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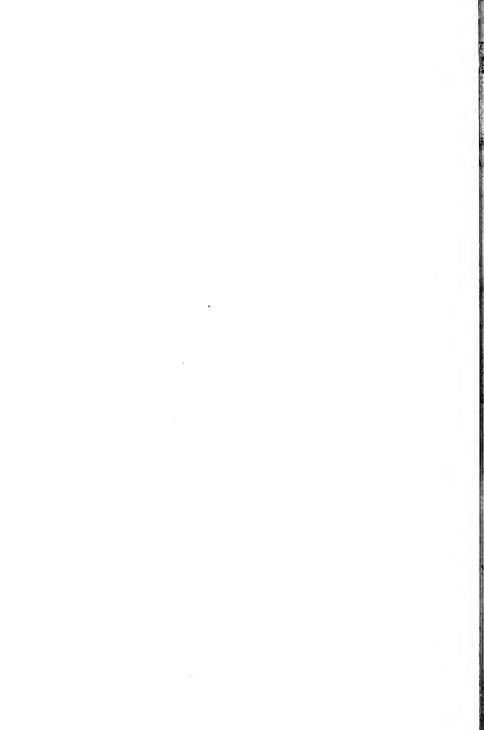
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I. -Descriptive Catalogue of the Contents of the Irish Manuscript, commonly called "The Book of Fermoy." By James Henthorn Todd, D. D., F. S. A. L. & E.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

In presenting to the Academy a Catalogue of the contents of the ancient Irish MS.commonly called the "Book of Fermoy," it was my wish to have accompanied it by some account of the history of the MS.; but I regret to say that I have found but little to record. I am not sure that the title "Book of Fermoy" is ancient, or that it was the original name of the volume, neither can I ascertain when the MS. was first so called. It is not mentioned under that name by Keating, or, so far as I know, by any ancient authority.* It is not mentioned by Ware, Harris, Archbishop Nicolson, or O'Reilly, in any of their published writings. It has been said that it was once in the possession of the Chevalier O'Gorman; but this has not been established by any satisfactory evidence. There is in the box which now contains the MS. a paper giving a short and very imperfect account of its contents,

papers (now preserved in the box H. 5, 7), consist chiefly of extracts from, or references to the Book of Fermoy, made for philological or grammatical purposes.

^{*} A collection of papers relating to the Book of Fermoy was deposited in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin, by the late Dr. John O'Donovan, in 1845. These

written about the beginning of the present century, in which it is said to have been then in the possession of William Monek Mason, Esq. This paper is apparently in the handwriting of Edward O'Reilly, author of the Irish Dictionary; but, if written by him, it must have been written at an early period of his life, when his skill in ancient manuscript lore was very inferior to what it afterwards became. Unfortunately the paper is not dated. The Book of Fermoy was sold in London, at the sale by auction of Mr. Mason's books, by the well-known auctioneers, Sotheby and Wilkinson, in 1858. There I purchased it, together with the autograph MS. of O'Clery's "Life of Red Hugh O'Donnell," with a view to have both MSS. deposited in the Library of the Academy. For the Book of Fermoy I gave £70, and for the Life of Red Hugh £21, in all £91, which sum was advanced in equal shares by Lord Talbot de Malahide, Gen. Sir Thomas A. Larcom, the late Charles Haliday, and myself; and it may be worth mentioning, to show the rapid increase in the market value of Irish MSS., that the Life of Red Hugh O'Donnell, which in 1858 brought the sum of £21 in a London auction, had been sold in Dublin, in 1830, at Edward O'Reilly's sale, for £3 7s.

The Book of Fermoy might, with equal propriety, be called the Book of Roche. It is a loose collection of miscellaneous documents, written at different times, and in very different hands; a great part of it relates to the family history of the Roche family of Fermoy; but it contains also a number of bardic poems and prose tracts on the general history of Ireland, and a very curious collection of legendary, mythological, and Fenian tales.

It begins with a copy of the Leabhar Gabhala, or "Book of Invasions," written in the fourteenth or beginning of the fifteenth century, very much damaged, and imperfect at the end.

Then follows that portion of the book which contains the legendary and mythological tales, written in the fifteenth century. This is in many respects the most interesting and valuable part of the volume; it contains also some historical bardic poems on the O'Conners, or O'Conors of Connaught, the O'Keeffes of

Fermoy, the Mac Carthy, Roche, and other families of the south of Ireland.

The volume concludes with some fragments of medical treatises in the usual exquisitely neat handwriting peculiar to Irish medical MSS. These fragments were certainly no part of the original Book of Fermoy; they probably belonged to the family of O'Hickey, who were hereditary physicians, and whose name occurs more than once inscribed in the margins and blank places of this portion of the MS.

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CATALOGUE.

- I. A Stave of eight leaves (10½ inches by 8), written in double columns, containing a fragment of the Leabhar Gabhala, or "Book of Invasions." The leaves are numbered in the upper margin, 1 to 8, in red pencil, by a modern hand.
- Fol. 1. a. This page is very much rubbed and defaced, so as to be quite illegible. It begins with the letters Ω 10 In the upper margin, in black ink, in a modern hand, is the letter B.
- Fol. 1. b. col. 1. begins with the words Sem ona pozab an Appia, Cam ip an Appiae, lapez apanzopaip, "Shem settled in Asia; Ham in Africa; Japhet in Europe." This is a short prose account of the establishment of the descendants of Japhet in the principal countries of Europe.
- Ibid. col. 2. A short poem, beginning Mazoż mac an tapeż aza emzt a żlann, "Magoth [read Magog,*] son of Japhet, well known are his descendants."
- Ibid. A prose tract, beginning baac mac zomen me laper in uao zaeoil, "Baath, son of Gomer, son of Japheth, from him are the Gaedil." This short tract contains an account of the building of the Tower of Babel, and the Confusion of tongues, with a tabular list of the

^{*} Magog. In the Book of Lecan there is a copy of this poem beginning, fol. 25. b. col. 2. It is there attributed to

[&]quot;Fintan," i.e. Fintan Mac Bochra, the person who is fabled to have survived the Deluge in Ireland.

seventy or seventy-two languages into which the speech of man was divided.

Fol. 2. a. col. 2. A short poem beginning bepla in bomain becarb lib, "Regard ye the languages of the world." This is in the Book of Lecan, fol. 26. a. col. 1.

Ibid. Then the history is continued in a prose tract, beginning Spu mac Eppu mac zaevil ipe zoippać do zaevilib, "Sru, son of Esru, son of Gaedil, was the leader of the Gadelians." See Book of Lecan, fol. 26. a. col. 2.

Fol. 3. a. col. 2. A poem by Gilla Caemhain (ob. 1072), beginning Taevil Tlaip ozaiz Taevil, "Gaedhil Glas, from whom are the Gaedhil." This poem occurs in the Book of Lecan, fol. 26. b. col. 2. & Leabhar Gabhala (O'Clery), p. 60. The poem ends fol. 4. a. col. 2.

Fol. 4. a. col. 2. A short prose paragraph, enumerating the several conquests of Ireland, beginning Scuipim to pechalt no nearest, "I have done with the Stories of the Gaedhil." Book of Lecan, fol. 27, a. col. 2.

Ibid. A poem attributed to Fintan (sixth century), beginning epi ce iappaizanoim, "Erin, if it be asked of me." See Yellow Book of Lecan, col. 741.

Fol. 4. b. col. 1. The narrative is continued in prose to the Deluge. Then follows an anonymous poem,* beginning Capa ip laizning luapad spino.

Ibid. col. 2. The prose narrative continues to the coming of Ceassair (pron. Kassar), grand-daughter of Noah. Then follows a poem (anonymous) beginning Ceappaip canap came pi, "Ceassair, whence came she?"

Fol. 5. a. col. 1. The prose narrative continues to the death of Ceassar at "Carn Cuili Cessrach in Conacht." Then follows an anonymous poem, beginning

Cechaça chaç pou cub cino bo bbic ebenn be upilino.

This poem, with a gloss, is preserved in O'Clery's Book of Invasions, p. 3.

Ibid. col. 2. A poem attributed to Fintan, beginning Cain paino bo pinopamaip. See Leabhar Gabhala (O'Clery, p. 2).

^{*} This poem is quoted by Keating.

Fol. 5. b. The history is then continued to the arrival of Partholan, and his death.

Fol. 5. b., lower margin. There is a line of Ogham, in a modern hand, blotted, and with the exception of one or two letters, quite illegible.

Fol. 6. a. col. 1. A poem (anonymous), beginning a caemain; claip cuino caempino, "Ye nobles of the fair-sided plains of Conn." This is attributed to Eochaid Ua Floinn (ob. 984), in the L. Gabhala of the O'Clerys (p. 15), and by O'Reilly (Writers, p. lxv).

Fol. 6. b. col. 1. The prose history is continued.

Ibid. col. 2. A poem which O'Reilly, p. lxv. (loe cit.), attributes to Eochaidh Ua Floinn, or O'Flynn, beginning Ro bo mait in muintip mop, "Good were the great people." Eochaidh O'Flynn flourished in the second half of the tenth century.

Fol. 7. a. col. 1. A poem headed Oo tinpab Paptholan in poebup, and beginning Paptalan canap taims. This poem contains an account of the principal adventures of Partholan, and ends with a notice of the battle of Magh Itha, fought by Partholan against the Fomorians, which is said to have been the first battle fought in Ireland. O'Reilly (loc. cit.) attributes this poem to Eochaidh Ua Floinn. It is given in O'Clery's L. Gabhala, p. 9, with a gloss. At the end are the words, ip iab pin trapecta na .c. zabala Epenn iap noilino, "These are the history [or traditions] of the first conquest of Ireland after the Deluge."

Fol. 7. b. The history is then continued in prose to the coming of Nemed, thirty years after the destruction of Partholan's people; with the taking of Conaing's tower in Tor-inis, now Tory island.

Fol. 8. a. col. 2. A poem beginning epiu oll oipnio zaevil, "Noble Erin, which the Gaedhil adorn." This is preserved in the L. Gabhala of the O'Clerys, with a copious gloss, (p. 25), and is there attributed to Eochaidh Ua Floinn. See also O'Reilly, Writers, p. lxvi. The poem ends imperfectly, fol. 8. b. col. 2.

II. Next follow sixteen staves, which constitute most probably what remains of the true Book of Fermoy. They are in a very different hand (or rather hands) from the fragment of the Book of Invasions already described, which had probably no connexion with the Fermoy collection of Legendary Tales and Poems.

- These sixteen staves are in good hands, probably of the 15th century, and are numbered in the upper margin in Arabic numerals, in a hand of the 17th, and in black ink. The pages are in double columns; size of column, 10.2 inches by 8. A full column contains thirty-six lines.
- (1.) The first stave consists of six leaves, and is numbered fol. 23-28, from which it appears that twenty-two leaves have been lost since the folios were numbered, unless the eight leaves of the former part of the volume have been included. The following are the contents of this stave:—

Fol. 23. a. The legend of Mór Mumhan (Mór or Moria of Munster), daughter of Aedh Bennain, king of West Luachair (i. e. of West Kerry), and wife of Cathal Mac Finguine,* king of Munster. This tract begins Geo bennain proposition, or mere declar, a ceopa ingena ("Aedh Bennain, king of West Luachair, had twelve sons, and three daughters"). A space has been left for an ornamental capital G, which, however, was never inserted.

Môr was, and is to this day, proverbial for her great beauty. As she approached to womanhood, she was suddenly struck with an irresistible desire to travel, and stole away from her father's house. For some years she continued to wander alone, shunning the haunts of men, and traversing on foot the wilds and forests. At length she arrived at Cashel, in torn and ragged garments, foot-sore, and miserable; but, notwithstanding, her transcendent beauty shone forth, so as to attract the attention of Cathal mac Finguine, king of Munster, who, after some inquiries as to her parentage, finally married her. After this her taste for wandering left her, and she became as celebrated for her wisdom and domestic virtues as for her beauty.

Aedh Bennain is called king of Munster by Tighernach, and king of Iar Mumha, or West Munster, by the Four Masters. But he was really king of Iar Luachair (West Luachair). The district was divided into East and West, and had its name from Cairbre Luachra; it is now Ciarraighe Luachra, or Kerry. See Wars of the Danes, p. li, n. 3; lxv. n. 2.

^{*} Cathal Mac Finguine. Aedh Bennain was the lineal descendant of Cairbre Pict, surnamed Luachra, from Sliabh Luachra, where he was brought up. He died, according to Tighernach, in 619, Ann. Ult. 618, Four Mast., 614. If so, it is difficult to understand how his daughter could have been the wife of Cathal Mac Finguine, who died 737 (Four Mast.).

Besides the adventures of Queen Mor, this tract contains also the story of the abduction of her sister Ruithehern, the battles fought by their brothers on her account, and the death of Cuana, son of Calchin, King of Fermoy, with whom Ruithehern had eloped. He flourished in the seventh century, and was celebrated for his liberality and hospitality.*

This tale, under the title of Citeo Ruitceapna pe Cuana mac Cailcin ["Elopement of Ruithcearna with Cuana mac Cailcin"], is mentioned by Mr. O'Curry in the curious list of ancient tales which he has printed from the "Book of Leinster," *Lectures*, p. 590. A copy of it is preserved in that ancient book (H. 2. 18, Trin. Coll. Dublin); the only other copy (if I mistake not) which is known to exist.

Fol. 24. a. A curious Legend, giving an account of the fifty wonders which occurred in Ireland on the night when Conn of the hundred Battles, King of Ireland in the third century, was born.†

It begins, but pingen mae lucta aroet pamna in opuim pingin, "On Samhain's night (i. c. All Hallow Eve), Fingen Mae Luchta was at Drum-Fingin;" a space being left for an ornamented initial b, which was never inserted. The fifty wonders were related to Fingen Mae Luchta, King of Munster, by a lady named Bacht, who sometimes visited him from the fairy mound called Sith-Cliath, which Mr. O'Curry thought was originally a Tuatha De Danaan mound, now Cnoc Aine in the county of Limerick.

This is a very rare tract, if indeed another copy exists; it contains various topographical, historical, and legendary notices, which throw much light on several superstitious practices not yet entirely forgotten; it records the origin of several roads; explains the ancient names of some rivers, and describes a few of the formerly existing monuments of Tara.

Fol. 25. a. col. 2. A poem of 35 stanzas, beginning, Cia po appareou um cpuachain, "who is it that asserts a right to Cruachan," i. e. a right to the sovereignty of Connaught; Cruachan was the fort or palace of the Kings of Connaught. It is now Ratheroghan, county of Roscommon. The ornamented initial C which ought to have decorated the beginning of this poem was never inserted.

^{*} See O'Flaherty, Ogyg., p. 336.

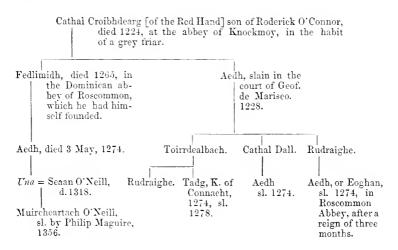
[‡] See O'Donovan, (Four Masters, 1223,

[†] Ibid. p. 313.

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The author of the poem is not mentioned. His object was to arouse Muircheartach, son of John O'Neill, lord of Tir-Eoghain [Tyrone], to assert his claim to the throne of Connaught, in right of his mother Una, daughter of Aedh, King of Connaught, who died in 1274 (Four Masters); which year was therefore the date of this poem, for it must have been written before the successor had been inaugurated; or at least before the confusions consequent on the death of Aedh had come to an end. No less than three Kings of Connaught were set up within that year, 1274, as we learn from the Four Masters, viz.: 1. Aedh (son of Rudraighe, son of Aedh, son of Cathal Croibhdearg), who was murdered in the abbey of Roscommon, after a reign of three months, by his kinsman Rudraighe, son of Toirrdealbach, or Turlogh, son of Aedh, son of Cathal Croibhdearg. 2. Another Aedh, son of Cathal Dall, son of Aedh, son of Cathal Croibhdearg: he was elected by the people of Connaught, but was murdered a fortnight after. 3. Tadg, son of Toirrdealbach, son of Aedh, son of Cathal Croibhdearg, who was permitted to reign for four years, but was slain, in 1278, by the Mac Dermots. It is evident, therefore, that Muircheartach O'Neill (who must have been young at the time), did not yield to the exhortations of the poet to risk his life and fortunes in this troubled sea of factions. The following genealogy, gathered from the present poem, and from the Annals of the Four Masters, will assist the reader in understanding what has been said:--



The present poem is very rare, if not unique; no other copy of it was known to Mr. O'Curry. It belongs to a class of bardic poems which are extremely valuable for local and family history.

Fol. 26. a. col. 1. A poem of fifty-eight stanzas, beginning, Moplorep luche an molur, "Much do slandering people destroy." The initial M has been written by a modern hand, in the space left vacant for an ornamented letter. The author of the poem, which is addressed to David, son of Thomas O'Keeffe, of Fermoy, was Domhnall Cnuic an Bhile Mac Carthy. It seems that David O'Keeffe had taken offence at some reflections said to have been cast upon him by the poet, who accordingly addressed to him the present poem as a reparation. In it the usual amount of flattery and conciliatory remarks is applied to the wound, the poet denying also the heavy charge brought against him, and putting the blame of it on slandering and backbiting tongues.

This is another of that class of bardic poems throwing light upon local family history. Mr. O'Curry knew of but one other copy of it.

One stanza of the poem (fol. 26. b. col. 1) seems to have been an after insertion, in a space originally left blank for it.

Fol. 27. a. col. 1. (six lines from bottom) begins a poem of forty-nine stanzas, the author's name not mentioned. It is in a good hand, by a well practised scholar, but not the same scribe by whom the foregoing poem was written. It begins baile purhain pir Emna, "A mansion of peace is Sith Emna [the fairy hill of Emain.]" The initial letter b is as usual omitted. Five lines at the beginning of col. 2. are obliterated, and nearly illegible, by damp. The poem, which is otherwise quite perfect, is a panegyric on Randal, son of Godfrey, King of the Hebrides, whose royal residence was Emhain Abhla [Emania of the Apples], in the isle of Mûilé (pron. Moolé), now Mull.

Randal was descended from Godfrey, or Geoffrey, King of Dublin and of the Hebrides, who is surnamed *Mearanach* in the Annals of Ulster, and who died of the plague in Dublin in 1095. Hence, this poem must have been written before that year, for in it the poet exhorts his hero to lay claim to the throne of Ireland, and tells him that the stone which is on the side of Tara would proclaim him as the lawful sovereign. The allusion here is to the celebrated Lia Fail, or stone of destiny, which was said to utter a sound when the true heir of the crown was inaugurated upon it, but to remain silent at the inauguration of an usurper. It is remarkable that the poet speaks of this stone as being

still in his own time at Tara. But notwithstanding his assertion of Randal's legitimate right to the Irish throne, the prudent poet advises him to remain in the enjoyment of the ease and happiness which surrounded him in his beautiful island.

The language of the poem is a very ancient and pure style of Irish, containing, however, a few words peculiar to the Scottish dialect. For this reason the philological interest of the poem is very great, and that interest is increased by the historical facts of which it is the only record. The fairy palace of Eamhain Abhla, or Sith-Eamhna, for instance, is celebrated in the romantic legends and tales of the Tuatha De Danaan, but its exact situation was never before known. The present poem identifies it with the residence of the Kings of the Hebrides, in Mull, in the twelfth century. "This poem alone," wrote Mr. Curry to me, soon after I had purchased the Book of Fermoy, "is worth the price you gave for the whole book, and I know of no other copy of it." Mr. Hennessy has a remarkably fine copy of this poem.

Fol. 28. a. col. 1. On the upper margin, in an old hand, is written, Taob Mc Domnull of c. c. c., i. e. "Tadg Mac Domhnull Og cecinit." In other words, Tadg was the author of the poem, if his name be rightly decyphered (for the writing is injured and very obscure). The poem begins, Tepp 6 oab infull mna muman, "It is a short time since the women of Munster were pledged," i. e. since they were deemed worth having pledges given for them. The initial To is inserted, with a rude attempt at ornamentation, by a modern hand.

This poem is a kind of elegy on the death of Siubhan [or Johanna] daughter of Cormac Mac Carthy; but it gives little information as to her history, or the time when she lived.

(2). The second stave consists of eight leaves, numbered foll. 29-36. Its contents are as follows:—

Fol. 29. a. col. 1. In the upper margin is the title of the first tract, Incipie cath Cpinna, "Here beginneth the battle of Crinna." This is a remarkably fine copy of this old historical Tale. It is in prose, and begins but pi ampa pop hepenn, i. copmac mac aipe mac con ceb chażaiz.* Crinna was a place on the borders of Meath and Louth,

^{* &}quot;There was a noble king over Erinn, the Hundred Combats." viz., Cormac, son of Art, son of Conn of

in the ancient Bregia, not far from Douth on the Boyne, near Drogheda. There the battle was fought between three Ulster princes, brothers, all named Fergus,* and Cormae mae Art, grandson of Con of the Hundred Fights. Fergus Dubhdedach had usurped the throne, and had, moreover, with his brothers, insulted Cormae at a feast given by him in Bregia. Cormac succeeded in making alliance with Tadg, son of Cian, son of Oilliol Olum, King of Munster, and also with the famous champion Lugaidh Laga. This latter hero had slain Art, Cormac's father, at the battle of Magh Mucruimhe [near Athenry, Co. of Galway], and Cormac demanded of him as an Erie, in reparation, that he should join him on the present occasion, and cut off the heads of the three Ferguses. To this Lugaidh Laga agreed, and in the battle that followed at Crinna, with their united forces, utterly defeated the Ulster princes, and brought their heads to Cormac. By this victory, gained A. D. 254, Cormae became firmly fixed on the throne of Ireland, which he held for twenty-three years.

Another very good copy of this Tale will be found in the Book of Lismore. Keating, in his history of Ireland, has given a summary of it, including most of the legendary and marvellous incidents, which I have not thought it necessary to dwell upon.

Other copies of the Tale are also preserved; but they are very inferior to the copies in the vellum books, the "Book of Fermoy," and the Book of Lismore." The other copies are on paper, transcribed, no doubt, from ancient copies, but with many mistakes and inaccuracies.

Fol. 32. a. col. 1. (line 16). Here begins an ancient prose tale, entitled bourden mē dapeć aūpo propana ("The Court of the son of Daire down here") beginning, but podopo mop to aċeċ-tuaċaib epenn an ampip top piż epenn ["There was a great conspiracy among the Athech-tuatha of Erinn in the time of three kings of Erinn"], the three kings mentioned being "Fiacho Findolaigh (or Fiacha Finnolaidh), King of Ireland; Fiac mae Fidheic-Caich, or Fiac-Caech, King of Munster; and Bres mae Firb, King of Ulster."

This is an account of the insurrection of the people called Athechtuatha against the Milesian chieftains and nobles in the first century of

^{*} But distinguished by the surnames Fergus Dubhdedach [black toothed], Fergus Foltleabar [of the flowing hair], and Fergus Cas-fiaclach [crooked toothed],

who was also called Tene fo Breagha, or "Fire through Breagh," in allusion to his frequent irruptions into Bregia.

the Christian era. It relates to a most difficult and obscure incident in the history of Ireland—an incident which has been most probably greatly disfigured by the partizanship of historians, and of which we have only the account of the ultimately successful party. All revolutions which have failed in their object are not unnaturally liable to similar misrepresentations. The very name Athech-tuatha is variously interpreted. Some have sought to identify the people so called with the Attacotti mentioned by Ammianus Marcellinus, and by St. Jerome, as a tribe of marauders, who, with the Picts and Scots, caused great disturbance to the Britons, and are said to have appeared also on the continent of Europe. But no mention is made of them until the middle of the fourth century; and in true Celtic pronunciation the name Athechtuatha bears no similarity to Attacotti. The word Tuatha signifies people, tribes, or the territories they inhabited; but athech is the word whose etymology and meaning make the difficulty. Keating seems to translate the compound word by Daop clanna, the clanus who were not free, that is to say, the clanns who were under an obligation to contribute by a rent of cattle and food to their chieftains; in opposition to the Saop clanna, or free clanns who were not under any such rent or tribute. This is also Mr. O'Curry's interpretation, who tells us that the word atheeh signifies nothing more than Rent-Payers, Rent-paying Tribes or People.* If this be the true signification, it will follow that in the word Athechtuatha we are not to look for an indication of their genealogical descent, but only a description of their civil condition; they were not free; in other words, they were compelled by an external force or moral obligation to pay tribute to their chieftains.

This, however, is not the place for a dissertation on this subject, which very much needs a patient and dispassionate investigation by competent Irish scholars. It must be enough to say here, that there seems no reason to suppose these Rent-paying tribes to have been of

τυατ, which he interprets "a plebeian." But ραταό or αταό, signifies a giant, and, therefore, Dr. O'Conor explains the words "gigantea gens." Rev. Hib. Scriptt. vol. i., Proleg. i. p. 74. n. Let it be observed, however, that the word is not fathach, or athach, but athech, which is not necessarily the same thing. See O'Donovan. Supplem. to O'Reilly's Irish Dict. sub vor.

^{*} Frople. O'Curry's Lectures, p. 363. (O'Donovan's B. of Rights, p. 174, n. w). It is to be regretted that Mr. O'Curry did not give us his opinion on the etymology and origin of the word Athech or Altheach; his interpretation of it must therefore rest on his own authority. Lynch [Camb. Evers. p. 65], explains it "plebeiorum hominum genus." O'Reilly (Dict. in voc.) supposes it to be quasi pacać

a different race from the dominant Milesian nobility of the time. They were dissatisfied with their condition; they were unable to supply the extravagant demands of their rulers; they regarded themselves as the victims of an intolerable oppression; they therefore organized a secret conspiracy to murder the kings, and all the paop-clanna, "free clans," or nobles. Their plan was in accordance with the ancient customs of their race. For a year and a half the plot was kept secret, during which time they laid by eattle and other viands, mead, and such strong drinks as were then in use, for a great banquet, to which they invited the kings, above named and their nobles. Fiacha Findolaigh, King of Ireland, was also, it should be mentioned, King of Connaught, so that the three provincial kingdoms, as well as the supreme power, were represented on the occasion. The unsuspecting guests all arrived on the appointed day at the Court of Mac Darco, in a plain in Breifne, the O'Rourke country, in the present county of Leitrim. For nine days the guests revelled in all the luxuries of the table; on the ninth, especially, the excellence of the viands, the flavour and admirable quality of the drinks, surpassed every thing that had been till then experienced. All suspicion was lulled; all was joyousness and noise, and goblets circulated, until at midnight, the royal party-kings, chieftains, nobles and their followers-all lay senseless in the utter helplessness of intoxication. This was the moment so long looked for by their treacherous entertainers. The Athech-tuatha arose, and basely murdered their unconscious guests. Not a man was suffered to escape, and the plain in which the Bruidhen mac Dareó (or Court of Mac Dareo) stood, was thenceforth justly named Magh Cro, or the Plain of Blood.

The insurgents were completely successful; but their notions were not republican, and they at once placed upon the vacant throne one Cairpre-cind-chait, or Cairpre of the Cat's head, who had been their principal leader in the massacre.

All the "free tribes," it is said, had been entirely extirpated, with the exception of the queens of the three murdered kings, who by some means escaped. They were each pregnant, and having found refuge in Alba, or Scotland, soon after gave birth to three princes, by whom was afterwards restored the ancient race of the murdered sovereigns.

It is not possible of course to receive all this as authentic history; but that some such event did take place cannot be doubted. The bards, who were always in the interest of the chieftains and royal races, can-

not be supposed to have gratuitously invented a tale so dishonourable to their race and sovereigns; and the very inconsistencies of the history, the different order in which the succession of kings, during and after the revolution, is given by different bardic historians and annalists, clearly show that attempts were made to tamper with the truth. Keating gives the succession of supreme kings of Ireland thus:—[the dates are the supposed years of the accession of these sovereigns to the throne]:—

- B. C. 12. Crimthann Nia Nair, killed by a fall from his horse.
- A. D. 4. Feradach Finn-Fectnach, son of Crimthann Nia Nair.*
- A. D. 24. Fiacha Finn, slain by his successor.
- A. D. 28. Fiacha Finnolaidh (son of Feradach Finn-Fechtnach), slain by the Athech-Tuatha.
 - A. D. 54. Cairbre Cinn Chait, the usurper, king of the Athech-Tuatha.
 - A. D. 59. Elim, son of Connra.
- A. D. 79. Tuathal Techtmar, son of Fiaca Finnolaidh; escaped in his mother's womb from the slaughter of the nobles.

The "Four Masters" give the order of events and dates as follows:—

- B. C. 8. [74]. Crimthann Nia Nair.
- A. D. 10 [90]. Cairpre Cinn-Chait.
- A. D. 15 [95]. Feradach Finn-fechtnach, son of Crimthann Nia Nair; died A. D. 36.
 - A. D. 37 [116]. Fiatach or Fiacha Finn, slain by his successor.
 - A. D. 40 [119]. Fiacha Finnfolaidh, slain by the Athech-Tuatha.
 - A. D. 57 [126]. Elim Mac Connra, slain by his successor.
 - A. D. 106 [130]. Tuathal Teachtmar.

O'Flaherty retains the same order of the events, but alters the dates to the years which I have put in brackets.

The account given by Tighernach is as follows:-

- A. D. 79. Crimthann Nia Nair: died A. D. 35.
- A. D. 85. Feradach Finn-Fechtnach.
- A. D. 110. Fiacha Findolaidh, or Findfolaidh.
- [A. D. 128. Elim Mac Conrach, or Mac Connra, is mentioned as king of Emania only.]
 - A. D. 130. Tuathal Teachtmar.

It is curious that Tighernach makes no mention whatsoever of the rebellion of the Athech-Tuatha, and their Cat-headed king. Fiacha Finn-

^{*} Nia-Nair, or Niadh-Nair, "hero of Nar," his wife's name.

olaidh is said to have been slain in his palace of Tara, or as others say, in Magh Bolg, by Elim Mac Conrach, king of Ulster, who was himself killed in the battle that followed, by Tuathal Techtmar, in vengeance for the death of his father.*

It will be seen that these accounts, each given by high authorities, are not only widely discrepant, but also utterly inconsistent.

This tale of the slaughter of the nobles is enumerated among the curious list† of ancient tales published by Mr. O'Curry from the "Book of Leinster," under the title of Apain Caipppe Cinn Caiz poppaep clannaib hepenn, "Slaughter of the free clans of Erinn by Cairpre Cinn-chait." There is a copy of it in the Trin. Coll. MS. H. 3. 17, and another which Mr. O'Curry calls "a detailed, but not very copious account," in the MS. H. 3. 18. (Lectures, p. 264.)

Fol. 33. a. eol. 1. (Five lines from bottom) is a tale with this title—Ann diapoibe in cep pop ulcaib pó pip, "This was how the debility came on the Ultonians," beginning Ció diapaibe an cep pop ulcaib? .nin., "Whence [proceeded] the debility that was on the Ultonians? not difficult to tell."

The story is this: Crunnchu, son of Agnoman, was a rich farmer‡ of Ulster, whose wife had died. Not long afterwards, as he was sitting in his house alone, a strange woman, well clad, and of good appearance, entered, and seated herself in a chair by the fire. She remained so until the evening without uttering a word, when she arose, took down a kneading trough, went to a chest, as if she was thoroughly at home, took out some meal, kneaded it, baked an excellent cake, and laid it on the table for the family. At night Crunnchu, perceiving her excellent qualities, proposed to her to become his wife; to this she consented,

^{*} Father. See Tighernach, Rer. Hibern. Scriptt. tom. ii. p. 29. An instance of the confusion which exists in the history of these events is furnished by Mr. O'Curry. In one place (Lectures, p. 263) he tells us that Fiacha Finnolaidh was slain by the insurgents at Magh Cro; in the very next page (p. 264) he says, that Fiacha succeeded to the throne after the death of Cairpre Cinn Chait, but was afterwards slain by a second body of rebels at Magh Bolg. For both statements he could have

cited high authority; but it is curious that he does not seem to have perceived their discrepancy.

