

and tedious, but the good king went it cheerfully, and arrived at the cottage, opened, himself, the carriage, handed down the priest, and knelt while he passed. He entered into the poor house, and after the Holy Sacrament had been administered, went up to the bed, consoled with kind words the dying man, gave him abundant alms, and made ample provision for an only daughter whom he had left.

“He now insisted on the priest’s again taking his place in the carriage. But the good curate, seeing how fatigued the king was, entreated him not to think of walking back, and at length yielding to his importunities, he consented to go in the second carriage, while the priest went alone in the first. When they reached Madrid, the king got out, and again took his place, uncovered, by the carriage door. But by this time the whole city was in commotion. The Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament came forth with lighted tapers, and the nobility came forth in crowds, to follow the footsteps of their sovereign. In magnificent state, the procession reached the church of St. Mark, where benediction was given, and when the king came out, a vast multitude assembled there, greeted him with a burst of enthusiastic applause, which showed how far from lowering himself in his subjects’ eyes, is a sovereign who pays due homage to the King of kings.

“This incident naturally recalled to mind the piety of Charles’s ancestor, and was commemorated, in conjunction with it, in a Latin inscription, of which, no doubt, Alfred will be able to give us the translation.

RUDOLPHI AUSPURI  
ERGA  
SANCTISSIMAM EUCHARISTIAM  
RELIGIO  
CAROLI SECUNDI  
HISPANIARUM INDIARUMQUE  
REGIS CATHOLICI  
NOVO EXEMPLO REPRESENTATA MATRITI  
A. D. MDC. LXXXV.  
XX. FEBRUARII.\*

“It means,” said Alfred, “The devotion of Rodolph of Hapsburg to the Blessed Eucharist repeated anew in the example of Charles II. Catholic king of Spain and the Indies, at Madrid, February 20, 1685.” This is indeed a noble example, and comes more into our times. Indeed, I think I have heard you say, that in Spain, if ever any one in a carriage meets the Blessed Sacrament going to the sick, he dismounts and gives it

\*Bolandiste. Acta SS. Maji, in fine.

up to the priest, as a matter of course.”

“Yes,” rejoined the colonel, “and no one would think of using a new carriage till it has carried the Blessed Sacrament. I have been told by a friend who long resided in that country, that upon getting a new carriage from England, he has kept it for days harnessed, at the parish church door, till the Viaticum had to be taken to some sick person; that its first use might be dedicated to the service of God and His most sacred institution. But, hark! there’s the bell for prayers—we must reserve our stories, for there are plenty yet in store, till next Corpus Christi.”

“I wish it was not so far off,” said one little grumbler, as they all tripped away cheerfully to chapel.

Rev Mr. Tracey, R. C., parish priest of Ballybricken, Waterford, has been presented by his friends with a gold watch, chain, and seal, for having restored concord among the agitating Repealers of that locality.

### BIRTHS RECORDED.

AT ST. MARY’S.

- APRIL 13—Mrs Alice Keating, of a Son.  
“ Mrs Margaret Kennedy, of a Daughter.  
“ Mrs Anne MacNamara, of a Daughter.  
“ Mrs Ellen Mulcahy, of a Daughter.  
“ Mrs Mary Flahavin, of a Daughter.  
14—Mrs Honora Delaney, of a Son.  
17—Mrs Margaret Hunt, of a Son,  
“ Mrs Eliza Boland, of a Daughter.

### INTERMENT’S.

AT THE CEMETERY OF THE HOLY CROSS.

- APRIL 11—John Bryan, native of Ireland, aged 56 years.  
“ Isaac Keating, native of Halifax, aged 56 years.  
12—James Doyle, native of Wexford, Ireland, aged 50 years.  
14—Mary, infant daughter of Richard and Mary Wallace, aged 15 days.

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