted. Constable MacFadden was heartily congratulated by all the F.O.T.E.I., several of whom were

bleeding profusely. Commendatore Beninobenone having been extricated from underneath the presidential armchair, it was explained by his legal adviser Avvocato Pagamimi that the various articles secreted in his thirtytwo pockets had been abstracted by him during the affray from the pockets of his junior colleagues in the hope of bringing them to their senses. The objects (which included several hundred ladies' and gentlemen's gold and silver watches) were promptly restored to their rightful owners and general harmony reigned supreme.

N2: Quietly, unassumingly Rumbold stepped on to the scaffold in faultless morning dress and wearing his favourite flower, the GLADIOLUS CRUENTUS. He announced his presence by that gentle Rumboldian cough which so many have tried (unsuccessfully) to imitate--short, painstaking yet withal so characteristic of the man. The arrival of the worldrenowned headsman was greeted by a roar of acclamation from the huge concourse, the viceregal ladies waving their handkerchiefs in their excitement while the even more excitable foreign delegates cheered vociferously in a medley of cries, HOCH, BANZAI, ELJEN, ZIVIO, CHINCHIN, POLLA KRONIA, HIPHIP, VIVE, ALLAH, amid which the ringing EVVIVA of the delegate of the land of song (a high double F recalling those piercingly lovely notes with which the eunuch Catalani beglamoured our greatgreatgrandmothers) was easily distinguishable. It was exactly seventeen o'clock. The signal for prayer was then promptly given by megaphone and in an instant all heads were bared, the commendatore's patriarchal sombrero, which has been in the possession of his family since the revolution of Rienzi, being removed by his medical adviser in attendance, Dr Pippi. The learned prelate who administered the last comforts of holy religion to the hero martyr when about to pay the death penalty knelt in a most christian spirit in a pool of rainwater, his cassock above his hoary head, and offered up to the throne of grace fervent prayers of supplication. Hand by the block stood the grim figure of the executioner, his visage being concealed in a tengallon pot with two circular perforated apertures through which his eyes glowered furiously. As he awaited the fatal signal he tested the edge of his horrible weapon by honing it upon his brawny forearm or decapitated in rapid succession a flock of sheep which had been provided by the admirers of his fell but necessary office. On a handsome mahogany table near him were neatly arranged the quartering knife, the various finely tempered disembowelling appliances (specially supplied by the worldfamous firm of cutlers, Messrs John Round and Sons, Sheffield), a terra cotta saucepan for the reception of the duodenum, colon, blind intestine and appendix etc when successfully extracted and two commodious milkjugs destined to receive the most precious blood of the most precious victim. The housesteward of the amalgamated cats' and dogs' home was in attendance to convey these vessels when replenished to that beneficent institution. Quite an excellent repast consisting of rashers and eggs, fried steak and onions, done to a nicety, delicious hot breakfast rolls and invigorating tea had been considerably provided by the authorities for the consumption of the central figure of the tragedy who was in capital spirits when prepared for death and evinced the keenest interest in the proceedings from beginning to end but he, with an abnegation rare in these our times, rose nobly to the occasion and expressed the dying wish (immediately acceded to) that the meal should be divided in aliquot parts among the members of the sick and indigent roomkeepers' association as a token of his regard and esteem. The NEC and NON PLUS ULTRA of emotion were reached when the blushing bride elect burst her way through the serried ranks of the bystanders and flung herself upon the muscular bosom of him who was about to be launched into eternity for her sake. The hero folded her willowy form in a loving embrace murmuring fondly SHEILA, MY OWN. Encouraged by this use of her christian name she kissed passionately all the various suitable areas of his person which the decencies of prison garb permitted her ardour to reach. She swore to him as they mingled the salt streams of their tears that she would ever cherish his memory, that she would never forget her hero boy who went to his death with a song on his lips as if he were but going to a hurling match in Clonturk park. She brought back to his recollection the happy days of blissful childhood together on the banks of Anna Liffey when they had indulged in the innocent pastimes of the young and, oblivious of the dreadful present, they both laughed heartily, all the spectators, including the venerable pastor, joining in the general merriment. That monster audience simply rocked with delight. But anon they were overcome with grief and clasped their hands for the last time. A fresh torrent of tears

burst from their lachrymal ducts and the vast concourse of people, touched to the inmost core, broke into heartrending sobs, not the least affected being the aged prebendary himself. Big strong men, officers of the peace and genial giants of the royal Irish constabulary, were making frank use of their handkerchiefs and it is safe to say that there was not a dry eye in that record assemblage. A most romantic incident occurred when a handsome young Oxford graduate, noted for his chivalry towards the fair sex, stepped forward and, presenting his visiting card, bankbook and genealogical tree, solicited the hand of the hapless young lady, requesting her to name the day, and was accepted on the spot. Every lady in the audience was presented with a tasteful souvenir of the occasion in the shape of a skull and crossbones brooch, a timely and generous act which evoked a fresh outburst of emotion: and when the gallant young Oxonian (the bearer, by the way, of one of the most timehonoured names in Albion's history) placed on the finger of his blushing FIANCEE an expensive engagement ring with emeralds set in the form of a fourleaved shamrock the excitement knew no bounds. Nay, even the stern provostmarshal, lieutenantcolonel Tomkin-Maxwell ffrenchmullan Tomlinson, who presided on the sad occasion, he who had blown a considerable number of sepoys from the cannonmouth without flinching, could not now restrain his natural emotion. With his mailed gauntlet he brushed away a furtive tear and was overheard, by those privileged burghers who happened to be in his immediate ENTOURAGE, to murmur to himself in a faltering undertone:

TOMLINSON: God blimey if she aint a clinker, that there bleeding tart. Blimey it makes me kind of bleeding cry, straight, it does, when I sees her cause I thinks of my old mashtub what's waiting for me down Limehouse way.

N1 -[INT.]: So then the citizen begins talking about the Irish language and the corporation meeting and all to that and the shoneens that can't speak their own language and Joe chipping in because he stuck someone for a quid and Bloom putting in his old goo with his twopenny stump that he cadged off of Joe and talking about the Gaelic league and the antitreating league and drink, the curse of Ireland. Antitreating is about the size of it. Gob, he'd let you pour all manner of drink down his throat till the Lord would call him before you'd ever see the froth of his pint. And one night I went in with a fellow into one of their musical evenings, song and dance about she could get up on a truss of hay she could my Maureen Lay and there was a fellow with a Ballyhooly blue ribbon badge spiffing out of him in Irish and a lot of colleen bawns going about with temperance beverages and selling medals and oranges and lemonade and a few old dry buns, gob, flahoolagh entertainment, don't be talking. Ireland sober is Ireland free. And then an old fellow starts blowing into his bagpipes and all the gougers shuffling their feet to the tune the old cow died of. And one or two sky pilots having an eye around that there was no goings on with the females, hitting below the belt.

N1 -[INT.]: So howandever, as I was saying, the old dog seeing the tin was empty starts mousing around by Joe and me. I'd train him by kindness, so I would, if he was my dog. Give him a rousing fine kick now and again where it wouldn't blind him.

CITIZEN: Afraid he'll bite you? [*jeering.*]

N1: No. But he might take my leg for a lamppost.

N1 -[INT.]: So he calls the old dog over.

CITIZEN: What's on you, Garry?

N1 -[INT.]: Then he starts hauling and mauling and talking to him in Irish and the old towser growling, letting on to answer, like a duet in the opera. Such growling you never heard as they let off between them. Someone that has nothing better to do ought to write a letter PRO BONO PUBLICO to the papers about the muzzling order for a dog the like of that. Growling and grouching and his eye all bloodshot from the drouth is in it and the hydrophobia dropping out of his jaws.

N2: All those who are interested in the spread of human culture among the lower animals (and their name is legion) should make a point of not missing the really marvellous exhibition of cynanthropy given by the famous old Irish red setter wolfdog formerly known by the SOBRIQUET of Garryowen and recently rechristened by his large circle of friends and acquaintances Owen Garry. The exhibition, which is the result of years of training by kindness and a carefully thoughtout dietary system, comprises, among other achievements, the recitation of verse. Our greatest living phonetic expert (wild horses shall not drag it from us!) has left no stone unturned in his efforts to delucidate and compare the verse recited and has found it bears a STRIKING resemblance (the italics are ours) to the ranns of ancient Celtic

bards. We are not speaking so much of those delightful lovesongs with which the writer who conceals his identity under the graceful pseudonym of the Little Sweet Branch has familiarised the bookloving world but rather (as a contributor D. O. C. points out in an interesting communication published by an evening contemporary) of the harsher and more personal note which is found in the satirical effusions of the famous Raftery and of Donal MacConsidine to say nothing of a more modern lyrist at present very much in the public eye. We subjoin a specimen which has been rendered into English by an eminent scholar whose name for the moment we are not at liberty to disclose though we believe that our readers will find the topical allusion rather more than an indication. The metrical system of the canine original, which recalls the intricate alliterative and isosyllabic rules of the Welsh englyn, is infinitely more complicated but we believe our readers will agree that the spirit has been well caught. Perhaps it should be added that the effect is greatly increased if Owen's verse be spoken somewhat slowly and indistinctly in a tone suggestive of suppressed rancour.

GARRYOWEN: THE CURSE OF MY CURSES SEVEN DAYS EVERY DAY AND SEVEN DRY THURSDAYS ON YOU, BARNEY KIERNAN, HAS NO SUP OF WATER TO COOL MY COURAGE, AND MY GUTS RED ROARING AFTER LOWRY'S LIGHTS.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So he told Terry to bring some water for the dog and, gob, you could hear him lapping it up a mile off. And Joe asked him would he have another.

CITIZEN: I will, A CHARA, to show there's no ill feeling.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Gob, he's not as green as he's cabbagelooking. Arsing around from one pub to another, leaving it to your own honour, with old Giltrap's dog and getting fed up by the ratepayers and corporators. Entertainment for man and beast. And says Joe:

JOE: Could you make a hole in another pint?