[†] List. Another list of these tales is given in the MS. H. 3. 17. in Trin. Coll. Dublin. See O'Donovan's Catalogue.

[†] Farmer. The word so translated is greech in the original; the very same word which occurs in the disputed compound Cheech tuata, "the farmer or tribute-paying tribes," of which we have already spoken.

and they lived together in great happiness and prosperity, until she became pregnant.

At this time the great annual fair of the Ultonians was proclaimed, and Crunnchu pressed his wife to accompany him thither. This, however, she refused on the ground of her approaching accouchement; so Crunnchu went alone. The sports consisted of sham fights, wrestling, spear-throwing, horse or chariot racing, and other athletic games. In the race, the horses or chariots of the King of Ulster (the celebrated Conchobhair Mac Nessa*), carried off the palm from all competitors. The bards and flatterers of the Court extolled the royal horses to the skies; they were the swiftest in the world-nothing could compete with them. In the excitement of the moment, Crunnchu publicly denied this statement, and declared that his own wife could excel in fleetness the royal steeds. He was immediately seized, and detained in custody until his words could be put to the proof. Messengers were sent for his wife; she urged her condition and the near approach of the pains of childbirth; but no excuse, no entreaty, was suffered to prevail; she was carried by the messengers to the race course, and forced to run against the king's fleet horses. To the surprise of all, she outran the horses, and reached the goal before them; but in the very moment of her triumph she fell in the pains of labour. Her agonies were increased by the cruel circumstances which had prematurely caused them; but she brought forth twins—a son and a daughter. In the irritation of the moment she cursed the Ultonians, and prayed that they might be periodically seized with pains and debility equal to that which they had compelled her to undergo. And this was the Ces [debility or suffering], or as it was also called, Ces naoidhean [infant or childbirth sufferingt], of the Ultonians.

A tale called Tochmapo mna Cpunn, "Courtship of the wife of Crunn," or Crunnehu, is mentioned in the ancient list; of Tales, published by Mr. O'Curry, from the Book of Leinster (*Lectures*, p. 586). The

^{*} Conchobhair Mac Nessa. O'Flaherty dates the beginning of his reign B. C. 13, and his death, A. D. 47.

⁺ Childbirth suffering. It is added that this plague continued to afflict the Ultonians for nine generations. The Book of Lecan says during the reign of nine kings, to the reign of Mal Mac Rocraidhe, A. D.

^{130.} But there were but seven reigns from Conchobhar Mac Nessa to Mal, inclusive. See the list given O'Conor, Stowe Catalogue, pp. 101, 102.

[‡] List. It is also in the corresponding list in Trin. Coll. MS. H. 3. 17, under the title of Tochmarc mna Cruinn mc Agnomain. O'Donovan's Catalogue, p. 319.

story is also given in the *Dinnseanchus*, where Crunnchu's wife is named *Maeha*, and she is mentioned as one of three ladies so called, from whom Ard-Macha, or Armagh, may have had its name.*

Mr. O'Curry states (*ibid*. note), that the whole of this tale is preserved in the Harleian MS. 5280, in the British Museum.

Fol. 33. b. col. 2. On the upper margin we have Cinaet in approximate. "Cinaeth O'Hartigan cecinit." This poet, called by Tighernach the chief poet of Leth Chuinn (the northern half of Ireland), died A. D. 975. The poem here attributed to him begins Ooluro allill up in callid i culbpead, "Ailill went into the wood in Culbreadh." The object of the poem is to describe the manner of death, and places of interment of the seven sons of Aedh Slaine, King of Ireland, A.D. 595 to 600.

Several good copies of this poem exist in the Academy's collection, and in that of Trinity College. The present copy is one of the best of them.

Fol. 33. b. col. 2. (eight lines from bottom). A poem headed Porhaö na canoine .cc., "Fothadh na Canoine [of the Canon] cecinit," beginning Cepz cech píż co péill, oo clannaib neill naip, "The right of every king clearly, of the children of noble Niall;" the next lines add, "except three, who owe no submission so long as they are in power, the Abbat of great Armagh, the King of Caisil of the cleries, and the King of Tara."

This poem was addressed to Aedh Oirnighe, when he became king of Ireland in 793, by Fothad of the Canon, so called because he gave a decision, which was regarded as a law or Canon, exempting the clergy from military service. (See O'Curry, *Lect.*, pp. 363, 364; Four M. 799, and O'Donovan's note °, p. 408). Fothad was tutor, as well as poet, to King Aedh Oirnighe, and in the present poem gives that sovereign advice as to his conduct in the management of his kingdom.

There is a damaged copy of this poem in the Book of Leinster; and other copies, more or less perfect, in the Academy, and in Trinity College. The present is a very good copy, and quite perfect.

by Dr. Reeves in his "Ancient Churches of Armagh," p. 41, sq. See also Dr. S. Ferguson's agreeable volume, "Lays of the Western Gael," pp. 23 and 233.

^{*} Name. Book of Lecan, fol. 266. b. b. [pagination of lower margin]. The original, with a translation, and a curious poetical version of the story, are published

On the upper margin of fol. 34. b. col. 1. a modern reader of the volume has written his name thus:—" Uill. ua heagpa," "William O'hEagra, 1805." The O'hEagra are called by O'Dugan* "kings" of Luighne, the present barony of Leyny, in the county of Sligo. The name is now O'Hara.

Fol. 34. b. col. 2. A tract headed indapha Mochuda ap Raidin, "Banishment of Mochuda out of Raithin." It begins Mochuda mac pinaill do ciapaizi Luacpa a cenel, "Mochuda, son of Finall, of Ciariaghe Luachra [now Kerry] was his family."

This is a curious and valuable account of the banishment of St. Mochuda† from Raithin, now Rahan, near Tullamore, King's County, and his settlement at Lismore, where he founded a celebrated school and episcopal see in the seventh century. The banishment of this holy man from his original seat at Raithin seems to have been due to the jealousy of the neighbouring clergy, and is said to have been owing partly to his being a native of Munster. The names of all the clergy who took part in this proceeding are given (a singularly curious list),—and the conduct of the joint kings of Ireland, Diarmait and Blathmac, is severely censured.

This tract ends fol. 36. b. col. 2. imperfectly, the next leaf (fol. 37) of the MS. being lost.

(3). The third stave consists of six leaves; the first leaf is numbered 38, showing that the loss of fol. 37 has taken place since the numbering of the leaves in black ink, which has been already spoken of.

Fol. 38. a. begins imperfectly. This leaf has been greatly damaged and stained. It contains the life of St. George, of which the Academy possesses a very fine copy in the Leabhar breac.

The present copy ends fol. 42. b. col. 2.

Fol. 42 b. col. 2 (eight lines from bottom), is a short legend, entitled,

^{*} O'Dugan. See Topogr. poems transl. by O'Donovan, p. 59.

⁺ St. Mochuda. He is also called St. Carthach. A beautiful woodcut of the round window of the Church of Raithin (still nearly perfect) may be seen in Dr. Petrie's Essay on the Round Towers.

Dr. Reeves is of opinion that the expulsion from Raithin had some connexion with the Paschal controversy. Tighernach records it at 636 in these words: "Effugatio Cairthaigh a Raithin in diebus Pascha;" and it is remarkable that St. Cummian's paschal letter was written in 634.

Scel patchach na muice anno prop, "The story of the pigs' Psalter down here;" it begins eppue ampai bo hi cluain me noip," "There was a noble bishop at Cluain-mie-nois." The name of this bishop was Coenchomrach; see Mart. of Donegal, July 21 (p. 199). He died 898 (Four M.) which was really 901. The present copy of the legend is damaged, but other copies exist in the Academy's collection. The original scribe seems to have written as far as line 9, col. 2. fol. 43. a., and to have left the tract unfinished, but it was afterwards taken up where he had left off, and completed by another hand, on the next page. This continuation begins line 10, fol. 43. a. col. 2., under which a line is drawn in modern ink. The portion of the column thus for a time left blank is now occupied by the following curious note by the Scribe of the life of St. George, already noticed:—

Apaid laipt in mbleuid po pain recipit o uilliam officeada, do daibid mae muipit mhie plaín do poieti, to diad bliadna in disepna an can do pepidad anpo hi ii. mile bliadan queiti ic. bliadan queiti do mi nouemb. Do epidnuted anpo hi, que praid apidic do mi nouemb. Do epidnuted anpo hi, que praidicapiur do di spian incan pin que campen do di incepsai; a. Do diid leicip dominach in bliadan pin, que 15 do diid nualmin cip, que app pennad docisepnad panuain pin do lo ii. mipeuíp, que lacca ap pon in concup.

A prayer along with this life of St. George, from William O'Hieeadha [O'Hickey], for David, son of Muiris, son of John Roitsi [Roche], and the year of the Lord when this was written here was a thousand years and four hundred years, and seventeen years, and two seore [1457]; and it was finished here the twenty-second day of the month of November; and the Sun was in Sagittarius at that time, and the Moon was in Cancer; A was the Dominical Letter, and 15 was the Golden Number, and the planet that dominated at that hour of the day was Mereury, and 6 days on account of the concurrent.

The year here designated, whose Sunday letter was A, and golden number 15, was 1457-8; that is, from 1 January to 24 March, was called 1457, according to the old style reckoning; and from 25 March to the end of the year was 1458. It is not worth stopping to explain the astrological characteristics.

This note is followed by four lines of consonant and Coll Ogham, in which the two modes of writing are mixed up together in a way which renders it very difficult to read them; and the difficulty is greatly increased by the injury sustained by the lower corner of the MS., which renders one-third of each line illegible.

- (IV.) The fourth stave contains but five leaves, numbered in the same hand as before, 44-48. It is greatly damaged by damp and dirt.
- Fol. 44. a. Here commences a Tract on the Destruction of Jerusalem under Vespasian and Titus, taken apparently from the account given by Josephus; it is of considerable length, and ends fol. 48. a. col. 2. It begins Oa bliadan ceachpachao badap na huidaidi, &c., "The Jews were 42 years, &c."
- Fol. 48. b. is occupied by a poem, but so obliterated by dirt and damp that it cannot be easily decyphered, at least without giving more time to the task than I have now at my disposal.
- (V.) The fifth stave contains eight leaves, numbered as before, from 49 to 56. The leaves are all injured in the outer margin.

Fol. 49. a. col. 1. On the upper margin, in the handwriting of the original scribe, now nearly obliterated, are the words in nomine parping pilling principle camen; under which is written, in a later hand, the title of the following tract: Toomane Tpeblainne, "The Courtship of Treblainn." It begins Proced me proais polar puais o rio proais o obe proais, &c., "Froceh, son of Fidach of the Red Hair, of Sidh Fidaigh, and of Loch Fidaigh," &c.

The tale belongs to the time of Cairbre Niafar, called in many of these tales erroneously King of Ireland; he was in fact only King of Leinster; but because he dwelt at Tara, he is sometimes called King of Tara, which led to the mistake. He was contemporary with Conchobhar Mac Nessa, and therefore flourished about the end of the first century.* Treblainn was his foster daughter, although daughter of a Tuatha De Danann chieftain. The story is as follows:—

At this time there dwelt in the west of Connaught a young chieftain, named Froech, son of Fidach, of the race of the Firbolgs. He was as distinguished for his remarkable beauty as for his valour. His

^{*} Century. See O'Flaherty, Ogyg. p. Rer. Hib. Scriptt. vol. ii. p. 14). 273: and Tighernach, B. C. 2. (O'Conor,

fame having reached the ears of the lady Treblainn, she contrived to convey to him a hint, that it would not be displeasing to her, if he would ask her in marriage from her foster-father. In this there was nothing, perhaps, absolutely improper—at least for a young lady brought up at an Irish Court in the first century. But whether she exceeded the rules of decorum or not I do not pretend to say, when she went a step further, and gave her lover to understand that, if her foster-father refused his consent, she was quite prepared to take the law into her own hands, and elope with him. Froech, at least, saw no impropriety in this declaration of her independence. His vanity was flattered, and he at once communicated with King Cairbre on the subject. As the lady had foreseen, however, his suit was refused, and in accordance with her promise, she managed to elude the vigilance of her guardians, and eloped with her beloved, who soon after joyfully made her his wife.

Like all tales relating to the Tuatha De Danaann, this story is full of curious necromantic and magical narratives, some of which are perhaps worthy of preservation.

In the list of ancient tales published by Mr. O'Curry from the Book of Leinster is a legend, called *Tain bo Fraech*, "the Cowspoil of Fraech," which, notwithstanding the difference of title, Mr. O'Curry thought was the same as that now before us. *Lectures*, p. 585, n. (115). Mr. Hennessy thinks it a different tale, although the hero was the same.

Fol. 51. a. col. 1. A tale beginning but couppe commac pepadath mic luzach mic ballain mic bpepal mic maine moip, a quo il. maine Connacht. "Coirpre Crom* was the son of Feradach, son of Lugaidh, son of Dallan, son of Bresal, son of Maine mór, a quo Hy Maine in Connacht, &c."

This is a short legend giving an account of how the iniquitous Cairbre Crom, King of Hy Maine, in Connaught, was murdered and his head cut off; and how he was afterwards restored to life by the miracles of St. Ciaran of Clonmacnois, who replaced his head, but in such a manner that it remained from that time forward somewhat stooped, a circumstance from which Cairbre received the name of *Crom*, or the Stooped.

^{*} Cairpre Crom. See the genealogical Customs of Hy Maine." table in Dr. O'Donovan's "Tribes and

This story is interesting in consequence of the topographical information it contains. Seventeen townlands are enumerated which the grateful king, on the restoration of his head, conferred upon St. Ciaran and his church for ever.* See Proceedings of the Kilkenny Archæological Society, New Ser. vol. i. p. 453.

The present is a very excellent copy of this legend.

Fol. 51. b. col. 1. (line 14), a tract beginning Riz uaral oipmioneac oipecoa oo zab plaizemnur poola pecz naill.i. cono.c. cazhac mac perölimiξ peċzmaip, "Once upon a time a noble, venerable, famous king assumed the sovereignty of Fodla [i. e. Ireland], viz., Conn of the Hundred Fights, son of Fedhlimigh Rechtmar." This is a full account of the exploits, reign, and manner of death, of the celebrated Conn of the Hundred Battles, called by O'Flaherty, † Quintus Centimachus. He was treacherously slain by his kinsmen near Tara, on Tuesday, 20 October, A. D. 212, according to O'Flaherty's computation. history is continued after the death of Conn, until the accession of his son Art-aonfir, or the solitary (so called because he had murdered all his brothers), who was slain at the battle of Magh-Mucruimhe, near Athenry, t in the county of Galway, A.D. 250, by his successor and nephew, Lugaidh. The revolutionary times \ that followed are passed over briefly until Cormac, son of Art, the commencement of whose reign is dated by O'Flaherty from the battle of Crinna, A.D. 254; his glories | and

Art Aonfir, King of Ireland, slain at the battle of Magh Mucruimhe by his successor, A. D. 220.

Lugaidh Laga or Mac Con. In 237, his followers appear to have given him the title of king, which he disputed with Art. After the battle of Cenn-febrath (dated by O'Flaherty, 237), he fled beyond sea. In 250 he

|| Glories. See O'Flaherty's panegyric, Ogyg. p. 336.

^{*} For Ever. O'Donovan, ubi supra, p. 15. 81.

⁺ O'Flaherty, Ogyg. p. 144, 313.

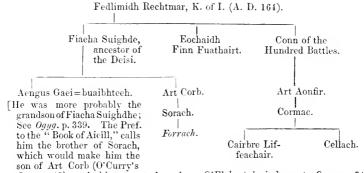
[‡] Athenry. O'Flaherty, Ogyg. p. 327.

[§] Times. The chronology, as well as the succession of so called kings, is very confused in this part of Irish history. The following is O'Flaherty's arrangement of the events:—

became undisputed king, having slain his rival and uncle, Art; but in 253 he was expelled by Cormac, son of Art, and took refuge in Munster. Cormac, however, was himself also driven into Connaught, by Fergus Dubhdedach [of the Black Tooth], who seized the kingdom, but was soon after slain by Cormac at the battle of Crinna, A. D. 254. From this event O'Flaherty dates the beginning of Cormac's reign, although Lugaidh Laga was allowed to retain the name and pomp of king to 267 or 268, when he was murdered at the instigation of Cormac, by the Druid, Ferchis mac Comain, Ogygia, p. 151.

successful government are then described, until the story comes to the following romantic event which lost him the crown:—At the south side of Tara dwelt the family of Fiacha Suighdhe, brother of Conn of the Hundred Battles, and consequently Cormac's grand-uncle. These people were called Deisi, i. c. Right-hand, or Southern people, from their position in reference to Tara; and subsequently Deisi Temrach, or Deisi of Tara, to distinguish them from the Deisi of the county of Waterford. The barony of Deece, in the county of Meath, still preserves their name. Some time before, Cormac had sent out his son Cellach in command of a party of warriors to assert his right to the Boromean tribute, or annual tax of cows, which had been imposed upon the men of Leinster about 150 years before by the King Tuathal Teachtmar. Cellach returned with the cows; but, as an insult to the Leinster men, he had brutally carried off 150 maidens. Amongst these was one named Forrach, who did not belong to the Leinster families hable to the cow tribute, but was of the neighbouring race of the Deisi, the allied tribe descended from Fiacha Suighde. In fact, Cellach had carried off, and reduced to slavery, his own cousin.* When this became known to her uncle, or grand-uncle, Aengus Gaei-buaibhtech, he undertook to avenge her. He had announced himself as the general avenger of all insults offered to his tribe, and for the better discharge of this duty carried with him a cele-

* Cousin.—The following Table will help the reader to understand this relationship:—



Lect. p. 48), and this seems to have been O'Flaherty's judgment. Ogyg. p. 340. The Seanchas na relec, first published by Dr. Petrie (Round Towers, p. 98), makes him the son of Eochaidh Finn Fuathairt. This must be wrong, for the whole story hangs on his being of the Deisi; but it shows how old the confusion about his genealogy was.]

brated javelin, called Gaei-buaibhtech, or poisonous dart. He immediately went to Tara, and found his kinswoman at a well called Nemnach, near Tara, engaged with the other captives in carrying water to the royal residence. Without delay he led her to his own house, and having put her in safety, returned to Tara; there he sought the presence of the king, behind whose chair stood the young prince Cellach. Aengus, after some words of angry altercation, struck Cellach with his formidable spear, and slew him in his father's presence. On withdrawing the spear, the blade touched King Cormac's eye, and blinded him for ever; the other end of the spear-handle at the same time struck Setna, the king's house steward, in the heart, and killed him on the spot. In the confusion Aengus escaped, and safely reached his home.

It was then the law that personal blemishes, such as the loss of a limb or an eye, incapacitated the sovereign from the active government of the kingdom; Cormac therefore left Tara, and retired to Aicill, or Acaill, now the hill of Skreen, where he had a residence. He resigned his crown to his son Cairbre Liffeacair, although for nearly a year Eochaidh Gonnat, grandson of Fergus Black Tooth, took advantage of the confusion, and usurped the throne; two years afterwards Cormac was accidentally choked by the bone of a salmon which stuck in his throat.

At Acaill, Cormac is said to have compiled the curious book of Brehon Laws, called the "Book of Acaill," of which two copies now exist in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin, and one, a much more valuable and perfect MS., in the Stowe collection, now in the possession of the Earl of Ashburnham. In the Preface to this work is an account of the loss of Cormac's eye, and the deaths of his son and steward, essentially the same as that given in the tract before us, although differing in many of the details. Mr. O'Curry has published an extract from this Preface, from the Trinity College MS., E. 3. 5 (Lectures, p. 43; and Append. xxvii. p. 511).

The "Action" taken by King Cormac, to recover damages from the Deisi for the loss of his eye, and for the double murder of his son and steward, is extremely interesting, as illustrating ancient criminal proceedings under the Brehon Law; and these proceedings are much more clearly described in the tract before us than in the Preface to the Book of Aicill. Cormac first sent his Brehon, Fithal, to demand reparation from

^{*} One. See Dr. O'Conor's Stowe Catalogue, vol. i. p. 282 (No. xxxvii.)

Aengus and his tribe, and to dictate the terms that would be accepted. These were referred to an assembly which, in due time, met on the hill of Uisnech; the terms of reparation were insisted upon by Daire, Cormae's youngest son, who represented his father on the occasion, and were the following:—1. That the Deisi should no longer hold their territory in the neighbourhood of Tara of free patrimony, but by service.

2. That they should own themselves the vassals* and tributaries of Cormac and his descendants for ever.

These terms were indignantly rejected by the Deisi, whose ancestor, Fiacha Suighde, was the elder brother of Cormae's grandfather Conn of the Hundred Battles: the result was a series of wars, and a lasting feud, which ended in the expulsion of the Deisi from Meath, and their wandering in different parts of Leinster and Munster for many years, until they settled at length, in the fifth century, in the present county of Waterford, in a territory where the two baronies of Decies without Drum, and Decies within Drum, still bear testimony to their emigration.

But these subsequent adventures of the Deisi† are not included in the present tract, which ends abruptly, and perhaps imperfectly, on fol. 55. b. col. 2.

There is no other copy known of this important historical tale, which is well worthy of publication.

This tract, although written in prose, contains, like all such bardic tales, some poems inserted into the narrative. The following are the initial lines of these poems:—

bponan pola peip τροξαία (5 stanzas). Fol. 51. b. col. 2. Puil cuino σο cuaiξ pocalmain (11 stanzas). Fol. 52. b. col. 2. Τρι ρluάισιξ τας en bliavan (9 stanzas). Fol. 53. a. col. 1. Τιξιό αιίπα imcolaiπ cuino (9 stanzas). *Ibid.* col. 2.

bottom), is a tract "On the blinding of Cormac mac Airt, and the expulsion of the Deisi from Meath." In H. 3. 17. col. 720. is also an account of the blinding of Cormac; and col. 723, line 27 of the same MS., is an account of the Gaibuaibhtech, or poisonous dart with which Aengus inflicted the wound.

^{*} Vassals. The legal steps by which the free tribes were to be reduced to the state of tributaries and vassals are minutely described, and are extremely important as illustrating the Brehon Laws, and the condition of civilization at the time when the Book of Aicill was compiled.

[†] Deisi. In the Trinity College MS. H. 2. 15. p. 67. a. col. 1. (ten lines from

Ri mac peròlimi $\dot{\sigma}$ ampa conn (2 stanzas). Fol. 53. b. col. 1. Tpi mic a cunn poèuala (7 stanzas). Ibid. col. 2.

Fol. 56. a. This leaf contains a long poem of fifty-eight stanzas, written across the full page, and not in columns; it occupies the whole of this, and nearly the next page. The poem is anonymous, composed in praise of David Mac Muiris Roche, and begins, Oleazap cunopaö to comall, "A covenant must be fulfilled." It gives a curious account of various border battles, forays, and plunderings by the Lord of Fermoy, whose hospitality and other virtues the poet celebrates. Mr. O'Curry told me that he had never seen another copy of this poem.

(VI.) The sixth stave contains six leaves numbered in continuation, and in the same hand as the foregoing, from fol. 57-62. The double columns are here continued.

Fol. 57. a. col. 1. A short legend, beginning, Apolle burne truagh boot, "A certain miserable poor man." This is a story of a miserably poor man who came one day to beg for alms from King David. David had nothing to give, and the poor man asked him to give him at least a blessing in his bosom; David did so, and the beggar wrapping his cloak closely round the place where David had pronounced the words of blessing, hastened home; there he cast his cloak into a well, which immediately became full of great fish. The poor man sold the fish, and soon became immensely rich, &c., &c.

Ibid. (line 19). A legend beginning, Cerepe harpor an bomain at corp, 7 crap, cep, 7 cuargh, "The four cardinal points of the world, viz., East and West, North and South." This is an account of the persons (four, in accordance with the points of the compass), whom God willed to live through and survive the Deluge, in order that the history of the world after that great destruction of all monuments might be preserved. The margin is injured by damp; but enough remains legible to see that one of these was Fintan, son of Lamech, to whom it was committed to preserve the history of the Western world, viz., Spain, Ireland, and the countries of the Gaedhil. He is fabled to have lived in the South West of Kerry, to the middle of the sixth century. Another was Firen, son of Sisten, son of Japhet, son of Noah, who was appointed to preserve the history of the North, from Mount Rifia to the

Mur Torrian, or Tyrrhene Sea. Fors, son of Electra, son of Seth, son of Adam, was to preserve the history of the East; and Annoid, son of Cato,*.... son of Noah, was responsible for the history of the South.

Fol. 57. a. col. 2. A tract beginning Oa mac ampa la ...o., "Two celebrated sons had David." The margin is greatly injured, and not easily read. This seems to be some worthless legend of David and his son Solomon.

Ibid. (line 18). The Life and Martyrdom of St. Juliana, beginning Too be apolle uppart. Her martyrdom is commemorated in the Irish Calendars of Aengus and MacImuire O'Gormain, as well as in the Roman Martyrology, at Feb. 16.

The Life of St. Juliana ends fol. 58. a. col. 1. line 33.

Fol. 58. a. col. 1. (line 34). Begins a tract with the following title: Tuapupebail lubáip peaipioé, "The account of Judas Iscariot." This is one of the innumerable legends connected with the voyages of St. Brendan. The beginning of the tract is injured.

Fol. 58. b. col. 1. The beginning of this tract is injured. It is a legend of the wanderings of two of St. Columcille's priests or monks, who, on their return to Hy from Ireland, were driven by adverse winds into the northern seas, where they saw strange men, and great wonders. The details may not be altogether worthless, as it is possible that there may be a substratum of truth.† On the upper margin, a modern and bad hand has written, meapuzao clepeach columcille, "Wanderings of Columcille's clerks." This tract begins O tanne bepeat pize plateinup bomnaill me aeba, me annupech. Ends fol. 59. b. col. 1.

Fol. 59. b. col. 1. This tract is headed beatha bappe Copeaide apporting in the Life of Barre of Cork, down here." It begins Mobaippe vã. to chonnactaib to iapcineol, &c., "Mobairre was of the Connachtmen by family." Ends fol. 60. col. 1. There appears now a considerable defect between fol. 59 and 60, which had taken place before the folios were numbered, and is not noticed in the count; four pages at least must be missing. Some paper copies of this life are extant.

^{*} Some words in the MS, are here illegible.

⁺ Truth. In the Trinity College MS. H. 2. 16 [col. 707 al. 711, line 29] is a

tract entitled Caetpa Clepech Columcille, "The Adventures of Columcille's clerks."

Fol. 60. a. col. 1. The title is written in a bad modern hand, beard molaga, "Life of St. Molaga." The tract begins Molaga on openals murai pene a cenel, i. oe uib cupepais, &c., "Now Molaga, his race was of the men of Magh Fene, i. e. of the Hy Cusgraighe." St. Molaga was the founder of the Church and Monastery of Tech Molaga, now Timoleague,* county of Cork, and of many other churches in Ireland. The present tract is extremely valuable for its topography and local allusions. The tract ends abruptly, as if the scribe had never quite finished it; but there is nothing lost. Ends fol. 61. b. col. 1.

Fol. 61. b. col. 1. This tract is headed eacepa Copmaic mc Cipe, "Adventures of Cormae Mac Airt." It is one of the many fairy tales and romantic stories of which that celebrated hero has been made the subject. It begins Peccup oo bi Copmac hui Cuinn a Liarpuim, &c, "Once upon a time Cormae, grandson of Conn, was at Liatruim, i. e. Tara." This story has been published, with a translation, by the Ossianie Society,† along with the tract called "Pursuit after Diarmuid ODuibhne and Graine, daughter of Cormac Mac Airt;" edited by Mr. Standish H. O'Grady. It is to be regretted, however, that the Society should have selected so bad a copy of this tale for their text; they had not of course, at that time, access to the excellent and ancient copy now before us; but in the "Book of Ballymote," in the Library of this Academy, there is a copy much fuller and better than that which they have published.

Fol. 62. b. col. 1. A legend entitled Acpo and abbap panabap bomnach cpom bubh, "This is the reason why Crom Dubh Sunday was so called," beginning Lat.... pobe cambeach nach another popa [cpe] "One day that Saint Cainnech was in the island of Roscrea," he saw a great legion of demons flying over him in the air. One of them came down to the island, and Cainnech asked him where the devils were going. He replied that a good friend of theirs, named Crom-dubh, had died that day, and they were going to take possession of his soul. 'Go,' said the saint, 'but I charge you to return to me here on your way back, and tell me how you have fared.' The demon after some time returned, but limping on one leg

^{*} He is better known as the founder of Ath-cross-Molaga (uow Aghacross, n. of p. 212.

Fermory), and Temple-Molaga.

Transact. vol. iii. (1855), p. 212.

and groaning with pain. 'Speak,' said the saint; 'what has happened to you?' 'My Lord,' said the demon, 'we seized upon Cromdubh, certain that our claim to him was good, but suddenly St. Patrick, with a host of saints and angels, appeared, who assailed us with fiery darts, one of which struck me in the leg, and has left me lame for ever. It seems that Crom-dubh's charities and good works were more than a balance for his sins; so the saints took possession of his soul, and put us to flight.'"

(VII.) The seventh stave contains now ten leaves, foll. 63-72; numbered as before; written in double columns.

Fol. 63. a. col. 1. A tract beginning Ochcepin uzupe ba happpi an bomain and pozemip Chipe, &c., "Octavianus Augustus was emperor of the world when Christ was born, &c." This is a history of the birth, life, and death of our Lord, with the succession and acts of the Roman emperors, to the destruction of Jerusalem under Titus. The lower margins are much injured; on the upper margin of fol. 63. a. col. 2. is some writing in a hand of the sixteenth century, now nearly illegible. On the left-hand margin of fol. 64. a. is scribbled the name "uill ua heazpa, 1805," i. e. William O'Hara, and on the lower margins of fol. 70. a. and b. is the same name without the date. On the upper margin of fol. 72. a. is written "Emanuel," but not in the hand of the original scribe.

This tract ends fol. 72. a col. 1. line 10.

Fol. 72, a. col. 1. (line 11). A tract beginning apolle obtach to bi in aboaine opumanait, "A certain youth was in the abbey of Drumanach," now Drimnagh, county of Dublin. This is a foolish story. The youth, at Easter time, with a sword in his hand, lay down on the side of the hill upon which the abbey was built, and there fell asleep; when he awoke he found himself transformed into a comely maiden.

Fol. 72. b. col. 1. A tract beginning Oa boon placka name, "The two sorrowful ones of the kingdom of heaven," viz., Enoch and Elias. This is a tale of which we have other copies. There is one, slightly defective at the beginning, in the "Leabhar na hUidhri,"

(VIII.) The eighth stave contains four leaves only. It is evidently very defective. The first page is marked 73, in a modern hand; the remaining leaves are numbered in red pencil, in Mr. O'Curry's hand, 74, 75, 76; but there are traces of the older pagination which seems to have been 79, 80, 81, and 82. This Mr. O'Curry found to be wrong, and altered it accordingly.

Fol. 73. a. col. 1, to col. 2. line 10, seems to be the conclusion of the tract on Enoch and Elias. See fol. 72. b.

Fol. 73. a. col. 2. from line 11 to the end is in a different hand. It is a collection of extracts translated into Irish from St. Ambrose. It begins, briathra anno o ambropiur, "These are the words of Ambrose."

