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IRELAND

Sinn Fein withdraws from Stormont talks process

Belfast Telegraph

Sinn Fein have withdrawn from the talks process aimed at restoring devolution in Northern Ireland.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/sinn-fein-declines-to-nominate-for-stormont-ahead-of-powersharing-deadline-35566512.html>

Assembly on precipice as Sinn Fein pulls plug on efforts to strike a deal before deadline

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/assembly-on-precipice-as-sinn-fein-pulls-plug-on-efforts-to-strike-a-deal-before-deadline-35567537.html?>

Tom Elliott described the latest talks initiative at Stormont as “the worst” he’d been involved in, as they stumbled to a halt on Sunday night.

News Letter

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/elliott-brands-talks-process-as-the-worst-1-7885255>

McGuinness death has given victim groups new sense of resolve

News Letter

Those left hurt or bereaved by the Troubles have emerged from the last several days of “terrorism idolatry” with a renewed sense of determination, according to one of their leading spokesmen.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/mcguinness-death-has-given-victims-new-sense-of-resolve-1-7885268>

Coastguard recover colleague’s body from downed helicopter

Irish Independent

<http://www.independent.ie/irish-news/poignant-and-challenging-day-coastguard-extends-support-to-families-of-rescue-116-crew-as-captain-mark-duffy-is-recovered-35566100.html>

**Political parties are piling in on Garda
Commissioner Nóirín O'Sullivan**

The Journal

Sinn Fein are to publish a motion of no confidence.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/noirin-osullivan-motion-3308380-Mar2017/>

GB

**Newspaper headlines: 'Terror crackdown' for
web giants and 'Scottish showdown' for PM**
BBC News

The home secretary's criticism of encrypted messaging apps in the wake of the Westminster attack dominates Monday's newspaper front pages.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-the-papers-39401526>

**PM says Brexit plan to 'strengthen Union'
ahead of Sturgeon meeting**
BBC News

Theresa May is to meet Nicola Sturgeon in Scotland, ahead of the triggering of Article 50 this week.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-scotland-politics-39399390>

Guard

Report on a women's vigil, nearly one hundred strong, and described as 'still but powerful' held yesterday on Westminster Bridge to remember the victims of the Westminster attack. The article quotes Rev Anna Macham, of St Philips, Camberwell, in south east London, who decided to attend after being told of it by a Muslim friend.

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/mar/26/women-westminster-bridge-london-womens-march-solidarity-attack-victims>

Tel/Mail

Reports that former Archbishop of Canterbury Lord Carey has said he is praying for Marine A's release, arguing that the soldier as been punished enough for a split second decision made in the heat and dust of battle. A decision on a new sentence for Sergeant Alexander Blackman, 42, known as Marine A, from Taunton in Somerset is due to be announced on Tuesday after his conviction in 2013 of murder

for shooting dead a wounded Taliban fighter was overturned earlier this year and replaced with a conviction of manslaughter.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4351646/My-prayers-jailed-Marine-former-archbishop.html>

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/03/26/former-archbishop-canterbury-says-praying-marine-release/>

Times

Article on a Children's Society report which shows that children in poverty frequently move house, make long journeys to school and have to stay indoors because their neighbourhoods are so unsafe.

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/poverty-forces-children-to-keep-moving-b08ct86k5>

Tel

Article quoting Gresham fund manager Richard Davidson saying there's never been a better time for investors to 'place their bets' on the country's forests as returns in forestry could increase off the back of Brexit because the fall in the pound has made UK timber more competitive than foreign imports. The article mentions that the Church of England is among the institutions known to have a large forestry portfolio.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/business/2017/03/26/ex-morgan-stanley-md-money-does-grow-trees-actually/>

Times

Report that the fear of terrorism has led to an exodus of tourists from London, according to figures from the Association of Leading Visitor Attractions. The article mentions that the popularity of 'champing' or church camping, has been attributed to the increase in visitors to the top ten properties run by the Churches Conservation Trust.

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/tourists-head-for-countryside-to-avoid-terror-threat-in-the-capital-70x5vt9bf>

Mirror

Interview with the actor and comedian Sally Phillips to coincide with Mothering Sunday in which she says: "My favourite Sundays are church, home for a big lunch, friends round, all-hands-on-deck lunch."

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/tv/tv-news/sally-phillips-family-life-weve-10091364>

BBC

Report that St Bartholomew Church in Sealand, Flintshire, invited 164 couples married within its walls to a celebration of its 150th anniversary.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-39383310>

Obituary

The Right Rev Keith Sutton, former Bishop of Lichfield

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/obituaries/2017/03/26/right-reverend-keith-sutton-bishop-lichfield-obituary/>

Comment

Guard

The Guardian view on religion and violence: context is everything

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-39383310>

Times

Matt Ridley writes 'Since the Enlightenment we've been free to poke fun at religion and a blasphemy offence has no place in a modern society' . Quotes the former Bishop of

Rochester, Michael Nazir-Ali

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/stand-up-for-our-right-to-criticise-islam-k707stmnj>

Metro

James Baldock: 'I'm Christian and I think it's perfectly fine to tell people that I'm religious'
<http://metro.co.uk/2017/03/26/im-christian-and-i-think-its-perfectly-fine-to-tell-people-that-im-religious-6523028/>