

the writer impresses us by his zeal for the movement which has for its grand object the revival of the Gaelic language. The dire results of the awful proscription of that language from 1600 to 1829 are too well known to need any comment, yet, it is only by a consideration of them that we can appreciate the greatness of this movement. Though the obstacles to be overcome appear almost unsurmountable, the Gaelic League is prosecuting its work with praiseworthy zeal. The following paragraph so well expresses the aims and thoughts of this devoted writer, that I transcribe it here: "Some, perhaps, there may be who are inclined to belittle or even to despise those little salutations and blessings, or, perhaps, to deride them as 'so very Irish don't you know!' Irish they are, indeed, and intensely Catholic. They come to us from the hearts of generation after generation of our ancestors, instinct with centuries of earnest, Irish faith, tender devotion and the most steadfast hope in even the most crushing trials and persecutions. The traditions with which they are entwined and the spirit with which they are filled give the language and thought of our Irish speaking people force and strength to resist the materialism of the age, and to enable them to pursue the highest and best interests of the race." A devoted plea of one to whom we wish with all our hearts, *Go dtugaidh Dia a luach duit!* One striking figure of this issue is the conclusion of that able article on Robert Emmet, by Mrs. Katherine Tynan Hinkson, who writes in a patriotic vein of her great hero. In drawing the curtain over the sad fate of Emmet, the writer makes a touching and pathetic reference to his betrothed Sarah Curran. The illustrations include pictures of the faithful servant, Anne Devlin, the house where Emmet was arrested, the supposed grave of Emmet in the churchyard at Glasnevin, and others which enhance the value of this article. The elaborate sketch of the life and work of Leo XIII., is certainly the most valuable contribution to this number. He, who is now the last of the three great men whom public estimate considers to be the leading statesman of the Nineteenth Century, still rules with a firm and tactful hand his world-wide realm.