N1: Could a swim duck?

JOE: Same again, Terry. Are you sure you won't have anything in the way of liquid refreshment?

BLOOM: Thank you, no. As a matter of fact I just wanted to meet Martin Cunningham, don't you see, about this insurance of poor Dignam's. Martin asked me to go to the house. You see, he, Dignam, I mean, didn't serve any notice of the assignment on the company at the time and nominally under the act the mortgagee can't recover on the policy.

JOE: Holy Wars, laughing, that's a good one if old Shylock is landed. So the wife comes out top dog, what?

BLOOM: Well, that's a point, for the wife's admirers.

JOE: Whose admirers?

BLOOM: The wife's advisers, I mean.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Then he starts all confused mucking it up about mortgagor under the act like the lord chancellor giving it out on the bench and for the benefit of the wife and that a trust is created but on the other hand that Dignam owed Bridgeman the money and if now the wife or the widow contested the mortgagee's right till he near had the head of me addled with his mortgagor under the act. He was bloody safe he wasn't run in himself under the act that time as a rogue and vagabond only he had a friend in court. Selling bazaar tickets or what do you call it royal Hungarian privileged lottery. True as you're there. O, commend me to an israelite! Royal and privileged Hungarian robbery.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So Bob Doran comes lurching around asking Bloom to tell Mrs Dignam he was sorry for her trouble and he was very sorry about the funeral and to tell her that he said and everyone who knew him said that there was never a truer, a finer than poor little Willy that's dead to tell her. Choking with bloody foolery. And shaking Bloom's hand doing the tragic to tell her that. Shake hands, brother. You're a rogue and I'm another.

DORAN: Let me, so far presume upon our acquaintance which, however slight it may appear if judged by the standard of mere time, is founded, as I hope and believe, on a sentiment of mutual esteem as to request of you this favour. But, should I have overstepped the limits of reserve let the sincerity of my feelings be the excuse for my boldness.

BLOOM: No, I appreciate to the full the motives which actuate your conduct and I shall discharge the office you entrust to me consoled by the reflection that, though the errand be one of sorrow, this proof of your confidence sweetens in some measure the bitterness of the cup.

DORAN: Then suffer me to take your hand. The goodness of your heart, I feel sure, will dictate to

you better than my inadequate words the expressions which are most suitable to convey an emotion whose poignancy, were I to give vent to my feelings, would deprive me even of speech.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And off with him and out trying to walk straight. Boosed at five o'clock. Night he was near being lagged only Paddy Leonard knew the bobby, 14A. Blind to the world up in a shebeen in Bride street after closing time, fornicating with two shawls and a bully on guard, drinking porter out of teacups. And calling himself a Frenchy for the shawls, Joseph Manuo, and talking against the Catholic religion, and he serving mass in Adam and Eve's when he was young with his eyes shut, who wrote the new testament, and the old testament, and hugging and smuggling. And the two shawls killed with the laughing, picking his pockets, the bloody fool and he spilling the porter all over the bed and the two shawls screeching laughing at one another. HOW IS YOUR TESTAMENT? HAVE YOU GOT AN OLD TESTAMENT? Only Paddy was passing there, I tell you what. Then see him of a Sunday with his little concubine of a wife, and she wagging her tail up the aisle of the chapel with her patent boots on her, no less, and her violets, nice as pie, doing the little lady. Jack Mooney's sister. And the old prostitute of a mother procuring rooms to street couples. Gob, Jack made him toe the line. Told him if he didn't patch up the pot, Jesus, he'd kick the shite out of him.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So Terry brought the three pints.

JOE: Here, doing the honours. Here, citizen.

CITIZEN: SLAN LEAT.

N1: Fortune, Joe. Good health, citizen.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Gob, he had his mouth half way down the tumbler already. Want a small fortune to keep him in drinks.

JOE: Who is the long fellow running for the mayoralty, Alf?

BERGAN: Friend of yours.

JOE: Nannan? The mimber?

BERGAN: I won't mention any names.

JOE: I thought so. I saw him up at that meeting now with William Field, M. P., the cattle traders.

CITIZEN: Hairy Iopas, that exploded volcano, the darling of all countries and the idol of his own.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So Joe starts telling the citizen about the foot and mouth disease and the cattle traders and taking action in the matter and the citizen sending them all to the rightabout and Bloom coming out with his sheepdip for the scab and a hoose drench for coughing calves and the guaranteed remedy for timber tongue. Because he was up one time in a knacker's yard. Walking about with his book and pencil here's my head and my heels are coming till Joe Cuffe gave him the order of the boot for giving lip to a grazier. Mister Knowall. Teach your grandmother how to milk ducks. Pisser Burke was telling me in the hotel the wife used to be in rivers of tears some times with Mrs O'Dowd crying her eyes out with her eight inches of fat all over her. Couldn't loosen her farting strings but old cod's eye was waltzing around her showing her how to do it. What's your programme today? Ay. Humane methods. Because the poor animals suffer and experts say and the best known remedy that doesn't cause pain to the animal and on the sore spot administer gently. Gob, he'd have a soft hand under a hen.

N2: Ga Ga Gara. Klook Klook Klook. Black Liz is our hen. She lays eggs for us. When she lays her egg she is so glad. Gara. Klook Klook Klook. Then comes good uncle Leo. He puts his hand under black Liz and takes her fresh egg. Ga ga ga ga Gara. Klook Klook Klook.

JOE: Anyhow, Field and Nannetti are going over tonight to London to ask about it on the floor of the house of commons.

BLOOM: Are you sure, the councillor is going? I wanted to see him, as it happens.

JOE: Well, he's going off by the mailboat, tonight.

BLOOM: That's too bad. I wanted particularly. Perhaps only Mr Field is going. I couldn't phone. No. You're sure?

JOE: Nannan's going too. The league told him to ask a question tomorrow about the commissioner of police forbidding Irish games in the park. What do you think of that, citizen? THE SLUAGH NA H-EIREANN.

N2: Mr Cowe Conacre (Multifarnham. Nat.):

CONACRE: Arising out of the question of my honourable friend, the member for Shillelagh, may I ask the right honourable gentleman whether the government has issued orders that these animals shall be slaughtered though no medical evidence is forthcoming as to their

pathological condition?

N2: Mr Allfours (Tamoshant. Con.):

ALLFOURS: Honourable members are already in possession of the evidence produced before a committee of the whole house. I feel I cannot usefully add anything to that. The answer to the honourable member's question is in the affirmative.

N2: Mr Orelli O'Reilly (Montenotte. Nat.):

Have similar orders been issued for the slaughter of human animals who dare to play Irish games in the Phoenix park?

N2: Mr Allfours:

ALLFOURS: The answer is in the negative.

N2: Mr Cowe Conacre:

CONACRE: Has the right honourable gentleman's famous Mitchelstown telegram inspired the policy of gentlemen on the Treasury bench? (O! O!)

N2: Mr Allfours:

ALLFOURS: I must have notice of that question.

N2: Mr Staylewit (Buncombe. Ind.):

STAYLEWIT: Don't hesitate to shoot.

N2: (Ironical opposition cheers.)

N2: The speaker:

SPEAKER: Order! Order!

N2: (The house rises. Cheers.)

JOE: There's the man, that made the Gaelic sports revival. There he is sitting there. The man that got away James Stephens. The champion of all Ireland at putting the sixteen pound shot. What was your best throw, citizen?

CITIZEN: NA BACLEIS, letting on to be modest. There was a time I was as good as the next fellow anyhow.

JOE: Put it there, citizen. You were and a bloody sight better.

BERGAN: Is that really a fact?

BLOOM: Yes. That's well known. Did you not know that?

N1 -[INT.]: So off they started about Irish sports and shoneen games the like of lawn tennis and about hurley and putting the stone and racy of the soil and building up a nation once again and all to that. And of course Bloom had to have his say too about if a fellow had a rower's heart violent exercise was bad. I declare to my antimacassar if you took up a straw from the bloody floor and if you said to Bloom: LOOK AT, BLOOM. DO YOU SEE THAT STRAW? THAT'S A STRAW. Declare to my aunt he'd talk about it for an hour so he would and talk steady.

N2: A most interesting discussion took place in the ancient hall of BRIAN O'CIARNAIN'S in SRAID NA BRETAINE BHEAG, under the auspices of SLUAGH NA H-EIREANN, on the revival of ancient Gaelic sports and the importance of physical culture, as understood in ancient Greece and ancient Rome and ancient Ireland, for the development of the race. The venerable president of the noble order was in the chair and the attendance was of large dimensions. After an instructive discourse by the chairman, a magnificent oration eloquently and forcibly expressed, a most interesting and instructive discussion of the usual high standard of excellence ensued as to the desirability of the revivability of the ancient games and sports of our ancient Panceltic forefathers. The wellknown and highly respected worker in the cause of our old tongue, Mr Joseph M'Carthy Hynes, made an eloquent appeal for the resuscitation of the ancient Gaelic sports and pastimes, practised morning and evening by Finn MacCool, as calculated to revive the best traditions of manly strength and prowess handed down to us from ancient ages. L. Bloom, who met with a mixed reception of applause and hisses, having espoused the negative the vocalist chairman brought the discussion to a close, in response to repeated requests and hearty plaudits from all parts of a bumper house, by a remarkably noteworthy rendering of the immortal Thomas Osborne Davis' evergreen verses (happily too familiar to need recalling here) A NATION ONCE AGAIN in the execution of which the veteran patriot champion may be said without fear of contradiction to have fairly excelled himself. The

Irish Caruso-Garibaldi was in superlative form and his stentorian notes were heard to the greatest advantage in the timehonoured anthem sung as only our citizen can sing it. His superb highclass vocalism, which by its superquality greatly enhanced his already international reputation, was vociferously applauded by the large audience among which were to be noticed many prominent members of the clergy as well as representatives of the press and the bar and the other learned professions. The proceedings then terminated.

