



STEPHEN J. MEANY.

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Far dearer the Grave or the Prison  
 Gloried by one Patriot's name—  
 Than the trophies of all who have risen  
 On Liberty's turn to fame—

Moore.

There is now a local interest associated with the portrait and sketch of an Irish patriot which we give in this month's number of *THE HARP*. The settlement of Stephen J. Meany in Montreal, as Editor-in-chief of the first Irish Catholic Daily Paper published on the American Continent, is an event in itself to attract attention; but his life-long association with Irish patriot effort—his participation in every national struggle for freedom in his day—and the fact that he is one of the few now remaining to us who carried with him unimpaired the faith of the prison cell of '48 to the convict dungeons of '66, '67, and '68.—“Twenty Years After!”—render it not inappropriate that his advent to Canada should be marked by a brief record of his career. Professionally, as editor of *THE SUN*, he has won approval and compliment by his writings in, and management of that journal;—and personally he has made many friends by those qualities of head and heart which his biographer so genially ascribes to him. We abridge our sketch from “Fenian Heroes and Martyrs”—written by John Savage, Esq., and published by Donohoe of Boston, in 1868—during Mr. Meany's imprisonment in England.