

I expect a pretty high one. The volt is the first unit and its name is taken from the name of Alessandro Volta, who was an exceedingly pious Catholic and who, lest it be thought he was anything else, left on record one of the most beautiful professions of faith that one can possibly read.

The second unit is called the ampere, and it is called after a Frenchman, also a Catholic.

The third is the Coulomb, and that is called after a man of the same name. It is the unit of quantity. Coulomb also was a very excellent Catholic.

Ohm,—the unit of Resistance—is called after George Ohm, and he was also a Catholic, though comparatively little is known of him.

The last unit is the Farad, and it is the first part of the name of Michael Faraday, and the only one of the lot who was not a Catholic. He was an exceedingly pious Protestant of a small body called Sandemanians—I do not know if it is in existence today.

Galvani, who gave the name to Galvanism, another term for electricity, was also an exceedingly pious Catholic.

As we have on the biological side, so we have also on the physical, excellent evidence that some of its brightest stars have also been sons of the Church.

I have not touched on people like the Abbe Breuil, perhaps the leading archaeologist of the day; or Hauy the crystallographer; or de Lapparent, the geologist, or of many others all of them eminent men of science and devout members of the Church to which we belong, but I think I have said enough to prove the falseness of the text with which I began, that our Church is one which is hostile to science.