

- Rome**: the capital of the greatest ancient empire, of the Catholic Church, and of modern Italy. *La Rome française* = Paris. Napoleon gave the title *roi de Rome* to his son
- Rouen**: an important city on the banks of the Seine, formerly the capital of Normandy
- Rouher** (1814-1884): a French statesman, minister of Napoleon III
- Ruth**: see the Book of Ruth
- Sagittaire (le)**: Sagittarius, the Archer, a sign of the zodiac; the special sign of November (which means that in November it is not in the sky at night)
- Saint Antoine** (251-356): St. Antony, a famous father of the church. In his old age he retired into the desert, where he was attacked by evil spirits who tempted him. The temptations of St. Antony are a favorite subject for painters, poets, and the music
- Sainte-Beuve** (1804-1869): a poet and critic, closely connected with Hugo in the earlier part of his career
- Sainte Brigitte**: St. Bridget or Brigitta. There were two persons bearing this name, one in Ireland, the companion of St. Patrick, in the fifth century, the other in Sweden in the fourteenth century
- Saint-Cloud**: a royal palace of France, just west of Paris; a favorite residence of Napoleon; destroyed by the Germans in 1871
- Saint-Cyr**: a famous military school, not far from Versailles
- Saint-Denis**: a suburb of Paris, in which is the church of Saint-Denis, where the kings of France were buried
- Saint Gildas**: patron saint of Vannes, a town in Brittany; lived in the sixth century
- Sainte-Hélène**: St. Helena, an island in mid-Atlantic, belonging to England, where Napoleon died; over his grave grew a willow tree. See "A la colonne"
- Saint-Valery-sur-Somme**: a watering-place on the English Channel at the mouth of the Somme
- Saldagne**: Saldaña, a small town in the northwest of Spain
- Salomon**: Solomon, the famous king of the Jews
- Sardaigne**: Sardinia, an island in the Mediterranean
- Saturne**: Saturn, one of the planets
- Satyre**: Satyr; in classical mythology, a being with goat's feet, existing in the forest
- Scapin**: a clever rascal found in such plays of Molière as "Les fourberies de Scapin"
- Schinderhannes** (1779-1803): a notorious German bandit, who committed depredations in the