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Edmund D. Whelen Writes From the Scene of the Great Irish Epic.

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A Sligo Ballad.

SLIGO, TRELAND.

A popular tradition here has it that the Misgan Meave or pyramidal shaped sepulchral monument on ton of Knocknarea, which is noticed a great distance off, is a cairn erected in memory of Meave, the celebrated Queen of Connaught, whose invasion of Ulster forms the subject of Chualigue

The Misgan was the shape noto which the Irish duiry maid used to make butter. The cairp is similarly shaped hence the name Miscan Weave. It is about 2,000 years sincoit was erected. So it bears its age well, and is as lasting and prominent as the pyramid that perpetu ates the memory of Cheops. There are other cromlechs scattered about here well not as thick as grass' but pretty thickly-in memory of the beroes who fell in the great battle of Sligo. There is a beautiful narrow, fern decked glen, at the foot of Knocknarea, which must be seen to be appreciated. One of the Celtic-tongued tourists. The lame of the grand old hill (Knocknarea) has been sounded across the ocean, In a street ballad on 'Sligo Town.' stanza or two:

I love old Ireland all around, the horth, south, east and west. But who can blame me if I love that dear old town the best?

beheld the light of day Near Sligo town, that lies so snugat

the foot of Knocknarea.

it as I love my life; love it dearly as I love

ren and my wile. But who can blame me if I love old Ireland for away.

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Coming down to more modern times we find Sligo was built in 1245 by Maurice Fitzgerald, Lord Deputy of Ireland. In half a century it was restored, stood another siege, and and again after that it was the theatre of warlike scenes, in which O'Connor, Sir H. Sidney, Sir Freda stone to mark the site of the war, zealous ecclesiastic who has been perhaps the old castle of Sligo wit ope house I met Rev. Canon M'Loug-Catholic war of 1641, when Dr. returned from a visit to America. Queely, the soldier Archbishop of Bev. Fr. McDermott, C. C., and Tuam; at the head of 2,000 men other clergymen, from whom I had a essayed to capture Sligo for the Confederate Catholics. The martial Prelate succeeded so far as to have taken St. John's Church and the abbey, which he turned into fortresses for the time. The Confederates eventually were defeated, and their Archbishop leader, and several other priests who ere with him. were slain on the spot. The importance of Sligo as the Key to Conbrught was fully estimated by Owen Roc O'Neill. But one of the blunders made by the Supreme Council of the Confederation of Kilkenny as to let Sligo slip into the hands of the enemy. And then they only made the mistake worse by sending an inexperienced military leader, in the person of Dr. Queely, however cilted he was in courage and patriotism, to lay siege to it. Owen Roe was on his way to Sligo to wrest it from the Parliamentarious, but was recalled with his army into Leinster Rev. D. Tighe, paster of the Holy by order of the Supreme Council. After strolling around the town.

and well satisfied that Sligo is the here. Mr. E. Tiche, a very highly centre of a delightful district. I esteemed business-man, a merchant visited the Catholic Cathedral, which in the grocery and grain trade, on is said to be one of the bandsomest whom I had the pleasure of calling. ecclesiastical edifices in Ireland. It ivow, as it happened, I was glad to was erected in 1874 at a cost of be able to give a grand account to £50,000. The style is a combination | them all of Father Tighe, who is an of Norman and Byzantine, and the old and highly-esteemed personal material in dressed limestone. It is friend of mine. I regretted to hear, waly a noble, imposing tastefully that Father Tighe buried his mother

live tower over the main entrance. which has a clock and a chime of nine bells, adds to its striking appearance. The building is surround. ed by a practy iron railing with cut-stone pillars. As I entered, noticed outside the gates rows of booths, filled with beads, pictures, and prayer books. A retreat for men and women, given by the Vincentian Fathers, was going on in the Cathedral at the time. The vestry bard by is a very pretty building, and the carving over the main entrance of the Cathedrairepresenting, I think, the promise of a Redeemer to Adam and Eve after the great Irish opic The Tain Bo their fall is a very beautiful piece of work. I have seen large sacred edifices in Ireland, but for a neat compact, finished, really pretty Cathedral there is perhaps nothing better than Sligo's. The many stained windows produce a very nice effect in the interior. The lofty grolled roof, decorated sanctuary, bandsome altars, olreular arches marble pulpit, nicely carved confessionals, and fine organ are all in keeping with the complete beauty of the church. I was assailed at the gate by a group of beggars and had to pay may way in. I noticed that defect in the Sligo Cathedral, which is seen in others of its kind—it is a little dark. Close beside the Cathecromlechs bore the unpronounceable draf, in separate grounds, is an title of Leabo na Bhean; which the other building (a historic one) with Irish have made easy by calling it is gray equare tower, having the the "Rissing Stone." This, I am look of age about it. This is St. told, was out of compassion for non- John's Protestant Church, which was turned into a fortress for a time by the famous martyred warrior, Archbishop of Tuam, Dr. Queely. This church has a very handsome composed by a Sligo man in New stained window, and in the grave York, and sung through the differ yard hard by are some peculiar ent cities and towns of the United gravestones. Owing to the peculiar States, from which is quoted a composition of the soil, bodies interred in the churchyard do not decay in the usual manner.

