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We copy the following report from *The Meriden Daily Journal*, Conn., of a lecture delivered in that place, on Sunday, March 16th, by Rev. Father Egan, of Thornhill: Rev. J. J. Egan, of Thornhill, Toronto, delivered a St. Patrick's day lecture at St. Rose's church, last evening, before an audience that filled every seat in the commodious house of worship, and many were obliged to stand, so great was the crowd. All felt well repaid for attending for the address was eloquent and full of interest. Father Egan thanked the priests of St. Rose's parish for their kindness during his stay in Meriden and then began his lecture, which, though occupying nearly an hour and a half, was listened to with undivided attention.

After some introductory remarks referring to the fond recollections of Irish people for the hallowed homes of their youth, and their undying attachment to their native land, which makes them cling to their unhappy country with such passionate love, going even to the length of carrying its image indelibly engraven in their hearts, and keeping its memory forever, the reverend lecturer gave a brief sketch of the life and labors of Ireland's national apostle.

He represented the Irish race even before the light of Christianity had dawned upon them as a people pre-eminently reverential, a people in whom the grossness of paganism was tempered by natural virtues, and whose souls by comparative refinement were peculiarly susceptible of religious truth; and hence when the Christian faith came before them, they were not hardened against it by sin and depravity. And Ireland, of all the Christian countries on earth, was not baptized in martyr's blood. The glory of martyrdom was not to be withheld from them, but it was not till the penal laws were enacted that heresy demanded of them the testimony of martyr's blood and then they gave it heroically.

The usual course, that persecution should assail an infant church, was an exception in regard to Ireland. There it seemed as if there had been something pure and even congenial even in the very soil, which opened itself to receive gladly the seed of life, and made it produce one hundred fold.

When St. Patrick preached the gospel in Ireland he came not to a barbarous people, not to an uncivilized race, but to a people, who, though under the cloud of paganism, had yet attained to established laws, a recognized form of government, and a high and philosophical knowledge. Hence when St. Patrick preached to them they recognized the truths he taught as coming from God.

The progress of the Christian religion in Ireland was traced, showing how the errors of paganism were abandoned for the pure doctrines of Christianity. Temples to the true and living God rose over the shrines of paganism and the sacred banner of the cross was unfurled, the signal of undisputed sway.

The peaceful triumphs of religion succeeded in suppressing the bloody scenes of the battlefield and princes and princesses were seen to change the pomp and power of the court for the poverty and simplicity of the cloister.

The centuries during which the rest of Europe was plunged in anarchy and barbarism Ireland had become the peaceful home of sanctity and learning. Every city was an immense school, to which students from every country in Europe flocked for learning, and those students returning to their respective countries proclaimed Ireland in those days by unanimous consent, "the island of heroes, saints and sages."

The speaker then described the progress of Irish scholars and missionaries rekindling the almost extinguished lamp of arts and learning, and carrying in every direction the light of science and faith.

He depicted the struggles of the Irish race, during the dark period of the penal laws, in eloquent and vigorous language, showing their courage under the most heartless bloodshed and persecution, and showing their struggles in guarding the sacred deposit of faith in all its integral beauty, undiminished and unimpaired.

He represented not only the physical cruelties that were aimed at Ireland's national life, but also the moral persecution of calumny and misrepresentation. How Ireland was charged with poverty by those who had robbed her of her property; charged with ignorance when education was made a felony, and ridiculed for her natural disorders, when the people were deprived of the benefits of civilization, and were driven in self-defence to fearful acts of retaliation.

He answered the charges of poverty and ignorance which are made against the Irish by showing the system of hostile legislation under which they have lived. He foretold a great future for the Irish people and the divine mission which they certainly had of saving not only themselves but society at large, by their true faith, from the dangers that threat-

ened it from false doctrines and false philosophy.

He encouraged them to look forward to a brighter future that was dawning on Ireland, seeing signs in the distant horizon of happier times and heralds of deliverance. When we hear voices raised from the highest intellects in the world, pleading Ireland's cause; when we see her former enemies begin to be ashamed of their long injustice towards her, we may say justice is at length appearing, she will come soon and without reserve. If God tries people it is only a sign that he loves them. Those who stand trial bravely are not to endure it forever, nor without fruit and glory to themselves. Ireland is a land tried but not giving way under trial, preserving heroically and amid every suffering her faith, her genius and her virtues, and therefore have her sufferings not been fruitless. God has given her a privilege—that of trials, which have borne their fruits. Surely the sufferings of a faithful people must have an end.

The Irish have suffered like our Lord. He was in the tomb for three days. Ireland's three days are three centuries. The Irish have now ministered to the designs of God. They have had that dread privilege laid upon them, endured it and they must surely be repaid for all. The day must come and come without fail, when they will enter into glory, and the day is fast approaching when the faithful Irish Catholics will reap their reward even here, but especially hereafter.

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