

# Fra Angelico's Frescoes

Those who are desirous of learning how the Italian Government preserves the treasures of art that have fallen into its hands, have only to read the "Italia Artistica." There they will learn the fate of two of Fra Angelico's frescoes which adorned the wall of the Convent of St. Domenico at Fiesole, the birthplace of this artist. The inspector of works of art has laid it down as a rule that precious objects should not be removed from Italy; but a Commission has decided otherwise, and in consequence, two of the works of the artist already referred to have been taken out of the country. One of these, representing Christ on the Cross, with the two Marias at the sides, sixteen feet in height, and proportionally wide, has been safely detached from the wall of the convent by the purchaser of it Signor Stefano Dardini, who sold it for 4,000 francs to the museum of the Louvre, at Paris. With this consent of the Government, this fresco, intact, save slight restoration in damaged part, has been dispatched to its destination. The other fresco, representing the Blessed Virgin and Child, surrounded by other figures, about seven feet in height and of corresponding width, has been purchased by Signor Mazzanti, who cut it from the wall to a depth of twenty centimetres and had it brought to his studio. It has been considerably restored.

# Pharaoh's Army in the Red Sea

At a sitting of the French Academy upwards of five years ago, M. Lesseps stated, upon the authority of the reports made by his engineers, that "at the time the Israelites left Egypt under Moses' leadership, the ebb and flow of the tides of the Red Sea reached up to the foot of Saragaim, near Lake Timsah." If this be correct, it follows that the spot where the Israelites crossed the Red Sea was situated not in the south, but to the north of the present extremity of its northern arm. In his paper Les Mondes, Abbe Meigne has traced the course of the Children of Israel day by day, in accordance with these new "data," and he asks the whole Christian world, since the spot is now known where the Egyptians were swallowed up, with "the horse and his rider," chariot, and everything, to subscribe the requisite funds to enable excavations to be made, "and the relics of the army overcome by the Almighty himself to be brought to light." The learned Abbe will undertake the work if he succeeds in getting together 300,000 francs, "because the finding of the remains of Pharaoh's army would be a powerful reason in favour of the truth of the Holy Scriptures."

# Old Catholic France in America.

At a banquet lately given in Paris to Mr. MacCormick, Commissioner-General of the United States at the Exhibition, and which was attended by M. Kranz, the French Minister of Public Works, and General Noyes, the Minister of the United States, Mr. MacCormick, in replying to the toast of his health, proposed by General Noyes, said: "French names, rich in pleasing memories, are written on the map of our country, and will remain there forever. The part taken by France in the colonization of America forms one of the most sublime episodes in the history of the Continent of America, and our historians have always held it up to the admiration of the world. In the annals of no country is there anything more touching or more pathetic than the story of the sacrifices made by Frenchmen at the time when our present institutions were founded. Advancing step by step, always enabled to surmount a thousand obstacles and to brave all kinds of sufferings; a great number of them died as heroes and martyrs, reciting in their last moments the Latin hymns of their Church, which even then were a thousand years old."

# The Lord's Day.

When the Romans became Christians they learned to call Sunday the Lord's Day—Dies Dominicus; and so in France, Italy and Spain, the word is still Dimanche, Domenica, Domingo. The day before Sunday was called instead of Saturn's day, the Sabbath—a fact which will seem surprising to those who do not know how modern is the notion which confounds the Christian. "Lord's Day" with the Jewish Sabbath. In Spain the name is Sabado, in Italian Sabbato, and in French, because the ancestors of the French people pronounced the word "sabbatum" as "sambatum," the name of Saturday is Samedi.

He who strings the pearls of moderation, industry and self-denial on the cord of a high courageous character, shall wear jewels of a noble manhood.

# Gems of Thought

If the true history of quarrels' public and private, were honestly written, it would be silenced with an uproar of derision.

We should never wed an opinion for better or for worse; what we take upon good grounds we should lay down upon better.

You who can smash the idols, do so with a good courage; but do not be too fierce with the idolaters—they worship the best they know.

There is no moment like the present; not only so, but, moreover, there is no moment at all—that is, no instant force and energy—but in the present.

# AGRICULTURE.

## THE POULTRY YARD.

A writer in one of our poultry exchanges recommends making little hoods of red flannel, and then sewing them on to the high, single combs of poultry for protection against freezing in cold weather. The little hoods would probably be considered quite ornamental by poultry fanciers, and the few stitches taken with needle and sewing silk would not give half the pain of a frosted comb. But why breed high, single combs on fowls, to be kept in this Northern climate? The Black Spanish and Leghorns, and other newer breeds with high, and single combs and prominent wattles, came to us from countries having much warmer winters than ours, while the low combed breeds have probably lost their excess of comb by living for many generations in high, northern latitudes.