N2: Amongst the clergy present were the very rev. William Delany, S. J., L. L. D.; the rt rev. Gerald Molloy, D. D.; the rev. P. J. Kavanagh, C. S. Sp.; the rev. T. Waters, C. C.; the rev. John M. Ivers, P. P.; the rev. P. J. Cleary, O. S. F.; the rev. L. J. Hickey, O. P.; the very rev. Fr. Nicholas, O. S. F. C.; the very rev. B. Gorman, O. D. C.; the rev. T. Maher, S. J.; the very rev. James Murphy, S. J.; the rev. John Lavery, V. F.; the very rev. William Doherty, D. D.; the rev. Peter Fagan, O. M.; the rev. T. Brangan, O. S. A.; the rev. J. Flavin, C. C.; the rev. M. A. Hackett, C. C.; the rev. W. Hurley, C. C.; the rt rev. Mgr M'Manus, V. G.; the rev. B. R. Slattery, O. M. I.; the very rev. M. D. Scally, P. P.; the rev. F. T. Purcell, O. P.; the very rev. Timothy canon Gorman, P. P.; the rev. J. Flanagan, C. C. The laity included P. Fay, T. Quirke, etc., etc.

BERGAN: Talking about violent exercise, were you at that Keogh-Bennett match?

JOE: No.

BERGAN: I heard So and So made a cool hundred quid over it.

JOE: Who? Blazes?

N1 -[INT.]: And says Bloom:

BLOOM: What I meant about tennis, for example, is the agility and training the eye.

BERGAN: Ay, Blazes. He let out that Myler was on the beer to run up the odds and he swatting all the time.

CITIZEN: We know him. The traitor's son. We know what put English gold in his pocket.

JOE: -True for you.

N1 -[INT.]: And Bloom cuts in again about lawn tennis and the circulation of the blood, asking Alf:

BLOOM: Now, don't you think, Bergan?

BERGAN: Myler dusted the floor with him. Heenan and Sayers was only a bloody fool to it. Handed him the father and mother of a beating. See the little kipper not up to his navel and the big fellow swiping. God, he gave him one last puck in the wind, Queensberry rules and all, made him puke what he never ate.

N2: It was a historic and a hefty battle when Myler and Percy were scheduled to don the gloves for the purse of fifty sovereigns. Handicapped as he was by lack of poundage, Dublin's pet lamb made up for it by superlative skill in ringcraft. The final bout of fireworks was a gruelling for both champions. The welterweight sergeantmajor had tapped some lively claret in the previous mixup during which Keogh had been receivergeneral of rights and lefts, the artilleryman putting in some neat work on the pet's nose, and Myler came on looking groggy. The soldier got to business, leading off with a powerful left jab to which the Irish gladiator retaliated by shooting out a stiff one flush to the point of Bennett's jaw. The redcoat ducked but the Dubliner lifted him with a left hook, the body punch being a fine one. The men came to handgrips. Myler quickly became busy and got his man under, the bout ending with the bulkier man on the ropes, Myler punishing him. The Englishman, whose right eye was nearly closed, took his corner where he was liberally drenched with water and when the bell went came on gamey and brimful of pluck, confident of knocking out the fistic Eblanite in jigtime. It was a fight to a finish and the best man for it. The two fought like tigers and excitement ran fever high. The referee twice cautioned Pucking Percy for holding but the pet was tricky and his footwork a treat to watch. After a brisk exchange of courtesies during which a smart upper cut of the military man brought blood freely from his opponent's mouth the lamb suddenly waded in all over his man and landed a terrific left to Battling Bennett's stomach, flooring him flat. It was a knockout clean and clever. Amid tense expectation the Portobello bruiser was being counted out when Bennett's second Ole Pfotts Wettstein threw in the towel and the Santry boy was declared victor to the frenzied cheers of the public who broke through the ringropes and fairly mobbed him with delight.

BERGAN: He knows which side his bread is buttered. I hear he's running a concert tour now up in the north.

JOE: He is. Isn't he?

BLOOM: Who? Ah, yes. That's quite true. Yes, a kind of summer tour, you see. Just a holiday.

JOE: Mrs B. is the bright particular star, isn't she?

BLOOM: My wife? She's singing, yes. I think it will be a success too. He's an excellent man to organise. Excellent.

N1 -[INT.]: Hoho begob says I to myself says I. That explains the milk in the cocoanut and absence of hair on the animal's chest. Blazes doing the tootle on the flute. Concert tour. Dirty Dan the dodger's son off Island bridge that sold the same horses twice over to the government to fight the Boers. Old Whatwhat. I called about the poor and water rate, Mr Boylan. You what? The water rate, Mr Boylan. You whatwhat? That's the bucko that'll organise her, take my tip. 'Twixt me and you Caddareesh.

N2: Pride of Calpe's rocky mount, the ravenhaired daughter of Tweedy. There grew she to peerless beauty where loquat and almond scent the air. The gardens of Alameda knew her step: the garths of olives knew and bowed. The chaste spouse of Leopold is she: Marion of the bountiful bosoms.

N2: And lo, there entered one of the clan of the O'Molloy's, a comely hero of white face yet withal somewhat ruddy, his majesty's counsel learned in the law, and with him the prince and heir of the noble line of Lambert.

BERGAN: Hello, Ned.

LAMBERT: Hello, Alf.

JOE: Hello, Jack.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Hello, Joe.

CITIZEN: God save you.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Save you kindly. What'll it be, Ned?

LAMBERT: Half one.

N1 -[INT.]: So J. J. ordered the drinks.

JOE: Were you round at the court?

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Yes. He'll square that, Ned.

LAMBERT: Hope so.

N1 -[INT.]: Now what were those two at? J. J. getting him off the grand jury list and the other give him a leg over the stile. With his name in Stubbs's. Playing cards, hobnobbing with flash toffs with a swank glass in their eye, adrinkin' fizz and he half smothered in writs and garnishee orders. Pawning his gold watch in Cummins of Francis street where no-one would know him in the private office when I was there with Pisser releasing his boots out of the pop. What's your name, sir? Dunne says he. Ay, and done says I. Gob, he'll come home by weeping cross one of those days, I'm thinking.

BERGAN: Did you see that bloody lunatic Breen round there? U. p: up.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Yes. Looking for a private detective.

LAMBERT: Ay. And he wanted right go wrong to address the court only Corny Kelleher got round him telling him to get the handwriting examined first.

BERGAN: Ten thousand pounds, laughing. God, I'd give anything to hear him before a judge and jury.

JOE: Was it you did it, Alf? The truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you Jimmy Johnson.

BERGAN: Me? Don't cast your nasturtiums on my character.

JOE: Whatever statement you make, will be taken down in evidence against you.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Of course an action would lie. It implies that he is not COMPOS MENTIS. U. p: up.

BERGAN: COMPOS your eye! laughing. Do you know that he's balmy? Look at his head. Do you know that some mornings he has to get his hat on with a shoehorn.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Yes, but the truth of a libel is no defence to an indictment for publishing it in the eyes of the law.

JOE: Ha ha, Alf.

BLOOM: Still, on account of the poor woman, I mean his wife.

CITIZEN: Pity about her. Or any other woman marries a half and half.

BLOOM: How half and half? Do you mean he ...

CITIZEN: Half and half I mean. A fellow that's neither fish nor flesh.

JOE: Nor good red herring.

CITIZEN: That what's I mean. A pishogue, if you know what that is.

N1 -[INT.]: Begob I saw there was trouble coming. And Bloom explaining he meant on account of it being cruel for the wife having to go round after the old stuttering fool. Cruelty to animals so it is to let that bloody povertystricken Breen out on grass with his beard out tripping him, bringing down the rain. And she with her nose cockahoop after she married him because a cousin of his old fellow's was pewopener to the pope. Picture of him on the wall with his Smashall Sweeney's moustaches, the signior Brini from Summerhill, the eyetallyano, papal Zouave to the Holy Father, has left the quay and gone to Moss street. And who was he, tell us? A nobody, two pair back and passages, at seven shillings a week, and he covered with all kinds of breastplates bidding defiance to the world.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: And moreover, a postcard is publication. It was held to be sufficient evidence of malice in the testcase Sadgrove v. Hole. In my opinion an action might lie.

N1 -[INT.]: Six and eightpence, please. Who wants your opinion? Let us drink our pints in peace. Gob, we won't be let even do that much itself.

LAMBERT: Well, good health, Jack.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Good health, Ned.

JOE: -There he is again.

BERGAN: Where?

N1 -[INT.]: And begob there he was passing the door with his books under his oxter and the wife beside him and Corny Kelleher with his wall eye looking in as they went past, talking to him like a father, trying to sell him a secondhand coffin.

JOE: How did that Canada swindle case go off?

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Remanded.

N1 -[INT.]: One of the bottlenosed fraternity it was went by the name of James Wought alias Saphiro alias Spark and Spiro, put an ad in the papers saying he'd give a passage to Canada for twenty bob. What? Do you see any green in the white of my eye? Course it was a bloody barney. What? Swindled them all, skivvies and badhachs from the county Meath, ay, and his own kidney too. J. J. was telling us there was an ancient Hebrew Zaretsky or something weeping in the witnessbox with his hat on him, swearing by the holy Moses he was stuck for two quid.

JOE: Who tried the case?

LAMBERT: Recorder.

BERGAN: Poor old sir Frederick, you can cod him up to the two eyes.

LAMBERT: Heart as big as a lion. Tell him a tale of woe about arrears of rent and a sick wife and a squad of kids and, faith, he'll dissolve in tears on the bench.

