


April 4th. 1939

F. Pilkington, Esq., M.R.C.P.I.,


Dear Dr. Pilkington,

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of the 31st, ult., and for the very good suggestion in regard to founding a library which it contained. Actually, we have quite a number of books in hand at present including all those written by W.G. Armour and Capt. Harrison, "Ulster as it is" by McKnight, "The Evolution of Sinn Féin" by Henry, Dorothy MacArdle's "The Irish Republic" etc., and I have been in the habit of lending these out for short periods to anybody who is interested, especially those who know very little about Partition. But, it would be a very sound suggestion to collect a fair-sized library for the use of members and prospective members, and I shall make a point of putting your suggestion before the next meeting of the Council who will, I am sure, endorse it. If you should care to forward a copy of "Ireland, The New Ally". by John Gibbons, I shall be indeed very grateful, and I will promise to keep it in good condition. As a matter of fact, I have not yet read it myself, and will be the first to "borrow" it from the library.

In regard to the letter which appeared in the News Chronicle of March 30th., I got in touch with our Publicity Committee, and a reply was sent showing the facts of gerrymandering in the Northern Ireland election of 1938. Unfortunately, it has not yet been published.

Thanking you again for your letter, and for your kind

offer to lend us a copy of "Ireland, The New Ally", and trusting that you may find time to see me at this office some day.

I remain,
Yours faithfully,

Organising Secretary of the
Anti-Partition of Ireland League.