Fol. 73. b. is blank.

Fol. 74. a. The remainder of this stave is written across the pages at full length, and not in double columns.

On this page begins a poem of which the Academy possesses a complete copy in the O'Gara MS. From this it appears that the author was Donnchadh Mór O'Daly,* abbat of Boyle, in the first half of the thirteenth century. The subject of the poem is religious; it consisted originally of seventy-one stanzas (284 lines), as appears from the O'Gara MS., but there now remain in the present copy only thirty-one stanzas, owing to a loss of several leaves between fol. 74 and 75. The poem begins—

Zabum bechmab ap nbana Do Dia map ap binzmala.

"Let us give tithe of our poems To God, as it is meet."

Ends imperfect; fol. 74. b.

Fol. 75. a. A poem on the Signs of the Day of Judgment, by the same author.† It wants nine stanzas at the beginning, as appears

^{*} O'Daly. See O'Reilly, "Transact. † Author. See O'Reilly, ibid. p. xc. Iberno-Celtic Soc.," p. lxxxviii. no. 17.

from the O'Gara MS.; but twenty-six stanzas remain, ending on the present page, ninth line from bottom. This poem began

δαρυ einze iona an braża

"Fierce the uprising of the Signs of the Judgment."

1bid. Line 8 from bottom. A poem in praise of the B. V. Mary, beginning,

α muipe, a mazaip ap nażap po żażaiz zaż vożup,

"O Mary, O Mother of our Father, Who hast appeased all grief."

This poem is anonymous; no other copy of it is known. It is of considerable length, and ends fol. 76. b. line 10. Several words in the last few lines are rubbed and illegible.

Fol. 76, b. line 11. A poem headed Mianna Copmaic mic Cipz, "The Desires of Cormac Mac Airt." It begins—

Mian Copmaic τιζι τempa, οχlać τlait pe τιζερπα,

"The desire of Cormac of the house of Tara, a soldier mild towards his Lord."

The poem consists of twelve stanzas, and is here anonymous; but O'Reilly* attributes it to Flaithri, son of Cormae's brehon Fithil, which is ridiculous. Copies of it are common, but this is an old and valuable one.

Ibid. line 12 from bottom. A poem of eleven stanzas, headed, Zepoid iapla docum na puaca beza popip, "Earl Gerald that composed the little hateful things down here." This was Gerald, fourth Earl of Desmond, who succeeded his half-brother in 1349. He died, or was murdered, 1397.†

The poem, which is anonymous, begins-

Puach lem puacha mic mic Cuinn,

"Hateful to me what was hated by the son of Conn's son."

It is very much rubbed, and difficult to read.

^{*} O'Reilly. Ibid. p. xxiv.

[†] He was celebrated for his learning, call him Geroid an dana, "Geral and was surnamed the Poet. Lodge, poems." (A. D. 1583, p. 1796.)

Peerage, vol. i., p. 65. The Four Masters call him Geroid an dana, "Gerald of the poems." (A. D. 1583, p. 1796.)

(IX.) The ninth stave contains four leaves. The pagination has been altered as before, by Mr. O'Curry, who has marked the leaves in black pencil in the upper margin, changing to 77, 78, 79, 80, what were before 74 [an attempt seems to have been made to erase this number, and it is evidently not in the same hand as the other old pagination] 74, [repeated in the old hand], 75, 76. We shall here follow Mr. O'Curry's pagination. This stave is written in double columns, as before.

Fol. 77. a. col. 1. A poem beginning O mnorb annunitien Epi, "From women Eri is named," alluding to Fodla, Banba, and Eri, the wives of the Tuatha De Danann Kings, whose names are frequently given by the bards to Ireland. The poem ends on the following page, col. 1, line 14. It is in many places illegible; but it seems to be a panegyric on the daughter of O'Brien, who was married to David,* son of Morris Roche.

Fol. 77. b. col. 1. line 15. A poem headed Cozan mac conchobain hi valaize. cc., "Eogan, son of Conchobhair O'Dalaighe, cecinit." This poet, Eoghan, or Owen, son of Connor O'Daly, is not mentioned by O'Reilly, or elsewhere, as far as I can find. The present poem is a panegyric on the same wife of David, son of Muiris Roche, to whom the preceding relates; but it gives us the additional information that her name was Mór, and that she was the daughter of Mathgamhain (or Mahon) O'Brien, of the county of Clare. The poem begins—

Ní pá hinome ip meapza móp,

"Not for her wealth [only] is Mor to be estimated;"

so that she was probably a great heiress in her day. The poem ends fol. 78. a. col. 1.

Fol. 78. a. col. 1. line 7 from bottom, a poem with the heading Cepball mac conchobain 1 valuage .cc., "Cearbhall, son of Conchobhair O'Dalaighe, cecinit." This poet must have been the brother of the preceding; but I can find no account of him. The poem is an

^{*} David. See above, fol. 56. a.

elegy on the death of the above-mentioned Mor, daughter of Mahon O'Brien. It begins—

Ole an cumzhac an cuma,

"An ill covering is sorrow."

This poem ends fol. 78. b. col. 2.

Fol. 79. a. col. 1. An anonymous poem of sixty stanzas (240 lines), beginning—

α τεξ bες τιαξαιρ α τεξ πόρ.

"From a small house people go to a big house."

This is a panegyrical poem on Diarmait O'Brien, son of the celebrated Torrdealbhach, or Torlogh, the hero of the well-known historical romance called the "Wars of Torlogh," or "Wars of Thomond."*

The margins are greatly injured, and in many places illegible; but there is an excellent copy of it in the O'Conor Don's MS. where the authorship is ascribed to Godfrey Fionn O'Daly,† a poet who died in 1386, or 1387.

Fol. 79. b. col. 2. A prose tract entitled Cath almaine po, "The battle of Almhain here." It begins bor cocad mon evin catal me pingume pri lete moda 7 pental mac maerledum pri lete cumb pri pé cian, "There was a great war between Cathal mae Finguine, King of Leth Mogha [Munster], and Ferghal, son of Maelduin, King of Leth Cuinn [K. of Ireland]; during a long time." This famous battle was fought A. D. 722 (see Tighernach in anno), at the Hill of Almhain, now the hill of Allen, in the county of Kildare. See "Four Masters," and "Chron. Seotor." ad ann. 718.

There is another copy of this tract in the Library of Trin. Coll., H. 2, 16.

Fol. 80. b. col. 2. A legend of Longarad of Disert-Longarad, in Ossory, beginning, Longarad coupeno amung zuazhaz: the story is, that Longarad refused to allow St. Columbeille to see his books, whereupon the saint of Hy prayed that the books might become useless to every one after the death of their owner; accordingly, on the night of Longarad's death the satchels fell from their racks, and the books be-

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^{*} Thomond. See O'Curry's Lectures, p. 233, sq.

⁺ O'Daly. O'Reilly mentions this au-

thor, and notices several of his productions, but not the present poem, ubi supra, p.

came illegible for ever. See Mart. Donegal, 3 Sept. p. 234. Recves, Adamnan, p. 359, n. Book of Obits of Christ Church, Introd., p. lxxi.

(X.) There is a loss of some leaves between this and the foregoing stave. The tenth stave contains eight leaves, numbered in the old hand from fol. 85 to 92, written in double columns.

Fol. 85. a. col. 1. A prose tract beginning Peace naen vanbeachao piacna pino mac baebain meic muncentait mc muneοαι πο eo σαι meic neill aheipino amach co painic a loclandaib. "Once upon a time Fiacna Finn, son of Baedan, son of Muirchertach, son of Muredach, son of Eoghan, son of Niall, went forth from Ireland until he came to the Lochlanns." This is a copy—the only known copy-of the life of Mongan, son of Fiachna, King of Ulidia in the sixth century. It is mentioned in the list of ancient tales published by Mr. O'Curry,* from the "Book of Leinster," under the title of Ecopa Mongain mic Piachna, "Adventures of Mongan, son of Fiachna." The first part of the tract is occupied by the adventures of Fiachna, Mongan's father, who in his youth had visited the country of the Lochlanns, or Scandinavia, where Eolgharg Mor, son of Maghar, was then king, and lying ill of a fatal disease. The physicians declared that nothing could cure him but the flesh of a perfectly white cow, with red ears; after searching the whole country, only one such cow was found. the property of an old woman, t whose sole possession it was. She agreed to accept four of the best cows in exchange for her own, provided the Irish prince Fiachna became security for the performance of the promise. To this the king's steward induced Fiachna to agree; but soon after, the death of his father compelled him to return with haste to Ireland, to take possession of his inheritance as King of Ulidia. He had been scarcely settled on his throne when the old woman appeared before him,

^{*} O'Curry. Lect. p. 589. Mr. O'Curry adds in a note, "This tale is not known to me." But there is an abridged copy of it in Trin. Coll. Library.

[†] Woman. The original word coilleach (cucullata) may signify either a nun, or an old woman wearing a hood, or cowl. White cows with red ears are mentioned more than once in Irish History. Cathair Mór, in his will, bequeathed 100 such cows

to Nia Corb (Mart. Donegal, Introd. p. xxxvi.); and Matilda, wife of William de Braosa, is said to have offered 400 cows, all milk white, but with red ears, to Isabelle, the queen of King John of England, in order to purchase her intercession with John. Leland, Hist. of Ireland, i., p. 191, quoting Speed (8vo. Dublin, 1814). For these references I am indebted to Mr. Hennessy.

to complain that the king's word had been broken, and that she had never received the promised cows. Fiachna offered her eighty cows to make good her loss, but she refused to receive any such compensation, and demanded that he should invade Scandinavia with an army, and take signal vengeance on the king for his breach of faith. This Fiachna, in consequence of his promise, considered himself bound to do, and landed with an army in the kingdom of the Lochlanns, challenging the false king to battle. In a series of battles the Irish were defeated, owing to Druidical influences which were brought to bear against them; for we are told that flocks of poisonous sheep, who were really demons, issued every day from the Lochlann King's pavillion and destroyed the Irish soldiers. Fiachna, therefore, resolved to take the field against these strange enemies, and did so notwithstanding all his people could say to dissuade him. When he appeared at the head of his troops he beheld a knight approaching him in rich and gorgeous apparel. The knight promised him victory over his Druidical enemies, provided Fiachna would give him a gold ring which he wore on his finger. Fiachna gave him the ring, and the knight produced from under his cloak a small hound with a chain, which he gave to the Irish king, saying, that the hound if let loose upon the magical sheep would soon destroy them all. The stranger knight then said that he was Manannan Mac Lir, the celebrated Tuatha de Danann Navigator and Necromancer, and instantly vanished; immediately after, however. he appeared in Fiachna's Court in Ireland, and presented himself to the queen in the exact likeness of her husband, wearing also his signet The queen never doubted his identity, and admitted him without scruple to her bed. Fiachna, having vanquished his enemies, returned home, and found his wife pregnant from the stranger, but he had no difficulty in conjecturing from her story who the stranger was. In due time a son was born, and named Mongan, but three nights after his birth he was carried off by Manannan, who kept him, and educated him until he was sixteen years of age. At that time Fiachna was deposed and slain by a pretender to the throne, and Manannan brought back Mongan to receive his reputed father's crown. What follows is the most curious part of this tale, containing the history of Mongan's dealings with Brandubh, King of Leinster, and recording several eurious and seemingly authentic historical facts, with the origin of many legends and superstitions, frequently alluded to elsewhere, but of which this valuable tale contains the only ancient explanation.

This tract is well worthy of publication. It occupies eight pages of the MS., and ends fol. 88. b. col. 2.

Fol. 89. a. col. 1. A tract begining Peacht naen da poibe conn .c. cathad mac Peidlimit pectmain mic Tuathail techtmain mic Penadait pind pechtnaiz, &c.

Conn of the Hundred Battles, when in the midst of his glory as King of Ireland (at the close of the second century), lost by death his wife Eithne Taebhfada [of the long side, i. e., the tall], daughter of Brislind Bind [the melodious], King of Lochlann, or Scandinavia. To dispel his grief, he repaired to the hill of Howth, and derived some consolation from watching the sea. One day he beheld a boat approaching with rapidity without the agency of any rowers. It soon arrived, when a beautiful woman, in splendid garments, who seemed to have been its only occupant, stepped ashore, advanced to Conn, and sat familiarly beside him. She proved to be Becuma Cneisgel [of the fair skin], daughter of Eoghan, of Inbher [now Arklow], a famous Tuatha de Danann chieftain, and wife of Labhraidhe Luaith-clamh-ar-cloidem [of the swift hand at the sword], another chieftain of the same race who dwelt at Inis Labhrada, in Ulster. Her history was this: she was found guilty by her tribe of a too great intimacy with the son of Manannan Mac Lir, whereupon, on the very day when she appeared before Conn, she had been expelled from her people by the great assembly of the Tuatha de Danann, who sentenced her to be sent adrift upon the sea in a self-moving boat; and she was carried, as we have seen, to the place where Conn was sitting. After some conversation, Conn proposed to make her his queen, but she declared that she preferred to marry his son Art, of whose fame she had heard, and whom she loved, although she had never seen him. Conn pressed his own suit, and the lady at length consented, on the condition that Art was to be banished from Ireland for a year. This was done, but on his return at the end of the year, Art was challenged by Becuma to play with her a game of chess. Art won, and imposed upon his stepmother the task of procuring for him the magical wand which the great Irish legendary hero Curoi Mac Daire used to carry in his conquests. Then are described the travels of Becuma through all the fairy mounds and mansions of Ireland in search of the wand, which at last she discovered, and brought to Art. This is a very curious portion of the tale, as illustrating the fairy mythology of the Irish. Art, on receiving the wand, challenged her to another game, but this time he lost, and his stepmother imposed upon him the task to seek for, and bring home with him, Delbh-chaemh [beautiful form], a lady of transcendent beauty, daughter of Mongan. Art inquired where Delbh-chaemh was to be found, but the only information he could get was, that she resided in an island of the sea. With this clue he set out in search of her, and his adventures are described. He brings her home with him at length; and the tale concludes with the repudiation and banishment of Becuma.

This tract is valuable, and ought to be earcfully studied, if ever the history of the legendary lore and fairy mythology of Ireland should be written.

Fol. 92. b. A poem headed Maelmuipe magpait .cc., "Maelmuire Magrath cecinit." This poet flourished about 1390, according to O'Reilly, who does not, however, mention the present poem, which begins, Mipi a aimi ap hincaib péin, "I put myself, O Emma, upon thine own protection."

This is a panegyric upon Emma, daughter of the Earl of Desmond, and was evidently written during her lifetime. This was Maurice, the first Earl, who was married in 1312 to Margaret, fifth daughter of Richard de Burgo, the red Earl of Ulster. At the end of the poem the scribe has signed his name Mipi booknall oleis...... "I am Domhnall O'Leig " the rest of the name is illegible.*

(XI.) The eleventh stave contains four leaves only, written across the page, and not in double columns. They are numbered in the old hand, fol. 93-96. This stave is very much injured, and in many places utterly illegible; the application of tineture of galls by some former possessor has blackened altogether several passages.

Fol. 93. a. This is a poem of thirty-eight stanzas, written in a most beautifully regular hand. It is anonymous, and seems to be a panegyric on David Roche of Fermoy. The first line is illegible.

Ibid. (fifth line from bottom). A poem in the same hand, with the following heading, which gives the author's name: Tomap, mac puaiopi me diapmada mechaio. ee., "Thomas, son of Ruaidhri (or Rory), son of Diarmaid Magrath, cecinit." The poem begins,

^{*} Illegible. The name was probably of a scribe Domhnall hua Leighin in ano-O'Leighin, now Lyons. We find the name ther place. See fol. 96. a.

Teiz oipbepz an inmepiż, Um oipbepz pe hinoine az oiall.

"The wealth of royal nobility,
With the nobility of wealth contends."

This poem seems to be a panegyric, probably on the same David Roche, who is the subject of the preceding. It is greatly injured at the margins.

Fol. 83. b. (14th line from bottom). A poem (anonymous) of thirty-three stanzas, in praise of the same David Roche, of Fermoy. The first line is illegible; it is in the same beautiful hand as the foregoing.

Fol. 84. a. (line 20). A poem in praise of David, son of Muiris Roche. It is anonymous, and in the same hand as the preceding, consisting of thirty-one stanzas, beginning,

Τερρ το laibeopaió an lia páil,

"It is short until the Lia Fail speaks."

This means that the claims of David Roche to be King of Ireland will soon be acknowledged by the voice of the Lia Fail, or Druidical Stone of Destiny, at Tara, which was fabled to utter a peculiar sound whenever the true heir to the crown of Ireland was placed upon it.

Fol. 94. b. (line 8). An anonymous poem of twenty-eight stanzas, in the same hand, in praise of the same David, son of Muiris Roche. The first line is illegible.

Fol. 94. b. (line 9 from bottom). A poem whose author is recorded in the heading, which is now nearly illegible, Oonchao mac Cogam O Oalare .cc., "Donogh, son of Owen O'Daly, cecinit." It is in praise of the same David Roche, but the first line is illegible. The first half of the next page is blackened and rendered utterly illegible by tincture of galls. I cannot say whether it contains a continuation of O'Daly's poem, or a different article.

Fol. 95. a. (half down the page). An anonymous poem of thirty-four stanzas in praise of the same David Roche, of Fermoy, beginning oa piōi peolca ap pen ngall, "In two ways is woven the property of the foreigners." This poem ends on the next page, the second part of which is blank.

Fol. 96. a. Here is a very curious and valuable list of lands which

once formed part of the vast estates of the Roches of Fermoy. It is in many places now totally illegible, but enough might still be recovered to be of considerable interest; especially if it were decyphered with the aid of a local knowledge of the names of the places mentioned. The first line is illegible, with the exception of the words 18 17a.... The last nine lines of this page are less obliterated than the rest, and were thus translated for me by Mr. O'Curry, soon after I obtained possession of the MS.; they are curious, as fixing the date of this inventory of the lands of the Roche family.*

"[It was in the time of] Daibith mor mac Muiris do Roidsigh [David the great, son of Morris Roche], that Domhnall h. Leighin† wrote this first; and I, Torna, son of Torna h. Maoilconairc‡ wrote this present chart for David, son of Muiris, son of David, son of Muiris, son of Daibith mor; and for Oilen, daughter of Semus, son of Semus, son of Eman, son of Piarois [Pierce]; at Baile Caislean an Roitsigh, the fortress of the authors and ollavs, and exiles, and companies of scholars of Ireland; and from which none ever departed without being grateful,

* From this curious document it appears that an inventory of the lands belonging to the Roche family was made in the time of David Mór, or the Great, son of Morris Roche, by Donnell O'Leighin, or Lyons. Of this older document the present page is a copy made by Torna, son of Torna O'Mulconry, for another David, whose descent from David Mór mac Muiris is thus given:—

David Mór mac Muiris.

| Muiris.
| David.

Muiris.

David, who was, therefore, the greatgreat grandson of David Mór; he was married to Oilen, or Ellen, daughter of James, son of James, son of Edmund, son of Pierce Butler; and it would seem that this branch of the Butler family bore the name of Mac Pierce, to distinguish them

from other branches. The chart, or charter, as it is called, was transcribed in the year 1561, at Castletown Roche, then the seat of the Roche family, where scholars, poets, ollaves, exiles, &c., were received with hospitality, and invited to consider it as "their fortress." The names of the witnesses who were present at the transcription of the document are then appended to it. These are, William, son of James, who is called Sionanach, or of the Shannon; Edmund Bán (or the white), son of John Ruaidh (or the red), son of Garoid (or Gerald), son of Edmund, who is called the Ceithernach, or Kerne [i. e. soldier or champion of the House of Roche; Godfrey O'Daly, son of Cerbhaill (or Carroll) Beg (the little), "with many others;" whose names are not given.

- † Domhnall O'Leighin, now Lyons.
- 1 Mulconry.
- § Now Castletown-Roche, barony of Fermoy, county of Cork.

according to the laws* of Laoich-liathmuine, to this couple, i. e., to the Roche and to the daughter of Mac Piarois; and may God give them counsels for prosperity and for light a long time in this world, and the Kingdom of God in the next, without termination, without end. And these are the witnesses that were present at the writing of this out of the old charter, namely, the Sionanach,† i. e. William Mac Semuis, and Emann Ban, mac Scain Ruaidh, mac [a name erased here], Garoid mac Emaind, i. e. Ceithernach of the House of Roitsech; and Diarmaid h. Leighin, i. e. the Ollav of the Roitsech; and Gotfraid h. Dalaighe, mac Cerbhaill beg, and many others along with them. Anno Domini 1561 is the age of the Lord at this time."

On the next page is a similar document in the same handwriting, considerably damaged at the margins; it appears to be a schedule of the rents in eash payable to the Roche, for certain denominations of lands enumerated.

A careful search ought to be made amongst our MSS., both in the Academy and in Trinity College, for another copy of these curious documents. A second copy would materially assist in decyphering them, and they are of great interest and curiosity, not only to the family history of the Roche, but to the local topography of the country.

Fol. 97 is wanting.

(XII.) The twelfth stave contains five leaves (including one leaf loose), numbered 98-102. This stave is in double columns.

Fol. 98. a. col. 1. The first five or six lines are injured by the application of galls. In the first line the following words are legible:—
.... bz. ap mile iappin popoab papzalan.....

The tract begins imperfectly; it gives an account of the early colonists of Ireland, and of Tuan mac Cairrill, who survived the deluge, and remained in Ireland to the coming of St. Patrick. The tract ends fol. 98. b. col. 1.

^{*} The laws of Laoch Liathmuine, i. e., the laws of the most unbounded hospitality. Cuana, son of Ailcen or Cailchine, lord of Fermoy, was called *Laoch Liathmuine*, or Hero of Cloch Liathmuine, in the parish

of Kilgullane, barony of Fermoy. See Four Masters, A. D. 640, and O'Donovan's notes.

[†] This seems a kind of nickname, signifying "of the Shannon."

Fol. 98. b. col. 1. A poem of ten stanzas (anonymous), on the relative length of life of man and other animals, as well as the time allowed for the duration of fences and tillage in fields. It begins:—

bliaban bon cuaille co cept A thi bon gupt na glarbert Na tup 7 na at tup An trep na treptup.

"A year for the stake by right,
Three for the field in its green bearing,
In fallow and in second fallow,
And the third in its third fallow."

Fol. 99. a. col. 1. There is here a loss of one or more leaves, not noticed in the pagination. On the corner of the upper margin is the number 208, which would seem to show that more than 100 pages of the volume are lost. Fol. 99. a. contains the last page of the tale of the Lady Eithne, daughter of Dichu, of whose history we shall speak at fol. 111. a. infra.

Fol. 99. b. col. 1. An anonymous poem, of which the first thirty-four stanzas now remain, a leaf or more having been lost between what are now fol. 99 and 100, although not noticed in the pagination. It is a dialogue between the aged Eagle of Ecaill (Achill island) and Fintan, who had preserved the history of Ireland since before the Deluge,* in which Fintan gives an account of the primitive history of Ireland and its early colonists. The poem begins:—

Appaio pin a esin eacla!

unoip ouin aobup heactha

ata azam zan tréna

tazulluim a hein bepla,

"It is old thou art, O Bird of Eacaill,
Tell me the cause of thy adventures;
I possess, without denial,
The gift of speaking in the bird language."

Fol. 100. a. col. 1. The last seven stanzas of a poem, imperfect, owing to the loss of the leaves already noticed. The names of "Cormae," and also that of "Diarmaid mag Carthaigh," occur in it.

⁺ Deluge. See above, fol. 57, a. col. 1.

Ibid. Then follows a collection of eighteen short poems, ending on fol. 103. b., intended, apparently, for the instruction of Cormac, son of Diarmaid Mac Carthy. These poems are driftless and unintelligible; Mr. O'Curry thought that they may have been school lessons, or exercises for the young Mac Carthy, for the author seems to have been his tutor. They are not worth the time it would take to catalogue them more minutely. In some of these poems the O'Briens of Cluain-Ramhfhada, now Clonrood, near Ennis, are mentioned. On the corner of the margin of fol. 100. a. is the number 2012, probably intended for 212. On the corresponding margin of fol 101. b. is what seems the number 204; and there is a similar pagination which seems to be 209 on fol. 102. a.; but the last figure in all these paginations is very uncertain.

(XIII.) The thirteenth stave contains eight leaves, numbered foll. 103 to 110; the folios 105 to 110 have a second pagination in the upper margin, 154 to 159. The first two leaves of this stave are written across the pages, and not in double columns.

Fol. 103. a. A poem whose author is announced in the following heading:—Muipcheapzach O Plonin.cc., "Muircheartach (or Murtoch) O'Flynn, cecinit." This poem is in praise of two ladies, Mór and Johanna, who appear to have been the daughters of Owen Mac Carthy, and to have been in some way connected with the family of Roche, of Fermoy. It begins, Teac oa bangan pair Caipil. "The Rath (or fort) of Cashel is a house of two fortresses." Ends next page.

Fol. 103. b. A poem of fifteen stanzas, headed, Cozan mã aenzup roalaiz .cc., "Eoghan, son of Aongus O'Daly, eecinit." This poem is in praise of Johanna, wife of David Roche, of Fermoy. It begins, Hel pizna op paiz luzaine, "There is a queenly cloud over Rath Ugaine."

Fol. 104. a. & b. Here are six more of the short, meaningless poems which were already noticed, fol. 100. a., and which Mr. O'Curry thought were written for Cormae son of Diarmaid Mac Carthy. These are in the same handwriting, and relate to Diarmait's son as well as to some female of the family who is not named. Except for the language, they are quite worthless.

Fol. 105, a. col. 1. Here begins an ancient religious tale, or legend,

known under the name of Impuim cupait ua coppa, "Navigation* of the curach [canoe or boat] of O'Corra." It begins Plachbputaio cebach compamae poemeapap oo cuizeao conaet.

As Mr. O'Curry has given a full and minute account of the contents of this tale (Lect. xiii. p. 289. sq.), it will be unnecessary to say anything on the subject here. The O'Corra, and the company of nine who formed the crew and passengers in their boat, are invoked in the Litany of Aongus the Culdee. If that work be genuine, and written, as Mr. O'Curry supposed, about 780 (a date scarcely credible), this would give a very high antiquity to the legend; not that the tale or legend, as here given, can pretend to such antiquity, for it is manifestly of a much later date, but Mr. O'Curry's argument is, that the O'Corra, if they have been invoked as saints in a litany of the end of the eighth century, must have lived long before that time; this, however, assumes the litany to have been written at the date he assigns to it, and that we have it now uninterpolated, and in its original state; both these assumptions, I need hardly say, are extremely improbable.

109. col. 1. A short tract entitled, Rizao nell noiziallaiz op clann Ethac, añpo, "Inauguration of Niall of the Nine Hostages over the clann Eochaidh here." It begins, bor Eochao murzmeom prepenn maoun repich conacht reompoccup oo lochurb Epne. The object of this tract is to show how it came to pass that Niall succeeded his father as King of Ireland, although he was the youngest of his father's sons.

The original ink having become faint, has been gone over in some places with black ink.

Fol. 110. a. col. 2. A tract headed Cepta speza anopo, "Greek questions here." This seems a silly and worthless production.

(XIV.) The fourteenth stave contains six leaves, numbered from 111 to 116, written in double columns.

Fol. 111. col. 1. A tract without title, beginning αροριά cροσα copppach clann. It contains the legend of Eithne, daughter of Dichu, a very curious addition to the Tuath De Danaan mythology of Ireland;

^{*} Navigation. Lit. rowing. In the list of ancient tales published by Mr. O'Curry, from the Book of Leinster, this tale is

entitled Impam hua Coppa. "Rowing [or Navigation] of O'Corra." Lect. p. 587.

for this tract has hitherto been unknown to us, and no other copy of it is known to exist.

The tale opens by an account of the Milesian invasion of Ireland, and their overthrow of the Tuatha De Danaan, the joint reign of the brothers Heber and Heremon, and the battle of Geisill, in which Heber fell, and Heremon became sole monarch of Ireland. After this the chiefs of the Tuath De Danaan appointed over themselves two supreme chiefs, viz., Bodhbh Dearg and Manannan Mac Lir. The latter being the great astrologer and magician of the tribe, was entrusted with the duty of selecting for them habitations where they might lie concealed from their enemies. Accordingly he settled them in the most beautiful hills and valleys, drawing round them an invisible wall impenetrable to the eyes of other men, and impassable, but through which they themselves could see and pass without difficulty. Manannan also supplied them with the ale of Goibhnenn, the Smith, which preserved them from old age, disease, and death; and gave them for food his own swine, which, although killed and eaten one day, were alive again, and fit for being eaten again, the next, and so would continue for ever.

The story then goes on to tell how the great Tuatha De Danaan mansion of Brugh na Boinne, near Slane, on the banks of the Boyne, had passed from the possession of Elemar, its true owner, into that of Aengus, youngest son of the Daghda Mór, or great king of the Tuatha De Danaan. Elemar was the foster-father of Aengus, and Manannan Mac Lir suggested to him to ask his foster-father for the palace. Meanwhile Manannan, by his art, deprived Elemar of the power of refusing, and drove him forth, with all his family, to seek other habitations. Thus Aengus took undisputed possession of the palace, and there he dwells to this day, surrounded by an impenetrable and invisible wall, drinking Goibhnenn Smith's ale of immortality, and eating the never-failing pigs.

But it so happened that when the spell was put upon Elemar and his family, which compelled them to abandon their home, part of the household was absent. This was Dichu, Elemar's chief steward, with his wife and son. They had gone to seek some additional dainties for the distinguished company that Elemar was then entertaining, one of whom was Manannan himself. The steward finding his old master gone, entered into the service of Aengus, and things went on as before.

Soon after this a daughter was born to Manannan, to whom he gave the name of "Curcog," from a tuft of golden hair which appeared on

the crown of her head when she was born. On the same night a daughter was also born to the steward, Dichu, and she was named Eithne.* Aengus, according to the old fosterage customs, received both daughters to be brought up at his court.

When the girls grew up, Eithne was appointed one of the maids of honour to wait upon Curcog; but she refused to eat; and nevertheless continued in good health and plumpness. This was a great mystery, and gave much uneasiness to her friends; but Manannan discovered the cause. It appeared that on a former occasion she had received an insult from Finnbar, a Tuatha De Danaan chieftain of the hill Cnoc Meadha, who had been on a visit at her foster-father's. Her pure soul so resented this insult that her guardian demon fled from her, and was replaced by a guardian angel sent by the true God. From that time she was unable to eat any pagan food, and was miraculously sustained by the power of God.

Aengus and Manannan had at this time two lovely milch cows, giving an inexhaustible supply of milk. These cows they had brought home from India, whither they had gone on some necromantic voyage; and as India was then a land of righteousness, it was proposed that Eithne should live on the milk of these cows, which she consented to do, milking them herself.† Things went on so, and Eithne continued to live with, and wait upon the lady Curcog, at Brugh na Boinne, from the days of Heremon to the reign of King Laeghaire, son of Niall, and the coming of St. Patrick,‡ a period of about 1450 years.

At this time, St. Patrick still living, Curcog and her ladies, finding the weather sultry, went to bathe in the Boyne, after which they returned home, all except Eithne, whose absence they did not at first perceive, as neither did Eithne perceive that she had wandered from them. Her astonishment was great, when she returned to the shore, to find her companions gone. The fact was, that the influence of the true faith

^{*} Eithne. "Sweet kernel of a nut."

[†] Herself. It seems that she was wont to milk her two cows in two golden medars, or methers; and that this tale was, therefore, called Alapom wife on meoun, i. e. "The fosterage of the house of the two medars." But the medars do not seem to occupy a very prominent place in

the story, as it is told in the Book of Fermoy.

