

the pretended mother of the Messiah.

*Nov. 5th.* Until very recently observed in England with religious services, in commemoration of the rescue of the King and Parliament from Popish plotters in 1605

*6th* Some legends belong to the days of the present month: the first is Leonard the Confessor, who, has been claimed as the Patron of Prisoners, and who is reported to exercise miraculous power in their favor, and we are told by the monks of Himosiu, of which place he was the Bishop, that if any one in prison had called upon his name, his fetters would immediately drop off, and the prison doors fly open; inasmuch as many came from far countries and brought their fetters and chains which had fallen off at his intercession and presented them before him in token of gratitude

*11th. St. Martin's or Martinmas.* Popularly this is one of the most remarkable days of the year in Britain, especially in Scotland, where Whitsunday and Martinmas are the two great terms for leases, and engagement of servants. Martin, originally a soldier, died Bishop of Tours in the year 379.

*13th.* Britius, successor to Saint Martin in the Bishopric of Tours: It is hard to say on what account this Bishop has been canonized, for all that is related of him, is a reported scandal, and a pretended miracle to remove it, which only made the matter worse, and exposed him to the accusation of sorcery. But by an appeal to Rome after a seven years suit, he was restored to his Bishopric, and canonically sanctified about the year 440.

*15th.* Machutus, Bishop. All that is said of this saint is, that he was famous for several miracles, and that he flourished about the year 500.

*17th.* Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln. We know something of the history of this Bishop from our own records, and from the fact that he not only built

the famous cathedral of Lincoln. but, governed the See with great wisdom and success. But on what plea he was canonized at Rome, twenty years after his death we know not, except that the Carthusian monks, of which order he was a canon, have ascribed several miracles to him. He was buried in Lincoln Cathedral, to which his body was borne on the shoulders of King John of England, and William King of Scots.

*20th.* Edmund, King and martyr. This Royal saint when his kingdom was assaulted by the Danes, and not being able to hold out, offered his own person, if they would spare his subjects. But his heathen conquerors first endeavoured in vain to make him renounce his faith, then put him to cruel tortures, and shot him to death with their arrows. The town which has been built where he suffered, is now called St. Edmund's Bury.

*22nd* Cecilia, Virgin and martyr. A Roman lady who refusing to renounce the religion of Jesus Christ, was thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil, in the year 225.

*23rd.* St. Clement is spoken of by St. Paul as one of his fellow labourers. Monkish imagination has supplied him with a history and a martyrdom. He is said to have been thrown into the sea with an anchor about his neck. An anchor forms the vane of the Church of St. Clement Danes, in the Strand, London. He is held as the Patron saint of Blacksmiths.

Catherine. Virgin and martyr. This noble lady was born at Alexandria, and was numbered among the literati of her day. About the year 305, she was converted to Christianity, which she professed with great courage and constancy, which led to her martyrdom, being put to death by rolling a wheel of spiked iron over her body.

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