

### APOSTLES AND EXILES.

#### Graves of Irish Exiles on the Continent of Europe—Interesting Details.

Scarcely a cathedral bell is rung on the Continent of Europe that does not sound above the remains of some Irish priest or bishop. Seldom a flower falls in the cloistered cemeteries along the banks of the Yellow Tiber, or the Castled Rhine that some of its leaves do not touch the lonely grave of some monk or student from the green banks of the Shannon or Liffey. The names of Irish students are carved on the flagged floor of many an abbey-chapel, and on the walls of many a famous shrine from the Tagus to the Garonne. St. Fridolen sleeps in his island city at Seckidgen, in the abbey he himself founded for the Benedictines; the holy remains of St. Fiacre, centuries ago, were from the oratory at Breuil, and may now be found near the mausoleum of Bossuet, behind the high altar in the Cathedral at Meaux; the noble martyrs Kylian, Colnan and Totnan are buried in the principal church at Wurzburg; St. Frigidian lies at rest in the church of "The Three Holy Leuites," at Lucca; while Cataldus awaits resurrection not far from the blue waters of the fair bay of Tarentum. Often the Twelve Knights of St. Rupert may be seen kneeling at the tomb of St. Virgilius, in Saltsburg, in the Collegiate Church of Lens, in the diocese of Arras, the body of St. Vulganus is honored; Marianus Scotus, the chronicler, was laid to pious rest in the Church of St. Martin, beyond the walls of the city of Mentz. St. Tressas calmly reposes at Aveny, in Campagne. In a church guarded by the fort of St. Andrews, at Salins, the relics of St. Antolius are pressed in a silver shrine. St. Maimbodus securely sleeps in the shade of the castle rock of the valiant Montebelliard. The magnificent Cathedral of Mechlin is the tomb and monument of St. Rumold, prince, bishop and martyr.

But to come to a later period of Irish history. How many Irish students are laid to rest on the hill of St. Genevieve? How many of them sleep their long sleep in the Franciscan convents of Louvain and Salamanca, in the Dominican garden of Madrid, and in the consecrated ground belonging to the Jesuits at Lisse, Antwerp, Tournay, St. Omer, Douay and Ponta-Mousson? Florence Conroy sleeps in the high altar in the Franciscan church of St. Anthony of Padua, at Louvain; Thomas Stapleton's ashes are mingled with the dust of Belgium's most gifted sons in the chapel at St. Charles Borromeo; Luke Wadding has been laid, by Hugh O'Neil, on St. Peter's Mount. In the Cistercian Monastery, at Alcalá, in Spain, William Walsh, from Waterford-on-Suir, lies in peace. The grand-souled and patriotic Bishop of Ferns, Nicholas French, passed away from life's toils and troubles at Ghent, in Belgium. His venerated body was placed at the foot of the grand altar in the parish church of St. Nicholas in that city. A slab of purest marble, decorated with the Cardinal's Hat and armorial bearings, has a beautiful inscription in honor of his memory. Ambrose Wadding, brother of the famous Luke Wadding, calmly rests at Dillingen. Bishop O'Dwyer, who governed the see of Limerick, silently lies in a subterranean chapel, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, beneath the Church of St. James, Apostle of Spain; the holy remains of two Waterford Bishops, Thomas Strong, of the diocese of Ossory, and his nephew, the firm friend of Rinuoccini, Thomas Walsh. The relics of Patrick Deming and Matthew Hoar, martyred by the cruel followers of the Elector of Saxony, are treasured in the Franciscan convent of Wotiz, near Prague, in Bohemia. Ward, Colgan, Lombard, McCaughwell, Edmund O'Reilly and the Stanishursts, men whose names will ever live among the names of Ireland's most gifted and patriotic sons, are all in far foreign graves. The winds of Ireland never chant their dirge around their tombs, the maids of Erin scatter no flowers over their graves, the faithful never pray above their ashes. They fell where they had bravely fought with voice and pen for the land of their love. They died far away from the isle of their birth, with the great shadow of Ireland's sufferings on their breaking hearts. They sank to rest in the calm of silent convents, and they tranquilly rest either in the dim shades of old cathedrals, or in the peaceful aisles of chapels whose silence is never broken except by the prayer of some pious monk or nun. Ah! it is a sad thing to die in exile. It is a sad thing to lie in the earth, far, far, far away from one's native land. But oh! it is a thousand times better for our students to rest in holy ground, to lie beneath holy altars and sacred pulpits, to rest in chapels where the Office is daily chanted, to rest in shrines where pilgrims ever pray, than to have their burnt ashes scattered to the four winds of heaven by the sacri-

legious and bloody hands of the minions of Henry or Elizabeth, or of the vile troopers of Cromwell. Though our Irish monks would naturally wish to repose at holy Lismore, at Discart Kellach, or in Arran of the Saints; though our Irish friars, when the shadows and dews of dissolution were upon them, would long for the holy earth of Multiferan or of Roserilly, where Maurice O'Fihiley, "Flos Mundi," reposes; still we may easily imagine we hear them say in the light and strength of their grand and glorious faith—

Care not for that, and lay us where we fall, Every where heard will be the judgment call; But at God's altar, oh! remember us.