[‡] St. Patrick. In the text he is called moulton, "the shaven head," fol. 115. a. col. 2. line 8 and 17; in another place (ibid. line 5 from bottom), he is called Patrick Mac Alpuirn." St. Patrick, Apost. of Ireland, p. 411.

was now in the land, and had destroyed the power of her feth-fiadha, or veil of invisibility, when she threw it off with her other garments on going into the river. She therefore became an ordinary woman, unable to see through, or penetrate the invisible wall which protected her former associates from mortal gaze. She wandered on the north side of the Boyne, in great perplexity, ignorant of the cause of her dilemma; every thing to her eye was changed, and she could no longer find those paths and places which had been for so many centuries familiar to her. At length she came to a walled garden, in which stood what seemed to her a dwelling-house. A man, in a garb which was new to her, sat at the door and was reading in a book. He proved to be a recluse, and was sitting at the door of his church. She spoke to him, and told him her history. He received her kindly, and brought her to St. Patrick, by whom she was instructed and baptized.

One day she was sitting at the church of the recluse on the Boyne, when a great noise and clamour, as of a great multitude snrrounding them, was heard, but it was not seen from whence the voices proceeded. Eithne, however, at once recognized her former friends, and discovered that Acngus and his household had gone forth in search of her, and when they could not discover her (for she was now invisible to them) they set up a loud wail and lamentation. At this she was so deeply affected that she swooned away, and was at the point of death. This shock she never recovered. She died, her head leaning on St. Patrick's breast, and was buried with due honour in the little church of the recluse, which from that time received the name of Cill-Eithne, or Eithne's Church.

The hermit's name was Ceasar; he was son of the King of Scotland, and one of St. Patrick's priests. He abandoned his little church on the death of Eithne, and retired to the wood of Fidh-Gaibhle, in Leinster, where he cleared for himself a field, in which he built another hermitage, called, from his name, Cluain-Ceasair.

The story of Eithne is continued on fol. 115. a. col. 1, in a quite different hand, and ends fol. 116. b. col. 1, line 12 from bottom.

Several poems are inserted into the latter part of the tale, viz.:—

Oena bain a cana pen. Fol. 115. a. col. 1. line 7 (a poem of three stanzas).

Oenum impoò imirminuch. Fol. 116. a. col. 1, line 28 (seven stanzas).

Fol. 116. a. col. 2, line 14 (six stanzas).

Cluizzip lib pept piail cone. "Let the generous Ethne's grave be dug by you." Fol. 116. b. col. 1. line 30 (thirteen stanzas).

Fol. 116. b. col. 1. (line 10 from bottom). A poem with the title Cozan mop u valaiz .cc., "Eoghan mor O'Daly cecinit." It begins Teazape mipi a Muipe, "Teach me, O Mary." The first four or five stanzas are greatly rubbed, and in part illegible; the entire poem seems to have consisted of nineteen stanzas.

(XV.) The fifteenth stave contains seven leaves, numbered from fol. 117 to fol. 123. On the upper margin of fol. 117, a. col. 1, are the words the mapta, "Jesus Maria."

Fol. 117. a. col. 1. A poem of thirty-seven stanzas (anonymous), on the Crucifixion of our Lord, His descent into Hell, His Resurrection, and His Ascension into Heaven, accompanied by the souls whom He had delivered from the Limbus patrum. The poem begins,

Θιγειρδι σο ειριδ Οια,

"A resurrection in which God arose."

It is written in a very beautiful and remarkable hand.

Fol. 117. b. col. 2. A poem with the heading opin o huisin .cc., "Brian O'Higgin, cecinit." This is a panegyric on David, son of Muiris, or Maurice Roche, of Fermoy, enumerating all the places in Munster from whence he had carried off plunder and spoil. The poem contains sixty-two stanzas; it begins, Cinoup iccap peo puips, "How is a gift of courtship paid." Brian O'Higgin is not mentioned by O'Reilly. But the Four Masters record the death of Brian, son of Fergal Ruaidh Ui Uiceinn, or O'Higgin, "head of his own tribe, oroe, or Superintendent of the Schools of Ireland, and preceptor in poetry,"—on Maundy Thursday, 1477. He seems to have been a Connaught poet. The poem ends fol. 119. a col. 1.

Fol. 119. a. col. 1. A poem (of thirty-six stanzas), whose author is given in the following title: Seaan of mac pair .cc., "Shane (or

^{*} Magrath. Not mentioned by O'Reilly.

- John) Og [i. ε. Junior] Mac Raith, or Magrath,* cecinit." It begins,
 δach ponn τυρεριιό muite,
 - "All lands are good until [compared with] Fermoy."

This is a poem in praise of the territory of Fermoy and its lord, David, son of Morris Roche, and his wife Joan. It ends fol. 120. a col. 1.

- Fol. 120. a. col. 1. A poem headed, Officathagan .cc., "O'Maothagan, cecinit." This poet is not mentioned by O'Reilly, but he was certainly of Munster. His poem begins, Pada ip mid maiti mid Munian, "Long have the women of Munster been noble women." It is a panegyric on Cathilin, who seems to have been the mother of David, son of Morris Roche, of Fermoy. The poem consists of thirteen stanzas of an unequal number of lines. It ends fol. 120. b. col. 2.
- Fol. 121. a. col. 1. A poem headed Copmac mac Cożain u Oalaiz, .ec., "Cormac, son of Eoghan O'Daly, cecinit." A panegyric on Cathilin, daughter of Tadhg Mac Carthy, and on David, son of Morris Roche, who seems to have been her son. The poem begins,

Olizim ic ar mpeanace zpáió,

"I am entitled to payment in right of my office."

This poem consists of thirty-nine stanzas of the usual number of four lines each.

- Fol. 121. b. col. 1. (eight lines from bottom). A poem headed, Ua maetazan, .ēc., 1 peaan "OMaethagan, cecinit, i. e. John." This is a panegyric on Morris, son of Morris Roche, of Fermoy, and his son David. It begins, Popmao az cae le clu Muppp, "All men envy the fame of Muiris." It consists of twenty stanzas of an unequal number of lines, and is written in a good hand, but in faint ink. The poem ends fol. 122. a. col. 2. After which, in a space that was originally blank, is written, apparently by the same hand that wrote the pagination, these words in English: "The former pages of this Book, from the beginning to this page, was 288."
- Fol. 122. b. This page was originally blank, but is now covered with idle scribbling. Amongst these are the following: του το απα leabap po ap na apopubate le unliam ua heatpa anno το 1805, ambaile aτα cliaτ, "This book was re-written by William O'Hara,

A. D. 1805, in Baile-atha-cliath, i. e. Dublin." Again, 'uill. ua hea σ pa G. σ . 1806, Jan. 29, 1806."

I am sorry to be obliged to add that Mr. O'Curry condescended to write his respectable and honored name amongst such wretched scribbling, thus:

eóżan ó Comparbe, Moccelum.

Another note is this: Teabaip beannact ap anmain prointing un locibe ap pon be pna cceappab, "Give a blessing on the soul of Francis O'Hickey, for the sake of God, and his friends (?)."

Fol. 123. a. (written across the page, without columns). An anonymous poem of fifty-two stanzas, in praise of Cathilin, daughter of Tadhg Mac Carthy, who has been already mentioned. It begins,

Oiler zac en ouine a eiopeoc, "Every one has a right to his inheritance."

Fol. 123. b. (13 lines from bottom, very much rubbed, and in many parts illegible), is a poem of which the author is named in the title, Marchiap mop o cillin .cc., after which we have the words in a later, but contemporary hand, unle cpioc op pap.

The writing is so effaced that neither the number of stanzas nor the first line can be ascertained.

(XVI.) The sixteenth stave consists of five leaves, numbered by Mr. O'Curry (in entire disregard of the old pagination), fol. 124, 125, 126 [127 omitted], 128, 129. On fol. 125 the old pagination seems to have been 77; on fol. 126 it is clearly 94, and on 128, 78. On the other leaves it is obscure. This stave is written in double columns.

Fol. 124, 125, 126, contain fragments of the ancient tale Tocmape Cumpe, "Courtship of Eimire," or Eimer, by the celebrated Ulster champion Cuchullainn (ob. AD. 2). Mr. O'Curry gives a full abstract of this tale (Lectures, p. 278, sq.) A perfect copy of this curious legend is in the British Museum, from which Mr. O'Curry tells us he made a careful transcript for his own use (ibid. p. 282). Two other copies be-

long to the Royal Irish Academy, one in the Leabhar na h-Uidhré, and the other partly on paper and partly on parchment. Both are imperfect, as is also the copy now before us. There is also in the Royal Irish Academy an indifferent modern copy made from the British Museum text.

Fol. 127. Mr. O'Curry appears to have omitted to number this page by mistake. It is not likely that a leaf could have been lost since his pagination was written, as the book has never since been out of my possession.

Fol. 128, 129. These leaves contain a fragment of the old historical tale of bpungean oa oeapga ("Palace of Da-Dearga"), or the death of Conaire Mór, King of Ireland, at the house of Da-Dearga, a farmer of Leinster of noble birth, who kept a mansion celebrated for hospitality, at a place in the upper valley of the Dodder, the name of which is yet partly preserved in that of Bothar na Bruighne, "Road of the Bruighean, or Palace," on the River Dodder, near Tallaght, in the county of Dublin. At this place Conaire Mór was slain, and the palace burned by a party of pirates, in the 60th year of his reign (A.D. 60, according to O'Flaherty's date, Ogyg. p. 138, 273).*

The remainder of the volume consists of some fragments of medical MSS. in a very much injured condition. These fragments do not appear to have formed any part of the collection now called the Book of Fermoy.

(XVII.) This stave consists of four leaves marked on the lower margins e 1, e 2, e 3, e 4. The upper margins are greatly injured throughout, and no traces remain of any older pagination.

This is a fragment of a medical MS. imperfect at beginning and end. It never formed a part of the Book of Fermoy. We have found the

^{*} O'Curry, (Leet. xii. p. 258, sq.). O'Donovan's note, p. 90. Conf. Four Masters, A.M. 5160, and

name of O'Hickey scribbled more than once on the margins and elsewhere in the Book of Fermoy, and, as the O'Hickeys were hereditary physicians, we may fairly conjecture that this is a fragment of one of their professional MSS. which has got mixed up with the Book of Fermoy.

(XVIII.) A fragment in a small and beautiful medical hand, consisting of two leaves, marked both on the upper and lower margins, e 5, and e 6.

This fragment seems to contain part of a treatise on the liver and organs of generation. On page 2 of C 5, begins a tract, the first sentence of which (as is commonly the case in medical MS.) begins with some words in Latin: OC CPUCC [hepate] CC OC CIUS UCRECUCE [sic] COMPLEXIONES [sic] loquamup; the tract then translates this into Irish, and proceeds in the same language. Perhaps these Latin sentences may indicate that the work was translated from some Latin original. It would be of great importance to philology, and enable us, no doubt, to fix the true meaning of many old Irish names for plants and medicines, if the original Latin could be discovered.

On page 2 of e 6 is a tract beginning, Oe membrorum Tenerationrum [Opera] cionibus e[Teorum] qualitatious, which then proceeds in Irish, as before.

(XIX.) A fragment imperfect at beginning and end, consisting of two leaves, in a good medical hand. Mr. O'Curry did not put any paging on these leaves, nor are the remains of any former pagination now visible.

On the first page of the second leaf begins a tract on the liver, with these words: UIRTUS NATURALIS EST IN EPATE QUE CUM PER uenar ao membra in the biulotaup uirtuter 7c.

(XX.) A fragment, five inches by four, containing the conclusion of what seems to have been a religious tract. It was evidently cut from the upper part of the leaf of some book for the sake of the blank parchment that surrounded it.

It contains twenty lines, ending with the word piniz, and is written in a very good and scholarlike hand.

The back of this fragment was originally blank, and now contains some scribbling, of which I can read only the following words:—

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O'Corra, navigation of, 45; one of the ancient tales enumerated in the Book of Leinster, ib., n.; the O'Corras and their nine companions invoked in the Litany of Aengus, 45; Mr. O'Curry's inference as to their date, inconclusive, ib.

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O'Daly, or O'Dalaighe, Cearbhall, son of Conchobhair, poem by, 34.

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O'Daly, Cormae, son of Eoghan, panegyric on Cathilin, daughter of Tadg Mae Carthy, 50.

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O'Maoileonaire [or Mulconry] (Torna, son of Torna), transcriber of inventory of the Roche estates in 1561, 41.

O'Maothagain, or O'Maethagain (Seaan, or John), his panegyric on Morris, son of Morris Roche, of Fermoy, and his son David, 50; his panegyrical poem on Cathilin, mother of David, son of Morris Roche, 50.

O mnaib ainmniżen epi, "From woman Eri is named," 34.

Ossianic Society, their publication of the Adventures of Cormac Mac Airt, 30; and of the "Pursuit after Diarmuid O'Duibhne and Graine, daughter of Cormac," 30.

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Ο τες βες τιαςαιρ α τες mop, 35.

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Dantalan canap camie, 7.

Patrick (St.) receives Eithne and baptizes her; she dies on his breast, 48, called m culom, 47, n.

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Quintus Centimachus, Latin name given by O'Flaherty to Con ced cathach, 24.

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Resurrection, an anonymous poem on the Crucifixion; Descent into Hell; Resurrection, and Ascension of our Lord, 49.
R1 mac perolimit ampa conn, 28.

Rižač nell noiziallaiž op clann Ethac, 45.

Rio uapal ommioneae omeeoa oo sab plaizemnup poola peer naill ii. cono .e. carhae mae peiolimio peermain, "A noble, venerable, famous king assumed the sovereignty of Fodla [i. e. Ireland], viz., Conn of the Hundred Fights, son of Fedhlimigh Rechtmar," 24.

Road of the Bruighean. See Bothar na Bruighne.

Ro bo mais in muinsin mon, "Good were the great people," 7.

Roche, or Roitsi, inventory of their estates, made for David Mór, 41; copied for David, great-great grandson of David Mór, in 1561, ibid. n.; witnesses to this transcript, ibid. Rents payable to, 42; (David), panegyries on, 39, 40; David, gr. grandson of

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Ruitchern, sister of Mór Mumhan, abduction of, 9.

Seel palapach na muice anno piop, "The story of the pigs' Psalter, down here," 21.

Scurpin to prelaid na noaeol, I have done with the Stories of the Gaedhil," 6.

Senchas na relie [History of the Cemeteries], first published by Dr. Petrie, 25.

Setna, King Cormac's steward, slain by Aengus Gai-buaibhtech, 26.

Sith-Cliath, a fairy mound, now Knock Aine, county of Limerick, 9.

Sinbhan, daughter of Cormae Mae Carthy, elegy on her death, 12.

Spu mae Cppu mae Haedil ipe toippaé do Haedild, "Sru, son of Esru, son of Gaedil, was the leader of the Gadelians," 6.

Sru, son of Esru, son of Gaedil, 6.

Ceaé ba banjan pare Carril, 44.
Ceagare miri a Muipe, "Teach me,
O Mary," 49.

Tadg Mac Domnall Og, poem by, 12.
Cutton, "shaven head," a name for St.
Patrick," 47, n.

Tain bo Fraoch, 23.

Tech Molaga, now Timoleague, 30.

Terz orpbenz an in meniż,... "The wealth of Royal nobility," 40.

Temple Molaga, 30, n.

Tene-fo-Breagha (Fergus); why so called, 13, n.

Thomond, wars of, 35.

Tighernach, his record of the banishment of S. Carthach, 20, n.

Cาธาช์ arima imcolain cumo (9 stanzas), 27.

Tochmane Tpeblamne, 22.

Cochmane mna Chumn, "Courtship of Crunn's wife," ancient tale of, 18; MS. in Trin. Coll., H. 3, 17, 18, n.

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Tor-inis, now Tory island, Conaing's tower, in, 7.

Treblainn, Courtship of, 22; foster-daughter of King Cairbre Niafar, ihid., daughter of a Tuatha Danaan chieftain, 22, n.; her story, 23.

Tpi mie a cum počuala. 28.

Τρι pluárðið δαό en bliaðan,27.

Tuan mac Cairill, who survived the Deluge to the coming of St. Patrick, 42.

Cuapupebail lubair lpeainiot, 29.

Tuatha, people, tribes, 14.

Tuatha de Danaan kings, Ireland, named Fodla, Banba, and Eri, from their Queens, 34.

Ua heazna. See O'Hara.

Ua Dalaigh. See O'Daly.

Ultonians, debility of, 17.

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Unle opioc op pap, 51.

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II.—Some Account of the Irish MS. deposited by the President De Robien in the Public Library of Rennes. By the Rev. James H. Todd, D. D., F. S. A., Senior Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin.

It is now upwards of one-and-twenty years since I laid before the Academy a detailed account of an Irish MS. in the Bibliothéque Impériale of Paris*, which had been described, and a very beautiful fac-simile of a page of it engraved, by M. Silvester, accompanied by letter-press from the pen of M. Champolion Figeac, in the fourth volume of the "Palæographie Universelle." In the description accompanying this engraving M. Champolion maintains the opinion that the Paris MS. is the same which was sent from Britanny, upwards of a century ago, by the President de Robien, to the Benedictines of the Congregation of St. Maur, compilers of the "Nouveau Traité de Diplomatique," of which they have given a full account in that learned work†.

On comparing this description, however, with the MS. in Paris, I saw reason to doubt the opinion of M. Champolion, and in my former paper I endeavoured to show that the Paris MS. must have been a different book from that which the learned authors of the "Traité de Diplomatique" have described as the MS. of the President de Robien‡. My arguments were drawn from the fact that the description of this latter MS. given by the Benedictines, and the fac-similes of portions of it engraved in their plates, did not at all agree with the Paris MS. I concluded, therefore, that there were two Irish books, distinct from each other, although containing some of the same matter—the one, that described by Champolion, and now in the Library at Paris, of which the Benedictines make no mention; the other, the MS. which had been sent to them from Britanny by M. de Robien, of which they have given a minute description.

^{*} See "Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy," vol. iii., p. 223.

[†] Tom. iii., p. 200.

[†] Christophe Paul Gantron de Robien, President a mortier au Parlement de Bre-

tagne. Mort de 1751 a 1756. (Querard, "La France Litteraire," tom. viii., p. 82, where see an account of his writings). He was the founder of the public Library of Rennes, to which he left all his books.

When I read to the Academy, one-and-twenty years ago, my former paper on this subject, I was ignorant of the existence of this latter MS.*; but afterwards I found reason to believe that it was preserved in the town Library of Rennes, in Britanny; and during my very agreeable visit to that country, in August last, I went to the Library in search of it. I remained at Rennes for three or four days, for the express purpose of examining this MS.

I found that my former conclusion was fully borne out; the Rennes MS. agreed exactly in every particular with the description given of it by the Benedictines. It had been given to the Library by the President de Robien, about the middle of the eighteenth century; and in its contents it coincided partially with the MS. at Paris. Clearly, then, there were in France two distinct Irish MSS., as I had formerly concluded, and M. Champolion was wrong in his conjecture that the MS. now in the Bibliothéque Impériale was the same as the De Robien MS. which had been sent from Britanny to the Benedictines.

But before I proceed to speak of the contents of this latter MS., I must return my grateful thanks to M. de la Bigne Villeneuve, Librarian of Rennes, for his courtesy in affording me every possible facility for examining it; although I had called upon him without any introduction, he received me with the greatest kindness, assisted me to the utmost of his power, and permitted me to transcribe from the MS. whatever was necessary for my purpose.

The volume in size is what would probably be called a small folio, and is thus described by the authors of the "Nouveau Traité de Diplomatique" (Dom Tassin, and Dom Toustain):—

[&]quot;La notice† de ce MS., tres difficile à lire, porte, qu'il contient des fragmens de piété

^{*} I ought to have known that this MS. is mentioned by M. de Vaines in his "Dictionaire raisonnée de Diplomatique," vol.i., p. 456. He follows the errors of his predecessors in regarding the MS. as of the 11th or 12th century. It has been more recently noticed by Mr. C. P. Cooper, in the Appendix A. to his (not yet published) "Report on the Records" (Supplement to

App. A., p. 44), where he has printed a very inaccurate and imperfect account of the MS. by one of his foreign correspondents. See also another very useless notice of this MS., "The Literary Remains of the Rev. Thomas Price:" *Llandovery*, 1854, vol. i., p. 20.

[†] The "Notice" here alluded to is a MS. paper inserted at the beginning of

et de morale, plusieurs traductions soit en vers, soit en prose, des sermons de S. Ambrose, et de son Traite de la Confession, la Genéalogie des ancièns Rois et des prémières familles d'Irlande. Cette partie du MS. est une des plus considérables. Sa largeur est de sept pouces et demi, sa hauteur de neuf et plus. Il est a deux colones et l'on y rencontre de tems en tems quelque lignes de latin avant les genéalogies. L'écriture en est toute semblable a l'anglo-saxone. Beaucoup de lettres initiales des ouvrages et des chapitres sont dans le meme goût que celles du MS. de S. Ouen de Rouen, d'on nous avons tiré l'alphabet saxon de lettres initiales serpentines. On trouve dans le commencement du MS. irlandois beaucoup d'articles, qui commencent par labrum en plus grosse écriture saxone*."

The Benedictines speak of this MS. (that is to say, of the first portion of it) as written "vers la fin du xii° ou commencement du xiii° siècle," and notice certain contractio s (such as $\sqrt{10}$ for "et cætera;" .1. for $id\ est$; 2 for est), which the antiquaries of the period regarded as characteristic of that date. Their words are these:—

"S. Bernard y est cité de cette sorte: Ut dixit Bernardus in sermone de beata Maria Virgine, §.c. Cette abbreviation, $\neg c$., qu'on trouve plusièurs fois dans ce mf. est remarkable, ainsi que les autres abbreviations de cette écriture saxone de la fin du xiie siècle, ou du commencement du suivant. Les antiquaires qui donnent† au moins neuf cent ans a des mf. en lettres saxones, nous sauront gré d'en avoir produit un plus recent d'environ trois siécles et demi‡."

To this it may be added that S. Thomas Aquinas and S. Bonaventure are quoted, who flourished in the middle and latter half of the thirteenth century, and that the character of the writing, to every one acquainted with Irish palæography, indicates unmistakeably the end of the fifteenth century as the period at which the MS. was written.

With respect to the contractions alluded to as indications of the date

the Rennes volume, giving a description of its contents in English, written about the middle of the seventeenth century, by a person who was very imperfectly acquainted with the Irish language, and wholly ignorant of its palæography. He attributes to the MS. a much higher antiquity than it really possesses, and his opinion has evidently been the cause of the

mistakes made by later writers on the subject.

* "Nouv. Traité de Diplom.," tom. iii. p. 200.

† "Journal Historique," Avril, 1755, p. 289.

‡ " Nouv. Traité de Diplom.," tom. iii., p. 228.

of the MS., the Benedictines further say (they are speaking of what they call the "demi-uncial" Saxon square character, followed by the "minuscule:")—

"Le MS. de M. le président de Robien nous a donné le modèle suivant*: Zelus dommus tue cometit me, id est. Le z a eté laissé en blanc comme lettrine dans le MS. L'm est redoublée en domus, l'e simple est mis pour æ dans tue, et le t prend la place du d dans le mot suivant; en sorte qu'on lit cometit an lieu de comedit—mais rien n'est plus singulier que l'abreviation des mots id est, signifiés par un i ayant deux points à ses cotès†."

But the contractions which these learned writers deemed so peculiar are to be found in all the later, as well as in the earlier Irish MSS., and indeed are in use with the Irish scribes to the present day, so that they are no criterion of age whatsoever. With respect to the use of e for e, the double m in dommus for domus, and the t for d in cometit, it will be enough to refer to the valuable remarks of Dr. Reeves, on the orthography of Latin in Irish MSS., in the preface to his edition of Adamnan's "Life of St. Columba‡."

I believe the foregoing extracts from the "Nouveau Traité de Diplomatique" contain all that the learned compilers of that work have said as descriptive of the MS. of the President de Robien. A comparison of these extracts, and of the fac-similes in the plates, renders it quite certain that their MS. was the book now at Rennes, and not the volume preserved in the Paris Library.

I proceed now to give some account of the contents of the de Robien MS.; but in quoting from it I shall not attempt to preserve the contractions. To represent them accurately would require an especial fount of types.

The book is not all written in the same hand. It consists of fifteen portions—or, as printers would now call them, signatures or staves—containing an unequal number of leaves. This inequality may arise from the loss of some leaves of the original MS.; but this is not always the case. The following is a Table of these "signatures:"—

^{*} Alluding to a fac-simile of this passage given in one of their plates, Planche 47.

[†] Ib., p. 229.

[†] Reeves, Adamnan, p. xvi., xvii.

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So that the total number of leaves now in the volume is 132; unless I have made a mistake in the number of leaves I have assigned to the signature No. 11 (not numbered), which in my notes is, I am sorry to say, somewhat obscure.

Fol. 1. 22 b. col. 1.—This portion of the MS is all in the same hand-writing, and contains a series of short religious tracts or sermons on the Christian virtues or duties. To these is prefixed a preface, which begins:—

Deo parni capirrimo Perno bei arhari Poprurenri ii an onoin bia arhar 7 peaban ban tinbrenab an leaban ro. Deo Patri carissimo Petro Dei gratia Portusensi, i.e. in honour of God the Father and of Peter, for whom this book was begun.

I know not who the Peter here spoken of was. We should probably read *Portuensi* instead of *Portusensi*; and, if so, he was probably a bishop of Porto, or Portus Augusti, at the mouth of the Tiber, near Rome; but the transcriber, in the Irish translation which follows the Latin words, seems to have imagined that S. Peter the Apostle was intended. There was a Peter bishop of Porto at the beginning of the twelfth century, to whom S. Bruno, bishop of Segni and abbat of Monte Casino, addressed one of his epistles*, on the forced investiture of the Emperor Henri by Pope Paschal, A. D. 1111.

Then follow the short religious tracts or sermons, each beginning with the words Labpum anoip, "Let us now speak " The

^{*} Ceillier, "Hist. des Auteurs Eccles.," trum," (Lugdun.), tom. xx., p. 738. tom. xxi., p. 102, 107; "Biblioth. Pa-

Benedictines, in a passage already quoted, have mentioned these words, which they did not understand, but which attracted their attention, because of their frequent occurrence, and because they are written in a larger and peculiar character. They serve to identify the Rennes MS. with that which had been sent to the Benedictines by the President de Robien, inasmuch as they do not occur at all in the Paris MS.

Fol. 23. a. col. 1.—A tract beginning

Pouez in principio uinzo mania meo .i. cop[u]nzaézaizi muine banzizenna bam a zopach mobeinzi. oin abein auz. naem Fovet in principio virgo maria meo, i. e. May the Lady Mary comfort me in the beginning of my work, for Saint Augustine says

This tract occurs also in the Paris MS., and it was one of the evidences on which M. Champolion relied in support of his opinion of the identity of that MS. with the volume described by the Benedictines. He has given a very correct fac-simile of it*, in which it will be observed that the words "virgo maria meo" are so much contracted as to be decyphered with difficulty—in fact, I myself, in my former paper, failed to decypher them†. Twenty years ago I was not so well skilled in reading the contractions of such a MS., as I am now; and I am glad to have this opportunity of acknowledging my error. But in the Rennes MS. the words are written without contractions, and are quite easily read. I neglected to transcribe the passage quoted from St. Augustine; for my notes were necessarily made in great haste. The Tract was probably translated from the Latin, and the passage from St. Augustine would possibly have helped us to identify or discover the original work.

The Tract ends fol. 24, l.

Fol. 25. a. col. 1.—A Tract beginning "Ut dixit Bernardus in sermone de beata Maria Virgine $\gamma \tilde{c}$." The rest is in Irish; but I unfortunately omitted, as before, to transcribe the quotation. Ends fol. 27. a. col. 2.

Similar religious tracts follow to fol. 35. a. col. 2., where we have a

^{*} See the "Palæographie Universelle;" † "Proceedings of Royal Irish Acatom.iv., Planche, 130 (Sir Fred. Madden's demy," vol. iii., p. 227.

Translation, vol. ii., p. 641).

Treatise on Confession, which begins thus [a space is left in the margin for an initial ornamented 1 or a]:—

[1] Stad po na re cumpill defe ditair an paetrioin do beté inti amail adetr ranctur comar, ra .u. detroind don lebar pen abarar ruppa quantum rummanum decima quinta de intencione.

"These are the sixteen conditions that confession requires to have in it, as Saint Thomas says in the 5th Distinction of the book which is called Supra quartum, the fifteenth of the Sums, De intentione."

The reference here is to the great works of St. Thomas Aquinas on the Sentences (in Librum Quartum Sententiarum Distinct. xvii. 39. 4. 4. 1., according to the present mode of citing; and 3 Summ. q. 9. 4. 4. 1.)* where the sixteen conditions of confession are given in these verses:—

"Sit simplex, humilis, confessio; pura, fidelis,
Atque frequens, nuda, discreta, libens, verecunda,
Integra, secreta, lacrymabilis, accelerata,
Fortis, et accusans, et sit parere parata."

Fol. 37. b., in the margin, in the handwriting (as I believe) of old Charles O'Conor, of Belanagare, is the following note:—

If tene dume an Emin do min "Scarcely a man in Erin makes his [for Juin] a paeimud man adeim an confession as this book directs."

Fol. 44. b. col. 2.—There is here a note, in a very bad hand, difficult to read, and in very ignorant spelling, to the effect that the writer had here inscribed his name (which is now illegible) in the year 1755. He adds "Nannetiis," which, I presume, signifies that his name was written here at Nantes.

Fol. 45. a. col. 1.—A collection of sayings gathered from the works of St. Augustine, beginning

abein au. cibbe b3. . . .

"Augustine says that whoever is . . ."

Fol. 47. a. col. 2.—Here are continued the short tracts or sermons noticed by the Benedictines, beginning

Labrum anor bon zpocaire. . . .

"Let us now speak of mercy."

discrepancies, which are probably only evidence of the ignorance or carelessness of transcribers.

^{*} These references do not agree with the number of the distinctions and questions as given in the text. But it is not worth while to attempt to reconcile such

In this Tract are quoted SS. Augustine, Gregory, Isidore, Ambrose, Bonaventure.

Fol. 52. a. col. 2.—We have here the following very curious note:—

Loce bon lebanra Rorr bnom a epich.h. nechach Illuman, 7 peapra oo Seon Mandauil, pidepi do muindtip piz Saxan do paccaid Saxa la peile Michil, 7 do piblaiz monan do tipitaid in domuin, man ata an Pramze 7 an almain, 7 anchized appin co hlapupalem: 7 ciò bé lé buo ail bol opecham an tine pin an ron cup tot Chipt da popul rein hi man tip taipnzepi, 7 to triblaiz oa choraib naemza rein hi, z con-. benna monan renmona 7 recairec ba popul mnzi, zeop żoż a mazhain 7 hé pem do bnet 7 do adlacad innoi; man a bubaino re cun bé rein ni na iudaiże; ap ron rebur an conaz pin cue an cip, 7 ap pon naemzachz an zibo zpiblaiz hí, jbo toz a páir to razbail a ponze cent mebbin an bomain in nlapuralem, innur comab zap bá rzelaib 7 ba eneidim nochzain ar an mad rin րար դ բար, **Ե**սծծեգր դ Եսծ Հսած ; դ ip ann bo chuip pé an ppipazz naem docum a appeal domnach Cinzcidipi, 7 bo chuip po ceznib haipbib an bomain iaz bo zpilab cheibim 7 chapao oo chinebaib an bomain; 7 ció bé le buó ail a rír do beit aizei int plized bud fenn do bul ar each tip co Mappuralem 7 na loce naemża azaid na zimcill, indeoրուծ Բլոյյո ուսe Ծլգրուսշս ուլe Domnaill mie Pintin mie Diapmaza moin hi Mażzamna hi, διη irre bo chuip an lebuppa a beplai 7 a laibin.

