**DOUGLAS HYDE TO CASEMENT**

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A hundred thousand thanks for your long and interesting letter which I was very glad to get and for your really splendid letter to the Whig. I was blissfully unconscious that this smart exchange was taking place at all over my lecture! John MacNeill told me of it the very day I heard from you. I am sure it was too much to say that the Lowland Scots were habitual speakers of gaelic. I was really taking this from MacNeill's lecture at the Belfast University. You have substantiated it far better than I could have done. I quite understand the indignation of the editor of the Whig!!

We won a great victory on the Board of Studies about compulsory Irish in 1913. We won by 18 votes to 6. Now it goes before the Academic Councils (i.e. the general body of professors) of the 3 colleges separately. They will all pass it too, I think, and afterwards it goes to the Senate on the 23rd, then I expect the voting will be the same as the last time, & we may carry it by one vote or two, not more.

That is how matters stand at present.

When will you be in Dublin again. Drop me a line when you come. I'll hardly go home till after the Senate meets.

Excuse pencil but my hand is sore.

My wife sends her kind regards.

Myre do ..[Gaelic]

We enjoyed our evening with you ever so much that night you took us to the theatre. It was very good of you.

**[Casement records being with the Hydes in Dublin in a diary entry of 23 May 1910]**