

THE NOBLE IRISH GIRL.

The historian in the Catholic Church in America would be derelict in his duty if he did not pay a tribute to the extraordinary devotion and fidelity of the Irish domestic, particularly of the "devoout female sex." In a station of life which wore accustomed to regard as one which calls for only mechanical virtue and mercenary service, she has displayed a purity of intention, a zeal for religion, and a heroism of virtue that have elicited the highest encomiums from all classes of the community. Saturated itself into affectionate playfulness at her occasional household blunders, or, perhaps, unconscious wit, and the most rancorous hate respects her unquestioned virtue. Very often, an untried girl, she comes to a strange land with little worldly shrewdness, and unaware and incredulous of the perils that strew her pathway. Her very innocence disarms temptation, and ribald insult falls upon her ears, that frequently know not its meaning. Her knowledge is the liberal education of the truths of divine faith, which is for her dearer than the stars. Her few hours of happiness are often only those which she passes in the quietude of her domestic station, where she is content to be a helpmeet to that of the daughters of Israel when they beheld their ornaments wrought into the fine gold of the Ark of God.

That simple virtue, which strikes the ignorant or prejudiced as the result of stupidity, has its source in the clearest principles of faith and morals. She, like the vast majority of her race, understands her religion, and if she may not always be able to defend it with the eloquence of a theologian, she will illustrate it with the virtues of a saint. This pious, honest, and pure woman is frequently made the object of infamous overtures and the subject of a rampant criticism. She despises both, and from a serene height looks down alike upon the flattery and upon the insult. To this band of devoted women the Catholic Church owes much, and she rejoices in her daughters. They have been the Martins and Marys of religion. No more generous hand has opened to her than that which is worn and rugged with the toils of the kitchen; no more willing ears hearkened to the work of God; no purer or more faithful hearts have pondered that word in their depths. To insult the "Irish house servant" is unworthy of an infidel, who believes at least in the theory of virtue; but to make their support of religion an argument against their intelligence, their honesty, and the sacred purpose and obligation of their clergy in the matter of building churches is a species of malevolent reasoning as shamefully false as it is morally heinous.—Rev. A. F. O'Connor.

A SUBTERRANEAN LAKE.

In Colorado is a ten-acre field which is no more nor less than a subterranean lake covered with soil about eighteen inches deep. On the soil is cultivated a field of corn, which produces thirty or forty bushels to the acre. If any one will take the trouble to dig a hole the depth of a spade handle he will find it to fill with water and, by using a hook and line, fish four or five inches long can be caught. These fish have neither scales nor eyes, and are perfectly like in shape. The ground in a black mud, in its nature, and in all probability was at one time an open body of water, on which was accumulated vegetable matter, which has been increased from time to time, until now it has a crust sufficiently strong and rich to produce fine corn, though it has to bear the weight of a horse. While harvesting, the field hands catch great strings of fish by punching a hole through the earth. A person raising on his heel and coming down suddenly can see the growing corn shake all around him. Any one having strength to drive a nail through this crust will find on leaving it that it collapses together. The whole section of the country surrounding this field gives evidence of marshiness, and the least rain produces an abundance of mud. But the question comes up, has not this body an outlet? Although brackish, the water tastes as if fresh, and is evidently not stagnant. Yet these fish are eyeless and scaleless—similar to those found in caves.

EARLY VEGETABLE INCIDENT.

A man with a basket on his arm pushed his way up to a fruit-stand yesterday and asked: "How do you sell cucumbers?" "The dealer informed him: "Why, man alive, do you suppose I want to buy a whole one?" "I don't know what you want, but that's the price of cucumbers," replied the dealer. "You don't want it all down, do you?" "I do, for a fact." "Suppose I give you one-third cash, balance in yearly payments?" "The fruiterer shook his head. "I'll pay you big interest," persisted the man with the basket. "Another shake of the head. "Give you the best security," urged the customer; "first mortgage on unincumbered real estate." "The dealer would only shake his head. "Well, then, how do you sell strawberries?" "Our reporter did not hear the price, but the man with the basket fainted dead away.—[Ecochoge.

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