"The place of this book is Ross-Broin in the territory of Ui-Echach-Mumhan and the person [i. e. author] of it, John Mandavil, a knight of the people of the king of the Saxons, who left Saxonland on Michaelmas day, and traversed many of the lands of the world, as France and Germany, and the way from thence to Jerusalem. And, whoever has a desire to go to see that land*, because Christ had selected it for His own people as a Land of Promise, and traversed it with His own holy feet, and uttered many sermons and instructions to His people in it, and chose that His Mother and Himself should be born and interred in it, and as He said that He Himself was King of the Jews-or because of the excellence of the produce the land furnished, and the holiness of Him who traversed it, and who chose to receive His passion in the very central point of the world-in Jerusalemso that it might be convenient for His fame and His faith† to reach from that place eastwards, and westwards, southwards and northwards. And it was in it that He sent the Holy Spirit to His Apostles on Pentecost-sunday, and sent them to the four quarters of the world, to sow the seed of faith and devotion in the tribes of the world; - and whosoever would wish to know the best way to go from every country to Jerusalem, and to the Holy places that are around it, Finghin son of Diarmait, son of Domhnall, son of Finghin, son of Diarmait Mor O'Math

^{*} The Holy Land.

⁺ That is Faith in Him, or His Religion.

α προιχό η α habpa a ηδαειδίλτε, δο creolad na rlizeda an muin j an cín co hlepuralem, da zac aen le bud mian bol ba oilizni ann, 7 co rnuż Oppćannam, 7 co pliab piom, 7 cach rlizeo no zabair reon orin amach, 7 do moirin each insnad do connaince reon an baeinib 7 an tinchaib an bomain a coicchinne; 7 bob i doip an Tizepna an éan do pindi reon a eachtpa .i. mili bliaban 7 chi ceo, xxxii bliadna. a goir in σηατή δο euin Pinzin a ηδασιδίίζε po beineb hé il mili cccc. lxx. il. bliadna; 7 do bi reon ceizni bliadna .x. ap .xx. 1e cuancuzao an bomain; Jap nimpod do do noim do dainznio in papa a leaban.

Ir iace po na cizennada do bi or cinn Jaoidel in uaip do cuin Ριησιη ρο α ησαοιδίλος. 1. Ταδήσ mae Domnaill oice mie Taiose na mainirzpech mic Domnaill ofec inna Mae Capehait mon, 7 Dianmaie mac Taidse mic Ainlaid ina .h. TSulabam beppe, 7 Donnchao mac Dianmaza mie Domnaill mie Pinzin, 7 Domnall cona mbnaitnib, or cinb .h. nechach; 7 Copmac mac Donnchaba mic Dominaill piabait or cinn .li. Campne; 7 Oianmaiz mac Oomnaill piabait and mae Canchait Camppech; 7 Domhnall mac Domhnaill mic Domnaill cluaraith or cinn chlechea Diapmada pemuin; 7 Pinin mac Meic Con meic Mic Con mic Pingein ina O Cidenrecoil mon; 7 Copmae mae Taios mie Copmaie or cinn Illurghaidi; η Donnchad

gambna (O'Mahony) will tell it; for it was he that put this book from English, and from Latin, from Greek, and from Hebrew, into Irish, to show the ways on sea and on land to Jerusalem, to every one who may wish to go in pilgrimage thither, and to the river Orrthannan [i.e. the Jordan], and Mount Sion; and [to describe] every way that John* proceeded from that out; and to relate every prodigy that John saw amongst the peoples and countries of the world in general. And the age of the Lord when John made his journey was one thousand years, and three bundred and thirty-two years. His aget, when Finghin put it ultimately into Irish was one thousand, four hundred and seventy-And John was thirty-four two years. years visiting the world, and on his return to Rome the Pope confirmed his book.

"These are the Lords who were over the Gaeidhel when Finghin put this into Irish, viz :- Tadhg‡, son of Domhnall 6g, son of Tadhg of the monastery, son of Domhnall óg, as Mac Carthaigh Mór; and Diarmait, son of Tadhg, son of Amhlabh, was the O'Sullivan Berre; and Donnchadh, son of Diarmait, son of Domhnall, son of Finghin, and Domhuall, with their brothers, over Ui-Echach; and Cormac§, son of Donnehadh, son of Domhnall Riabhach, over Ui-Cairpre; and Diarmait, son of Domhnall Riabhach, as the Mac Carthaigh Cairbrech; and Domhnall, son of Domhnall, son of Domhnall Cluasach over Slicht-Diarmada-Remhair | ; and Finghin, son of Mac Con, son of Mac Con, son

^{*} i. e. Sir John Mandeville.

[†] i. e. Our Lord's age, or the era of A. D.

[†] This was Tadhg, called Liath, or the grey. See "Life and Letters of Florence MacCarthy," by Daniel MacCarthy, p. 452.

[§] See 4. M. 1477, and "Life of Florence MacCarthy," p. 453.

[&]quot;The descendants of Diarmait Remhair," or the Fat.

oz mac Coippbealbaiż mie bpiain mie Machzainna inna .h. bpiain; 7 Enni mac Cozain mic Heill oiz ına .h. Neill, 7 zpen zpeana Conżail αδ Conn mac Geöa buiði mic bpiain ballait, j bepbpathaip a athap ina h. Neillbuiöi ; 7 Geö Rugo mac Neill zainb mic Coinnbelbait an Pina ina .h. Domnaill; 7 zpen ichzaip Connache aizei; 7 Peiölim mac Toippoelbais mic Geoa mic Toippbelbaiż ma .h. Concubaip; η ταόχο caoch mac Uilliam iCellait ina .h. Cellait; 7 Uilliam mac Geba mic φριαίν της αραίο σου ταορ ταιρ δο ructa; 7 Cozan mac Munchaba hi Maoużam ap τρι nanmehada; j. Munchao mac Muincenzaiż mic Donnchada Caemanaid na niz an laiznib; 7 Cachaip mae Cuinn mie an Calbait an ibh Concubain; 7 cabe mae laizen mie puaiopi ina .h. Duinn; 7 Sean mac lilaolpuanaizh mie Ταιόχε mie Ταιόχε na piz ap 'Cilib; 7 Hilla na naomh mac Caiöz mic Tilla na naomh an ib Meachan; ez alıı mulzı an Eipinn o runn amach nach pimcap ap baiz chuimne.

of Finghin, as O'Edirsceoil [O'Driscoll] Mór; and Cormac, son of Tadhg*, son of Cormac, over Musgraidhe; and Donnchadh óg, son of Torrdealbach, son of Brian, son of Mathgamhain, as the O'Brien; and Henry, son of Eoghan, son of Niall og, as the O'Neill; and the power of Trian-Conghail+ was with Conn, son of Aedh Buidhe, son of Brian Ballagh; and the brother of his father was the O'Neill Buidhe; and Aédh Ruadh, son of Niall Garbh, son of Torrdelbach-an-fhina, was the O'Donnell, (and he had the power of lower Connacht); and Feidhlim, son of Torrdelbach, son of Aedh, son of Torrdelbach, was the O'Concobhair; and Tadhg Caoch, son of William O'Cellaigh, was the O'Cellaigh; and William+, son of Aedh, son of Brian, was opposed to him on the eastern side of the Succ; and Eoghan§ son of Murchadh O'Madughain [O'Madden] was over Sil-Anmchada; and Murchadh, son of Muirchertach, son of Donnchadh Caemhanach, was king over Leinster; and Cathair, son of Conn, son of the Calbach [the Bald] over the Ui Conchobhair | ; and Tadhg, son of Laighen, son of Ruaidhri, was the O'Duinn; and John, son of Maolruanaigh, son of Tadhg, son of Tadhg, was king over the Eile¶; and Gilla-na-naemh, son of Tadhg, son of Gilla-na-naemh, over the Ui Meachair**; et alii multi in Erinn from that time forth, who are not reckoned for commemoration.

Then follows the Irish translation of Sir John Mandeville's travels to fol. 68. b. col. 2.

^{*} Slain, 1495, 4. M.

[†] A name for the district of Clanaboy, or inheritance of Clann-Aedha-buidhe.

[‡] See Geneal. Table, No. 32, in O'Donovan's "Hy Many," p. 96.

[§] Ibid., No. 31.

^{||} That is, the O'Connor Failghe.

[¶] That is, the Eile-O'Carroll.

^{**} The Cineal Mechair, whose tribe name was Ui-Cairin, whence the bar my of Ikerrin, Co. of Tipperary. The name is now Meagher.

I have decyphered and translated from my rough notes the foregoing very curious document, by the able assistance of my friend Mr. W. M. Hennessy. We learn from it that this book was transcribed at Rossbroin, "in the country of Hy nEchach Mumhan," now Ivaugh*, the territory of O'Mahony, in the country of Cork. Rossbroin, now Rossbrin, was a eastle of the O'Mahonys, in the parish of Skull, barony of West Carbery.

"The person," that is to say, the author of the original work of which this MS, contains an Irish translation, was Sir John Mandeville, "a Knight of the people of the King of the Saxons," whose well known travels in the Holy Land were so popular in England, and indeed in Europe, in the 14th and following centuries. It has not, I believe been hitherto known that there was an Irish version of this remarkable book, made at the close of the 15th century, by an eminent Irish chieftain, Finghin O'Mathgamhna, or O'Mahony. This is no doubt the same Finghin, or Florence (as the name is generally anglicized) O'Mahony who died in the year 1496, according to the Chronology of the Four Masters, and who is described by them as Finghin O'Mahony of Fonn-iarthuracht, "general supporter of the humanity and hospitality of West Munster, a wise man, learned in the Latin and the English." The Annals of Ulster (Dublin MS.) called him "a man of understanding, penetration, learning, and knowledge in the history of the world, top 7 abar, "in the east and here."

This description agrees very well with what we may conceive to have been the character of a man who had executed such a work as a translation into Irish of Sir John Mandeville's Travels. The writer then gives us the genealogy of this Fingin O'Mahony, up to Diarmait Mór; and the Four Masters mention another Diarmait, "a truly hospitable man, who never refused anything to any one," who died in 1427. This was perhaps the father of Fingin, the translator of Sir John Mandeville. The early genealogy of Mathgamhain, son of Cian, who was a contemporary of Brian Borumha, will be found in the Append. A. to

^{*} Ivaugh or Iveagh, is an attempt to soften for English pronunciation the Irish Ibh [ablative plural of Ui or Hy] Eochadha. See Wars of the Gael and the Gall, p. 243, Table IV., No. 8, Intr., p. clviii., n. 5.

[†] Fonn-iartharach, i. e. the western land; the name given to the territory of Hy nEachadho, the patrimony of this branch of the O'Mahonys. See Dr. O'Donovan's note on the Four Masters, at A. D 1496.

the Danish Wars, Table V., The generations between him and the Fingin who translated Sir John Mandeville are as follows:—

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Mathgamhain son of Cian
| a quo O'Mahony.
Diarmaid.
| Conchobhar.
| Diarmaid.
| Conchobhar.
| Conchobhar.
| + Fingin.
| + Diarmait, ob. 1427.
| † Fingin*, ob. 1496.
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The Irish author of the memorandum just quoted further tells us that Sir John Mandeville set out on his travels on Michaelmas day, 1332, that he was thirty-four years "visiting the world;" that on his return to Rome "his book was confirmed by the Pope;" and that Fingin O'Mahony "put it into Irish," in the year 1472.

The importance of this translation into Irish of the famous travels of Sir John Mandeville can scarcely be exaggerated. If it were transcribed and printed, it would probably add considerably to our Irish vocabulary; and it would also establish the state of the text of Sir John's work at the close of the 15th century, which is suspected of having been corrupted by many interpolations of the monks, with a view to promote pilgrimages to the Holy Land. That Sir John's book was "confirmed by the Pope," is expressly stated by himself. See Halliwell's edition, Lond. 1860, pp. 314, 315.

It is worthy of notice that the earliest printed edition of the work, with a date, was that in Italian, by Pietra de Cornero, Milan, 1480, 4to. which was followed by the edition in English, printed at West-

^{*} The names marked (†) are given in the passage just quoted from the Rennes MS. They will also be found, with the

earlier portion of the genealogy, in Cronnelly's Hist. of the Eoghanachts, in a note, quoted from a Lambeth MS., p. 225.

minster, by Wynkyn de Worde, 1499, 8vo.; the Irish version of the work, written in 1472, was therefore earlier than any printed edition*.

Then we have a very curious and interesting list of the chieftains of the principal Irish tribes in this latter year. It speaks for itself, and cannot fail to be of great value to the genealogist. It will be seen that, although some preponderance is given to the southern tribes, yet the list extends to all Ireland.

It may be convenient to some readers to have here, in a tabular form, the names of the above-named chieftains under their respective clans or kingdoms:—

- 1. Mac Carthy mor. Tadde [called Liath, the Grey], son of Domhnall og, son of Tadde na Mainistrech, son of Domhnall og.
- 2. O'Sullivan Beare, or Berre. DIARMAIT, s. of Tadhg, s. of Amhlaibh [or Olaf].
- 3. Ui Echach. Donnchad, s. of Diarmait, s. of Domhnall, s. of Finghin, and Domhnall, with their brothers. [The family name, after surnames were established, was O'Mathgamhna, or O'Mahony. Book of Rights, p. 256, n., Topograph. Poems of O'Dubhagain and O'Huidhrin, p. lxviii. n. (588)].
- 4. Ui Cairpre. Cormac, s. of Donnchadh, s. of Domhnall Riabhach [or Reagh].

et hominis interioris dialogus, sign. a—(in eights); (2) Proverbia in theutonico primo deinde in Latino sibi invicem consonantia, sign. a—d; (3) Liber cujus auctor fertur Joannes de Mandeville, sign. A—H; (4) Ludolphi de itinere ad terram sanctam (1336), sign. aa—hh; (5) Liber Marci Pauli de Veneciis, De Consuetudinibus et conditionibus orientalium regionum, sign. a—k.

Sir John Mandeville died at Liége, 17 Nov., 1372. Many MSS. of his Travels exist in our public libraries; but as Sir John died before the invention of printing, it is not wonderful that a century should have elapsed after his death before the book was printed.

^{*} According to some authorities there was a Latin version of Sir John Mandeville's travels, printed at Liége, in 1455; but others tell us that this edition is without date. The truth is, that this Latin version was made from the original French, in 1355, at Liége, but printed at Venice, perhaps about the year 1455, although the date of printing is not given. See the colophon at the end of it. A fine copy of this rare book is in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin. It forms one of a series of five Tracts, bound together, which were all evidently printed at the same time, and were probably issued in the same volume. The book has no pagination. The tracts it contains are (1) S. Bonaventuræ animæ

- 5. Mac Carthy Cairbrech. Diarmait, s. of Domhnall Riabhach [or Reagh]. See the genealogy, Life of Florence Mac Carthy, by Daniel Mac Carthy, p. 453.
- 6. Slicht Diarmada Remhair. Domhnall, s. of Domhnall, s. of Domhnall Cluasach.
- 7. O'Eidirsceoil (or O'Driscoll) mór. Finghin, s. of Mac Con, s. of Mac Con, s. of Finghin.
- 8. Musgraidhe (or Muskerry). Cormac, s. of Tadhg, s. of Cormac.
- 9. The O'Brien. Donnchad og, s. of Tordealbach [or Turlogh], s. of Mathgamhain [or Mahon].
- 10. The O'Neill. Henry, s. of Eoghan, s. of Niall og.
- 11. Trian Conghail, or Clann-Aedha-Buidhe [now Clanaboy]. Conn., s. of Aedh Buidhe, s. of Brian Ballagh.
- 12. O Neill Buidhe. The brother of Aedh Buidhe (see No. 11).
- 13. The O'Donnell (with the power of lower Connacht). Аери Ruadh, s. of Niall Garbh, s. of Tordealbach an Fina.
- 14. The O'Conchobhair [or O'Conor]. Feidhlim, s. of Tordealbach, s. of Aedh, s. of Tordealbach.
- 15. The O'Cellaigh [or O'Kelly]. Tadde Caoch, s. of William O'Cellaigh; but William, s. Aedh, s. of Brian, was opposed to him on the Eastern side of the river Suck [i. e. in Dealbhna Nuadhat].
- 16. Sil Anmchada [the O'Madughain, or O'Madden]. Eоднах, s. of Murchad O'Madughain.
- 17. King of Leinster. Микснарн, s. of Muircheartach, s. of Donchadh Caemhanach [Kavenagh].
- 18. O' Conchobhar [Failghe]. CATHAIR, s. of Con, s. of the Calbach.
- 19. O'Duinn (O'Dunne). Tadhg, s. of Laighen, s. of Ruaidhri.
- 20. King of Eile [i. e. Eile or Ely O Carroll]. Tadhg. s. of Tadhg.
- 21. O'Meachair. Gilla-na-naemh, s. of Tadhg, s. of Gilla-na-naemh.

Fol. 69. a. col. 1.—Here follows a religious tract of no historical interest, to fol. 74 a.

Fol. 74. b.--was originally blank, but now contains the following note:—

"Ambitiosus honos, luxus, turpisque voluptas Haec tria pro trino Numine mundus habet. Miri Emaino óz o Cealluiz do repiob an pand laidni ri ain baile puint an pidepi i. anta Fleand, an reired la do mi Auzurt, 1599, an ced diadain do cozad Muimned a naizaidi zall; 7 zo ma leoran cheodar rin ma za coil dia [read Oé] linn docum na zuizi rin do denam.

"I am Edmond of O'Kelly who wrote* this Latin verse in Baile-Puirt-an-Rideri*, i. e. in the Glenn, the sixth day of the month of August, 1599; the first year of the war of the Munstermen against the Foreigners; and may this plundering fall upon them, if the will of God be with us in making this prayer.

The "Foreigners" here spoken of are of course the English. A full account of the "war" alluded to will be found in the Four Masters (1599, 1600), O'Sullevan Beare, *Hist. Catholicor. Ibern. Compend.* (tom. iii. lib. 5. c. ix.), and other authorities. The unfortunate expedition of the Earl of Essex in Munster is no doubt intended.

Fol. 75. a. col. 1.—The Life of St. Colman, son of Luachan, commencing "Viriliter agite et confortetur cor vestrum omnes qui speratis in Domino:" the rest is in Irish; it occupies fifteen leaves. I am not aware of the existence of any copy of this Life in Ireland. Colgan does not appear to have had it in his possession. He makes no mention of it, and has made up a short life, compiled by himself, from the various notices of St. Colman mac Luachain, and of his half brother, who was also named Colman. Acta SS. 30 Mart., p. 792.

There is great confusion between these two saints, in consequence of their having had the same name, as well as from the similarity in the names of their churches. Lassar, their common mother, had two sons, both named Colman, but by different fathers. One of these, called also Mo-Colm-og (with the diminutive affix og, little or beloved, and the devotional prefix mo, my, that is to say, "my special saint or patron"), was venerated on the 30th March. He was of the tribe of Hua Guala, whose territory was Gail-fhine in Ulster; his church was Lann-mocholmog [church of St. Mocholmog] now Magheralin or Maralin, in Dalaradia in Ulster. The other Colman, mac Luachain, or son of

anna. The castle of Glin was called Cloch-Glenna. It was surprised and sacked, and every soul within it put to death, including some women and children, by Sir George Carew, President of Munster, aided by the Earl of Thomond, in 1600. See Four Masters.

^{* &}quot;The town of the Knight's port in the Glenn." Dr. Reeves suggests that this must be Glin, or Glenn-Corbraighe, in the N. W. of the Co. of Limerick, where there is a good harbour on the Shannon, where the Knight of Glin resides, and from which he takes his title; in Irish, Ridire an Gle-

Luachan, was venerated on the 17th of June, at a place in Meath, called also Lann, and Lann-mic-Luachain [church of the son of Luachan], to distinguish it from the Lann, or church of his half-brother. This Luachan was son of Aedh, son of Maine, son of Fergus Cearbhaill, son of Conall Crimhthann, son of Niall of the Nine Hostages. Both the brothers Colman flourished at the close of the 7th century. See Colgan, ubisupra, and Four Masters, at A. D. 699.

It is probable that the Irish Life of St. Colman mac Luachain preserved in the Rennes MS., would effectually remove this confusion between the two brothers; and I regret very much, for that reason, that it was not in my power, during my stay at Rennes, to transcribe it; but it would have taken at least a fortnight's hard work to do so; and as I was ordered abroad for relaxation, and to escape hard work, this was to me impossible.

Fol. 90. a.—Here follows, in a most beautiful hand, a copy of the Dinnsenchus, or History of the Forts of Ireland. This part of the volume is certainly as old as the close of the 13th or beginning of the 14th century.

It commences thus:-

Senchair bind Epend into do pione amongen mac amalza intile bona beirib tempach . . .

The history of the forts of Erinn begins here, which Amorgein, son of Amhalgaidh, the Poet of the Deisi of Tara, wrote

Of this tract we have several copies—a very good one (although imperfect) in the book of Leinster in Trinity College, and others in the Library of this Academy. But the Rennes copy exceeds in beauty of penmanship almost any MS. of its date that I have ever seen.

With this the volume terminates.

It is unfortunately impossible, as I have been informed, consistently with the rules of the Rennes Library, to obtain a loan of this, to us, singularly interesting volume; but if any competent Irish scholar, who could spend some weeks at Rennes, would transcribe the Irish version of Sir John Mandeville's Travels, and the Life of St. Colman mac Luachain, he would confer a most important benefit on Irish literature.

DE QUIBUSDAM EPISCOPIS.

BODLEIAN MS.; RAWLINSON, No. 480.

[See Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy, vol. ix. (1865) p. 184.]

Isu Chipe, Mapia, Pathaic, Colum Cille, bhizio.—Cuimpe cuimnizte punna ap apoile do earboccaid Epenn da nac dipintep puide earpocca anopa, zé zombad dipineca ina puidib azur peib uderne.

Τυιδ α Ιέξτόιρ πα ρύιδε αρ τοραί, τρ πα heappoice ιαρτταιπ.

Mipi an Oubalzać mac pipbipiż ezpap po 17 Mapzii anno Chpipzi 1665 no 1666.

Ciao Caoin.— Catbao mac Penzura epreop Ciaio caoin centerpimo anno aetatip puae obiit.

Noza: 50 mad ionann Céud caoin azur einn annro.

Achao Cinn.—Cazoub mac Pepzura epreop Acaio Cinn, anno Chpirci 554. Caoza ap céo bliadna araozal.

Cléaö Cozapéa.— υριζιο inżen Valloponaiż. η Viapmaio, αχυρ Clonzup. αχυρ Εργεορ Εοχαη—το βοταρταίο τοίδ. Ιτέ μι in Clehao Cozapea i cepích Ua nVuach muize hClipzeopoip.

((ino lilóin—Deacclan ((inoe Moine, eprcop azur conferróin; oo riól Péoleimio peaccmain ni Epenn. Dona hearpoccaib baban nia bDacpaic in Epinn in Declan pin.

- ¹ For the annotations the translator is indebted to W. M. Hennessy, M.R.I.A.
- ² Achadh-Caoin (or Achadh-cinn). This place has not been satisfactorily identified. Colgan (Trias Thaum., p. 182) thought that it was the same place as Achadh-na-Cille (Aughnakilly, barony of Kilconway, county of Antrim). See Reeves's Down and Conner, p. 89, note ^a.
- and O'Donovan's Four Masters, A.D. 554, note o.
- 3 Cathbadh—Cathdubh. Different names of the same person, who is called Cathub in the Martyrologies of Tallaght and Donegal, where his obit is entered under April 6. The Four Mast. (A. D. 554) also write the name Cathub; but the Chron. Scotorum (A. D. 555) has

ON SOME BISHOPS OF IRELAND,

BY DUALD MAC FIRBIS.1

TRANSLATED BY D. H. KELLY, M. R. I. A.

JESUS, MARY, PATRICK, COLUMB CILLE, BRIGIT.—Brief memorials here of certain Bishops of Erinn, for whom episcopal sees are not now reckoned; although they were reckoned in their own times and sees.

Take notice, reader, that the sees are placed first, and the bishops after.

I am Duald Mac Firbis who arranges this, the 17th March, Anno Christi 1665 or 1666.

ACHADH-CAOIN.² Cathbadh,³ son of Fergus, bishop of Achadh-Caoin; in the one hundred and fiftieth year of his age he died.

Note: Haply Achad-Caoin and [Achadh]-Cinn are identical.

Achadh-Cinn.—Cathdubh,³ son of Fergus, bishop of Achadh-Cinn, Anno Christi 554; fifty and one-hundred years his age.

ACHADH-TOGARTHA.—Brigid, daughter of Dallbronagh, and Diarmaid and Ængus, and Bishop Eoghan; they were of the Fotharta. It is they who are in Achadh-Togartha, in the territory of Hy Duach of the plain of Airgedros.

Ardmore?—Declan of Ardmore, bishop and confessor, of the race of Fedhlimidh Rectmhar, king of Erinn. This Declan was of the bishops that were in Erinn before Patrick.

Cathbadh. The latter authority also gives his age as 150 years.

- 4 Fotharta: now the barony of Forth, county of Carlow; called Fothartha-Ui-Nolain, or O'Nolan's Fothartha, to distinguish it from other districts called Fothartha.
 - 5 Achadh-Togartha. See next note.
- ⁶ Airgedros. Ui-Duach, or Hy-Duach, is represented by the present parish of

Odogh, barony of Fassadineen, county of Kilkenny. But, according to an Inquisition taken in the year 1635, the district of Ui-Duach was then considered co-extensive with the said barony. See O'Donovan's note, Four Masters, A. D. 850, note e, and MS. 24, C. 6., R. I. A.

⁷ Barony of Decies-within Drum, Co. Waterford.

Aipegal Muadain. .i. Muadan eprcop б dipegal Muadain; 30 Augurt.

aipino londuiż.—Diapmaid eppcop 6 Oipind londuiż.

Aipziall.—Aoò O Ceallaibe eprcop Aipziall, ir cenn cananaè Epenn, quieuiz 1182.

Maoliopa O Cepbaill, eprcop Aipziall, quieuiz 1187.

Maoliora mac an eppcoip mic Maoilèianain, eppcop Ainziall, vo écc 1195.

Niocol mac Carhapait, eprcop Aiptiall, floruit anno 1356.

bpian mac Cażmail, eppcop αιρδιαll, το écc 1358.

Cloo Ua hebiait, eprcop Ciptiall, quieuπ 1369.

Aipten Laiten.—Plaitein Ua Ouibion, eproop aipten laiten, oo ecc 1104.

Dazban inbip Daoile, .i. eppcop, in aipżep laiżen aza in Inbep Daoile. 13 Sept.

Aipten Maize.—Diapmaid mac Mečain eprcop 6 Aipten maize, i z uait pata i prepaid Manach.

Golmaż.—Seżt neprcoip ο Golmuiż .i. in Oomnach móp .i. un. neprcoip Oomnaiż móip Golmuiże. Μάρ έ γο ατα Golmaz i mbpeirne Ui Ruaipc.

Dallan Golmuite eppcop, 14 December.

Condpuim.—Cuimine epicop naondpoma, quieuiz cipca annum 661.

Οεχετάσιρ eprcop naonopoma, pausat 730.

Colman epreop naonopoma, quieuiz 871.

Chou per Caeudham canno Chiber 645. Qui map 6 Le compres Caeudham; Lec Caoudham.

Mochoma eppcop naonopoma.

- ¹ Errigal, county of Monaghan.
- ² Airiud-Ionduigh, not identified.
- ³ Airgiall (Oriel), i. e. bishopric of Clogher.
- 4 O'Cellaigh. The Four Mast. and the Ann. L. Cé, &c., call him O'Caellaighi, or O'Kealy; but in Ware's list of the bishops of Clogher, he is called O'Kelly.
 - 3 Ann. L. Cé, and IV. M.
 - 6 IV. M.; but Ware says in 1184.

- 7 Ware.
- 8 Ob. 1356, Four Masters.
- " IV. M.
- 10 Aedh O'Heothaigh: i. e. Hugh O'Hoey. His name is not in Ware's list of the bishops of Clogher. The IV. M. have the death of Aodh O'Neill, bishop of Clogher, at the year 1369, as also the Annals of Loch Cé; and the name Ua Heothaigh is probably a mistake for

AIREGAL-MUADHAIN. — Muadhan, bishop of Airegal-Muadhain, 30th August.

AIRIUD-IONDUIGH.2—Diarmaid, bishop of Airiud-Ionduigh.

Alrgiall.3—Hugh O'Cellaigh,4 bishop of Airghiall, and head of the canons of Erinn, quievit 1182.5

Maolisa O'Carroll, bishop of Airgiall, went to his rest 1187.6

Maolisa, son of the bishop Mac Maelchiaran, bishop of Airgiall, died 1195.7

Nicholas Mac Cathasaigh, bishop of Airgiall, flourished 1356.8

Brian Mac Cathmail, bishop of Airgiall, died 1358.9

Aodh O'Heothaigh, 10 bishop of Airgiall, quievit 1369.

AIRTHER-ACHAIDH.11—Lughaidh, bishop of Airther-achaidh.

AIRTHER-LAIGHEN.¹² — Flaithemh O'Dwyer, bishop of Airther-Laighen, died 1104.¹³

Dagdan of Inbher-Daile, ¹⁴ id est bishop; in Airther-Laighen he is, in Inbher-Daile, ¹³ Sep. ¹⁵

Airther-Maighe. ¹⁶—Diarmaid, son of Mechar, bishop of Airther-Maighe, in Tuath-ratha ¹⁷ in Fermanagh.

Aolmagh. 15—Seven bishops from Aolmagh, id est in Domhnachmor; viz., seven bishops of Domhnach-mor-Aolmaighe. If this be so, Aolmagh is in Breifne-O'Ruaire.

Dallan of Aolmagh, bishop, 14 December.¹⁹

Aondruim, 20 —Cummine, bishop of Aondruim, quievit circa annum $^{661.^{21}}$

Oegetchair, bishop of Aondruim, pausat 730.22

Colman, bishop of Aondruim, quievit 871.23

Cronan Beg, bishop of Aondruim, anno Christi 642.24 Perhaps this is he with whom Caendruim is placed. See Caendruim.

Mochoma, bishop of Aendruim.

that of O'Neill.

- 11 Airther-Achaidh, not identified.
- 12 Airther-Laighen; East Leinster.
- 13 Four Masters.
- ¹⁴ Inbher-Daile; Ennereilly, county of Wicklow.
 - 15 Mart. Taml. and Mart. Doneg.
- 16 Airther-Maighe. Armoy, Co. Fermanagh.
 - 17 Tuath-ratha. Tooraah in Fermanagh.

- ¹⁸ Aolmagh. Donaghmore, barony of Dromahaire, county of Leitrim.
 - 19 Mart. Doneg.
- ²⁰ Aondruim. Mahee Island, in Strangford Lough.
- ²¹ Four Masters, 658: Tig. and Chron. Scot. 659.
 - 22 IV. M.
 - ²³ IV. M.
 - 24 Ob. IV. M.

Cpiozan eppeop naonopoma, anno Cpipzi 632.

Cuimen eppcop naonopoma, anno bomini 698.

Ора.—Сеспесь сотарьа Сппа Сппе, ергор азиг апсопре, аппо 916.

