

of mental effort which is most favourable to long and vigorous life. Accordingly, literary and scientific men are, as a class, long lived. If our females would give up their dissipations, renounce their novels and their indolence, put away their inglorious rust, and their vain-glorious excitements together—and rise higher on the scale of intellectual, thinking, spiritual beings, they might secure to themselves and to their children a far more healthy, youthful, prolonged earthly existence than most of them now enjoy.

ITALY.

A letter from Leghorn states that the small republic of San Marino, which reckons no more than about 8,000 citizens, has not escaped from being affected by the agitation which surrounds it. Its senate, which was composed of 70 burghers, has been transformed into a chamber of representatives. Every citizen is an elector, and the sittings are to be public. All this has been accomplished without any disturbance or opposition. The *Novelliste* of Marseilles gives, under the date of Naples, October 13, a letter, in which it is stated that the hopes of measures of reform and clemency which were indulged in a few days before (and which were magnified into something approaching to certainty by the *Journal des Debats*) are all dissipated, and that the same spectacle of savage cruelty is continued throughout the country. One of the *Romeos*, Jean Dominique, was executed, and after decapitation the bleeding head was presented to his nephew Pietro, who was compelled to carry it on a pole through the streets of Reggio.

The Romans (says a journal) are still in ecstacy with the Pope, and their Civic Guard, the creation of His Holiness. The Tuscans were even more enthusiastic; and the King of Sardinia was seriously engaged in preparing to carry out his measures of reform.

A letter of the 30th ult. tells us that the Padre Rossi, of the Oratorio of San Fillippo Neri, has been sent by Cardinal Feretti as express courier to Vienna and Berlin, with despatches for those courts, Padre Rossi has spent a great part of his life in Germany, especially in Vienna, and lately acted as religious adviser to Mr. Newman and the other English converts at Rome. His mission is said to be one of the greatest importance.

Letters of the 2d instant bring the intelligence of a *motu proprio* of Pius IX. to organise the municipal council and senate of Rome. The capital will thus acquire the benefit of municipal institutions, and the control of the registers of the civil State will be transferred from ecclesiastical to civil authorities.

We learn from the *Daily Bee* that the "Secre-

tary-of-State has entrusted to an eminent citizen of Pennsylvania, who has lately set out on a tour of Europe, the pleasing office of assuring his Holiness, Pius the IX., of the warm sympathy of our Government and people in his present liberal and well-directed efforts for the amelioration of Italy.—*B. C. Observer.*

The following obituary which we find in the *Catholic Miscellany*, records a very interesting event:

Died on the 5th ult., in New Orleans, the Hon. Richard Henry Wilde, late of Augusta, Geo.

The papers generally have announced the demise of this distinguished jurist, scholar and poet, and to their well-merited eulogiums we will add nothing. One fact however which we have not seen noticed will be interesting to our readers. Mr. Wilde finding himself in danger of death requested the attendance of a Catholic clergyman, and devoutly received the Sacraments of the Catholic Church.

We live in this world with pain and trouble; our strength becometh exhausted; we must then obey the God who will aid us, sustain us, and grant us health. We must be active and careful to acquire what our necessities demand.

Wouldst thou live quietly, indulge not in slander, for it produceth many disputes.

BIRTHS RECORDED,

AT ST. MARY'S.

November 13—	Mrs. Thornton, of a daughter.
" 15—	" Walsh, of a daughter.
" 15—	" Egan, of a daughter.
" 15—	" Cogan, of a daughter.
" 16—	" McIntosh, of a son.
" 16—	" Munroe, of a daughter.
" 17—	" Wright, of a daughter.
" 17—	" McCann, of a son.
" 18—	" Reilly, of a son.

INTERMENTS.

AT THE CEMETERY OF THE HOLY CROSS

November—Patrick, infant son of Valentine and Bridget Mulloy, aged 2 months and 15 days. 12th—Ann Plato, (wid.) native of the United States, aged 100 years. 16th—Ellen, daughter of Patrick and Mary Moran, aged 20 years.

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