

LET IRELAND ALONE, GEDDES URGES U. S.

New Ambassador Declares British Have No Quarrel With Erin Now

SEEKS CLOSER RELATIONS

New York, April 20.—Declaring that in this generation there is no quarrel between England and Ireland, Sir Auckland Geddes, new British ambassador to the United States, said on his arrival here yesterday that the Irish in Ireland should be allowed to grapple with their own political difficulties without outside interference. Adding that it takes two to make a quarrel, and that the present generation of Englishmen have steadfastly refused to quarrel with Ireland, the British Government after careful study of the Irish question is convinced that now the only hope of ending that centuries-old distemper is to place fairly and squarely on the shoulders of Irishmen in Ireland the constitutional responsibility of finding for themselves within the framework of the British empire the solution for their political differences.

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coast guard cutter and landed at the Battery, where they were driven to the Pennsylvania station. They left at once for Washington.

His prepared statement, given out on arrival, is in part follows:

"On arrival I wish first to say that I look on my appointment as British ambassador at Washington as the highest honor and privilege which could possibly have been granted to me. I believe that the main hope of world peace rests on the existence of mutual respect and understanding between the peoples of the United States of America and the British community of nations. It is my ambition to help to develop such respect and understanding."

"For generations England has given sanctuary to representatives of the discontented and the unhappy, the oppressed and the downtrodden. We have listened to harrowing tales of great wrongs and we have been moved to action time and yet time again."

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world who are not British subjects but are interested in Ireland likewise stand aside and leave the Irish in Ireland to grapple with their own political difficulties.

"I have seen it stated that the British Government is pursuing a pro-Belshiel policy dictated by purely selfish British ends with regard to trade with Ireland. That really is not so. The British Government has frankly expressed the belief that until Russia comes once more into the circle of the producing and trading nations the economic conditions of the world and the cost of living cannot be placed upon a normal footing anywhere. I am glad to be able to say that the American and British Governments have been in cor-

dial consultation on this matter, and are together considering what steps should be taken, or can usefully be taken, to secure a reopening of trade with that great country not in the interests of the traders of any single nation, but of the economic conditions of the world."

Canadian Veterans Overlaid
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