Aelchu vapab ann pupa Aipne, mac Paoléaip mic Eváluis; azur pa pí Oppuize in Paoleaip pin. Ap uaiv píol Paoléaip la hOppaize. Unme avbepap bo pupa il papa; ó po zab abvaine na Roma vap éip nThezoip, azur poppacaib a avvaine azur vo luiv vo iappuiv a maizipopech vaipir zo hiapvap Coppa, azur zo hApuinn na náem; zonav í an vper pelic ainzil Aipne pelic Dupa mic Paeléaip mic Cavaluiz.

brecan (nó bracan) eprcop: 50 mað é ro brecan Aipne i ceill blipecáin i neuad Muinan.

Apo brecam.—Aelonao epropano brecam, montuur 776. Maoluma epropano brecam, ob. 823.

brecan eprop (airos brecan Mive), no abb Maize bile, 6 December.

αρο έαρπα.—beoaró eprcop αροα έαρπα, quieuro 523. α péil ap an 8. lá σο Μαρτα.

Ορό γρασα.— Οργοορ Θοζαν Ορόα γρασα.

Μοργ ΜαοιΙροξαρταιξ, εργοορ αροα γραέα, 678.

Coibben eprcop Apda ppaża, quieuiz 705. Voiż zup ionann ip Coibbenać eprcop Apda ppaża, zerda anno Cpipzi 706, pa péil aza ap an 26 la do November.

(1° Dec^r.) 1 ταοβ chenannya 1 Mióe.

^{1 638,} Chron. Scot. and IV. M.

² Cuimen. This Cuimen is not referred to in any of the Irish Annals; and the editor does not know where Mac Firbis found the date of his obit.

³ The Great island of Aran, in Galway Bay.

⁴ Fonr Masters.

⁵ Pupa. In the Life of S. Endeus, published by Colgan, a note occurs relative to this Pupa, or Papa, of which the following is a translation:—

[&]quot;Three holy men went from Ireland into Britain, &c.; after some time they went to Rome. At this time the Roman pontiff died, and the people and clergy sought to make S. Pupeus, one of the three, pope, but which he refused to consent to, and St. Hilarius was made comarb of Peter... At length the three return to Ireland, and go to Aran."—Act. SS. p. 708, cap. 19.

⁶ Cill-Brecain; now Kilbreckan, barony of Upper Bunratty, county of Clare.

Criotan, bishop of Aondruim, [ob.] anno Christi 632.1

Cuimen,2 bishop of Aondruim, [ob.] anno Domini 698.

Ara.3—Ecenech, comarb of Enna of Ara, bishop and anchorite, [ob.] anno 916.4

Aelehu, who was named the Pope of Ara, the son of Faolchar, son of Edalach; the said Faolchar was king of Ossory, and from him descend the race of Faolchar in Ossory. The reason why he was called Pupa's (Pope), was because he obtained the abbaey of Rome after Gregory; and he vacated the abbaey, and went in search of his master (i. e. Gregory), across to the west of Europe, and to Ara of the saints; so that the third angelical cemetery of Ara is the cemetery of Pupa, son of Faolchar, son of Edalach.

Brecan, or Bracan, bishop. Perhaps this is Brecan of Ara, who is [venerated] in Cill-Brecain⁶ in Thomond.

Ard-Brecain.7—Aelgnad, bishop of Ard-Brecan, died 776.6

Maoluma,9 bishop of Ard-Brecain, ob. 823.

Brecan, bishop (of Ard-Brecain in Meath), or abbot of Magh-Bile, ¹⁰ 6 December. ¹¹

Ard-Charna. 12—Beo Aedh [Aedus vivus], bishop of Ard-Carna, quievit 523. 13 His festival is on the eighth day of March. 14

ARD-SRATHA.¹⁵—Owen, bishop of Ard-Sratha.

Death of Maelfogharty, bishop of Ard-Sratha, 678.16

Coibden, bishop of Ard-Sratha, quievit 705. Probably this is the same as Coibdenach, bishop of Ard-Sratha, who died A. D. 706, 17 whose festival is on the 26th day of November. 18

Ath-da-laarg. 19—Bishop Coinne from Ath-da-laarg (1st December), near Cenannus, in Meath.

- ⁷ Ard-Brecain, county of Meath.
- 8 Four Masters.
- ⁹ Maeluma. The Four Masters record, under A. D. 823, the death of a Maelrubha, bishop of Ard-Brecain.
- ¹⁰ Magh-Bile. Moville, county of Down. The festival of Brecan, abbot or bishop of Magh-Bile, is set down in the Calendar at 29 April.
 - 11 Mart. Doneg.
 - 12 Ard-Charna; Ardcarne, barony of

- Boyle, county of Roscommon.
 - ¹³ Four Masters; 518, Chron. Scot.
 - 14 Mart. Doneg.
- 15 Ard-Sratha. Ardstraw, county of Tyrone.
 - 16 IV. M. Chron. Scot.
 - 17 Ann. Ulster and Chron. Scot.
 - 18 Mart. Doneg.
- ¹⁹Ath-da-laarg. "Ford of two forks;" near Kells, county of Meath.

ατ΄ συιρη.—Pınnéc συιρη, eprcop Cille Pınnce, 6 ατή συιρη in Οργαίζε 2 Feb.

Ath pabat.—lò eppcop o At pabat i Laiznib, 14 Julii.

Ach chuim.—Donnicatio Connaic epreop Acha chuim, 741.

Poinzenn eproop (virzibul Paznaice), ó Aż znuim a Laozaine, xi Oczoben.

Cennpaelao epreop acha chuim, quienic 819.

Loman, epreop 6 ach chuim (virzibul Pachaic) xi Occoben.

Maolécin epreop azur anzeoipe acha cpuim, 929.

Copmac epreop Aża zpuim, azur comapba Pazpaic; anno 496, 17 February.

Oppain eppcop o Raiż Oppain ppi Azh zpuim aniap; anno Cpipzi 686; February 17.

Cuimen eppcop in Cit zpuim; February 17.

Lachzan eppcop in Ciż zpuim; February 17.

baile Slaine.—Cape Sláine eppeop Lioleaiz, ir 6 Pepza pep pez i zzaob Sioba Tpuim anaip; anno 512 an zan zepba, xc. a doip. Ur é aza i mbaíle Slaine et cetera.

benncop.—Outbing, paof azur eppcop muinzipe benncaip, 951.

Οιαρπαίο Ο Maoiltelcha, comapha Chomżaill, eaccnuio ροίρτε, γτριδηίο ατυρ εργτορ, το έτ 1016.

Daniel eppcop benocaip, 11 Septembris.

Cele Dabaill mac Szanvail, epicop ez cezepa, vo éc 927. Cele Dabaill mac Szanvail vo val von Roím a habvaine benvian, 926.

- ¹ Ath-Duirn, i. e. "the Ford of Dorn." The Mart. of Donegal adds that Dorn was the name of a hill in Magh-Raighne. It was probably near or at Cill-Finnche.
- ² Cill. Finnehe; the church of Finnech, now Killinny, in the parish and barony of Kells, county of Kilkenny.
- ³ Ath-fadat; Aghade, or Ahade, barony of Forth, county of Carlow.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg.
 - ⁵ Ath-Truim; Trim, county of Meath.

- ⁶ Four Masters; 745, Ann. Ult.
- ⁷ Laoghaire, or Ui-Laoghaire, the ancient name of a district comprising the greater part of the present baronies of Upper and Lower Navan, county of Meath.
 - * Mart. Doneg.
 - 9 IV. M.
 - 10 Mart. Doneg.
- 11 Maelecin. This name is written Maeleoin (Malone) by the Four Masters He was probably the same as Maeloin,

Ath-duirn. 1—Finnech-Duirn, bishop of Cill-Finche² from Ath-duirn in Ossory, 2 Feb.

ATH-FADAT.3—Id, bishop of Ath-fadat, in Leinster, July 14.4

ATH-TRUIM.5—Dormitatio of Cormac, bishop of Ath-truim, 741.6

Fortchern, bishop (disciple of Patrick), from Ath-truim, in Laoghaire, 11 October.

Cennfaeladh, bishop of Ath-truim, quievit, 819.9

Loman, bishop, from Ath-truim, a disciple of Patrick, 11 October. ¹⁰ Maolécin, ¹¹ bishop and anchorite of Ath-Truim, ob. 929. ¹²

Cormac, bishop of Ath-truim, and comarb of Patrick, [ob.] anno 496, 13 17 Feb. 14

Bishop Ossan, from Rath-Ossain, ¹⁵ to the west of Ath-truim, anno Christi 686, ¹⁶ 17 Feb. ¹⁷

Cuimen, bishop in Ath-truim, 17 Feb.18

Lachtan, bishop in Ath-truim; 17 Feb.¹⁹

Baile Slaine. 20—Erc of Slane, bishop of Lioleagh, and from Fertafer-feg, at the eastern side of Sidh-truim. It was the year 512²¹ when he died: his age was 90. It is he that is (venerated) in the town of Slane, &c.

Bennchor.²²—Duibhinsi, a most eminent man, and bishop of the community of Bennchar, 951.²³

Diarmaid O'Maeltelcha, comarb of Comghall, a perfect wise man, scribe and bishop, died in 1016.24

Daniel, bishop of Benncha, 11 September.²⁵

Ceile-Dabhaill, son of Scannall, went to Rome from the abbacy of Benncha, $926.^{26}$

bishop and anchorite, whose festival is given in the Mart. Dung. at the 20th of October.

- 12 Four Masters.
- 13 IV. M. and Chron. Scot.
- 14 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 15 Rath-Ossain. This was the name of a place a little to the west of Trim. In the Annals of Ulster and of the Four Masters, Ossan, or Osseni, is called bishop of Monasterboice.
 - 16 Ann. Ult.
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- 17 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 18 Mart. Taml.
- 19 Mart. Taml.
- ²⁰ Baile Slaine. Slane, county of Meath.
 - ²¹ Four Masters; 513, Chron. Scot.
 - 22 Bennehor; Bangor, county of Down
 - 23 IV. M.
 - ²⁴ IV. M.; 1017, Chron. Scot.
 - 25 Mart. Taml. and Mart. Doneg.
 - 26 IV. M.

bez Épe.—Eppcop lubap baoi in Epinn na eppcop puil ταιπις βασραίζ na eppcop inte, σο άιτις ipin imip (ap muip laim le λαίξπιβ) σαπα hainm bez E'pe. Tepoa anno Chpipti 500. A pel 23 Appeil.

Cponnmael abb bez Epenn, eppcop ip pep lezino Camlacza, 964.

Бюрра. — Ооби, ергсор Бюрра, 842.

Plaithnia eppcop bioppa, mortuus 851.

Dó clúain.—Praocan epreop ó bó cluain i Laoizir, ó chluain éiönech rair, nó ap béulaib rlébe blaoma im bó clúain, nó ó Inir mic Capea, no o Inri mic Capea.

both conair.—Céle Cpirt, 6 cill Cele Cpirt; in Uib Ounchada, 1 ppotapruib a Laiznib ata Cill Cele Cpirt 6 bbith conuir, 3 Marta.

brecmuiz.—Aiobice eprcop ir abb tipe da tlair.

αιόδε .i. aoόδε6, uaip ba be6 epén a bpeantaib azup a míopbuilib. ατα a ceall ppi hlimlec andep, no i mbpecmuit a cCepa in iaptap Connacht.

bpepne.—αόὁ Ο Ρίπο, eppcop na bpepne, το έτο in Inip Clotpainn, 1136.

Plann Ua Connachzaiz eppcop na bpepne, quieuiz 1132.

Síomon o puaire, epreop na breirne, quieuiz 1285.

Maża maδ Ouíbne, eprcop na bpeipne, quieuiz 1314.

Epreop na breigne .i. O Cpiobacain, quieur 1328.

Concobap mac Connama, eppcop na bpeipne, quieuit 1355.

- ¹ Beg-Eri; Beggery Island, Wexford Harbour.
 - ² Four Masters, and Chron. Scot.
 - 3 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 4 IV. M.
 - 5 Biorra; Birr, King's County.
 - 6 IV. M.
 - 7 IV. M.
- ⁸ Bo-chluain, "Cow's lawn or (meadow)." From the description, it would appear that two places in Laighis (Leix, Queen's County,) were so called—one to the east of Clonenagh, and the other somewhat to the west of it, or in front of Sliabh-Bladhma. The one here re-

ferred to is a couple of miles to the west of Maryborough.

- ⁹ Both-Chonais, pronounced Bo-chonais. This establishment is now represented by the old grave-yard in the townland of Binnion, parish of Clonmany, barony of Inishowen, and county of Donegal.
- 10 Hy Dunchadha. This was the name of the tract of land extending between the River Liffey and the Dublin mountains, the patrimony of the family of Mac Gilla Mocholmog, for an account of whom see Gilbert's "History of Dublin," vol. i. pp. 230, 403.

Beg-Eri. —Bishop Ibhar, who was in Erinn as a bishop before Patrick came as a bishop into it, dwelt in an island (in the sea near to Leinster), which is named Beg-Eri. He died A. C. 500.² His festival is on the 23rd April.³

Cronmael, abbot of Beg-Eri, bishop and lector of Tamlacht; [died] 964.4

Biorra. 5—Dodiu, bishop of Biorra, 842.6

Flaithnia, bishop of Biorra, mortuus 851.7

Bo-chluain. S—Fraechan, bishop of Bo-chluain, in Laighis, to the east of Cluain-eidhnech, or right before Sliabh-Bladhma, in Bo-chluain, or from Inis-mic-Erea, or from Insi-mic-Erea.

Both-Chonais. —Cele-Christ, of Cill-Cele-Christ, 3 March; in Hy Dunchada, 10 in the Fotharts 11 of Leinster, is the church of Cele-Christ of Both-Chonais.

Breemuign.12—Aidhbehe, bishop and abbot of Tir-da-glais.13

Aidbhe i. e. Aedh-beo (Aedus vivus), for he was active in prodigies and in miraeles. His church is to the south of Imlech, or in Breehmagh, in Cera, in the west of Connaught.

Breifne. 14—Aedh O'Finn, bishop of the Breifne, died in Inis-Clothrainn, 15 1136. 16

Flann O'Connaghty, bishop of the Breifne, quievit 1132.¹⁷ Simon O'Ruaire, bishop of the Breifne, quievit 1285.¹⁸ Matthew Mac Duibhne, bishop of the Breifne, quievit 1314.¹⁹ The bishop of the Breifne, i. e. O'Criodachan,²⁰ quievit 1328.²¹ Conor Mac Connamha, bishop of the Breifne, quievit, 1355.

" In the Fotharts; ι procuptorb. This should probably be ι poρτασαιδ, "in the Fortuathas (or border lands)," as the Fortuatha of Leinster included the southern part of the county of Dublin, and was not confined to the territory of Ui-Mail, in Wicklow, as O'Donovan thought. (See "Book of Rights," p. 250, note.)

¹² Breemuigh. Breaffy, barony of Carra, county of Mayo.

¹³ Tir-da-glais. Terryglass, barony of Lower Ormond, county of Tipperary.

14 Breifne, i.e. the present diocese of

Kilmore.

¹⁵ Inis-Clothrainn. Now Iniseloghran, in Lough Ree.

16 Ann. Loch Cé, and IV. M.

¹⁷ 1231, Ann. Four Masters, Ult., and Loch Cé.

15 IV. M., Ann. Loch Cé, and Ware.

19 IV. M., Ann. Loch Cé, and W.

²⁰ O'Criodachan. This seems to have been the same as the bishop who is called "Patrick" in Ware's list of the bishops of Kilmore. (Harris's ed. of "Ware," vol. i. p. 227).

21 IV. M.; Ann. Ult.

Riccapo O Raifillit, eppcop na bpeipne, to ecc 1369.

Tomar mac Clinopiu mez bráouiz, eprcop azur eircinnec an od brepne pe pé 30 bliaban, quieuiz 1511.

Copmac maz Sampadain, dap zaiped eppcop ip in indperne, quieuiz 1511.

bpicania.—Ceobopur eprcop bpicanae, quieuic 689.

Cairiol loppae.—Opón eprcop ó cairiol loppae in 15 Piacpac muaire, anno Domini 511; luin 8 la.

Caonopuim (Popze Conopuim). — Guier Cponain eppcop Caonopoma, cipca annum 639. Pec Conopuim.

Capn Pupbuide.—Muadan eppcop o Capn Pupbuide, mapza 6 mopzuur.

Ceannanup.—Maelpinnen mac Neczain, eppcop Cenannpa, comapha Ulzain azup Caipniż, 967.

Cillachaio, no aichio.— Rectabpa, eppcop Cille hacaio, 952.

Cillacharo oparánite.—Oubapzac, eprcop Cille acharo, quieuiz 869.

epreop Dappzać ó Čill achaidh opaiznize.

Mac Epc Cille achaidh, eppcop.

Cill aip.—Cleo mac bpic, eppcop, ó Cill áip i Mide, azur ó Slíab liaz i zzíp bóżnine i ccenel Conaill, quieniz anno Cpipzi 588. A pel xº Novemb.

Cill achaio opoma poza.—Sincell, abb Cille achaio opoma poza, .i. an pen Sincell, 548; 330 bliaona a aoip.

bazzan 12 eppcop ip 12 oilizpeć, zo niomao ele, a cCill achaio opoma poza, in 16 Pailże, άιτ ambái Sincell popap pazapz, azup Śincell pinpip eppcop.

- ¹ Four Masters.
- 2 IV. M.
- 3 IV. M.
- 4 690 Angl. Sax. Chron.
- ⁵ Caisiol-Iorra; Killaspagbrone, barony of Carbury, county of Sligo
 - 6 IV. M.; 510 Chron. Scot.
 - 7 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- § Caondruim; this was one of the ancient names of the hill of Tara. See next note.
- b Cronan. This is apparently the Cronan mentioned under the head of Aondruim, for which Caondruim seems to be a mistake.
- 10 Carn-Furbaidhe. It is stated in the Dinnsenchus, "Book of Lecan," fol. 231, that this was the name of a large carn on Sliabh-Cairbre, or the Carn mountain, in the north of the county of Longford; and Colgan (AA. SS., p. 253) observes that Cill-Modani was "juxta Carn-fur-

Richard O'Reilly, bishop of the Breifne, died 1369.1

Thomas, son of Andrew Mac Brady, bishop and herenech of the two Breifnes during 30 years, quievit 1511.2

Cormac Mac Samhradhain, styled bishop in the Breifne, quievit 1511.3

Britannia, —Theodorus, bishop of Britannia, quievit 689.4

Caisiol-Iorra, in Hy-Fiachrach of the Moy, anno Domini 511.6 His festival is on the 8th of June.⁷

CAONDRUM⁸ (Forte Aondruim).—Quies of Cronan, bishop of Caondruim, ob. circa annum 639. See Aondruim.

CARN-FURBAIDHE. 10—Muadan, bishop of Carn-Furbaidhe, March 6 mortuus. 11

Ceannants. 12—Maolfinnen, son of Nechtan, bishop of Cennanus, comarb of Ultan 13 and of Cairneeh, 14 967. 15

Cill-аснаідн (or Аснівн). 16—Rechtabra, bishop of Cill-achaidh, 952.17

CILL-ACHAIDH-DRAIGHNIGHE. 15—Dubhartach, 19 bishop of Cill-achaidh, quievit 869.20

Bishop Darrtach, from Cill-achaidh-draighnighe.

Mac Erca, bishop of Cill-achaidh.

CILL-AIR.²¹—Aedh Mae Brie, bishop of Cill-air in Meath, and from Sliabh-Liag in Tir-Boghuine, in Cinel-Conaill, quievit anno Christi 588.²² His festival on 10th November.

CILL-ACHAIDH-DROMA-FOTA.²³—Sinchell, abbot of Cill-achaidh-dromafota, i. e. the Elder Sinchell, 548;²¹ 330 years was his age.

There were 12 bishops and twelve pilgrims, with many others, in Cill-achaidh-droma-fota, in Ui-Failghe, where Sinchell junior was priest, and Sinchell senior bishop.

baidhe."

- 11 Mart. Taml. and Mart. Doneg.
- 12 Kells, county of Meath.
- 13 Ultan; founder of Ard Brecan, in Meath.
- ¹⁴ Cairnech. St. Cairnech of Tulen, or Dulane, near Kells, in Meath,
 - 15 Four Masters, Chron. Scot.
- ¹⁶ Cill-achaidh; Killaghy, county of Fermanagh.
 - 17 IV. M.

- ¹⁸ Cill-achaidh-draighnighe, the same as Cill-Achaidh of note ¹⁶.
- ¹⁹ Dubhartuch. This name is written Dubhtach by the Four Masters.
 - 20 IV. M.
- ²¹ Cill-air; Killare, county of Westmeath.
- ²² Chron, Scot.; IV. M.
- ²³ Cill-achaidh-dromo-fota; Killeigh, King's County.
 - ²⁴ IV. M.; Chron. Scot. 551.

Cill (popze caipbpe in) zaipe.—Zomad Caipppe eprcop ata Novembrip 1, do bet irin cill rin.

Cıll aipten.—loain (.i. Cóin) eppcop Cille aipten.

Cill baippinn, pe her puaio [azuaio]. — baippionn epreop, 8 Mai.

Cıll Chaptuiż.—1 ττίρ δοχμίπε, 6 Μαρτα; Capthach eppcop, mac Conzupa mic Natphaic, piż Θοζαπαίτα Čαιρίλ.

Cill bia.—Neman eppcop 6 cill bia, 1 Sept.

Cill bracain.—bracan no brecan, epreop, Aippil 1.

Cill Cele Cpipz.—Cele Cpipz, eppcop ó cill Cele Cpipz in 15 Ouncaoa il Laiznib.

Cill Cuanna.—Eppcop Permec ó cill Chuanna, .i. Permec ó cill Cuama no Toama.

Cill-cuilinn.—Mac Tail Cille cuilinn; eprcop erive, azur Eozan a ainm, 548. Maoi 11.

Surbne mac Sezonain, eppcop azur piazloip Cille cuilinn 962.

Cuazhal Ua Zapbain, eppeop Cille cuillinn, vo ecc 1030.

Cill cunza.—Daonan eppcop Cille cunza, 11 Appil.

Cill va lep.—Sanczan, eppcop, ó cill va lep, 9 lilaói.

Cill buma zlinn.—Mozenoz. eprcop, o Cill buma zluinn i nberzipz bpez, Decemb. 26.

Cill eanza.—Eprcop Oiomba ó Cill eannza. Cill epza, popce Cill popza.

Cill epicop Sanctain.—Epicop Sanctan mac Cantoin píż bietan.

Cill eprcop Oponain.—Eprcop oponan i Cill erpuic Oponain.

- 1 Cill . . . ingaire. The Compiler suggests that this might be "Cill-Cairbre." The Mart. Doneg. commemorates a bishop Cairbre at 1 November, and adds that there was a Cill-Cairbre near Asaroe, in the county of Donegal.
 - ² Cill-airther; in Ulster.
 - ³ Kilbarron, county of Donegal.
- ⁴ 21 May, Mart. Donegal and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ Kilcarr, barony of Banagh, county Donegal.

- ⁶ Tir-Boghuine. Now the barony of Banagh, county of Donegal.
- 7 5 Mar., Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 8 Cill-Bia; not identified.
 - ⁹ Mart. Donegal.
- ¹⁰ 1 May, Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.; and see above under Ara.
- ¹¹ Cill-Cele-Christ. See under Both-chonais.
- ¹² Ну Dunehadha. See note ¹⁰, г. 90, supra.

Cill- (perhaps Cairbre) ingaire. Perhaps it is Cairbre, the bishop, who is [commemorated] Nov. 1, that is in this church.

Cill-airther. 2—Joain (i. e. John), bishop of Cill-airther.

CILL-BAIRRINN.3—To the north of Es-ruadh. Bairrion, bishop, 8 May.4

CILL-Carthaigh. 5—In Tir-Boghuine; 5 6 March, 6 Carthach, bishop, the son of Aongus, son of Nathfraech, king of the Eoghanacht of Cashel.

Cill-Bia. 8—Nemhan, bishop of Cill-Bia, 1 September.9

CILL Bracan.—Bracan, or Breean, bishop, April 1.10

CILL-CELE-CHRIST.¹¹—Cele-Christ, bishop of Cill Cele-Christ, in Hy Dunchadha,¹² in Leinster.

Cill-Cuana, i. c. Fethmech, bishop of Cill-Cuana, i. c. Fethmech, bishop of Cill-Tuama, or [Cill]-Toama.

Cill-Cuilinn. 11—Mae Tail of Cill-Cuilinn: (he was a bishop, and his name was Eoghan); 548. 15 May 11. 16

Suibhne, son of Segonan, bishop and ruler of Cill-Cuilinn, 962.17

Tuathal O'Garvan, bishop of Cill-Cuilinn, died, 1030.18

CILL-Cunga, 19-Dadnan, bishop of Cill-Cunga, 11 April.20

CILL-DA-LES.²¹—Sanctan, bishop of Cill-da-les, 9 May.

Cill-duma-Glinn. 22 —Mogenog, bishop of Cill-duma-glinn, in the south of Bregia, December $26.^{23}$

CILL-EANGA.²⁴—Bishop Dioma, from Cill-Eanga. Cill-Erga, forte Cill-Forga.

Cill-Espec-Sanctan. 25—Bishop Sanctan, son of Canton, king of Britain (i. e. Wales.)

CILL-Espec-Dronan. 26 - Dronán, bishop of Cill-Espec-Dronan.

- 13 Cill-Cuana. Cill-Tuama. The former would now be written Kilquan, and the other Kiltoome. There are many places in Ireland bearing these names.
- 14 Cill-Cuilinn; Old Kilcullen, county of Kildare.
 - 15 Four Masters; 551 Chron. Scot.
- May 11; recte June 11. Mart Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 17 IV. M.
 - 18 IV. M.
 - 19 Cill-Cunga; not identified.

- 20 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 21 Cill-da-les; not identified.
- ²² Cill-Duma-Glinn; Kilglynn, barony of Upper Decie, county of Meath.
 - 23 Mart. Doneg.
- ²⁴ Cill-Eanga. The Compiler adds, "Cill-erga, forte Cill-forga;" Killarga, barony of Dromahaire, county of Leitrim.
- ²⁵ Cill-Espuc-Sanctan; Kill-Saint-Anne, county of Dublin.
 - 26 Cill-Espuc-Dronan; not identified.

Cill Oponain. Oponan eppcop ó cill Oponain, Decemb. 12.

Cill Pinnée.—Pinneé vuipn, epreop Cille Pinnée o az Ouipn in Oppaize, Peb. 2.

Cill Pointeenn, in Uib Opona. Pointeenn epreop, birtibal Datpaie, Oct. 11.

Cill poitipite.—Pec Cuil poitipite.

Cill popza no Cill eapza.—Pionnéao eppcop, Nouemb. 11.

Cill Treallain.—Eppcop Treallain (araid dá cill Treallain i trip piachpach muaide), Sept. 7.

Cill lan.—Eppeop Clos i Cill lan.

Cill ingi.—Cillzín, eppcop, azur an óz (no inzen óz) o Cill ingi. Noza. — Cill Cillzin in inip Szpeobuinn i zzíp Piacpac Muaice; maipio múp na heazlaipi pin pop. Nouemb. 1.

Cill maifnenn.—Maifnen eproop ir abb cille Maifnenn, la taob (Ita cliat, Decemb. 18.

Cill Maincin.—Eppeop Mancan, no Maincain, 1 cill. M.

Cill moin Enip.—Chunnmael epicop, ab Cille moine Enip, quieure 765.

Cill Muine.—Oauro eprcop, Cille Muine, ip aipo eprcop inpibnecan uile, Map. 1.

Cill Modiuiz.—Simplex, eppcop ii Modiuiz 6 Cill Modiuiz i Soğuin, Peb. 12.

Cill pacain .- (Blank in original).

Cill pizmanao in Albuin. Cainnec abb, Ocz. 11.

Cill puaide.—Colman mac Cażbada, eprcop Cille puaide i n'Oailanaide, ap bpú Loca Laoiż in Ulzoib, Oczob. 16.

- ¹ Dronan. The form Drunan is also suggested by the compiler.
 - ² Mart. Doneg.
- ³ Killiuny, in the parish and barony of Kells, county of Kilkenny.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - ⁵ Idrone, county of Carlow.
 - 6 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - ⁷ Killarga, county of Leitrim.
 - 8 Nov. 11, recte 12; Mart. Doneg.
 - 9 Tir-Fiachrach. Now the barony of

- Tireragh, county of Sligo.
 - 10 17, Mart. Doneg.
 - 11 Cill Insi. See text.
- 12 Inis-Sgreobuinn, otherwise Eiscirabhann, now Inisherone, in the parish of Kilglass, barony of Tireragh, and county of Sligo.
 - 13 Mart. Doneg.
 - 14 Kilmainham, near Dublin.
 - 15 Mart. Doneg.
 - 16 Kilmanaghan, barony of Kilcoursey,

CILL-DRONAN. Dronan, bishop, from Cill-Dronan, December 12.2

CILL-FHINNHCE.3—Finnech-Duirn, bishop of Cill-Fhinnehe, from Aith-duirn, in Ossory, Feb. 2.4

CILL-FORTCHERN IN UI-DRONA.5—Fortchern, bishop, disciple of Patrick, Oct. 11.6

CILL-FOITHIRBHE. See Cuil-Foithirbhe.

CILL-Forga, or CILL-Earga.7—Finnehad, bishop, Nov. 11.8

CILL-GREALLAN.—Greallan, bishop (there are two Cill-Greallans in Tir-Fiachra⁹ of the Moy), Sept. 7.10

CILL-IAN. -- Bishop Aedh, of Kill-Ian.

Cill-Insi.11—Ailltin, bishop, and the virgin (or the young maiden) of Cill-insi. Nov. 1.12

Note.—Ailltin's church is in Inis-Sgreobbhuinn, 13 in Tir-Fiachra of the Moy. The walls of that church are still in existence.

CILL-MAIGHNEN.14—Maighnen, bishop and abbot of Cill-Maighnenn near Dublin, Dec. 18.15

CILL-Mainchin. 16—Bishop Manchan, or Mainchin, in Cill-Manchan.

CILL-MOR-ENIR. 17—Crunnmael, bishop, abbot of Cill-mor-Enir, quievit 765.18

CILL-MUINE. 19-David, bishop of Cill-Muine, and archbishop of the isle of Britain, Mar. 3.20

CILL-MODIUT.²¹—Simplex, bishop, i.e., Modiut of Kill-modiut in Soghan, 22 Feb. 12.23

CILL-RATHAIN.—(Blank in original.)

CILL-RIGHMANAD, IN ALBA.24—Cainnech, 25 abbot, October 11.26

CILL-RUADH.27—Colman, son of Cathbadh, bishop of Cill-ruadh in Dal-Araidhe, on the brink of Loch-Laegh²⁸ in Uladh, Oct. 16,²⁹

King's Co.

- 17 Kilmore, three miles east of Armagh
- 15 Four Masters.
- 19 Cill-Muine; St. David's, Wales.
- 20 Mart. Doneg.
- 21 Kilmude, in Hy-Many.
- 22 Soghan, in Hy-Many, the district of the enslaved tribes, near the Suck.
 - 23 Mart. Doneg.
- drew's, Scotland.
- 24 Cill-Righmanad, in Alba; St. An-

- 25 Coinnech. St. Canice of Achadhbo, Queen's County; also founder of Cill-Cainnigh, i. e. Kilkenny.
 - 26 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 27 Kilroot, barony of Lower Belfast, county of Antrim.
- 28 Lock-Lacqh, the ancient name of Belfast Lough, which Adamnan Latinizes Stagnum Lacus Vituli. Reeves' "Adamnan."
 - 29 Mart. Doneg. and Taml.