BERGAN: Ay. Reuben J was bloody lucky he didn't clap him in the dock the other day for suing poor little Gumley that's minding stones, for the corporation there near Butt bridge.

N1 -[INT.]: And he starts taking off the old recorder letting on to cry:

BERGAN: A most scandalous thing! This poor hardworking man! How many children? Ten, did you say?

BERGAN: Yes, your worship. And my wife has the typhoid.

BERGAN: And the wife with typhoid fever! Scandalous! Leave the court immediately, sir. No, sir, I'll make no order for payment. How dare you, sir, come up before me and ask me to make an order! A poor hardworking industrious man! I dismiss the case.

N2: And whereas on the sixteenth day of the month of the oxeyed goddess and in the third week after the feastday of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, the daughter of the skies, the virgin moon being then in her first quarter, it came to pass that those learned judges repaired them to the halls of law. There master Courtenay, sitting in his own chamber, gave his rede and master Justice Andrews, sitting without a jury in the probate court, weighed well and pondered the claim of the first chargeant upon the property in the matter of the will

propounded and final testamentary disposition IN RE the real and personal estate of the late lamented Jacob Halliday, vintner, deceased, versus Livingstone, an infant, of unsound mind, and another. And to the solemn court of Green street there came sir Frederick the Falconer. And he sat him there about the hour of five o'clock to administer the law of the brehons at the commission for all that and those parts to be holden in and for the county of the city of Dublin. And there sat with him the high sinhedrim of the twelve tribes of Iar, for every tribe one man, of the tribe of Patrick and of the tribe of Hugh and of the tribe of Owen and of the tribe of Conn and of the tribe of Oscar and of the tribe of Fergus and of the tribe of Finn and of the tribe of Dermot and of the tribe of Cormac and of the tribe of Kevin and of the tribe of Caolte and of the tribe of Ossian, there being in all twelve good men and true. And he conjured them by Him who died on rood that they should well and truly try and true deliverance make in the issue joined between their sovereign lord the king and the prisoner at the bar and true verdict give according to the evidence so help them God and kiss the book. And they rose in their seats, those twelve of Iar, and they swore by the name of Him Who is from everlasting that they would do His rightwiseness. And straightway the minions of the law led forth from their donjon keep one whom the sleuthhounds of justice had apprehended in consequence of information received. And they shackled him hand and foot and would take of him ne bail ne mainprise but preferred a charge against him for he was a malefactor.

CITIZEN: Those are nice things, coming over here to Ireland filling the country with bugs.

N1 *-[INT.]*: So Bloom lets on he heard nothing and he starts talking with Joe, telling him he needn't trouble about that little matter till the first but if he would just say a word to Mr Crawford. And so Joe swore high and holy by this and by that he'd do the devil and all.

BLOOM: Because, you see, for an advertisement you must have repetition. That's the whole secret.

JOE: Rely on me.

CITIZEN: Swindling the peasants, and the poor of Ireland. We want no more strangers in our house.

BLOOM: O, I'm sure that will be all right, Hynes. It's just that Keyes, you see.

JOE: Consider that done.

BLOOM: Very kind of you.

CITIZEN: The strangers. Our own fault. We let them come in. We brought them in. The adulteress and her paramour brought the Saxon robbers here.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Decree NISI.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And Bloom letting on to be awfully deeply interested in nothing, a spider's web in the corner behind the barrel, and the citizen scowling after him and the old dog at his feet looking up to know who to bite and when.

CITIZEN: A dishonoured wife, that's what's the cause of all our misfortunes.

BERGAN: And here she is, that was giggling over the POLICE GAZETTE with Terry on the counter, in all her warpaint.

N1: Give us a squint at her.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And what was it only one of the smutty yankee pictures Terry borrows off of Corny Kelleher. Secrets for enlarging your private parts. Misconduct of society belle. Norman W. Tupper, wealthy Chicago contractor, finds pretty but faithless wife in lap of officer Taylor. Belle in her bloomers misconducting herself, and her fancyman feeling for her tickles and Norman W. Tupper bouncing in with his peashooter just in time to be late after she doing the trick of the loop with officer Taylor.

JOE: O jakers, Jenny, how short your shirt is!

N1: There's hair, Joe. Get a queer old tailend of corned beef off of that one, what?

N1 *-[INT.]*: So anyhow in came John Wyse Nolan and Lenehan with him with a face on him as long as a late breakfast.

CITIZEN: Well, what's the latest from the scene of action? What did those tinkers in the city hall at their caucus meeting decide about the Irish language?

N2: O'Nolan, clad in shining armour, low bending made obeisance to the puissant and high and mighty chief of all Erin and did him to wit of that which had befallen, how that the grave

elders of the most obedient city, second of the realm, had met them in the tholsel, and there, after due prayers to the gods who dwell in ether supernal, had taken solemn counsel whereby they might, if so be it might be, bring once more into honour among mortal men the winged speech of the seadivided Gael.

CITIZEN: It's on the march. To hell with the bloody brutal Sassenachs and their PATOIS.

N1 -[INT.]: So J. J. puts in a word, doing the toff about one story was good till you heard another and blinking facts and the Nelson policy, putting your blind eye to the telescope and drawing up a bill of attainder to impeach a nation, and Bloom trying to back him up moderation and botheration and their colonies and their civilisation.

CITIZEN: Their syphilisation, you mean. To hell with them! The curse of a goodfornothing God light sideways on the bloody thicklugged sons of whores' gets! No music and no art and no literature worthy of the name. Any civilisation they have they stole from us. Tonguetied sons of bastards' ghosts.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: The European family ...

CITIZEN: They're not European. I was in Europe with Kevin Egan of Paris. You wouldn't see a trace of them or their language anywhere in Europe except in a CABINET D' AISANCE.

N1 -[INT.]: And says John Wyse:

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Full many a flower is born to blush unseen.

N1 -[INT.]: And says Lenehan that knows a bit of the lingo:

LENEHAN: CONSPUEZ LES ANGLAIS! PERFIDE ALBION!

N2: He said and then lifted he in his rude great brawny strengthly hands the medher of dark strong foamy ale and, uttering his tribal slogan LAMH DEARG ABU, he drank to the undoing of his foes, a race of mighty valorous heroes, rulers of the waves, who sit on thrones of alabaster silent as the deathless gods.

N1: What's up with you. You look like a fellow that had lost a bob and found a tanner.

LENEHAN: Gold cup.

TERRY: Who won, Mr Lenehan?

LENEHAN: THROWAWAY, at twenty to one. A rank outsider. And the rest nowhere.

TERRY: And Bass's mare?

LENEHAN: Still running. We're all in a cart. Boylan plunged two quid on my tip SCEPTRE for himself and a lady friend.

TERRY: I had half a crown myself, on ZINFANDEL that Mr Flynn gave me. Lord Howard de Walden's.

LENEHAN: Twenty to one. Such is life in an outhouse. THROWAWAY, says he. Takes the biscuit, and talking about bunions. Frailty, thy name is SCEPTRE.

N1 -[INT.]: So he went over to the biscuit tin Bob Doran left to see if there was anything he could lift on the nod, the old cur after him backing his luck with his mangy snout up. Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard.

LENEHAN: Not there, my child.

JOE: Keep your pecker up. She'd have won the money only for the other dog.

N1 -[INT.]: And J. J. and the citizen arguing about law and history with Bloom sticking in an odd word.

BLOOM: Some people, can see the mote in others' eyes but they can't see the beam in their own.

CITIZEN: RAIMEIS. There's no-one as blind as the fellow that won't see, if you know what that means. Where are our missing twenty millions of Irish should be here today instead of four, our lost tribes? And our potteries and textiles, the finest in the whole world! And our wool that was sold in Rome in the time of Juvenal and our flax and our damask from the looms of Antrim and our Limerick lace, our tanneries and our white flint glass down there by Ballybough and our Huguenot poplin that we have since Jacquard de Lyon and our woven silk and our Foxford tweeds and ivory raised point from the Carmelite convent in New Ross, nothing like it in the whole wide world. Where are the Greek merchants that came through the pillars of Hercules, the Gibraltar now grabbed by the foe of mankind, with gold and Tyrian purple to sell in Wexford at the fair of Carmen? Read Tacitus and Ptolemy, even Giraldus

Cambrensis. Wine, peltries, Connemara marble, silver from Tipperary, second to none, our farfamed horses even today, the Irish hobbies, with king Philip of Spain offering to pay customs duties for the right to fish in our waters. What do the yellowjohns of Anglia owe us for our ruined trade and our ruined hearths? And the beds of the Barrow and Shannon they won't deepen with millions of acres of marsh and bog to make us all die of consumption?

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: As treeless as Portugal we'll be soon, or Heligoland with its one tree if something is not done to reafforest the land. Larches, firs, all the trees of the conifer family are going fast. I was reading a report of lord Castletown's ...

CITIZEN: Save them, the giant ash of Galway and the chieftain elm of Kildare with a fortyfoot bole and an acre of foliage. Save the trees of Ireland for the future men of Ireland on the fair hills of Eire, O.

LENEHAN: Europe has its eyes on you.