#### St. Francis of Sales.

James the First, of England, used to ask why none of his Bishops could write like Francis of Sales, at the time the gentle Prince Bishop of Geneva. If the king was charmed with the writings of his contemporary, even though they were clothed in the quaint old French of the time, what would be James' pleasure if he could now read them in the expressive and polished language of the France of to-day? The following shows how St. Francis could write—nearly three hundred years ago—on the Immaculate Conception.

On certain special favors exercised by the Divine Providence in the Redemption of Mar.

God indeed shows to admiration the incomprehensible riches of His power in great variety of things which we see in nature, yet He makes the infinite treasures of His goodness still more magnificently appear in the incomparable variety of the goods which we acknowledge in grace. For He was not content, in the holy excess of His mercy, with sending to His people, that is, to mankind, a general and universal redemption, by means whereof everyone might be saved, but He has diversified it in so many ways that while His liberality shines in all this variety, this variety reciprocally embellishes his liberality.

And thus He first of all destined for His most holy Mother a favor worthy of the love of a Son Who, being all wise, almighty and all good, wished to prepare a mother to His liking; and therefore He willed His redemption to be applied to her after the manner of a preserving remedy, that the sin which was spreading from generation to generation, should not reach her. She was so excellently redeemed, that though when the time came, the torrent of original iniquity rushed to pour its unhappy wave over her conception, with as much impetuosity as it had done on that of the other daughters of Adam; yet when it reached there it passed not beyond, but stopped, as did anciently the Jordan in the time of Josue, and for the same respect; for this river held its stream in reverence for the passage of the Ark of Alliance; and original sin drew back its waters, revering and dreading the presence of the true Tabernacle of the eternal alliance." St. Francis de Sales, Treatise de C. Dei, Book 4, ch. 8.

#### POPULAR SCIENCE NOTES.

The electric light has been successfully applied at Woolwich, England, to photographing the interior of cannon. Such pictures are expected to reveal the presence of flaws.

On and after Jan. 1 next the day will be reckoned at Greenwich Observatory as commencing at midnight, the hours being counted on up to 24, or midnight, again. For many years a dial, showing twenty-four hours, has been erected at the observatory, but in future the twenty-four hours day will be official.

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In a recent paper, Sir John Lubbock says that ants of the same nest, however large it may be, have a means of recognizing each other not easily explained. The recognition is immediate and complete, even after a year's absence from the nest. Concerning the longevity of ants, he said he had kept two queen ants for twelve years.

The investigation of thunder storms is becoming more and more a speciality with scientific men. France has made an important study of them for a number of years. Bavaria and Belgium have more recently taken them up, and in our country, as well as elsewhere, considerable has been undertaken in this direction. In a recent report by Lancaster, on the famous storms of 1879 in Belgium, the conclusions previously announced are confirmed, namely, that thunder storms occur only in the south-

east quadrant to the barometric depressions, or great cyclonic storms that frequently sweep across temperate latitudes. But there still remains to be found the actual mechanism of thunder storms, concerning which so many opinions have been put forth. It is thought that the matter will probably remain in doubt until settled by the some kind of investigation that demonstrated the inward spiral path of cyclonic winds—synoptic charts for a stormy afternoon, with hourly or even half-hourly intervals, and stations only a mile or two apart, would probably settle the question beyond dispute.

#### About History.

The Marquis de Ripon, addressing the students of the Bradford Mechanics' Institute, spoke of the great importance of the study of history at the present day. If, henceforth, the great body of people were to be called to take their full share in the management of public affairs, then the primary duty of every man who could help to do so was to bring within the reach of all every possible means to prepare themselves adequately for the discharge of the great responsibilities which have been cast on them. He did not mean merely the records of the succession of kings, or of the victories of generals, or the diplomatic triumphs of statesmen, but he meant mainly the history to those who rightly read it to be that the truest and wisest statesmanship was built deep and secure upon the foundation of those great principles of morality which guide the conduct of private men.

#### Good Advice.

Be frank with the world. Frankness is the child of honesty and courage. Say just what you mean to do every occasion and it is understood you mean to do what is right. If a friend asks you a favor, you should grant it if reasonable; if it is not, tell him plainly why it is not; You will wrong him and yourself by equivocation of any kind. Never do a wrong thing to make friends or keep one. The man who wants you to do so is dearly purchased and at a sacrifice. Deal kindly and firmly with all men, and you will find it the best policy which wears best. Above all do not appear to others what you are not. If you have fault to find with any, tell him, not others, of what you complain. There is na more dangerous experiment than that of undertaking to do on thing to a man's face and another behind his back. We should live and speak out of doors, as the phrase is, and do what we are willing should be known and read of all men. Is it not best as a matter of principle?

The term handkerchief is not met with earlier than in the fifteenth century, when in the 'Wardrobe Accounts of Edward IV' we find 'V dozen handkerchieffes' are named as having been made by one Alice Shapster, to whom a payment had been made.



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