Cill Szanduil, no cill bian. Penzup eppcop Cille Szanduil, no bian; azup ip pióp pin.

Cill Szipe. Robapzać (Pionnzlaipi), eppcop; Conull eppcop Cille pzipe, 865.

Cill plebe. Piace (eppcop Slebze) cille plebe.

Cill Tivill. Eppeop Poinceval (1 cill Tivil), mac Tail, mic Deza, mic Cuipe mic Luizvec. Sect nepcop cille Tivil, no vnoma Tivil. Nouemb. 1.

Cill zuama (no zoama). Hinnio eppeop cille zuama. 1 Míóe. Nouemb. 13. Pec cill Cuanna.

Cill Upaille. Unapaille, eppcop, mac na Baipo. Aug. 27. Aza cill Upaille a Laiznib.

Cenel Cożain. Cażapać mac Alche, eppcop cenel Cożain, 946. Pec zíp Cożain.

Ua Cobżaiż, apo eppcop cenel Cożain, quieuiz, 1173.

Floilia an coimped lla Cepballain, epicop tipe Cótuin, 1279. Ploipint lla Cepballain, epicop típe hCeotain, quieuit, 1293. Cino Falapat. Iolan, epicop Cino Falapat, quieuit, 687.

Cino zapao. Daniel epicop, anno 659; Peb. 18. Aza Cill Zapao ano, ez cezepa.

blaan eppcop ó èmo zapao, i nzaltzaoivelaib; Oubblaan a ppnom cazaoin; ir de zaipzep "blaan bliadaè bpezan." αυχ. 10.

Cimpiolaif. Cint epicop Ua Caettain, 1. and epicop Ua Cenpelaif, quieuit, 1135.

lopep Ua haeba, eppcop Ua cempiolais, 1183.

Clochop, Pilip, Map. 4.

Cilill eppcop, quieuiz, 867.

- 1 Not identified.
- ² Killskeery, eo. Meath.
- * Four Masters; and 867, Chron. Scot.
- * Cill-sleibhe. This is apparently a mistake, for Cill-sleibhte, or Slatey, in the Queen's Co., as Cill-sleibhe is Killeavy, Co. Armagh.
- ⁵ Probably Kilteel, barony of Salt. Co. Kildare.
 - 6 Mart. Doneg.
- 7 Kiltome, barony of Fore, Co. Westmeath.

- 8 Mart. Doneg.
- ⁹ Killossey, near Naas, Co. Kildare.
- 10 Mart. Doneg.
- 11 Cincl-Eoghain, i. e. the diocese of Derry.
 - 12 Four Masters.
- 13 O'Coffey, Va Cobhthaigh. His Christian name was Murrough (Muiredhach).
 - 14 IV. M.; and Ann. Loch-Cé.
- $^{15}\ Gilla\mbox{-}an\mbox{-}Choimdedh.$ This is Latinized Germanus by Ware.

CILL-SGANDAIL, or CILL-BIAN.1—Fergus, bishop of Cill-Sgandail, or Cill-Bian, and that is true.

CILL-SGIRE.²—Robhartach of Finglas, bishop; Conall, bishop of Cill-Sgire, ob. 865.³

CILL-SLEBHE.4—Fiach (bishop of Sleibhte) of Cill-Slebhe.

CILL-TIDIL.5—Bishop Foirceadal of Cill-Tidil, son of Tal, son of Dega, son of Core, son of Lughaidh. The seven bishops of Cill-Tidil (or Druim Tidil), Nov. 1.6

CILL-TUAMA (or TOMA). —Ninnidh, bishop of Cill-Tuama in Meath, Nov. 13. See Cill-Cuanna.

Cill-Usaille. —Usaille (Auxilius), bishop, son of Ua Baird, Aug. 27. 10 Cill-Usaille is in Leinster.

Cenel-Eoghain.—Cathasach, son of Ailche, bishop of Cenel-Eoghain, 11 946.12

O'Coffey,13 archbishop of Cenel-Eoghain, quievit 1173.14

Gilla-an-Choimdedh O'Carolan, 15 bishop of Tir-Eoghain, 1279.16

Florence O'Carolan, bishop of Tir-Eoghain, quievit 1293.17

CIND-GALARAT. 18—Iolan, bishop of Cinn-Galarat, went to his rest 687.19

CIND-GARAD.²³—Daniel, bishop of, A°. 659,²¹ 18 Feb.²² There is a Cill-Garad, &c.

Blaan, bishop, from Cinn-Garad in Gall Gaeidhela. Dunblane is its chief city. He is named Blaan the virtuous of Britain, Aug. 10.23

Cinzsiolaigh, quievit 1135.25

Joseph O'Hea, bishop of Hy-Cinnsiolaigh, 1183.26

Cloeнoв. Philip, ²⁷ March 4.

Ailill, bishop, quievit 867.28

- ¹⁶ Four Masters, and Ann. Loch-Ce.
- 17 IV. M., and Ann. Loch-Ce.
- 18 Cind-galarat. This is a mistake for Cind-garad, or Cenn-garad. It is written Cinngarad in the Chron. Scot., but Cindgalarat by Tigernach.
 - 19 688, IV. M.; 685, Chron. Scot.
 - 20 Kingarth, Bute, Scotland.
 - 21 IV. M.; 656-660, Chron. Scot.
 - 23 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

- ²³ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²⁴ Cinnsiolaigh. Rectê Hy-Cinnsiolaigh. Now the diocese of Ferns.
 - 25 Four Masters.
 - 26 IV. M.; Ann. Loch-Cé.
- Thilip. In the Mart. Doneg. he is Philip of Cluain-Bainb; and in the Mart. Taml. the place is called Clochar-Bainni.
 - 25 IV. M.

Cluain aircen. Eppcop Luzač a celuain Aircen a Laiziop, Oct. 6.

Cluain bainb. Dilip eppcop Cluana bainb, no naoim eppcop 6 Chlocop, Mapz. 4.

Cluain caoin. Apuin epreop Cluana caoin, Auz. 4.

Cluain Conaipe zomain. Maoinenn eppcop i ccluain Conaipe zomaim, i zzuaipzepz Ua pPaolain, Sepz. 16.

Cluam cua. un. neprcop Cluana cua, Ocz. 3.

Cluain chema. Opphan epicop Cluana chema, quieure 747. Laezaine epicop Cluana chema, Nou. 10.

Cluain ciónec. Cellac mac Epopain, eppcop Cluana heiónec, 940.

Muipevać Ua Concabaip, epicop, azur comapha Pionnzain Cluana heiónić, 970.

Ciobpaioe, eprcor Cluana heiónic, 909.

Pionzan copać, eprcop cluana pepza bpenaino, azur a ccluain heiónec beor, Peb. 21.

Munda, epreop azur ab Cluana heidnic i Ladizir; anno do mini an zan zeroa, 634. Ocz. 21.

Cluain eoip. Tizennaë mac Caipppi, panctup epipcopup Cluana eoip, quieuit 548; Appil 4.

Caencompac mac Cappain, pui epicop, azur ab Cluana heoaip, 961.

Plaitbeptat lla Cetnen, comapha Tizeapnaiz, penoip azur pui eppcop, do zoin 6 pepaib bpéż, azur a écc iappin ina till pén a cCluain Coair, 1012.

Cluain eamum. Ailill (eprcop Apomaća anno Chirci 535); alizep eprcop Cluana emum.

Cluain pota. Epicop Etčen (ó cluain pota) mac Maine eccip do piol Concobain abnat puaio.

- ¹ Clonkeen, Queen's Co.
- ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 3 Cluain-bainbh. Not identified.
- Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ Clonkeen, Co. Louth.
- $^{\rm 6}$ August 1. Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - ⁷ Cloncurry, Co. Kildare.
 - 8 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

- 9 Cluain-Cua; in the Queen's Co.
- ¹⁰ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ¹¹ Clooncraff, near Elphin, Co. Roscommon.
 - 12 Four Masters.
 - ¹³ Mart. Doneg.
 - 14 Clonenagh, Queen's Co.
 - 15 IV. M.
 - 18 IV. M.

CLUAIN-AITCHEN. 1—Bishop Lugach, in Cluain-Aitchenn in Leix, Oct. 6.2

CLUAIN-BAINBH.3—Philip, bishop of Cluain-bainbh, or holy bishop of Clogher, March 4.4

CLUAIN-CAIN.5-Aruin, bishop of Cluain-Cain, Aug. 4.6

CLUAIN-CONAIRE-TOMAIN.7 — Maoinen, bishop in Cluain-Conaire-Tomain, in the north of Hy-Faolain, September 16.8

CLUAIN-CUA.9—Seven bishops of Cluain-Cua, Oct. 3.10

Cluain-cremha. 11—Ossbran, bishop of Cluain-cremha, rested 747. 12

Laeghaire, bishop of Cluain-cremha, Nov. 10.13

Cluain-eidhnech, ¹⁴—Cellach, son of Eporan, bishop of Cluain-eidhnech, 940. ¹⁵

Muiredhach O'Conchobhair, bishop, and comarb of Finntan of Cluain-eidhnech, 970.16

Tiobraide, bishop of Cluain-eidhnech, 909.

Finntan Corach, bishop of Clonfert-Brendan, and at Cluain-eidnech also, Feb. $21.^{17}$

Munda, bishop and abbot of Cluain-eidnech, in Laighis; in A. D. 634^{18} he died, Oct. $21:^{19}$

Cluain-eois.²⁰—Tighernach, son of Cairbre, holy bishop of Cluain-eois, quievit 548,²¹ April 4.²²

Caencomrac, son of Carran, eminent bishop and abbot of Cluaineois, $961.^{23}$

Flaithbhertach O'Cetnen, comarb of Tighernach, a senior, and distinguished bishop, was wounded by the men of Bregia,²⁴ and he died afterwards in his own church at Cluain-eois, 1012.²⁵

Cluain-Eamhuin. ⁹⁶—Aillill, bishop of Armagh, A. D. 535²⁷; otherwise bishop of Cluain-Eamhuin.

CLUAIN-FOTA.²⁸—Bishop Etchen (from Cluain-fota), son of Maine the poet, of the race of Conchobar Abrat-ruadh.

- 17 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ¹⁸ Four Masters. Chron. Seot.
- 19 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 20 Clones, Co. Monaghan.
- ²¹ IV. M. 545 Chron. Scot.; 550 Keating.
 - 22 Mart Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²³ Chron. Scot., IV. M., and Ann. Ult.
- ²⁴ Bregia. The Annals generally attribute this violence to the men of Breifne.
- ²⁵ Chron. Seot.; Ann. Ult.; and Four Masters.
 - 26 Cloonowen, Co. Roscommon.
 - 27 IV. M. Chron. Scot.
- ²⁸ Clonfad, bar. of Farbill, Co. West-meath.

Nota. Etchen eproop cluana pota baobam aba, floruit cipca annum 576.

Cluain poda pepa bile. Eccen eppcop (Cluana poda pepa bile i Míde); apé cuz zpada pazaipc ap Colum cílle, Peb. 11.

Cluain poda pine. Senać eppcop 6 Cluain poda pine a pepaib culach .i. Cluain poda Libpen; comapha Pinnen cluana hepaipo, azur a depzebul, in Senać eppcop po.

Cluain móp. Epreop Colman ó Cluain móp.

Cluain popza. Depchan eppcop azur páis 6 Cluain popza, in 15 Pailze, Dec. 4.

Cluain uair. Topep eprcop cluana uair, 839.

Comann. Copppaé mac Maoilmocaipze, eppcop ziże Możua azup na cComann, 951.

Conmaicne. Maelpeaëluinn 6 Pepzal, eppcop Conmaicne, quieuiz 1307.

Cpaob Tpellain, eprcop Tpellan, pepc. 7.

Cpuacan bpi éle. Mac Caille, eppcop, azur i cepuacan bpi éle in 16 Pailze aza a cell, 489.

Cúil benocaip. Eppeop Luzac i ceuil benocaip, ocz. 6.

Cáil bracain. Martain epreop i ceáil bracain in ib Pailze .i. i tauait da maize.

Cuil coppa. Senaè mac Coin, azur Spapan, azur Senèell azur bruiviuczin, u. epreop azur Aizecaeni azur epreop mac Caiptin, azur Conlaot azur brizio i cCuil coppa.

Cuil (cill, no) cluain poitipbe no potaipbe no puitipbe. Nati eprcop, auχ. 1; mac Senuiğ.

- ¹ The same place as the preceding.
- ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ³ Clonfad, bar. of Fartullagh, Co. Westmeath.
- ⁴ Senach. His festival is set down in the Calendar at August 21.
- ⁵ Cluain-mor. There are so many places of this name, that it would be useless, without further evidence, attempting to identify the one here referred to.

- 7 Mart. Doneg.
- ⁸ Cluain-uais; the same as Cluain-Eois, q. v.
 - ⁹ Four Mast.; Chron. Scot.; Ann. Ult.
- 10 Comann; otherwise na cpi Comann, the Three Comanns; three septs anciently settled in the district comprising the southern part of the Queen's Co., and the northern part of Kilkenny.
 - n IV. M.
- 12 Conmaione; i. e. the bishoprick of Ardagh.

⁶ Clonsost, King's County

Note: Etchen, bishop of Clnain-fota-Baodan-aba, floruit circa annum 576.

CLUAIN-FODA-FERA-EILE. —Etchen, bishop (of Cluain-foda-Ferabile, in Meath). It was he that conferred the grade of priest on Colum Cille, Feb. 11.2

CLUAIN-FODA-FINE.3—Seuach, bishop, from Cluain-foda-fine, in Fera-tulach, i. e., Cluain-foda-Librein. The comarb of Finnen of Clonard, and his disciple, was this bishop Senach.4

CLUAIN-MÓR.5—Bishop Colman of Clonmore.

CLUAIN-SOSTA. 6—Berchan, bishop and prophet, from Cluain-sosta in Offaly, Dec. 4.7

CLUAIN-UAIS.8—Joseph, bishop of Cluain-uais, 839.9

Comany. 10—Cosgrach, son of Maoleairge, bishop of Tech-Mochua (Timohoe), and the Comanns, 951. 11

Commaicne. 12 — Maelseachluin O'Ferrall, bishop of Commaicne, quievit $1307.^{13}$

CRAOBH-GRELLAIN.14—Bishop Grellan, 7 September.15

CRUACHAN-BRI-ELE. 16 — Mac Caille, bishop, (and in Cruachan-Bri-Ele in Offaly his church is), $489.^{17}$

CUL-BENDCHAIR. 18—Bishop Lugach of Cuil-Bendchair, Oct. 6.

Cuil-Bracan in Offaly, i. e. in Tuath-da-mhaighe. 20

Cuil-Corra. 21—Senach, son of Ecin, and Srafan, and Scnehell, and Brodigan—five bishops²²—and Aitecaem, and Bishop Mac Cairthin, and Conlaogh, and Brigid, in Cuil-Corra.

Cull-(Cill, or Cluain)-Foithirbe (or Fothairbe, or Fuithirbe²³).—Nathi, bishop, Aug. 1; the son of Senagh.

- 13 Four Masters; Ann. Loch Ce.
- ¹⁴ Craobh-Grellan; probably Creeve, bar. of Ballymoe, Co. Roseommon.
- ¹⁵ Sept. St. Grellan's festival is set down in Mart. Doneg. at Nov. 10.
- ¹⁶ Croghan, in the bar, of Lower Philipstown, King's Co.
 - 17 IV. M.; 487, Chron. Scot.
- 18 Cuil-Bendchair. Probably Coolbanagher, in the barony of Portnahinch, and Queen's County. The Mart. Doncg. adds, that probably Lugach was either of this place or of another Coolbanaghar

- "on the brink of Loch Erne."
 - ¹⁹ Coolbracken, King's Co.
- 20 Tuath-da-mhaighe (Anglice Tuomoy); i.e. "the district of the two plains." This district included the present barony of Warrenstown and a large portion of the adjoining district, in the north of the King's County.
 - ²¹ Coolarn, near Galtrim, Co. Meath.
- ²² Five bishops. Only four are enumerated.
 - 23 See Cuil-Sacaille.

Cuil Rażain. Caipppe, eppcop, ó Cuil pażain, Nou. 11.

Cuil pacaille. Nati eppcop cuile Potaipbe, no cuile Sacaille, au $\mathfrak{z}.$ 1.

Daiminip. Siollan, eppcop Daiminpi.

Daipinip. Pachena, eppeop azup ab Daipinpi, auz. 14.

Daipə čalzaiz. Caoncompac mac Maoluiðip, eppcop azur ab baipe Calzaiz, 927.

Maoleinnen, pui eppcop daipe Calzaiz, 948.

Daipe Lupain. Lupech (.i. Luipech), buanaipe 6 baipe Lupain in Ultaib, eppcop, peb. 17.

Lupan, eppcop, 6 vaipe Lupain, occ. 24.

Oaipe mop. Colman, eprcop, 20 maoi; July 31, Colman eprcop.

Oaimliaz. Cianan eppcop Oaimliaz 1 mbpeżaib; ap σο τυς Ρατραίς α γοιρτεία; floruit, 488.

Persur epreop Daimliaz, quieure, 772.

Colmam epreop Vaimliaz azur Lurca, quieuiz 902 (Colman pzpibnió).

Caoncompac, eppcop Daimliaz, 941.

Pionchap, eprcop Daimliaz, 918.

Tiolla Mochua, mac Camèuapra, eppeop Daimiliaz, quieuir 1117.

Tuażal mac Oenecam, eppcop Vaniiliaz, quieur 927.

Ceżeć eppcop (ó bomnach Saipiże az baimiliaz Ćianain), June 16.

Dapmaκ. Copmac Ua Liakain, ab Dapmaike, αχυρ eppcop, anno Cpipti 868; June 21.

Dealzae. Occipir heznaizi eprcoip bealzae, 837.

Derzerz Epenn. Tiolla na naem Ua Muncepzaiz, uaral eprcop verzerz Epenn, renoip oiz chaibvech ezne, veec 1149.

- ¹ Coleraine, Co. Londonderry.
- ² Mart. Doneg.
- 3 Cuil-Sacaille; not identified.
- 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ Devenish Island, in Loch Erne.
- 6 Dairinis; Molana, Co. Waterford.
- 7 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 8 Londonderry.
- 9 Four Masters.

- ¹⁰ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 11 Oct. 28. Mart. Doneg.
- ¹² Derrimore, in Eliogarty, Co. Tipperary.
 - 13 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 14 Duleck, Co. Meath.
 - 15 Ob. 486; Chron. Scot.
 - 16 Four Masters; Ann. Ult. 782.
 - 17 902, IV. M.; 906, Chron. Scot.

Cull-Rathain, Nov. 11.2

Cuil-Sacaulle.³—Nathi, bishop of Cuil-Fothairbe, or Cuil-Sacaille, August 1.⁴

Daimhinis. Siollan, bishop of Daimhinis.

Dairinis.6—Fachtna, bishop and abbot of Dairinis, Aug. 14.7

Daire-Calgaigh. *—Caeneomhrac, son of Maoluidhir, bishop and abbot of Daire-Calgaigh, 927.

Maolfinnen, distinguished bishop of Daire-Calgaigh, 948.º

Daire-Lurain. ¹⁰—Lurech (i. e. Luirech), poet, from Daire-Lurain in Ulster, bishop, Feb. 17. ¹¹

Luran, bishop of Daire-Lurain, Oct. 24.

Doire-Mor. 12—Colman, bishop, 20 May; 13 July 11, Colman, bishop.

Daimhliag. 14—Cianan, bishop of Daimhliag in Bregia. It was to him Patrick gave his Gospel: floruit 488. 15

Fergus, bishop of Daimhliag, quievit 772.16

Colman, bishop of Daimhliag, quievit 902.17 (Colman the scribe).

Caencomhrae, bishop of Daimhliag, 941.18

Fionnehar, bishop of Daimhliag, 918.19

Gilla-Mochua, son of Camchuairt, bishop of Daimhliag, quievit $1117.^{\tiny 20}$

Tuathal, son of Aenacan,21 bishop of Daimhliag, quievit 927.22

Cetheeh, bishop, (from Domnach-Sairighe²³ at Daimhliag-Cianain), June 16.²⁴

Darmhagh. 25 —Cormae U
a Liathan, abbot of Darmhagh, bishop, anno Christi $865,^{26}$ June
 $21.^{27}$

Delgae.25—The slaying of Egnach, bishop of Delga, 837.29

Desgert-Erenn.³⁰—Giolla-na-naemh O'Muircheartaigh, the noble bishop of the south of Erinn, a virgin, pious, wise elder, died 1149.³¹

- 18 Four Masters.
- 19 918, IV. M.; Chron. Scot.
- 20 IV. M.
- 21 Son of Aenacan. He is called O'Enecain in the Chron. Scot.
 - 22 IV. M., and Chron. Seot.
- ²³ Domhnach-Sairighe. Donaghseery, near Duleek, Co. Meath.
 - 24 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
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- 25 Darmhagh. Durrow, King's Co.
- ²⁶ Four Masters. 867, Chron. Scot.
- ²⁷ June 21. Mart. Doneg., Taml., and Mar. Gor.
 - 28 Dealgae. Kildalkey, Co. Meath.
 - 29 IV. M.
- ³⁰ Desgert-Erenn. South of Erinn, i.e. the diocese of Cloyne.
 - 21 IV. M.

Οιγιορτ Οιαρπασα. Οιαρπαιο αυα Aeva poin), epreop o σιγιορτ Οιαρπασα in Uib Muipeagaiz, June 21.

Cumpad mac Oepepo azur Maonach mac Soitedaiż, da epipcop Oiriope Oiapmada, do ecc 842.

Muipzer epreop διριορε διαριπαδα, quieuiz 895.

Ua δαδαιό, γυι εργοορ Οιγιορτ Οιαρπαδα, δο ecc 1038.

Oιγιορτ Pulapταιζ.—Pulapταί mac δρις, epγcop cluana hlpaipo i Mióe, ir 6 Οιγιορτ Pulapταιζ in 15 Pailζe, anno 778, Marta 29.

Oipiope Tola.—Tola, eppeop 6 Oipiope Tola in Uaétap Vail eCair, Map. 30.

Oomnaë mie laiëbe; .i. Oomnae móp mie laiëbe; eppcop Ethenn. May 27.

Domnać pebe.—Eprop zamlachza incomnać pebe.

Domnač mop Marže epe.—Dranach eppcop Domnač mórp Marže epe, Jan. 16.

Domnać móp Golmaize. Seča neprcop Domnaić moip Golmuize, Aug. 23.

Oomnaë mop muize Oamaipne. Cape eppeop Oomnaië moip Maize Oamaipne, no Maize Coba, Sept. 17.

Domnaë móp Seënaill.— Seaënall .1. Secunoinup, eppcóp, Nov. 27.

Domnać mop muiże Luabab.—Capc epicop, Oct. 27.

O. Caoroe.—Caori eppeop, Occ. 24.

O. Muite Coba.—Cape eppeop, Oct. 27.

O. Sapize.—Cezech eppcop, June 16.

Opuim aipbeulais.—Un. Neppcop Opoma aipbeulais, Jan. 15.

- ¹ Castledermot, Co. Kildare.
- ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ³ Four Masters; Ann. Ult.
- 4 IV. M.
- 5 IV. M.
- ⁶ Disert-Fulartaigh. Dysart, barony of Carbury, county of Kildare.
 - 7 774; IV. M.
 - 8 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁹ Discrt·Tola. Dysart O'Dea, county of Clare.
 - 10 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 11 Domhnach-mic-Laithbhe. In the

- Mart. Doneg. it is stated that this church was in Mughdhorna, now the barony of Cremorne, county of Monaghan; but Dr. O'Donovan suggests (IV. M. 1150, note) that it may be the Donaghmore near Slane.
 - ¹² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ¹³ Domhnach-Febe. Not identified. The entry seems defective.
- ¹⁴ Domhnach-mor of Magh Ere. Not identified.
 - ¹⁵ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 16 See under Aolmagh.

DISERT-DIARMADA. —Diarmuid (descendant of Aedh Ron), bishop of Disert-Diarmada in Hy-Muiredhaigh, June 21.2

Cumsadh, son of Derer, and Maonach, son of Soitedach, two bishops of Disert-Diarmada, died 842.3

Maurice, bishop of Disert-Diarmada, quievit 895.4

O'Gabhaidh, a distinguished bishop of Disert-Diarmada, died

DISERT-FULARTAIGH.6.—Fulartach, son of Bree, bishop of Clonard, in Meath, and from Disert-Fulartaigh in Offaly, 778,7 March 29.8

DISERT-TOLA. "—Tola, bishop, from Disert-Tola, in upper Dal-Cais, March 30.10

Dомн
маси-міс-Lаітивие, 11 i.e. Domnach-mor-mic-Laithbhe. Bishop Ethern, May
 $27.^{12}$

DOMHNACH-FEBE. 13—The Bishop of Tamhlacht (sic), in Domhnach-Febe.

Domhnach-mór of Magn-Ere. 14—Dianach, bishop of Domhnach-mor of Magh-Ere, January 16. 15

Dominach-мо́r-Aolmaighe, August 23.17 — The seven bishops of Domhnach-mór-Aolmaighe, August 23.17

Dominach-mor of Magh-Damairne. 15—Eare, bishop of Domhnach-mor of Magh-Damhairne, or of Magh-Cobha, September 17.19

Dominach-mor-Sechnatil.²⁹—Sechnall, i. e. Secundinus, bishop, Nov. 27.²¹

Dominach-mór of Magh-Luadadh.²²—Eare, bishop, Oct. 27.²

Dominach-Caoide. 24.25 Caoite, bishop, Oct. 24.25

Dominach-Maighe-Cobha.26—Eare, bishop, Oct. 27.27

Dominach-Sairighe.29—Cethech, bishop, June 16.29

Druim-Airbhelaigh, Jan. 15^{31} .—The seven bishops of Druim-Airbhelaigh, Jan. 15^{31}

- 17 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 18 Domhnach-mor o Magh-Damairne. Magh-Damairne is now Magheramorne, county of Antrim. See under Domhnach-Maighe-Cobha.
 - ¹⁹ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²⁰ Donach-mor-Sechnall. Dunshauglin, county of Meath.
 - 21 Mart. Doneg.
- ²² Donaghmore, barony of Salt, county of Kildare.

- ²³ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²⁴ Donaghady, county of Tyrone.
- ²⁵ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²⁶ Donaghmore, barony of Upper Iveagh, county of Down.
- ²⁷ See under Domhnach-mor of Magh-Damhairne.
 - 28 Near Duleek, county of Meath.
 - 29 See under Daimhliag.
 - 30 Drumreilly, county of Leitrim.
 - 31 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

Opuim beptach.—Nem eprcop Opoma beptait, Peb. 18. Clongur eprcop Opoma beptait, Peb. 18.

- O. Cuilinn.—baippionn oppcop, May 21.
- O. Cpema.—Oupa (no Oupan) eprcop, Peb. 6.
- O. da letip.—Cuimin poda mac Piacna, eppcop, Nou. 12.
- O. Oallain.-Nem eppcop, May 3.
- O. Canuiż.—Pionnean, epreop May 17.
- O. Per, no Peri.—Pionnéan epreop pempaize, May 17.

Opuim zobla.—Piace Slebze, eppcop.

Opuim Peapzain. — Capzać eprcop; lep Opuim Peapzain. mapz. 5.

Opuim inepstain. Tizepnać mac Muipevaiz, eppcop Opoma inepstain, quieuiz 875.

Opuim Laifille.—Sanczan eppcop, Maoi. 9.

Opuim Leżzlaipi.—Pepzup eppcop Opoma leżzlaipi, quieuiz 583, Map. 30.

Opuim liar.—benen in aboaine i nOpuimliar, Nov. 9.

Opuim Tivil.—Un. neprcoip Opoma Tivil, no cille Tívil, Nov. 1.

Opuim uncaille.—Un. neprcoip Opoma upcaille.

Nova.—143 numip na cceall oá pelbaizvep peče neppcoip ba zac cill (no aiz) aca, zonab e a líon pin uile, ebon 1001 eappoz mup po in naoim penčap naoim Epenn, zopaizap lep in lan peče neppcoib pin: peče nepbuice Opoma upchoille, pece nepbuice cille Depcbain, 7 apaile.

Oun mbaile.—Caillin eppcop Piodnaća, Nov. 13. Cačopuim.—Cleliomapchaip, eppcop Cachopoma, quieuiz 746.

- ¹ Burt, barony of Inishowen West, county of Donegal.
 - ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ³ Drumcullen, barony of Eglish, King's County.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 5 Not identified.
 - 6 Mart. Doneg, and Mart. Taml.
 - 7 Mart. Doneg.

Not known.

- ⁹ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 10 Not known.
- 11 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 12 Not known.
- ¹³ Mart. Doneg, and Mart. Taml.
- ¹⁴ Drum-Gobhla. Near Slatey, in the present Queen's County.
- 15 Dium-Feartan. In Carbury, county of Kildare.

Drum-Bertach. 1— Nemh, bishop of Druim-Bertach, Feb. 18.2 Acngus, bishop of Druim-Bertach, Feb. 18.

DRUM-CUILINN.3-Bairrionn, bishop, May 21.4

DRUIM-CREMA.5—Dura, or Duran, bishop, Feb. 6.6

Druim-da-lethir.7—Cumin Foda, son of Fiachna, bishop, Nov. 12.

Drum-Dallain. -Nemh, bishop, May 3.9

Druim-Eanuigh.10-Fionnehan, bishop, May 17.11

Drum-Fes, or Fest. 12—Fionnehan, bishop aforesaid, May 17.13

DRUIM-GOBHLA.14—Fiach of Sletty, bishop.

Druim-Feartan. 15 —Carthach, bishop (Drum-Feartan belongs to him); March $5.^{16}$

Druim-inesglain, quievit 875.15

DRUIM-LAIGHILLE. 19—Sanctan, bishop, May 9.20

Drum-lethglaisi, quievit 583, Mar. 30.22

Drum-Lias.23—Benen, in the abbaey of Druim-lias, Nov. 9.24

Druim-Tidil, or Cill-Tidil, Nov. $1.^{25}$ — Seven bishops of Druim-Tidil, or Cill-Tidil, Nov. $1.^{26}$

DRUIM-URCHAILLE.27—The seven bishops of Druim-urchaille.

Note.—143 was the number of the churches that possessed VII. bishops to each church or place; so that the full number of them all is, viz., 1001 bishops. Thus it is in the "History of the Saints of Erinn," which commences with this number of VII. bishops, viz., VII. bishops of Druim-urchaille; VII. bishops of Cill-Dercain, &c.

Dun-mbaile.25—Caillin, bishop of Fiodnacha, Nov. 13.29

EACH-DRUIM.30—Aelimarchair,31 bishop of Each-druim, quievit 746.32

¹⁶ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

¹⁷ Drumiskin, county of Louth.

 $^{^{15}}$ 876; Four Masters.

¹⁹ Druim-laighille. Not known.

 $^{^{20}}$ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

²¹ Druim-lethglaisi. Another name for Dun-lethghlaise, or Downpatrick.

²² IV. M.; Chron. Scot.

²³ Drum-leese. County of Leitrim.

²⁴ Mart. Doneg.

²⁵ See under Cill-Tidil.

²⁶ Mart. Doneg.

²⁷ Drumurgill, county of Kildare?

²⁵ Fenagh, county of Leitrim.

²⁹ Mart. Doneg.

³⁰ Aughrim, county of Galway.

³¹ Aclimarchair. This name is written Maclimarchair by the Four Masters, which is probably the correct form.

³² IV. M.

eanaé buin.—Muincenzach O Plaizbéenzaiz, epreop eanuiz, quieure 1242.