N2: The fashionable international world attended EN MASSE this afternoon at the wedding of the chevalier Jean Wyse de Neaulan, grand high chief ranger of the Irish National Foresters, with Miss Fir Conifer of Pine Valley. Lady Sylvester Elmshade, Mrs Barbara Lovebitch, Mrs Poll Ash, Mrs Holly Hazeleyes, Miss Daphne Bays, Miss Dorothy Canebreak, Mrs Clyde Twelvetreets, Mrs Rowan Greene, Mrs Helen Vinegadding, Miss Virginia Creeper, Miss Gladys Beech, Miss Olive Garth, Miss Blanche Maple, Mrs Maud Mahogany, Miss Myra Myrtle, Miss Priscilla Elderflower, Miss Bee Honeysuckle, Miss Grace Poplar, Miss O Mimosa San, Miss Rachel Cedarfrond, the Misses Lilian and Viola Lilac, Miss Timidity Aspenall, Mrs Kitty Dewey-Mosse, Miss May Hawthorne, Mrs Gloriana Palme, Mrs Liana Forrest, Mrs Arabella Blackwood and Mrs Norma Holyoake of Oakholme Regis graced the ceremony by their presence. The bride who was given away by her father, the M'Conifer of the Glands, looked exquisitely charming in a creation carried out in green mercerised silk, moulded on an underslip of gloaming grey, sashed with a yoke of broad emerald and finished with a triple flounce of darkerhued fringe, the scheme being relieved by bretelles and hip insertions of acorn bronze. The maids of honour, Miss Larch Conifer and Miss Spruce Conifer, sisters of the bride, wore very becoming costumes in the same tone, a dainty MOTIF of plume rose being worked into the pleats in a pinstripe and repeated capriciously in the jadegreen toques in the form of heron feathers of paletinted coral. Senhor Enrique Flor presided at the organ with his wellknown ability and, in addition to the prescribed numbers of the nuptial mass, played a new and striking arrangement of WOODMAN, SPARE THAT TREE at the conclusion of the service. On leaving the church of Saint Fiacre IN HORTO after the papal blessing the happy pair were subjected to a playful crossfire of hazelnuts, beechmast, bayleaves, catkins of willow, ivytod, hollyberries, mistletoe sprigs and quicken shoots. Mr and Mrs Wyse Conifer Neaulan will spend a quiet honeymoon in the Black Forest.

CITIZEN: And our eyes are on Europe. We had our trade with Spain and the French and with the Flemings before those mongrels were pupped, Spanish ale in Galway, the winebark on the winedark waterway.

JOE: And will again.

CITIZEN: And with the help of the holy mother of God we will again, clapping his thigh. our harbours that are empty will be full again, Queenstown, Kinsale, Galway, Blacksod Bay, Ventry in the kingdom of Kerry, Killybegs, the third largest harbour in the wide world with a fleet of masts of the Galway Lynches and the Cavan O'Reillys and the O'Kennedys of Dublin when the earl of Desmond could make a treaty with the emperor Charles the Fifth himself. And will again, when the first Irish battleship is seen breasting the waves with our own flag to the fore, none of your Henry Tudor's harps, no, the oldest flag afloat, the flag of the province of Desmond and Thomond, three crowns on a blue field, the three sons of Milesius.

N1 -[INT.]: And he took the last swig out of the pint. Moya. All wind and piss like a tanyard cat. Cows in Connacht have long horns. As much as his bloody life is worth to go down and address his tall talk to the assembled multitude in Shanagolden where he daren't show his nose with the Molly Maguires looking for him to let daylight through him for grabbing the holding of an evicted tenant.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Hear, hear to that. What will you have?

LENEHAN: An imperial yeomanry, to celebrate the occasion.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Half one, Terry, and a hands up. Terry! Are you asleep?

TERRY: Yes, sir. Small whisky and bottle of Allsop. Right, sir.

N1 -[INT.]: Hanging over the bloody paper with Alf looking for spicy bits instead of attending to the general public. Picture of a butting match, trying to crack their bloody skulls, one chap going for the other with his head down like a bull at a gate. And another one: BLACK BEAST BURNED IN OMAHA, GA. A lot of Deadwood Dicks in slouch hats and they firing at a Sambo strung up in a tree with his tongue out and a bonfire under him. Gob, they ought to drown him in the sea after and electrocute and crucify him to make sure of their job.

LAMBERT: But what about the fighting navy, that keeps our foes at bay?

CITIZEN: I'll tell you what about it. Hell upon earth it is. Read the revelations that's going on in the papers about flogging on the training ships at Portsmouth. A fellow writes that calls himself DISGUSTED ONE.

N1 -[INT.]: So he starts telling us about corporal punishment and about the crew of tars and officers and rearadmirals drawn up in cocked hats and the parson with his protestant bible to witness punishment and a young lad brought out, howling for his ma, and they tie him down on the buttend of a gun.

CITIZEN: A rump and dozen, was what that old ruffian sir John Beresford called it but the modern God's Englishman calls it caning on the breech.

N1 -[INT.]: And says John Wyse:

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: 'Tis a custom more honoured in the breach than in the observance.

N1 -[INT.]: Then he was telling us the master at arms comes along with a long cane and he draws out and he flogs the bloody backside off of the poor lad till he yells meila murder.

CITIZEN: That's your glorious British navy, that bosses the earth.

CITIZEN: The fellows that never will be slaves, with the only hereditary chamber on the face of God's earth and their land in the hands of a dozen gamehogs and cottonball barons. That's the great empire they boast about of drudges and whipped serfs.

JOE: On which the sun never rises.

CITIZEN: And the tragedy of it is, they believe it. The unfortunate yahoos believe it.

N2: They believe in rod, the scourger almighty, creator of hell upon earth, and in Jacky Tar, the son of a gun, who was conceived of unholy boast, born of the fighting navy, suffered under rump and dozen, was scarified, flayed and curried, yelled like bloody hell, the third day he arose again from the bed, steered into haven, sitteth on his beamend till further orders whence he shall come to drudge for a living and be paid.

BLOOM: But, isn't discipline the same everywhere. I mean wouldn't it be the same here if you put force against force?

N1 -[INT.]: Didn't I tell you? As true as I'm drinking this porter if he was at his last gasp he'd try to downface you that dying was living.

CITIZEN: We'll put force against force. We have our greater Ireland beyond the sea. They were driven out of house and home in the black 47. Their mudcabins and their shielings by the roadside were laid low by the batteringram and the TIMES rubbed its hands and told the whitelivered Saxons there would soon be as few Irish in Ireland as redskins in America. Even the Grand Turk sent us his piastres. But the Sassenach tried to starve the nation at home while the land was full of crops that the British hyenas bought and sold in Rio de Janeiro. Ay, they drove out the peasants in hordes. Twenty thousand of them died in the coffinships. But those that came to the land of the free remember the land of bondage. And they will come again and with a vengeance, no cravens, the sons of Granuaile, the champions of Kathleen ni Houlihan.

BLOOM: Perfectly true. But my point was ...

LAMBERT: We are a long time waiting for that day, citizen. Since the poor old woman told us that the French were on the sea and landed at Killala.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Ay. We fought for the royal Stuarts that reneged us against the Williamites and they betrayed us. Remember Limerick and the broken treatystone. We gave our best blood to France and Spain, the wild geese. Fontenoy, eh? And Sarsfield and O'Donnell, duke of Tetuan in Spain, and Ulysses Browne of Camus that was fieldmarshal to Maria Teresa. But

what did we ever get for it?

CITIZEN: The French! Set of dancing masters! Do you know what it is? They were never worth a roasted fart to Ireland. Aren't they trying to make an ENTENTE CORDIALE now at Tay Pay's dinnerparty with perfidious Albion? Firebrands of Europe and they always were.

LENEHAN: CONSPUEZ LES FRANCAIS

N1 -[INT.]: says Lenehan, nobbling his beer.

JOE: And as for the Prooshians and the Hanoverians, haven't we had enough of those sausageeating bastards on the throne from George the elector down to the German lad and the flatulent old bitch that's dead?

N1 -[INT.]: Jesus, I had to laugh at the way he came out with that about the old one with the winkers on her, blind drunk in her royal palace every night of God, old Vic, with her jorum of mountain dew and her coachman carting her up body and bones to roll into bed and she pulling him by the whiskers and singing him old bits of songs about EHREN ON THE RHINE and come where the boose is cheaper.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Well. We have Edward the peacemaker now.

CITIZEN: Tell that to a fool. There's a bloody sight more pox than pax about that boyo. Edward Guelph-Wettin!

JOE: And what do you think, of the holy boys, the priests and bishops of Ireland doing up his room in Maynooth in His Satanic Majesty's racing colours and sticking up pictures of all the horses his jockeys rode. The earl of Dublin, no less.

BERGAN: They ought to have stuck up all the women he rode himself.

N1 -[INT.]: And says J. J.:

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Considerations of space influenced their lordships' decision.

JOE: Will you try another, citizen?

CITIZEN: Yes, sir. I will.

JOE: You?

N1: Beholden to you, Joe. May your shadow never grow less.

JOE: Repeat that dose.

N1 -[INT.]: Bloom was talking and talking with John Wyse and he quite excited with his dunduckety mudcoloured mug on him and his old plumeyes rolling about.

BLOOM: Persecution, all the history of the world is full of it. Perpetuating national hatred among nations.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: But do you know what a nation means?

BLOOM: Yes.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: What is it?

BLOOM: A nation? A nation is the same people living in the same place.

LAMBERT: By God, then, laughing, if that's so I'm a nation for I'm living in the same place for the past five years.

N1 -[INT.]: So of course everyone had the laugh at Bloom and says he, trying to muck out of it:

BLOOM: Or also living in different places.

JOE: That covers my case.

CITIZEN: What is your nation if I may ask?

BLOOM: Ireland. I was born here. Ireland.

CITIZEN: The citizen said nothing only cleared the spit out of his gullet and, gob, he spat a Red bank oyster out of him right in the corner.

CITIZEN: After you with the push, Joe, taking out his handkerchief to swab himself dry.

JOE: Here you are, citizen. Take that in your right hand and repeat after me the following words.

