

INVENTION.

A Manchester mechanic has invented a horseshoe composed of three thicknesses of cowhide compressed into a steel mould, and then subjected to a chemical preparation. Its inventor asserts that it lasts longer than the common shoe, and weighs only one fourth as much; never splits the hoof, and has no other injurious influence on it; it requires no calks, even on asphalt; it is so elastic that the horse's step is lighter and surer; and adheres so closely that neither dust nor water can penetrate between the shoe and the hoof.

ARTILLERY EXPERIMENTS.

Artillery experiments were lately resumed at Shoeburyness, near London, with the 80-ton cannon. It was loaded with a charge of 425 pounds; the projectile, a Palliser ball, weighed 1,700 pounds, and quitted the mouth of the gun at the rate of 1,600 feet in a second. The target was at the distance of 120 yards, and was composed of a sheet of iron two feet thick, traversed by oaken beams of fifteen inches. It cost about \$30,000. The projectile buried itself seventeen inches in the iron which was not thought satisfactory, but owing to the heavy expense of each shot a second trial was not made.

MOZART AND HAYDN.

Haydn and Mozart were sincere Christians. In their lives as in their music, we find that order, nobility, sweetness, and purity which characterize true religious music. The great Haydn did not fear to declare that he considered the Rosary as the principal secret of his serene and happy inspiration. When he felt cold, or retarded by insurmountable difficulties, he arose from the piano and recited his beads, and received through his prayers the gift which he wished to present to God. At the commencement of all his compositions he wrote, *In nomine Domini*, and at the end of each, *Laudes Deo*. Mozart, the Raphael of music, from his childhood until his death, wonderful in his incomparable *chefs d'œuvre*;—Mozart, bearing the triple burden of humiliations, poverty and a tyrannical patron, at Paris in the society of Grimm, at Vienna amid the seductions of brilliant success, ceased not for a moment, amid his joys and sorrows to be a humble and fervent Catholic. He prayed, received the Sacraments, and said his beads. After his greatest triumphs at the opera, he invariably recited his beads in thanksgiving for his success. As an evidence of his admirable religious sentiments, we extract the following letter to his father, from his correspondence published by the Abbe Goschel. "As death, after all, is but the end of this life, I have for many years been so familiar with this true friend of man, that far from finding anything sad or appalling in the thought, to me there is nothing sweeter or consoling. I thank God for having granted me the grace of recognizing death as the key of our true beatitude. I never retire at night without thinking that, as young as I am, I may never see the coming day. And nevertheless, not one of my friends can say there is anything sad or mournful about me. I return thanks to my Creator every day for this happiness, and I wish that all mankind could enjoy it as I do." The coming day, which Mozart awaited with such manly courage, was not long delayed, and it found him as grand and noble in his faith as in his genius. He received the last Sacraments with the greatest fervor, and, with his hands on his pillow, passed from life with a smile on his face, without giving one sign of regret to the world or the brilliant future it held out to him. Such was the man of whom Haydn said: "I declare before God, and as an honest man, that I regard Wolfgang Mozart as the greatest composer that ever lived."

THE IGNORANT PAPISTS.

All great inventions and splendid achievements are of Catholic birth. A Papist discovered the Western Hemisphere. A Papist from Spain drove the first steam engine (see life of Alvarez). A Papist built St. Peter's, of which Protestant St. Paul's is a wretched plagiarism. A Papist first read the field of the heavens through a telescope. A Papist (and a Pope) first regulated the clock of time, which computation bigoted England was obliged to adopt. A Papist was the prototype and model of Lock Molyneux. The Papist orators of the French pulpit are the grand fount whence all preachers drink their ideas. A Papist gave trial by jury. Papists extorted *Magna Charta*, and subsequently *Confirmatio Chartarum*. A Papist invented gunpowder. Raphael and Corregio were Papists. Papists monopolize singing, painting, and architecture. Papist taste regulates the ever-fluctuating tide of human vanity and human desires. The boasted poor-law of England is but a stolen graft from the old tree of Monastic benevolence. England while Papist had two kings captive in her court (one French and the other Scotch). But it is needless to go further. The knife and fork you use at dinner are Papist by descent (Italian inventions); and the toothpick after them is a Papist in origin. Nor is this all. A Papist founded Oxford University. A Papist discovered galvanism. A Papist (Chaucer) was the father of English poetry. A Papist (Bohemian) saved Europe from the Turks. A Papist discovered the compass. A Papist (Alfred) is held up as a model of excellence for all succeeding princes. A Papist (Kosciusko) is quoted as the truest of all patriots and most single minded of all men. The first reviewer (Desalle) was a Papist. Two of the greatest poets of England (Pope and Dryden) were Papists. Dante, Ariosto and Tasso were Papists. All the greatest musicians (Mozart, Haydn, Cimarosa, etc.) were Papists. All that is grand in the architecture of England, York-Minster, and Westminster are the relics of Papish services, and were built by Papists. To Papists the world is indebted for the Bible, the Greek and Latin classics, and for the preservation and cultivation of the sciences. In our own age the Papists have the greatest sculptor (Canova), the greatest political economist (Adam Smith), the greatest moral philosopher (Schlegel), and the most learned biblical critic (Wiseman), the prince of the famous school of German rationalists (Knoke), the greatest natural philosopher (Schilling), Milner, Stolberg, Veith and Phillips of Berlin were all converts to the Catholic faith. The first treatise on Algebra was given by Lucas Paccioli, a Franciscan Monk. The Arabian arithmetic was introduced into Europe by Gerbert, afterwards by Pope Sylvester II. The first voyage around the world was performed by the ship of a Papist (Magellan). The variation of the compass was discovered by a Papist (Sebastian Cabot). Barometers were invented by a Papist (Forcellini). Spectacles were invented by a Monk of Pisa. The Court of Common Pleas was established by a Papist (King John). The boast of Englishmen, a House of Commons, was first called by the Papist Edward. England was divided into six judicial circuits by a Papist (Henry II.). The present names of the winds and months were given to them by a Papist (Charlemagne). The application of magnetism as a propelling power was discovered by a Papist (Rev. Mr. Magawley). The greatest lyric poet (Moore), and the first of tragedians (Mr. Siddons), were Papists.—*Catholic Examiner*.

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