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palace or Bishop's residence, built of care. If they do not do all this, shrine to be arranged?" On bearing the same material and in keeping the hearts of children become as the sharing was to be a centre of Twas there that first my infant eyes with the former edifice; and just land which is neither tilled nor prayer for the Guild of Our Lady of behind the Bishop's house, a little planted, as land which was ready to Ransom for the convenion of Romfurther up the slope of the hill, is bring forth fruit, but which, for land (osnonically exected to this stricter regulation of immediate still another imposing edifice in care and labor, produces nothing but church). His Holisees expressed an object countries of the extraction of all persons seemed the extraction of all persons seemed. much the same style. This is the briars and thorns.

Diocesan or Summer Hill College as And how great is the providence meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet there together in united prayer read and write the meet the I love my dear adopted land. I love much the same style. This is the briars and thorns. their existence to the late Dr. Giloc. was taken by the O'Donnells. Time by Bishop of Elphin-worthy monuthe O'Donnells, Burkes, O'Neill, the faith and the generosity of the a very tender age. She led her one and to whom His Holiness alluded people as for their zenious Bishop. rick Hamilton, Sir Charles Coote, that most of the money required to the Archbishop of Tuam (Dr. Queely) | build their fine Cathedral was coland the Cromwellians were the print leeted within the diocese of Elphin. cipol actors. At another time it The See of Elphin, vacated by the was captured by General Sarsfield death of Most Rov. Dr. Gilcoly, has for the Jacobite cause. No wonder been filled within the past year by then there is not a stone left upon Most Rev. Dr. Clancy, a learned and battered pile. One of the most heratofore a professor in Maynooth interesting military exploits, which College. While calling at the Bisisnessed was during the Confederate lin. P.P., Roscommon, who has just courteous reception. I made an exploration of the Convent of Mercy. which struck me as quite a little town in itself. It has large schools. an orphanage with nearly three himdred girls, a laundry, a dairy and a farm. On the west side of the town is a fine Convent of the Urau line Nuns, having nearly one hundred boarders and day pupils. Here was kindly shown through by the good Sisters. What crowned my visit to this institution was an introduction I had to Rev. Father Tighe's little niece, a sweet little dear of eleven years of age, who is being educated at the convent. She was so innocent, yet so bright. gentle and amiable, I couldn't help admiring her. In parting she wanted me to give her best love to

her uncle far away in Chicago, when

I should return there. Many other

inquiries were made in the town for

Angels, Oakwood boulevard, who is

a native of Sligo, and has a cousin

to a repeat visit he made to Ireland made a very pleasant call in Slige amount others on P. A. McRugh Esq., M.P., Mayor of Sligo. Mr. Morraya, who impressed me as gentleman and a practical businessman, is the publisher of the Sligo Champion, a nice, bright paper and a Nationalist organ.

BOMUND D WHELAN.

TO PATERNA AND MOTERRA. Fathers and mothers you are the visible divinities of your children They see nome greater than you, they see some so often me you, they love ue one so much as you. They often hear of the Pope, but they do not see them; whilst ther have you every day before their eyes as the living models of their actions. You are everything for them. The life which they have derived from you, they preserve only by your care, and you are their sele dependence for the future. A child imitates it repeats all that it sees, all that it hears. This is especially the case with regard to its father and mother. Its great ambition is to imitate them in all they do. From this fact there arises for fathers and

mothers a binding obligation to lead

good and holy lives themselves, that

their children may thus follow them

in the right way. The heart of a child is as war, capable of receiving any impression. good or bad; it is as plain, white linen, upon which all cetors may be stamped. It is to parents that God has intrusted the care of impressing in these young pure hearts all true and virtuous feelings those first impressions which are never completely affaced. If they are careful to inculents in their children the continuent of duty, the love and fear of God, a horror of sin. and the necessity of religion, they lay the foundation of the future happiness of these little ones whom the provi-Adjacent to the Cathedral is the dence of God has confided to their their good Sisters, and how is the

it is called. This fine group of ec. of God in this? The child thus un- for this end, exclaiming: "England, clesiastical buildings together in a consciously becomes in its turn a England, when will she return to by the bunch remind one very much of means of salvation to its persons. Thurles and Kilkenny-having a obliged to teach the right, not only will break the chains that keep head very striking effect. The college in words, but also by example, they back." He then granted an indulopened in 1892 and it has over 100 often find themselves drawn on to students. I had a very courteous do, in sight of their child, some good reception and was shown through action which they would otherwise the college by the president. Very have neglected, and to avoid a thou-Rev. Father Corcoran. The Cathe. sand faults which might have an avii destroyed three times. Then it was dral, Bishop's home, and college owe influence on the innocence of their child.