N2: The muchtreasured and intricately embroidered ancient Irish facecloth attributed to Solomon of Droma and Manus Tomaltach og MacDonogh, authors of the Book of Ballymote, was then carefully produced and called forth prolonged admiration. No need to dwell on the legendary beauty of the cornerpieces, the acme of art, wherein one can distinctly discern each of the four evangelists in turn presenting to each of the four masters his evangelical symbol, a

bogoak sceptre, a North American puma (a far nobler king of beasts than the British article, be it said in passing), a Kerry calf and a golden eagle from Carrantuohill. The scenes depicted on the emunctory field, showing our ancient duns and raths and cromlechs and grianauins and seats of learning and maledictive stones, are as wonderfully beautiful and the pigments as delicate as when the Sligo illuminators gave free rein to their artistic fantasy long long ago in the time of the Barmecides. Glendalough, the lovely lakes of Killarney, the ruins of Clonmacnois, Cong Abbey, Glen Inagh and the Twelve Pins, Ireland's Eye, the Green Hills of Tallaght, Croagh Patrick, the brewery of Messrs Arthur Guinness, Son and Company (Limited), Lough Neagh's banks, the vale of Ovoca, Isolde's tower, the Mapas obelisk, Sir Patrick Dun's hospital, Cape Clear, the glen of Aherlow, Lynch's castle, the Scotch house, Rathdown Union Workhouse at Loughlinstown, Tullamore jail, Castleconnel rapids, Kilballymacshonakill, the cross at Monasterboice, Jury's Hotel, S. Patrick's Purgatory, the Salmon Leap, Maynooth college refectory, Curley's hole, the three birthplaces of the first duke of Wellington, the rock of Cashel, the bog of Allen, the Henry Street Warehouse, Fingal's Cave--all these moving scenes are still there for us today rendered more beautiful still by the waters of sorrow which have passed over them and by the rich incrustations of time.

N1: Show us over the drink. Which is which?

JOE: That's mine, as the devil said to the dead policeman.

BLOOM: And I belong to a race too, that is hated and persecuted. Also now. This very moment. This very instant.

N1 -[*INT.*]: Gob, he near burnt his fingers with the butt of his old cigar.

BLOOM: Robbed. Plundered. Insulted. Persecuted. Taking what belongs to us by right. At this very moment, putting up his fist, sold by auction in Morocco like slaves or cattle.

CITIZEN: Are you talking about the new Jerusalem?

BLOOM: I'm talking about injustice.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Right. Stand up to it then with force like men.

N1 -[*INT.*]: That's an almanac picture for you. Mark for a softnosed bullet. Old lardyface standing up to the business end of a gun. Gob, he'd adorn a sweepingbrush, so he would, if he only had a nurse's apron on him. And then he collapses all of a sudden, twisting around all the opposite, as limp as a wet rag.

BLOOM: But it's no use. Force, hatred, history, all that. That's not life for men and women, insult and hatred. And everybody knows that it's the very opposite of that that is really life.

BERGAN: What?

BLOOM: Love. I mean the opposite of hatred. I must go now, says he to John Wyse. Just round to the court a moment to see if Martin is there. If he comes just say I'll be back in a second. Just a moment.

N1 -[*INT.*]: Who's hindering you? And off he pops like greased lightning.

[*Exit Bloom.*]

CITIZEN: A new apostle to the gentiles. Universal love.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Well

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: , says John Wyse

. Isn't that what we're told. Love your neighbour.

CITIZEN: That chap? Beggar my neighbour is his motto. Love, moya! He's a nice pattern of a Romeo and Juliet.

N2: Love loves to love love. Nurse loves the new chemist. Constable 14A loves Mary Kelly. Gerty MacDowell loves the boy that has the bicycle. M. B. loves a fair gentleman. Li Chi Han lovey up kissy Cha Pu Chow. Jumbo, the elephant, loves Alice, the elephant. Old Mr Verschoyle with the ear trumpet loves old Mrs Verschoyle with the turnedin eye. The man in the brown macintosh loves a lady who is dead. His Majesty the King loves Her Majesty the Queen. Mrs Norman W. Tupper loves officer Taylor. You love a certain person. And this person loves that other person because everybody loves somebody but God loves everybody.

N1: Well, Joe, your very good health and song. More power, citizen.

JOE: Hurrah, there.

CITIZEN: The blessing of God and Mary and Patrick on you.

N1 *-[INT.]*: And he ups with his pint to wet his whistle.

CITIZEN: We know those canters, preaching and picking your pocket. What about sanctimonious Cromwell and his ironsides that put the women and children of Drogheda to the sword with the bible text GOD IS LOVE pasted round the mouth of his cannon? The bible! Did you read that skit in the UNITED IRISHMAN today about that Zulu chief that's visiting England?

JOE: What's that?

N1 *-[INT.]*: So the citizen takes up one of his paraphernalia papers and he starts reading out:

CITIZEN: A delegation of the chief cotton magnates of Manchester was presented yesterday to His Majesty the Alaki of Abeakuta by Gold Stick in Waiting, Lord Walkup of Walkup on Eggs, to tender to His Majesty the heartfelt thanks of British traders for the facilities afforded them in his dominions. The delegation partook of luncheon at the conclusion of which the dusky potentate, in the course of a happy speech, freely translated by the British chaplain, the reverend Ananias Praise-god Barebones, tendered his best thanks to Massa Walkup and emphasised the cordial relations existing between Abeakuta and the British empire, stating that he treasured as one of his dearest possessions an illuminated bible, the volume of the word of God and the secret of England's greatness, graciously presented to him by the white chief woman, the great squaw Victoria, with a personal dedication from the august hand of the Royal Donor. The Alaki then drank a lovingcup of firstshot usquebaugh to the toast BLACK AND WHITE from the skull of his immediate predecessor in the dynasty Kakachakachak, surnamed Forty Warts, after which he visited the chief factory of Cottonopolis and signed his mark in the visitors' book, subsequently executing a charming old Abeakutic wardance, in the course of which he swallowed several knives and forks, amid hilarious applause from the girl hands.

LAMBERT: Widow woman. I wouldn't doubt her. Wonder did he put that bible to the same use as I would.

LENEHAN: Same only more so. And thereafter in that fruitful land the broadleaved mango flourished exceedingly.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Is that by Griffith?

CITIZEN: No. It's not signed Shanganagh. It's only initialled: P.

JOE: And a very good initial too.

CITIZEN: That's how it's worked. Trade follows the flag.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Well, if they're any worse than those Belgians in the Congo Free State they must be bad. Did you read that report by a man what's this his name is?

CITIZEN: Casement. He's an Irishman.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Yes, that's the man. Raping the women and girls and flogging the natives on the belly to squeeze all the red rubber they can out of them.

LENEHAN: I know where he's gone, cracking his fingers.

N1: Who?

LENEHAN: Bloom. The courthouse is a blind. He had a few bob on THROWAWAY and he's gone to gather in the shekels.

CITIZEN: Is it that white-eyed kaffir? that never backed a horse in anger in his life?

LENEHAN: That's where he's gone. I met Bantam Lyons going to back that horse only I put him off it and he told me Bloom gave him the tip. Bet you what you like he has a hundred shillings to five on. He's the only man in Dublin has it. A dark horse.

JOE: He's a bloody dark horse himself.

N1: Mind, Joe. Show us the entrance out.

TERRY: There you are.

N1 *-[INT.]*: Goodbye Ireland I'm going to Gort. So I just went round the back of the yard to pumpship and begob (hundred shillings to five) while I was letting off my (THROWAWAY twenty to) letting off my load gob says I to myself I knew he was uneasy in his (two pints off of Joe and one in Slattery's off) in his mind to get off the mark to (hundred shillings is five quid) and when they were in the (dark horse) pissur Burke was telling me card party and letting on the child was sick (gob, must have done about a gallon) flabbyarse of a wife speaking down the tube SHE'S BETTER or SHE'S (ow!) all a plan so he could vamoose with the pool if

he won or (Jesus, full up I was) trading without a licence (ow!) Ireland my nation says he (hoik! phthook!) never be up to those bloody (there's the last of it) Jerusalem (ah!) cuckoos.

N1 -[INT.]: So anyhow when I got back they were at it dingdong, John Wyse saying it was Bloom gave the ideas for Sinn Fein to Griffith to put in his paper all kinds of jerrymandering, packed juries and swindling the taxes off of the government and appointing consuls all over the world to walk about selling Irish industries. Robbing Peter to pay Paul. Gob, that puts the bloody kybosh on it if old sloppy eyes is mucking up the show. Give us a bloody chance. God save Ireland from the likes of that bloody mouseabout. Mr Bloom with his argol bargol. And his old fellow before him perpetrating frauds, old Methusalem Bloom, the robbing bagman, that poisoned himself with the prussic acid after he swamping the country with his baubles and his penny diamonds. Loans by post on easy terms. Any amount of money advanced on note of hand. Distance no object. No security. Gob, he's like Lanty MacHale's goat that'd go a piece of the road with every one.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Well, it's a fact. And there's the man now that'll tell you all about it, Martin Cunningham.

N1 -[INT.]: Sure enough the castle car drove up with Martin on it and Jack Power with him and a fellow named Crofter or Crofton, pensioner out of the collector general's, an orangeman Blackburn does have on the registration and he drawing his pay or Crawford gallivanting around the country at the king's expense.

N2: Our travellers reached the rustic hostelry and alighted from their palfreys.

CUNNINGHAM: Ho, varlet!

N2: cried he, who by his mien seemed the leader of the party. Saucy knave! To us!

N2: So saying he knocked loudly with his swordhilt upon the open lattice.

N2: Mine host came forth at the summons, girding him with his tabard.

TERRY: Give you good den, my masters,

N2: said he with an obsequious bow.

CUNNINGHAM: Bestir thyself, sirrah!

N2: cried he who had knocked.

CUNNINGHAM: Look to our steeds. And for ourselves give us of your best for ifaith we need it.

TERRY: Lackaday, good masters, my poor house has but a bare larder. I know not what to offer your lordships.

POWER: How now, fellow?

N2: cried the second of the party, a man of pleasant countenance.

POWER: So servest thou the king's messengers, master Taptun?

N2: An instantaneous change overspread the landlord's visage.

TERRY: Cry you mercy, gentlemen,

N2: he said humbly.

