

diately followed the scattering of "Young Ireland." (3) The sketch of J. O'Donovan (Rossa) presents the rise of the "Phoenix Society;" while the progress of the Fenian Brotherhood, and the more recent events—risings, arrests, escapes and trials—connected with it, are narrated with intelligible fullness in the notices of the respective heroes and martyrs of the most historical transactions.

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