We are a too practical people to long follow a foolish and expensive fashion merely for fashion's sake. It has been proved by experiment that a high comb can be bred off, by judicious crossing and selection, without materially changing a breed in other respects. It is true that we ought to give our poultry comfortable quarters in winter, but hens must not be kept too close, nor too warm. They need air and room, and in extreme cold weather a high single comb is at a great disadvantage in a flock. Some breeds have doubtless had their combs bred off by repeated shearing, until the low comb has become more or less fixed. But fowls breed so fast that radical changes can be made in a few years by crossing and selection without resorting to such seemingly cruel methods. It takes lots of good food to keep all the high combs in the country warm through our long, cold winters, and then when the birds are killed the heads are thrown away.

## RETAIL MEAT MARKET.

Beef, roast, per lb.	\$0 12 1/2 to \$0 16
Beef, steak, per lb.	12 1/2 to 16
Beef, corned, per lb.	6 to 10
Beef, boiling, per lb.	6 to 8
Beef, fore quarters, per lb.	6 to 8
Beef, hind quarters, per 100 lb.	9 00 to 10 00
Veal, roast.	12 to 16
Veal, chop.	15 to 18
Pork roast.	10 to 12
Pork, salted.	10 to 12 1/2
Port, farmers' per 100 lbs.	6 00 to 6 50
Mutton, roast, per lb.	12 1/2 to 15
Mutton, leg.	15 to 18
Mutton chop.	15 to 18
Ham.	15 to 18
Breakfast bacon.	15 to 16
Lard.	9 to 11
Lard, per pail.	2 25 to 3 00
Sausage.	12 1/2 to 15
Bologna sausage.	12 1/2 to 15
Shanks.	8 to 10
Liver.	15 to 20
Kidney.	15 to 20
Head cheese.	12 1/2 to 15
Heart.	12 1/2 to 15
Tongue.	12 1/2 to 15
Chickens, per lb (dead).	16 to 18
Eggs, per dozen.	20 to 25
Butter, per lb.	15 to 20
Chickens (alive young) per pair.	30 to 35
Chickens (alive, old) per pair.	40 to 50
Turkeys, each.	80 to 1 00
Ducks, per brace.	20 to 30
Prairie Chickens, per brace.	40 to 60
Prime Maitland Cheese, per pound.	15 to 20

WHOLESALE MEAT AND CATTLE MARKET.	
Milch cows.	25 00 to 40 00
Working oxen, per yoke in demand.	90 00 to 140 00
Live cattle, per lb.	3 1/2 to 4
Cattle, per lb.	5 00 to 12 00
Side bacon, per lb.	8 1/2 to 10
Roll bacon.	13 1/2 to 14
Hams.	14 to 17
Pork, per barrel.	16 50 to 17 00
Beef, per barrel.	12 50 to 20
Corn, per doz.	40 to 50
Cucumbers, per doz.	20 to 25
Ducks.	20 to 25
Eggs, per doz.	25 to 30

WHOLESALE FISH.	
Retail, per lb.	4 1/2 to 5 1/2
Wholesale, per lb.	8 to 10
VEGETABLES.	
Potatoes, per bush.	25 to 30
Beets, per doz.	30 to 40
Dried onions, per bushel.	2 00 to 2 50
Turnips, per bush.	40 to 60
Cabbage, each.	4 to 5
Parsley, per doz.	40 to 50
Sage, per doz.	40 to 50
Carrots, per doz.	20 to 30
Parsnips, per doz.	20 to 30
Squash, each.	10 to 20

CRANBERRIES, per barrel.	10 00
California Pears, per box.	4 25 to 4 50
Grapes, per lb., Ontario.	10 to 12
Lemons, per box.	7 00 to 8 00
Oranges, per box.	8 00 to 8 50
Apples, per barrel.	3 25 to 3 75
Ripe tomatoes, per bushel.	2 25
Green tomatoes, per bushel for pickling.	1 00

HAY AND STRAW.	
Hay.	4 00 to 4 50
Straw.	3 00 to 3 50
Timothy.	5 00 to 5 50

GRAIN.	
Oats, per bushel.	22 to 25
Barley, per bushel.	35 to 40
No. 1 hard wheat.	75 to 80
No. 2 hard wheat.	70 to 75
No. 1 Northern.	75 to 80
No. 2 Northern.	70 to 75
No. 1 regular wheat.	68 to 73
No. 2 regular wheat.	65 to 70
No. 3 regular wheat.	65 to 70
Rejected.	45 to 50
Flour, XXXX.	1 50 to 2 00
Flour, superfine.	1 40 to 1 50

WOOD.	
Poplar, cordwood.	4 50 to 5 00
Tamarac.	5 00 to 6 00
Poplar poles, per cord.	4 00 to 4 50

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