TERRY: An you be the king's messengers (God shield His Majesty!) you shall not want for aught.

The king's friends (God bless His Majesty!) shall not go afasting in my house I warrant me.

CROFTON: Then about!

N2: cried the traveller who had not spoken, a lusty trencherman by his aspect.

CROFTON: Hast aught to give us?

N2: Mine host bowed again as he made answer:

TERRY: What say you, good masters, to a squab pigeon pasty, some collops of venison, a saddle of veal, widgeon with crisp hog's bacon, a boar's head with pistachios, a bason of jolly custard, a medlar tansy and a flagon of old Rhenish?

CROFTON: Gadzooks! That likes me well. Pistachios!

POWER: Aha! A poor house and a bare larder, quotha! 'Tis a merry rogue.

N1 -[INT.]: So in comes Martin asking where was Bloom.

LENEHAN: Where is he? Defrauding widows and orphans.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: Isn't that a fact, what I was telling the citizen about Bloom and the Sinn Fein?

CUNNINGHAM: That's so. Or so they allege.

BERGAN: Who made those allegations?

JOE: I. I'm the alligator.

JOHN WYSE NOLAN: And after all, why can't a jew love his country like the next fellow?

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Why not?, when he's quite sure which country it is.

LAMBERT: Is he a jew or a gentile or a holy Roman or a swaddler or what the hell is he? Or who is he? No offence, Crofton.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Who is Junius?

CROFTON: We don't want him,

N1 -[INT.]: says Crofter the Orangeman or presbyterian.

CUNNINGHAM: He's a perverted jew, from a place in Hungary and it was he drew up all the plans according to the Hungarian system. We know that in the castle.

POWER: Isn't he a cousin of Bloom the dentist?

CUNNINGHAM: Not at all. Only namesakes. His name was Virag, the father's name that poisoned himself. He changed it by deedpoll, the father did.

CITIZEN: That's the new Messiah for Ireland! Island of saints and sages!

CUNNINGHAM: Well, they're still waiting for their redeemer. For that matter so are we.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: Yes, and every male that's born they think it may be their Messiah. And every jew is in a tall state of excitement, I believe, till he knows if he's a father or a mother.

LENEHAN: Expecting every moment will be his next.

LAMBERT: O, by God, you should have seen Bloom before that son of his that died was born. I met him one day in the south city markets buying a tin of Neave's food six weeks before the wife was delivered.

J.J. O'MOLLOY: EN VENTRE SA MERE.

CITIZEN: Do you call that a man?

JOE: I wonder did he ever put it out of sight.

POWER: Well, there were two children born anyhow.

CITIZEN: And who does he suspect?

N1 -[INT.]: Gob, there's many a true word spoken in jest. One of those mixed middlings he is. Lying up in the hotel Pisser was telling me once a month with headache like a totty with her courses. Do you know what I'm telling you? It'd be an act of God to take a hold of a fellow the like of that and throw him in the bloody sea. Justifiable homicide, so it would. Then sloping off with his five quid without putting up a pint of stuff like a man. Give us your blessing. Not as much as would blind your eye.

CUNNINGHAM: Charity to the neighbour. But where is he? We can't wait.

CITIZEN: A wolf in sheep's clothing. That's what he is. Virag from Hungary! Ahasuerus I call him. Cursed by God.

LAMBERT: Have you time for a brief libation, Martin?

CUNNINGHAM: Only one. We must be quick. J. J. and S.

LAMBERT: You, Jack? Crofton? Three half ones, Terry.

CITIZEN: Saint Patrick would want to land again at Ballykinlar and convert us, after allowing things like that to contaminate our shores.

CUNNINGHAM: Well, rapping for his glass. God bless all here is my prayer.

CITIZEN: Amen.

JOE: And I'm sure He will.

N2: And at the sound of the sacring bell, headed by a crucifer with acolytes, thurifers, boatbearers, readers, ostiarii, deacons and subdeacons, the blessed company drew nigh of mitred abbots and priors and guardians and monks and friars: the monks of Benedict of Spoleto, Carthusians and Camaldolesi, Cistercians and Olivetans, Oratorians and Vallombrosans, and the friars of Augustine, Brigittines, Premonstratensians, Servi, Trinitarians, and the children of Peter Nolasco: and therewith from Carmel mount the children of Elijah prophet led by Albert bishop and by Teresa of Avila, calced and other: and friars, brown and grey, sons of poor Francis, capuchins, cordeliers, minimes and observants and the daughters of Clara: and the sons of Dominic, the friars preachers, and the sons of Vincent: and the monks of S. Wolstan: and Ignatius his children: and the confraternity of the christian brothers led by the reverend brother Edmund Ignatius Rice. And after came all saints and

martyrs, virgins and confessors: S. Cyr and S. Isidore Arator and S. James the Less and S. Phocas of Sinope and S. Julian Hospitator and S. Felix de Cantalice and S. Simon Stylites and S. Stephen Protomartyr and S. John of God and S. Ferreol and S. Leugarde and S. Theodotus and S. Vulmar and S. Richard and S. Vincent de Paul and S. Martin of Todi and S. Martin of Tours and S. Alfred and S. Joseph and S. Denis and S. Cornelius and S. Leopold and S. Bernard and S. Terence and S. Edward and S. Owen Caniculus and S. Anonymous and S. Eponymous and S. Pseudonymous and S. Homonymous and S. Paronymous and S. Synonymous and S. Laurence O'Toole and S. James of Dingle and Compostella and S. Columcille and S. Columba and S. Celestine and S. Colman and S. Kevin and S. Brendan and S. Frigidian and S. Senan and S. Fachtna and S. Columbanus and S. Gall and S. Fursey and S. Fintan and S. Fiacre and S. John Nepomuc and S. Thomas Aquinas and S. Ives of Brittany and S. Michan and S. Herman-Joseph and the three patrons of holy youth S. Aloysius Gonzaga and S. Stanislaus Kostka and S. John Berchmans and the saints Gervasius, Servasius and Bonifacius and S. Bride and S. Kieran and S. Canice of Kilkenny and S. Jarlath of Tuam and S. Finbarr and S. Pappin of Ballymun and Brother Aloysius Pacificus and Brother Louis Bellicosus and the saints Rose of Lima and of Viterbo and S. Martha of Bethany and S. Mary of Egypt and S. Lucy and S. Brigid and S. Attracta and S. Dympna and S. Ita and S. Marion Calpensis and the Blessed Sister Teresa of the Child Jesus and S. Barbara and S. Scholastica and S. Ursula with eleven thousand virgins. And all came with nimbi and aureoles and gloriae, bearing palms and harps and swords and olive crowns, in robes whereon were woven the blessed symbols of their efficacies, inkhorns, arrows, loaves, cruses, fetters, axes, trees, bridges, babes in a bathtub, shells, wallets, shears, keys, dragons, lilies, buckshot, beards, hogs, lamps, bellows, beehives, soupladles, stars, snakes, anvils, boxes of vaseline, bells, crutches, forceps, stags' horns, watertight boots, hawks, millstones, eyes on a dish, wax candles, aspergills, unicorns. And as they wended their way by Nelson's Pillar, Henry street, Mary street, Capel street, Little Britain street chanting the introit in EPIPHANIA DOMINI which beginneth SURGE, ILLUMINARE and thereafter most sweetly the gradual OMNES which saith DE SABA VENIENT they did divers wonders such as casting out devils, raising the dead to life, multiplying fishes, healing the halt and the blind, discovering various articles which had been mislaid, interpreting and fulfilling the scriptures, blessing and prophesying. And last, beneath a canopy of cloth of gold came the reverend Father O'Flynn attended by Malachi and Patrick. And when the good fathers had reached the appointed place, the house of Bernard Kiernan and Co, limited, 8, 9 and 10 little Britain street, wholesale grocers, wine and brandy shippers, licensed for the sale of beer, wine and spirits for consumption on the premises, the celebrant blessed the house and censed the mullioned windows and the groyne and the vaults and the arrises and the capitals and the pediments and the cornices and the engrailed arches and the spires and the cupolas and sprinkled the lintels thereof with blessed water and prayed that God might bless that house as he had blessed the house of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and make the angels of His light to inhabit therein. And entering he blessed the viands and the beverages and the company of all the blessed answered his prayers.

N2: ADIUTORIUM NOSTRUM IN NOMINE DOMINI.

N2: QUI FECIT COELUM ET TERRAM.

N2: DOMINUS VOBISCUM.

N2: ET CUM SPIRITU TUO.

N2: And he laid his hands upon that he blessed and gave thanks and he prayed and they all with him prayed:

ALL: DEUS, CUIUS VERBO SANCTIFICANTUR OMNIA, BENEDICTIONEM TUAM EFFUNDE SUPER CREATURAS ISTAS: ET PRAESTA UT QUISQUIS EIS SECUNDUM LEGEM ET VOLUNTATEM TUAM CUM GRATIARUM ACTIONE USUS FUERIT PER INVOCATIONEM SANCTISSIMI NOMINIS TUI CORPORIS SANITATEM ET ANIMAE TUTELAM TE AUCTORE PERCIPIAT PER CHRISTUM DOMINUM NOSTRUM.

POWER: And so say all of us.

CROFTON: Thousand a year, Lambert.

LAMBERT: Right, taking up his John Jameson. And butter for fish.

N1 -[INT.]: I was just looking around to see who the happy thought would strike when be damned but in he comes again letting on to be in a hell of a hurry.

[Enter Bloom.]

BLOOM: I was just round at the courthouse, looking for you. I hope I'm not ...

CUNNINGHAM: No, we're ready.

N1 -[INT.]: Courthouse my eye and your pockets hanging down with gold and silver. Mean bloody scut. Stand us a drink itself. Devil a sweet fear! There's a jew for you! All for number one. Cute as a shithouse rat. Hundred to five.

