

SKETCH OF HIS LIFE AND LABORS.

Pope Pius IV., in 1569, having learned of their austerity, dispensed them from the fourth vow of perpetual Lenten abstinence, and subsequently ordered that each of them might accomplish his vows in any convent he chose; so after much prayer our saint, chose of the Franciscan Order, the reformed Minor Observants, and was received at the Convent of St. Mary of Jesus, near Palermo. Here he spent the rest of his life, where, following the example of his seraphic Father, he cultivated universal detachment; going barefoot, however cold the weather might be; wearing the coarsest and the most threadbare habit; lying in his cell, which he called his *palace*, on a coarse coverlet spread on a board, a cross drawn on the wall with charcoal, and a few pictures of his patron saints being his furniture. This extreme poverty he loved ardently; and God showed

The *Buren Courier*, in its account by an eye witness, of the reception of M. de Giers by Prince Blismarck at Friedlohshaus, says: "The Chancellor looked very ill indeed. His face is still yellow from his late attack of jaundice, and looks terribly thin. His eyes, if it is true, still retain their old force and fire, but he gave the impression of being a great sufferer. His body has become very lean, and there is nothing of his former elasticity in his gait."

The *Albany Evening Journal* says: "A large proportion of the moulding and construction of the foundries of the United States is done out of the hills of Albany county. It is said that everything in soluble metal, from Krupp gun to a heel plate for a lady's shoe, has been cast in Albany sand. Quantities of it have been exported as ballast. The annual shipment of sand obtained hereabouts from this city is estimated at from 75,000 to 100,000 tons, the price paid for it, delivered on board the cars or boats, being about \$1.25 per ton."

LONDON, Nov. 26.—A horrible story of murder and suicide comes from Scotland. A medical student named William Brown, residing in a village of Lanarkshire near Glasgow, had recently been paying his court to a Miss Spiers. Jealousy on Brown's part had caused many disputes, and his morbid disposition had recently given great uneasiness to the relatives of the girl. Last night Brown told Miss Spiers by appointment in the highway near her father's home. He renewed his accusations, and, finally, becoming beside himself with rage, he drew a knife and made rush at the unfortunate girl. Her shrieks brought a maid servant, who had probably been on watch, to the rescue, and the two women struggled desperately in the darkness for their lives. Brown quickly overpowered them, cut Miss Spiers' throat in such a manner that death resulted almost instantly.

Mr. David Ward owns 2,200,000,000 feet of standing pine in Michigan and Wisconsin. The axe is his horror, and he has never lumbered a tract of land except when the timber was imperilled by fire from the operations of his neighbors. For much of his sap and butt, he has been offered \$5 per thousand, and from \$6 to \$8 per thousand for his cork.

serving peasants, and that this misfortune has been enforced entirely by the landlord system, which, without any return to the country, has for every landlord it has supported crowded out scores of tillers.

