

MONUMENTAL EVIDENCE
OF AN
IBERIAN POPULATION OF THE BRITISH
ISLANDS.

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To decide the ethnic relations of any people by simple reference to their physical features is unjustifiable. It is doubtful if there be anywhere on the face of the earth a population of unmixed blood. Certainly there is no such population in any part of the British Islands. Nevertheless the predominance in any region of a peculiar physical type is a fact demanding investigation, and furnishing a starting point for scientific affiliation. Such a physical type is presented by the dark complexioned Celts of the South of Wales and South-West of England, the West and South-West of Ireland, and of many regions in the Scottish Highlands. It is known among Ethnologists as the Silurian type. These medium-sized or small, lithe and sinewy people, with dark hair, dark or gray eyes, and dark complexion, are thought to represent

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