

He was one of the Envoys Plenipotentiaries with Messrs. Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins, Edmond J. Duggan and George Gavan Duffy in October, 1921, that signed the Treaty of Peace with the British Government in London out of which has sprung the modern Irish Free State.

After signing the Treaty Mr. Barton returned to his agricultural pursuits in County Wicklow, where he has a large farm.

He is highly cultured, well read, a man of strong convictions and ready to face any odds in their defence. His emergence again into public life and now as a protagonist of the philosophy of Henry George has attracted wide-spread attention.

## Mexico

AN important item of news is that the "Union de Veteranos de la Revolucion" has just been formed here by prominent Mexican intellectuals, including editors, authors, lawyers, engineers, doctors and generals. They plan a nation-wide propaganda along strictly liberal lines. Their political proposals include proportional representation and their economic programme advocates Georgism pure and simple. It is proposed to follow the idea of the Commonwealth Land Party of England for attaining the latter system. i. e., economic rent will be socialized and taxation abolished, but an important modification will be that the change will be spread over four years, or one presidential term, instead of being done at once by parliamentary decree.

This is the first time in twenty-two years of this long, tiresome and destructive revolution that Georgism has been demanded by any political party here, and denotes that Mexican leaders have at last found out what is the matter with civilization and how to prescribe a remedy. Apparently the economic disasters produced by the unfair syndicalism of Article 123 and the agrarian communism of Article 27 of the Constitution of 1917 have led the way to these new and more radical but more rational proposals.

R. B. BRINSMADE.

San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

## Bulgaria

WE are happy to record that a Bulgarian translation of "Progress and Poverty" has probably by this time appeared. Mr. Madsen, of *Land and Liberty*, of London, informs us that such a translation is due in January of this year. The translation has been made after the Russian version by S. D. Nicolaev, checked against the French translation as well as the English version.

Mr. B. Guduleff, of Sofia, is one of the active Henry George men in Bulgaria. He tells us that this translation is being done by Yordan Kovatcheff, who has already translated "Social Problems and the Land Question."

The following list of books have already been published in the Bulgarian language. In addition to those named: "The Labor Question," "The Crime of Poverty," and "Thy Kingdom Come," have appeared. Bulgaria also

has a book entitled "Henry George, His Life and Ideas," with a supplement, this being an article by Mr. Nicolaev on the teachings of Henry George, also a book entitled "Land Value," translated from the French. And in addition to this literature our comrades in Bulgaria publish a paper *Svoboda*, (Freedom.)

## Denmark

FOUR seats in the Danish Folksting or parliament were won at the election on November 16 by the Single Tax party in a straight out, independent contest. A Copenhagen dispatch to the *Baltimore Sun*, of November 18, gives complete results: Labor party 62, Liberals 38, Conservatives 27, Independent Liberals 14, Single Tax party 4, Communists 2, No party having a clear majority it is possible that the Single Tax party will have a part in the coalition necessary to form a government. The Labor party is in power at present, has been most friendly to the taxation of land values and free trade, though it does not advocate anything like a thorough Single Tax programme, and looks on the result as a victory. Its popular vote increased considerably, which is an unusual thing for a party holding power during a depression. Probably there are many thorough Single Taxers in its ranks.

## Spain

MR. JOHN C. ROSE, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has received the following letter from President Zamora, of the Spanish Republic. The letter is in his own handwriting.

Dear Sir:—Thank you very much for sending me a copy of the great work of Henry George, "Progress and Poverty." At (to) the science of this great work we had already devoted the greatest part of the discussion in the Academy de Ciencias Morales y Politicas (in one year). As you take great interest in this problem I send you the text of the last Spanish Law, which, as you see, extends only to agricultural lands."

ELBERT HUBBARD, in "Little Journeys to Great Reformers": "All for which Henry George strived and struggled will yet come true—his prayer will be answered.

"Of all modern prophets and reformers Henry George is the only one whose arguments are absolutely unanswerable and whose forecast was sure."

ABOLISH special privileges and Government interference in industry. Give to all equal natural opportunities—equal rights to the inexhaustible storehouse of Nature—and wealth will distribute itself in exact accordance with justice. This, the ideal of Henry George, is what I would place before our people instead of the will-o'-the-wisp of socialistic despotism.—MAX HIRSCH.