CITIZEN: Don't tell anyone.

BLOOM: Beg your pardon.

CUNNINGHAM: Come on boys, seeing it was looking blue. Come along now.

CITIZEN: Don't tell anyone,

N1 -[INT.]: says the citizen, letting a bawl out of him.

CITIZEN: It's a secret.

N1 -[INT.]: And the bloody dog woke up and let a growl.

CUNNINGHAM: Bye bye all.

N1 -[INT.]: And he got them out as quick as he could, Jack Power and Crofton or whatever you call him and him in the middle of them letting on to be all at sea and up with them on the bloody jaunting car.

CUNNINGHAM: Off with you,

N1 -[INT.]: says Martin to the jarvey.

N2: The milkwhite dolphin tossed his mane and, rising in the golden poop the helmsman spread the bellying sail upon the wind and stood off forward with all sail set, the spinnaker to larboard. A many comely nymphs drew nigh to starboard and to larboard and, clinging to the sides of the noble bark, they linked their shining forms as doth the cunning wheelwright when he fashions about the heart of his wheel the equidistant rays whereof each one is sister to another and he binds them all with an outer ring and giveth speed to the feet of men whenas they ride to a hosting or contend for the smile of ladies fair. Even so did they come and set them, those willing nymphs, the undying sisters. And they laughed, sporting in a circle of their foam: and the bark clave the waves.

N1 -[INT.]: But begob I was just lowering the heel of the pint when I saw the citizen getting up to waddle to the door, puffing and blowing with the dropsy, and he cursing the curse of Cromwell on him, bell, book and candle in Irish, spitting and spatting out of him and Joe and little Alf round him like a leprechaun trying to peacify him.

CITIZEN: Let me alone.

N1 -[INT.]: And begob he got as far as the door and they holding him and he bawls out of him:

CITIZEN: Three cheers for Israel!

N1 -[INT.]: Arrah, sit down on the parliamentary side of your arse for Christ' sake and don't be making a public exhibition of yourself. Jesus, there's always some bloody clown or other kicking up a bloody murder about bloody nothing. Gob, it'd turn the porter sour in your guts, so it would.

N1 -[INT.]: And all the ragamuffins and sluts of the nation round the door and Martin telling the jarvey to drive ahead and the citizen bawling and Alf and Joe at him to whisht and he on his high horse about the jews and the loafers calling for a speech and Jack Power trying to get him to sit down on the car and hold his bloody jaw and a loafer with a patch over his eye starts singing IF THE MAN IN THE MOON WAS A JEW, JEW, JEW and a slut shouts out of her:

RAGAMUFFIN: Eh, mister! Your fly is open, mister!

N1 -[INT.]: And says he:

BLOOM: Mendelssohn was a jew and Karl Marx and Mercadante and Spinoza. And the Saviour was a jew and his father was a jew. Your God.

CUNNINGHAM: He had no father. That'll do now. Drive ahead.

CITIZEN: Whose God?

BLOOM: Well, his uncle was a jew. Your God was a jew. Christ was a jew like me.

N1 -[INT.]: Gob, the citizen made a plunge back into the shop.

CITIZEN: By Jesus, I'll brain that bloody jewman for using the holy name. By Jesus, I'll crucify him so I will. Give us that biscuitbox here.

JOE: Stop! Stop!

N2: A large and appreciative gathering of friends and acquaintances from the metropolis and greater Dublin assembled in their thousands to bid farewell to Nagyasagos uram Lipoti Virag, late of Messrs Alexander Thom's, printers to His Majesty, on the occasion of his departure for the distant clime of Szazharminczbrojugulyas-Dugulas (Meadow of Murmuring Waters). The ceremony which went off with great ECLAT was characterised by the most affecting cordiality. An illuminated scroll of ancient Irish vellum, the work of Irish artists, was presented to the distinguished phenomenologist on behalf of a large section of the community and was accompanied by the gift of a silver casket, tastefully executed in the style of ancient Celtic ornament, a work which reflects every credit on the makers, Messrs Jacob AGUS Jacob. The departing guest was the recipient of a hearty ovation, many of those who were present being visibly moved when the select orchestra of Irish pipes struck up the wellknown strains of COME BACK TO ERIN, followed immediately by RAKOCZSY'S MARCH. Tarbarrels and bonfires were lighted along the coastline of the four seas on the summits of the Hill of Howth, Three Rock Mountain, Sugarloaf, Bray Head, the mountains of Mourne, the Galtees, the Ox and Donegal and Sperrin peaks, the Nagles and the Bograghs, the Connemara hills, the reeks of M Gillicuddy, Slieve Aughty, Slieve Bernagh and Slieve Bloom. Amid cheers that rent the welkin, responded to by answering cheers from a big muster of henchmen on the distant Cambrian and Caledonian hills, the mastodontic pleasurehip slowly moved away saluted by a final floral tribute from the representatives of the fair sex who were present in large numbers while, as it proceeded down the river, escorted by a flotilla of barges, the flags of the Ballast office and Custom House were dipped in salute as were also those of the electrical power station at the Pigeonhouse and the Poolbeg Light. VISSZONTLATASRA, KEDVES BARATON! VISSZONTLATASRA! Gone but not forgotten.

N1 -[INT.]: Gob, the devil wouldn't stop him till he got hold of the bloody tin anyhow and out with him and little Alf hanging on to his elbow and he shouting like a stuck pig, as good as any bloody play in the Queen's royal theatre:

CITIZEN: Where is he till I murder him?

N1 -[INT.]: And Ned and J. J. paralysed with the laughing.

N1: Bloody wars, I'll be in for the last gospel.

N1 -[INT.]: But as luck would have it the jarvey got the nag's head round the other way and off with him.

JOE: Hold on, citizen. Stop!

N1 -[INT.]: Begob he drew his hand and made a swipe and let fly. Mercy of God the sun was in his eyes or he'd have left him for dead. Gob, he near sent it into the county Longford. The bloody nag took fright and the old mongrel after the car like bloody hell and all the populace shouting and laughing and the old tinbox clattering along the street.

N2: The catastrophe was terrific and instantaneous in its effect. The observatory of Dunsink registered in all eleven shocks, all of the fifth grade of Mercalli's scale, and there is no record extant of a similar seismic disturbance in our island since the earthquake of 1534, the year of the rebellion of Silken Thomas. The epicentre appears to have been that part of the metropolis which constitutes the Inn's Quay ward and parish of Saint Michan covering a surface of fortyone acres, two roods and one square pole or perch. All the lordly residences in the vicinity of the palace of justice were demolished and that noble edifice itself, in which at the time of the catastrophe important legal debates were in progress, is literally a mass of ruins beneath which it is to be feared all the occupants have been buried alive. From the reports of eyewitnesses it transpires that the seismic waves were accompanied by a violent atmospheric perturbation of cyclonic character. An article of headgear since ascertained to belong to the much respected clerk of the crown and peace Mr George Fottrell and a silk umbrella with gold handle with the engraved initials, crest, coat of arms and house number of the erudite and worshipful chairman of quarter sessions sir Frederick Falkiner, recorder of Dublin, have been discovered by search parties in remote parts of the island respectively, the former on the third basaltic ridge of the giant's causeway, the latter embedded to the extent

of one foot three inches in the sandy beach of Holeopen bay near the old head of Kinsale. Other eyewitnesses depose that they observed an incandescent object of enormous proportions hurtling through the atmosphere at a terrifying velocity in a trajectory directed southwest by west. Messages of condolence and sympathy are being hourly received from all parts of the different continents and the sovereign pontiff has been graciously pleased to decree that a special MISSA PRO DEFUNCTIS shall be celebrated simultaneously by the ordinaries of each and every cathedral church of all the episcopal dioceses subject to the spiritual authority of the Holy See in suffrage of the souls of those faithful departed who have been so unexpectedly called away from our midst. The work of salvage, removal of DEBRIS, human remains etc has been entrusted to Messrs Michael Meade and Son, 159 Great Brunswick street, and Messrs T. and C. Martin, 77, 78, 79 and 80 North Wall, assisted by the men and officers of the Duke of Cornwall's light infantry under the general supervision of H. R. H., rear admiral, the right honourable sir Hercules Hannibal Habeas Corpus Anderson, K. G., K. P., K. T., P. C., K. C. B., M. P, J. P., M. B., D. S. O., S. O. D., M. F. H., M. R. I. A., B. L., Mus. Doc., P. L. G., F. T. C. D., F. R. U. I., F. R. C. P. I. and F. R. C. S. I.

N1 -[INT.]: You never saw the like of it in all your born puff. Gob, if he got that lottery ticket on the side of his poll he'd remember the gold cup, he would so, but begob the citizen would have been lagged for assault and battery and Joe for aiding and abetting. The jarvey saved his life by furious driving as sure as God made Moses. What? O, Jesus, he did. And he let a volley of oaths after him.

CITIZEN: Did I kill him, or what?

N1 -[INT.]: And he shouting to the bloody dog:

CITIZEN: After him, Garry! After him, boy!

N1 -[INT.]: And the last we saw was the bloody car rounding the corner and old sheepsface on it gesticulating and the bloody mongrel after it with his lugs back for all he was bloody well worth to tear him limb from limb. Hundred to five! Jesus, he took the value of it out of him, I promise you.

N2: When, lo, there came about them all a great brightness and they beheld the chariot wherein He stood ascend to heaven. And they beheld Him in the chariot, clothed upon in the glory of the brightness, having raiment as of the sun, fair as the moon and terrible that for awe they durst not look upon Him. And there came a voice out of heaven, calling: ELIJAH! ELIJAH! And He answered with a main cry: ABBA! ADONAI! And they beheld Him even Him, ben Bloom Elijah, amid clouds of angels ascend to the glory of the brightness at an angle of fortyfive degrees over Donohoe's in Little Green street like a shot off a shovel.