

APRIL 20, 1895.

Dianna Chide the Mither. Ah! dianna chide the mither; Ye may na hae her lang. Her voice about your baby rest, She softly crooned the sang.

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS.

Low Sunday. STEADFASTNESS. Jesus saith to him: because thou hast seen me, Thomas, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen and have believed.

When our Lord appeared to the disciples and gave them the commission to forgive sins, and thus instituted the holy sacrament of penance, St. Thomas was not present; and when the other disciples told him what had happened, and that He had shown them the wounds in His hands and in His feet, he refused to believe them: he declared he would not believe unless He himself should see them also.

The Legend on the Locket.

BY FRANCIS J. FINN, S. J. I was in my first sleep when the sound of the door-bell awakened me, whereupon I sprang from my bed, and, after a few hurried preparations, hastened to throw open the door. It was a bitter cold night in January, and without the moon threw its pale light over the wan and spectral snow-covered landscape.

STORIES OF THE CRUCIFIX.

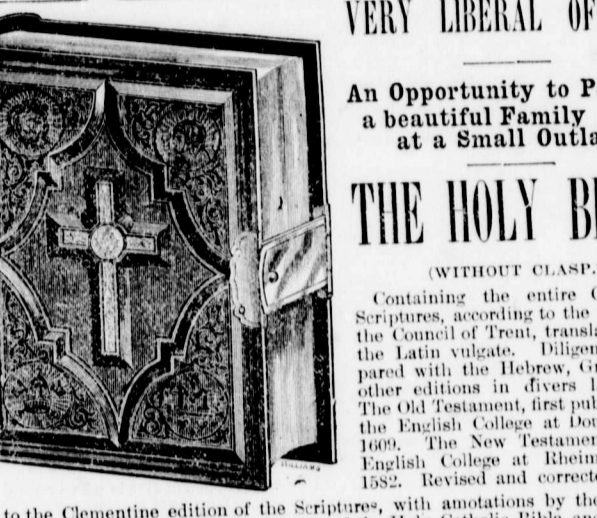
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The Irish Race.

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