

were banished? Vienna, a few miles south, on the same river, is the place to which it is said, Pontius Pilate was banished.

Where was Massilia, now Marseilles situated? This city was founded B. C. 600, by a colony of Asiatic Greeks, and formed at an early period, a flourishing republic, celebrated for the wisdom of its institutions, and as a seat of science and literature.

Where was Tolosa, now Toulouse? This is an ancient city. In the sixth century it became the capital of the Visigoths.* In 1814, it was taken by the English.

Where was Pictones? A few miles south of this place, near the present city of Poitiers, was fought the decisive battle between the Gauls, under Charles Martel, and the Saracens, under Abderaman, in October, A. D. 732.

Where was Corduba, now Cordova, anciently the capital of the Turduli, and famous during the middle ages as the seat of the Moorish empire in Spain?

Where was Saguntum, famous for a siege by the Carthaginians, under Hannibal, B. C. 219, which was the cause of the second Punic war?

Where was Numantia, remarkable for a desperate resistance against the Romans during a siege of fourteen years?

Where was Gades, now Cadiz, the great emporium of Spanish commerce? This city was founded by a colony from Tyre, and was one of the most noted of antiquity. The inhabitants were a commercial people, and their ships were seen on every sea, which the navigation of their times had been able to compass. The Greeks named it Gadira, and it was also called Cotynusa.

Where was Carteia or Calpe? Near this place, on the most southern point of Hispania, was Mount Calpe, now the Rock of Gibraltar, which was opposite to Mount Abyla, on the African side of the Fretum Herculeum, now the strait of Gibraltar. According to tradition, these two mountainous rocks were once united, and Hercules, in order to open a communication between the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, rent them asunder. Hence they are called the Pillars of Hercules.

Where was LONDINIUM or LONDINUM? This city, now called LONDON, was built, it is supposed, about the commencement of the Christian era.

In what direction from Londinium was Durovernum, now Dover? Eboracum, now York? Alata, now Edinburgh? Eblana, now Dublin?

Where was ATHENÆ, now Athens?

In what direction from Athenæ was Thebæ? Sparta? Olympia? Delphi? Delphi was built at the foot of mount Parnassus. The great celebrity of this place arose from the oracle of Apollo, who there declared the fates, and from the council of Amphictyons, which held there its alternate session.

Where is Actium? This place is noted on account of the memorable battle near it, at the entrance of the Ambracian gulf, between the fleets of Anthony and Octavius, September 2d, B. C. 31. Octavius gained the victory, and thus became master of the world, or the Roman empire.

* Visigoths, means Western Goths, and Ostrogoths, Eastern Goths.