The widow of a Chinese mandarin ments of whose zeal and energy they converted by our missionaries, had remain. And it speaks as much for one little girl, an only child, still of day into her cratery, and, kneeling before the crucifix, prayed allently: then turning to her child, who was kneeling at her side, she said: "God only knows how much I love your my dear little one; you are my only treasure upon earth, and the only pledge of his affection that your father left to me when dying; but if I-believed it possible that you could ever alandon Jesus Christ, or lose your innocence. I would ask God to take you to himself, to call you instantly out of this world. Very far from weeping for you. I would array. myself as for a feetival, and would esteem your death as a great blessing and favor from God."

These words recall those spoken by Blanche to St. Louis, her son, during his childhood. "I would rather see you die before my eyes than see you commit a single sin." All Christian mothers should constantly repeat them to their children.

There are fathers and mothers who lose, and there are those who premiums. The students of Ireland's save their children. Their loss or ruin will be their own loss, whilst Dectorates in Theology and Philotheir salvation will surely prove their sophy and various majner derress.

Like father, like son; and still more, like mother, like child. If you ove your children, fathers and mothers, if not for yourselves 25 east for love of them be good Christians, scrupulously observe the laws of God and of his Church; avoid sin, epress your passions, consider your words, be constant in prayer, swear not, do not argue and dispute, guard against anger; zeverence all that relates to God, his ministers, and his temple: so live that your child may need nothing but your daily example to gaide him now in the path of right, and that hereafter the memory of his childhood may be still a pure and holy influence to draw him

RECEIVED BY THE POPE

The Sisters of the Institute of the Peor Servants of the Mother of God.

Romors for Irish Students.

ROUB, ITALY.

Recently some Sisters of the Institute of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God were admitted to private audience of the Dope, and presented to His Holiness a picture which is about to be placed in their church of St. George and the English Sainte in Rome. His Holiness enquired minutely about the different houses and works of the Institute, especially of their school in Rome. and their work among the roor, and of their extensive mission work among the poor in London. The Holy Pather sent his blessing to the Her. Mother General, the houses of the Institute and their different works, and a special blessing to the poor and school in Rome.

The Rev. Father Bonavenic and Vella .. KJ., were present for it was owing to the happy inspiration of the former that this picture has been copied from the colebrated freeco of Our Lady and Child in the catecomb of St. Princilla. Beside One Lady atsacle a figure supposed to be that of the propost futer, who is pointing to a star over Our Lady's head. \* There are two other figure The picture is to be called Regime Prophetarum.

His Holiness showed the greatest interest in the picture, and asked a detailed explanation of the entire group, touching such Serre repartiely with his hand. Father Econyonia gave him the history and account of all, and then, suraing round, Holy Exther said: "And this pleture is to be put in the oburch of me! Let us pray; it is only prayer this result. The la mance of 300 days to all who should The seame to visit and pray at the shrine, and of having the lase maid that he approved of the whole idea most warmly, and gave his special Benediction at the request of Father Bonavenia to the Gregorian University, where this Father is Professor of Archaeology, as well as to Mr. Fullerton (who has undertaken the expense of the shrine), only 90,078 for the with a fatherly kindness.

The Most Reverend Dr. O'Donnell. Bishop of Raphoe, has arrived in immigration at the Rome. His Lordship is staying at for the facal year of the Minerva Hotel. The Irish The restriction league Augustinians of Saint Patrick's, Rome, have entered on a ten days'

Though the success of the various students of Irish race, following the courses in the various Roman Universities has been habitually worthy of the Irish name, special notice is due to the prominence of Irish students in the latest prize list of the University of Propaganda. There are Irish names of students belonging to diocess of the United States of Australia of South Africa not to a peak of dioceses nearer home. and these names form a veritable roll of tronor. Thus the Irish College students, numbering only nineteen, obtained eighteen places on the premium list, one of these distinctions being a solut and eight first representative salege obtained Thus they excelled both in bonors and mak. These were all conferred with the authority of the Pope, of Cardinal Ledochowski, of Archbishope Clasca and Grassalli.

The Rev. Cornelius O'Regan, Newfoundland-Doctor.

& The Rev. William Doherty, Dublin -Doctor. The Rev. Michael Cronia, irish

College Doctor. The Rev. Cornelius O'Regan, New,

foundland—Licentists. The Rev. Timothy Hurley, Iriel College—Licentlate.

The Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan \_\_and\_\_Bachelor.

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bllege—Bachelor. The Rev. John Ashley, Irish College-Bachelor. The Rev. Thomas Machelen, Leish

College—Bachelor. PATRICK RYAN

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In the Golden Jubilee colbration of the Sons and Daughiers of the Revolution, at St. Jonn's Episcope Church, Dubuque, Lows, the oth day. Bishop Perry spoke strongly in favor of Great Britain, deplaring that England held America from ocean to ocean by right of the Mile. coveries of Cabol, Problems, Ira Raleigh and others, and by real to the service of exploration and colonization. bus discovered only See Bernder and the exploration of delication water and labelle the state to politicians than priests were at me raine to civilization. He trether de clared that England Strike Serie abted to Justin

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