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A Chara,

 I hope you will accept the sincere apoligies of the Council

and myself for the delay in answering your last letter, but we

have been overwhelmed with the work of establishing branches in

the various areas here in London and preparing at the same time

for our big meeting on March 28th. The Council also desire me

to thank you for the kind wishes which your Council extended to us.

 We read all about your very successful meeting in the papers

and both the Council and you deserve to be congratulated for your

efforts. We hope that our meeting will get as good a Press.

 We have been in touch with both Dublin and Manchester on the

question of holding a conference between delegates of Manchester,

Liverpool, Glasgow and London. Dublin has intimated to us that

they would send a representative over and also suggested that

London would be the most suitable venue for the conference. We

wonder if that would suit you as your delegates would be travelling

the greatest distance. The date suggested is Sunday, March 26th.

the Sunday prior to our big meeting. Representation from each

branch should, it has been suggested, be two. It is very important

that there should be some sort of link between the branches of the

League in this country and very useful ground will be covered

by a full discussion between the delegates from the four centres.

Perhaps you could let me know the view of your Council on this

matter as soon as possible. We have another Council meeting next

Thursday, 16th. March and the question of the conference will be

fully discussed.

I am very glad to see that your membership is growing. We

Have endeavoured to recruit members so far mainly through the

establishment of branches in the different areas, but there is a

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lot of work to be done. Incidentally we have received notice from

Hull to the effect that a branch will be starting there very soon

and we have already taken steps towards starting one in Cambridge.

There are other towns in the south of England with considerable

Irish population which should also be able to support branches.

 I shall await a reply to this letter from you : meanwhile I

wish you very success in Glasgow.

 Is mise, le meas,

 General Secretary of the

 Anti-Partition of Ireland League.