Tomár O Meallaiz, eprcop Canuiz, quieuiz 1250.

Tomár O Meallais, epreop Canuis vo ecc i ecuaire an papa, 1328.

eönen.—Maelpoil mac Aililla, eppcop, ancoipe, azur rzpibnio Leze Cuinn, azur ab in eönen, 920.

ele.—Ipaac Ua Cuanain, eppcop ele Roipp che, of azur apo renoip bomain, quieuic 1161.

epe bez .i. bez epe.—eppcop Ibap.

Chounmaol ebbcob per Gue, ebbcob agur keh lezinn Camlacca, 964.

ере.—Соснаю Ua Cellaiz, apo cenn рер Мю́е, ригерреор па hepenn uile, объ in Оертаъ Coluim Cille, 1140.

Pabap.—Suaiplech, eppcop Pabaip, quieuiz 745, Mart. 27.

Geozin, eppcop ip ab Pabain, quieuiz 766, Maoi 1.

Penza Cepbain.— Cepban epicop 6 penza Cepbain, quieuiz cipca annum 500.

Penza pen peic.—Eppcop Cape Slaine.

Pioò cuilinn.—beoan mac Neppain, eppcop, Auz. 6.

Pioò duín.—Colman eppcop ip ab Peda duín, 948.

Momaedoz eppcop Peda búin, Maoi 18.

Pioonacha.—Caillin eppcop, Nov. 13.

Pionnabain aba—Penzil epreop Pinnabain aba, azur ab ino Cionen, 902.

Pionnzlair.—Plann eprcop Pionnzlaire, Jan. 21.

Popanaioe.—Eppcop Muinip, Decemb. 18.

Zael.—Zaibpinn eppcop, June 24.

- ¹ Annaghdown, county of Galway.
- ² 1241; Ann. Loch-Cé, and Four Masters.
 - 3 Ann. Loch-Cé, and Four Masters.
 - ¹ IV. M. and Ann. Loch-Cé.
 - ⁵ Not identified.
 - 6 IV. M.; 921 Chron. Scot.
 - ⁷ Eliogarty, county of Tipperary.
 - 5 IV. M.
 - ⁹ Ere-beg, i. e. Beg-Ere. See Beg-Ere.
 - 16 IV. M.

- 11 Ere. Ireland.
- 12 Four Masters.
- 13 Fore, county of Westmeath.
- 14 IV. M.; 749 Ann. Ult.
- 15 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 16 IV. M.
- 17 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 18 Ferta-Cerbain. Near Tara hill, in the county of Meath.
- 19 499, IV. M.; but 503-4 in the other annals.

Eanach-duin, quievit 1242.2

Thomas O'Mellaigh, bishop of Eanach-duin, quievit 1250.3

Thomas O'Mellaigh, bishop of Eanach-duin, died at the Papal court, 1328.4

Edinen.⁵—Maelpoil, son of Ailill, bishop, anchorite, and seribe of Leth-Chuinn, and abbot of the Edhnen, 920.⁶

Ele. Isaac O'Cuanain, bishop of Ele of Roscrea, virgin and chief elder of the world, quievit 1161.

Ere-Beg, i. e. Beg-Ere.9—Bishop Ibar.

Cronmael, bishop of Beg-Ere, bishop and lector of Tallaght, 964.10

Ere. 11—Eochaidh O'Cellaigh, chief head of the men of Meath, the eminent bishop of all Erinn, died in Dermagh of Colum-Cille, 1140. 12

Fabhar, 13—Suairlech, bishop of Fabhar, rested 745,14 March 27.15

Aedgin, bishop and abbot of Fabhar, quievit 766,16 May 1.17

Ferta-Cerbain, ¹⁸ — Cerban, bishop, from Ferta-Cerbain, quievit eirea annum 500. ¹⁹

FERTA-FER-FEIC.20—Bishop Eare, of Slane.

FIODII-CULLINN.21—Beoan, son of Nessan, bishop, August 6.22

FIODH-DUIN.23—Colman, bishop and abbot of Fidh-duin, 948.24

Momhaedog, bishop of Fidh-duin, May 18.25

FIODHNACHA.26—Caillin, bishop, Nov. 13.

FIONNABAIR-ABHA.²⁵—Fergil, bishop of Finnabhair-abha, and abbot of the Edhnen, 902.²⁵

FINNGLAIS.29—Flann, bishop of Finnglais, January 21.30

Forgnaidhe.31—Bishop Muinis, December 18.32

GAEL.33 Gaibhrinn, bishop, June 24.34

- ²⁰ Ferta-fer-Feic. See under Baile-
 - 21 Feigheullen, county of Kildare.
- ²² August 8, Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²³ Fiodh-duin. Fiddown, county of Kilkenny.
 - ²⁴ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 25 Four Masters.
- ²⁶ Fiodhnacha. Fenagh, county of Leitrim. See under Dun-mbaile.

- ²⁷ Fennor, barony of Duleek, county of Meath.
 - 28 Four Masters; 906, Chron. Scot.
 - ²⁹ Finglass, near Dublin.
 - 39 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 31 Forgney, county of Longford.
 - 32 Mart. Doneg.
- ³³ Gael. This place has not been identified.
 - 34 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

Tlaiptimben.—Paopaiz eprcop, Aug. 24.

Tlenn va lacha.—Caoimzin Ilinne va lacha.

Daipchill mae h
Clipica, eppcop \overline{blinne} ba lacha, quieui
c676, May 3.

Coippsel mac Ceallais, eppcop Tlinne va lacha, quieuiz 809.

Ampuban, no Ampaban, eppcop zlinne ba lacha, May 11.

Clob Ó Mobain, epreop Blinne ba lacha, quieuiz 1126.

Copmac Ua Mail, eproop Tlinne va lacha, quieuiz 1101.

Fiolla na naem Laizen, uapal eppeop Flinne da lacha, azup cenn manach iap pin in Uaipipbupz, do éc an peaccinad id Appil, 1085.

Maolbuizioe lla Maoilenn, pazape, ancoipe, azur epreop Zlinne va lacha, quieure 1041.

Nuava eppcop Blinne va lacha, 928.

Cionaozh Ua Ronain, eppeop Blinne va lacha azur zuairzenz laizen, guieuiz 1173.

Molioba mac Cholmaóa ó Flenn va lacha, eppcop, Jan. 8.

Siollan eppeop Blinne va lacha, Feb. 10.

Ruipin epreop Tlinne va lacha azur bennchaip, Apl. 22.

Tlenn uiren.—Diapmaio epicop Jlinne hUirren, July 8.

Fobuil.—Fuaipe epreop in Fobuil; Aoó epreop ó Lior Fobuil ap los Epne, 25 January.

δραπαρο.—δυαραέτ eppeop, January 24.

lae.—Coebi eppcop lae, quieuiz 710.

Pinzin, ancoine ip eppcop lae, 964.

Μυσροη ab lae, γτριδιίτο ατυρ εργοορ ατυρ γάι na στρι μαπη, 978.

Pepsna opic, eprcop azur ab lae Colum cille, Marca 2. Imlec opocaoa.—Eprcop opocao, luil 9.

Inben Ogoile.—Ogoan eppcop. Manza 12.

- Glastonbury, England.
- ² Glenn-da-locha; county of Wicklow.
- ³ Four Masters; 674, Chron. Scot.
- 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ IV. M.; 814, Chron. Scot.
- ⁶ January 11, Mart. Doneg.
- 7 IV. M.
- 8 IV. M.
- 9 IV. M.

- 10 Four Masters.
- n IV. M.; 929, Chron. Scot.
- 12 IV. M.
- 13 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 14 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 15 Mart. Doneg.
- ¹⁶ Killeshin, barony of Slievemargy, Queen's County.
 - ¹⁷ Mart, Doneg, and Mart, Taml

GLAISTIMBER. 1-Patrick, bishop, August 24.

GLENN-DA-LACHA.2—Caoimhghin of Glenn-da-locha.

Dairchill, son of Haircta, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, quievit 676,5 May 3.4

Edirsgel, son of Cellach, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, quievit 809.5

Ampudan (or Anpadan), bishop of Glenn-da-locha, May 11.6

Aedh O'Modhain, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, quievit 1126.7

Cormac O'Mail, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, quievit 1101.4

Giolla-na-naomh of Leinster, noble bishop of Glenn-da-locha, and chief monk afterwards in Uarisburgh (Wurtzburg), died on the seventh of the ides of April, 1085.

Maelbrighde O'Maelfinn, priest, anchorite, and bishop of Glenn-dalocha, quievit 1041.10

Nuada, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, 928.11

Cinaeth O'Ronain, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, and of the north of Leinster, quievit 1173.12

Molioba, son of Colmadh, from Glenn-da-locha, January 8.13

Siollan, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, Feb. 10.14

Ruifin, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, and of Bangor, April 22.15

Glenn-Uissen. 16—Diarmuid, bishop of Glenn-Uissen, July 8.17

Gobhull.18—Guaire, bishop of the Gobhuil.19

Hugh, bishop of Lis-gabhuil on Loch-Erne, 25 January.20

Granard.21—Guasacht, bishop, January 24.22

IAE. 23—Coedi, bishop of Ia, quievit 710.24

Finghin, anchorite and bishop of Ia, 964.25

Mughron, abbot of Ia, scribe and bishop, and sage in the 3 divisions [of knowledge], 978.²⁶

Fergna Brit, bishop and abbot of Ia-Colum-Cille, March 2.27

IMLECH-BROCHADA.28—Bishop Brochad, July 9.29

INVER DAOILE. 30 - Dagdan, bishop, March 12.

- 15 Gobhuil. See Lis-Gobhuil.
- 19 25 January; Mart. Taml.
- 20 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 21 Granard. County of Longford.
- 22 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²³ Iae. Iona, or Hy-Colum-Cille.
- ²⁴ Four Masters; 711, Ann. Ult.
- 25 IV, M.; Chron, Scot.
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- 26 Four Masters and Chron. Scot.
- 27 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²⁸ Emlech. Barony of Costello, county of Mayo.
 - 29 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - ³⁰ Enerreilly. Barony of Arklov,
- county of Wicklow.

Inip Alban.—Poταό mac bpain, pzpibnió γ eppcop inpi Alban, 961.

Imp bez epe.—Peċ bez epe.

Inip bo pinoe.—Nauizazio Colmani epipcop cum peliquip peozopum ao Inpolam uaccae albae, in qua punoabaz ecclepiam, 667.

Columban epipcopur Inrulae uaccae albae, pauraz 674; i cConmacnaib mara, Cuz. 8.

baevan eppcop linpi bó pinvi, quieuiz 711.

Imp bpecan.—Pec bpicania, ip Cill muine.

Imp Caoindeza.—Daiz mac Caipill, zepoa 586, Cluz. 8.

Corznac mac Ounacain, rui eprcop ir aincindec Inpi Caoin deza, 961.

Imp Captait.—Captach eppcop, mac Conzupa, Mapta 5.

Inip Cażaiż. - Senan eppcop Inpi Cażaiż, Mart. 1.

Govan epreop o Inip Catait, Guz. 31.

Geo Ua bechain, eppcop Inpi Catait, 1188.

Inip Cealtpa.—Diapmaio mac Caichuil eppcop inpi Cealtpa, 951.

Inip Clożpann.—Viapmaio eppcop 6 Inip Clożpann ap loż Ríb, vo píol Vazhi pi Epenn, azur Vevi inzen Tpena mic Vubzhaiż Ua Luzaip, apo pilev Epenn, mażaip Viapmava, Enaip 10.

Inip eunoaim.—Caoncompac eppcop, luil 23.

Inip Paiżlenn no Paiżlenn.—Paiżlenn 6 Inip Paiżlenn (no Paiżlenn), mac Geba baińain, no mac Geba bennain, bo plioże Cune mie Luizbech.

Inip maic Capea.—Ppaecan eppcop, Nov. 20. Inip muize pam.—Ninnio eppcop, Chaip 18.

Inip maic Ualainz.—Monióce, eppeop Inpi Ualainz, Auz. 1.

- 1 Inis-Alban. Scotland.
- ² Four Masters.
- ³ Bophin Island, off the coast of Mayo.
 - 4 IV. M.; 664, Chron. Scot.
 - JIV. M.; Chron. Scot.
 - ⁶ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 7 IV. M.
 - ⁸ Inishkeen, county of Louth.

- 9 Four Masters and Chron. Sect.
- 10 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 11 IV. M.
- 12 Inis-Carthaigh. See Inis-Uachtar.
- ¹³ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ¹⁴ Scattery Island, in the River Shannon.
 - 15 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 16 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

INIS-ALBAN.¹—Fothadh, son of Bran, scribe, and bishop of Inis-Alban, 961.²

INIS-BEG-ERE.—See Beg-Ere.

INIS-BO-FINDE.³—The navigation of Bishop Colman, with the remainder of the Scoti to Inis-bo-finde "the Isle of the White Cow," wherein he founded a church, 667.⁴

Columbanus, bishop of Insula-vaccæ-albæ, quievit 674; 5 in Conmaicne-mara, August $8.^6$

Baedan, bishop of Inis-bo-finne, quievit 711.7

INIS-BRETAN. See Britannia, and Cill-Muine.

INIS-CAINDEGHA."-Daig, son of Cairell, died 586,9 August 8.10

Cosgrach, son of Dunacan, eminent bishop, and herenach of Inis-Caindegha, 961. ¹¹

INIS-CARTHAIGH.12—Carthach, son of Aongus, bishop, March 5.13

INIS-Сатиліви.14—Senan, bishop, from Inis-Cathaigh, March 1.15

Aedhan, bishop, from Inis-Cathaigh, August 31.16

Aedh O'Bechain bishop of Inis-Cathaigh, 1188.17

INIS-CEALTRA. 18—Diarmaid, son of Caichel, bishop of Inis-Cealtra, 951. 19

INIS-CLOTHRANN.²⁹—Diarmaid, bishop, from Inis-Clothrann in Loch-Ribh, of the race of Dathy, king of Erin; and Dedi, daughter of Trian, son of Dubhthaeh Ua Lughair, chief bard of Erinn, was Diarmaid's mother; January 10.²¹

Inis-Eundaimii.22—Caoncomrae, bishop, July 23.23

INIS-FAITHLENN (OR FAIGHLENN).²⁴—Faighlen [or Faighlenn], from Inis-Faighlen, son of Aedh Damhan, or son of Aedh Bennan, of the race of Core Mac Luigdech.

INIS-MAIC-EARCA.25—Fraechan, bishop, Nov. 20.

INIS-MUIGHE-SAMH.26-Ninnid, bishop, January 18.27

Inis-Maie-Ualaing, Aug. 1.29 Morioce, bishop of Inis-maie-Ualaing, Aug. 1.29

¹⁷ Four Masters.

¹⁸ Iniscatha, in Lough Dergdeirc.

¹⁹ IV. M.

²⁰ Iniscloghren, or Quaker's Island, in Lough-Ree.

²¹ Mart. Doneg, and Mart. Taml.

²² Inishenagh, iu Lough-Ree.

²³ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

²⁴ Inisfallen, Killarney.

²⁵ Inis-maic-Earca. See under Bu-chluain.

²⁶ Inis-mac-Saint, in Lough - Erne, county of Fermanagh.

²⁷ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

²⁵ Inis-Bofin in Loch-Ree.

²⁹ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

Inip meocoic.—Godan eppcop, Aug. 31.

Inir mosp.—baovan eppcop, Enaip 14.

Ιπιρ υαόταιρ.-- Cαρταό εργοορ, Μαρτ. 5.

lonnlaża Ćineoil Luzaip.—Conlaeo azur un neprcoip, azur un pazaipz, azur un ninzena oza, in lonnlaża čineoil Luzaip.

laizen.—Piacc plebra, vipciobal Pavpaic, aipveppcop laizen ϵ , azup a comapba va ϵ p, Octob. 12.

Cele mac Donnacain, epicop laizen, azur apo rendin na nZaoidel, quieuit i nZlenn da laca, 1076.

Copmac Ua Cażapaiż, apoeppcop Laiżen, quieuiz 1146.

Plaitem Ua Duibioip, eppcop aipter Laiten, quieure 1104.

Thene, appended Fall azur Laizen, quieur 1162. (Lopean O Tuażail, comapba Chaoimżin, po oiponeo ina inap la comapba Pappaiz.)

Fiolla na naoim Ua Muincenzaiz, uaral epicop verzenz Epenn (raoilim zon von Mumain benur re), quieuiz 1149.

Lopean O Tuażaill (.i. Labnar), apoeprcop Laizen azur lezaio na hepenn, quieuw i Saxanaib 1180.

Lann Treallain.—Treallan eprcop ó Lainn, Sept. 17.

Lann Lepe.—Topmzal mac Muipeavaiz, epicop Lainn lépe, quieuiz 843.

Maolciapain mac Poiptcepn, eppcop Lainne, quieuit 900. Latpat bpiuin.—Copmac, eppcop Latpait bpiuin, quieuit 854.

Leacain Míóe.—Chuimin eppcop, luin 28. Leam coill.—Pionnzan copac, Peb. 21. Cuillenn, eppcop Leamcoille, Appil 22. Moconna eppcop ó Leamcoill, Enaíp 13.

- ¹ Inis-Medeoit. Either Farne, or Lindisfarne, in England.
 - 2 See under Inis-Cathaigh.
- 3 Bacdan. In the Mart. of Donegal it is added that this Bacdan died A. D. 712.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ Inis wachtar. In Loch-Sheelin, county of Cavan.
 - 6 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml-
 - 7 Not identified.

- 3 Laighen. Leinster.
- ⁹ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Tami.
- 10 Four Masters.
- 11 IV. M.
- 12 IV. M.
- 13 Grene. He is called Gregorius by Ware, and others. See Harris's edition of Ware's Works, vol. i., p. 311.
 - 11 IV. M.
 - 15 Munster. He was bishop of Cloyne.

INIS-MEDCOIT.1—Aedan, bishop, August 31.2

INIS-MOR.—Baedan,3 bishop, January 14.4

INIS-UACHTAR.5—Carthach, bishop, March 5.6

IONNLATHA-CINEOIL-LUGHAIR.7—Conlacd, and vii. bishops, and vii. priests, and vii. young virgins, in Innlatha-Cineoil-Lughair.

Laigher. —Fiac of Sletty, disciple of Patrick; he was archbishop of Leinster, and his comarb after him. October 12.9

Cele, son of Donnacan, bishop of Laighen, and arch-elder of the Gaidhel, quievit in Glenn-da-locha, 1076.10

Cormae O'Cathasaigh, archbishop of Laighen, quievit 1146.11

Flaithemh O'Duibhidhir, bishop of East Laighen, quievit 1104.10

Grene,13 archbishop of the Gaill, and of Laighen, quievit 1162.14

(Lorean O'Tuathail, comarb of Caemhghin, was ordained in his place by the comarb of Patrick.)

Gilla-na-naomh O'Muirchertaigh, noble bishop of the South of Erinn. (I think he belongs to Munster), 15 quievit 1149.

Lorean¹⁶ O'Tuathail (i. e. Lawrence) archbishop of Laighen, and Legate of Erinn, quievit in England, ¹⁷ 1180.

Lann Grellain. ¹⁸—Greallan, bishop, from Lann, September 17. ¹⁹
Lann-Lere. ²⁰—Gormgal, son of Muireadach, bishop of Lann-Lere, quievit 843. ²¹

Maol-Chiaran, son of Fortchern, bishop of Lann, quievit 900.22 LATHRACH-BRIUIN.23—Cormac, bishop of Lathrach-Briuin, quiev

Leacan of Meath.²⁵—Cruimin, bishop, June 28.²⁶ Leamh-choill.²⁷—Finntan Corach, February 21.²⁸ Cuillenn, bishop of Leamh-choill, April 22.²⁹ Mochonna, bishop of Leamh-choill, January 13.²⁴

See Harris's "Ware," vol. i., p. 574.

- 16 See note.
- 17 England. Saxanaib. In the Annals of Boyle, Inisfallen, and Clonmacnoise, he is said to have died in France.
 - 15 Not identified.
 - 19 18; Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 20 Dunleer, county of Louth.
 - 21 Four Masters.
 - 32 IV. M.

- ²³ Laragh Bryan, barony of North Salt, county of Kildare.
 - 24 Four Masters.
- ²⁵ Leekin, barony of Corkarce, county of Westmeath.
 - 26 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - ²⁷ Lowhill, Queen's County.
 - 25 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 29 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml,
 - 20 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

leaż żumn.—Maolpośl mac Aillella, eppcop, ancome, γτρίδης leiże Cumn, ατυρ ab πο θοπεπ, 920.

Liaż σραιμ.—Mac Liaz, eprcop Liaż σρομα, Peb. 8.

liaż móp (no leżmóip).—Nacaip, eppcop, linl. 12.

linn duaéaill.—Tomar epreop azur rzpib, ab linne duaéaill, quieuit 803.

Liolcaė.—Cape Slaine, eppeop Liolcait, Nov. 2; quieur 512.

Liop zobuil.—Geò eppeop 6 Liop zobuil ap loc Epne, Enaip 5.

Liop mop.—Mocuoa eppcop, quieurz 636, Maoi 14.

Ronan eproop Lior moip Mocuba, Peb. 9.

Captat eprcop, Marta 3.

Lożpa.—Rugoan eppcop Lozhpa.

Colum mac Paolzupa, eppcop lożpa, quieuiz 783.

Omenzać epreop lożna, quieuiz 864.

Loċ Con.—Laożaipe, eprcop 6 Loċ Con, Sept. 30.

lużinać.—Μοέτα epreop 6 lużinać, 300 bliaćan a raezał. Μαρτα 20.

Cochaió mac Tuażail, eppcop Lużinaó, 820.

Maolzuile, eppcop Lużniaö, 871.

Caoncompać eppcop Lużinać, 898.

Pionnačza mac Eczizeph eppcop, pzpibníó ip ab lužímač, 948.

Μαοίρατραις πας υροιπ, εργεορ Ιυξιπαύ, 936.

Luizne, no zuaż Luizne.—Maolpinnia .i. Ua haonuiż, peplezino Pabaip, azur eprcop zuaiż Luiżne, 992.

Lurea.—Mac Cuilinn epreop Lurea. Luacan mac Cuilinn

- 1 Leath-Chuinn. Ulster.
- ² Edhnen. He died at Eu, in Normandy. See under Edhnen.
 - ³ Leitrim.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ Leamakevoge, barony of Eliogarty.
 - ⁶ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁷ Linn-duachaill. Near Dundalk, county of Louth.
 - 8 Four Masters.

- 9 Bective (?) county Meath.
- 10 Earc of Slane. See under Baile-Slaine.
 - 11 Lisgoole, county Fermanagh.
 - 12 25, Mart. Doneg.
 - 13 Lismore, county Waterford.
 - 14 Four Masters, and Chron. Scot.
- 637, Ann. Ult. Tig. and Clonmacnoise.
 - 15 Mart. Doneg., and Mart. Taml.
- 16 Carthach. This is a mistake. The Carthach commemorated on March 5,

LEATH-CHUINN. —Maelpoil, son of Ailill, bishop, anchorite, and scribe of Leth-Chuinn, and abbot of the Edhnen, 2920.

Liath-Druim.3-Mac Liag, bishop of Liath-druim, Feb. 8.1

Liath-mor, or Leth-mor.5-Nazair, bishop, July 12.6

LINN-DUACHAILL.7—Thomas, bishop, scribe, and abbot of Linn-Duachaill, quievit 803.8

Liolcacu.⁹—Earc of Slane, ¹⁰ bishop of Liolcagh, quievit 512. November 2.

Lis-Gobhuil. 11 —Aedh, bishop, from Lis-Gobhuil on Loch-Erne, January $5.^{12}$

Lis-mor. 13—Mochuda, bishop, quievit 636, 14 May 14.

Ronan, bishop of Lis-mór-Mochuda, Feb. 9.15

Carthach,16 bishop, March 3.

LOTHRA.17—Ruadhan, bishop of Lorrha.

Colum, son of Faolgus, bishop of Lorrha, quievit 783.18

Dinertach, bishop of Lorrha, quievit 864.19

Loca-Conn. 20—Laeghaire, bishop, from Loch-Conn, September 30.21

 ${\tt Lughmhagh, 300~years}$ was his age; March 20. 23

Eochaidh, son of Tuathal, bishop of Lughmhagh, 820.24

Maoltuile, bishop of Lughmhagh, 871.25

Caencomrach, bishop of Lughmhagh, 898.26

Finnachta, son of Echtigern, bishop, scribe, and abbot of Lughmhagh, 948.27

Maolpatrick, son of Bran, bishop of Lughmhadh, 936.28

Luighne. Maelfinnia (i. e. O'hAenaigh), lector of Fabhar, and bishop of Tuath-Luighne, 992.30

Lusca.31—Mac Cuilinn, bishop of Lusca. Luachan mac Cuilinn,

is the same whose name appears under Druim-fertain and Inis-Uachtar above.

¹⁷ Lorrha, barony of Lower Ormond, county Tipperary.

18 Four Masters.

19 IV. M.

20 i. e., Errew, near Loch-Conn, county Mayo.

²¹ Mart. Doneg.

22 Louth, county of Louth.

²³ March 20. Partly effaced. August 19, Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

24 Four Masters; 822, Chron. Sect.

26 IV. M.

⁹⁶ IV. M.; 903, Chron. Scot.

27 IV. M.

25 IV. M.; 737, Chron. Seot.

²⁹ Luighne, or Tuath-Luighne; the barony of Lune, county Meath.

30 IV. M.

31 Lusca. Lusk, county Louth.

a ainm vilep, azup Cainniz, Cuinviż no Cuinvev a cev ainin, auteurz 497.

Aréó aden Mac Pinbiriz quier Cuindeda maic Catbada .i. Mac Cuilinn, epreop Lurca, et cetera, Sept. 6.

δuin Colmain, epicop Lupca, la .h. Cuipcpe, 739.

Popbarać eprcop Lurca, 835.

Secnarac epreop Lurcan quieuiz 887.

Maolpuanaió epreop Lurca, quieuiz, 880.

Colman panibnio, eppeop Vaimlias azur Lupcain, quieuiz 902.

Cilill mac Maonaiz. eppcop Suipo azur Lupcain, 965.

Ruaban eprcop Lurcan, 904.

Cuażal mac Oenacam, eppcop Daimliaz azup Lupcca, maop mumzipe Paopaiz, 927.

Maż ai, no eó.—Pec Mażeo.

Maż bile.—Pinnian Muiże bile, eppcop, nó Pinia eppcop Maiże bile, Peb. 11.

Pinnen eprcop Maiże bile.

Pinnia mac III Piazač a ainm aile. azur Pionnbapp Maiże bile a ainm ele; 6 Piazač pino, pí Epeno, zaínic pé. Sepz. 10.

Sinell Maiże bile, eppcop, cipca annum 600, no 602, quieuiz. bijecan eppcop ip ab Maiże bile. Appil 24.

Maolaiżjin, eprcop Maiże bile, Sepz. 9.

Siollan (mac Pionnehain), eppcop azur ab Maiże bile, anno pomini 618; Auz. 25.

Caipboe, eppcop Maiże bilc, Maoi 1.

Maż bolz. –Sipic eppcop 6 Maiż bolc, Nou. 26.

Maż bpez.—Ouboabaipenn mac Conpui, rui eprcop Maiże bpeż, comapba buice azur eznuio Laizen, 964.

- 1 544, Chron. Scot.
- ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ³ Four Masters; and 743, Ann. Ult.
- 4 IV. M.
- 5 IV. M.
- 6 IV. M.; 883, Chron. Scot.
- 739, record the death of a Colman, scribe and bishop of Leasan, now the parish of Lissan, situated partly in the counties of

Donegal and Londonderry, adjoining the territory of Hv-Tuirtre.

- 8 Four Masters; and Chron. Scot.
- 9 IV. M.
- 10 IV. M.; 928, Chron. Scot.
- 11 Magh-Ai. Mayo.
- 12 Movilla, barony of Lower Ards, county Down.
 - 13 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

was his proper name, and Cainnigh, Cuindigh, or Cuindedh, his first name. He went to his rest in 497.

What Mae Firbis says is "quies of Cuindid, son of Cathbadh, i.e. Mae Cuilind, bishop of Lusea, &c., September 6."

The mortal wounding of Colman, bishop of Lusea, by the Hy-Tuirtre, $739.^3$

Forbasach, bishop of Lusea, 835.4

Sechnusach, bishop of Lusca, quievit 887.5

Maolruanaidh, bishop of Lusea, quievit 880.6

Colman, the scribe, bishop of Daimhliag and Lusca,7 quievit 902.8

Ailill, son of Maenach, bishop of Sord and Lusea, 965.

Ruadan, bishop of Lusea, 904.9

Tuathal, son of Acnacan, bishop of Daimhliag and Lusca, steward of the people¹⁰ of Patrick, 927.¹¹

Magn-At (or Eo).—See Magh-Eo.

Magu-Bile. ¹²—Finnian of Magh-Bile; or Finnia, bishop of Magh-Bile, February 11. ¹³

Finnen,¹⁴ bishop of Magh-Bile. Finnia Mac-Ui-Fiatach was his other name, and Fionnbar of Magh-Bile was another name of his. From Fiatach Finn, King of Erinn, he descended. September 10.¹⁵

Sinell of Magh-Bile, bishop, circa annum 600, vel 602, quievit.16

Brecan, bishop and abbot of Magh-Bile, April 24.17

Maelaithghin, bishop of Magh-Bile, Sept. 9.18

Siollan, son of Fionehan, bishop and abbot of Magh-Bile, A°. Dⁱ. 618, ¹⁹ August 25. ²⁰

Cairbre, bishop of Magh-Bile, May 1.21

Magn-Bolg.²²—Sirie, bishop, from Magh-Bole, November 26.²³

Magh-Bregn.²⁴—Dubhdabhairen, son of Curoi, eminent bishop of Magh-Bregh, comarb of Bute,²⁵ and sage of Leinster, 964.²⁶

- 14 Finnen. The same as Finnian, or Finnia.
 - 15 Mart. Doneg.
 - 16 602, Four M.; 603, Chron. Scot.
 - 17 29 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 18 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 19 IV. M.; 619, Chron. Scot.
 - 20 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 21 3, Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
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- ²² Moybolgue; partly situated in the counties of Cavan and Meath.
 - 23 Mart. Doneg.
- ²⁴ Bregia; a district comprising a large part of the counties of Dublin and Meath.
- 25 Bute. Patron and founder of Mainister-Buite, or Monasterboice, county Louth.
 - 26 Ann. Ult. and Four Masters.

Maż cpeńcoille.—Cozan eprcop azur eznuro Maiże cpeń-coille, Maoi 31.

Mάξ eó.—Ponzipex Maiξe eó Saxanum, Fapailz, obiiz 726; Μαρτα 13.

δροσαιό Imliξ δροσαόα, 1 Muiz Co (no Coi), Iuil 9.

Cloban, eprcop Maιδe eó, 768.

Mac an breżemain, eprcop Maize eć; vibrir mac Uilliam burc .i. anz ab caoć é.

Parpaie O helide, epreop Maize es; do daruized é i ceill Mocelloz, 1579, ap ron an epedim carollede.

Mainipoip bhuiste.—buise .i. boesíup, eppcop Mainipopeò, quieum $521.\ {\rm Dec.}\ 7.$

buizze (.i. buabać mac bpónaiż).

No.—Zin caóin Choluim ap colépiz, Aniu or Epino óluiz.

Pop aon lié ni pád nuabaip báp bán bhuadaif mec bpónaif.

Domnall mac Máichiaða, ab mainipoped buitte, eppeop azur renoip naom, 1004.

Maichia, epicop azur comapba mainiropeċ buizze, vo éc 1039.

Mainipoip żuama.—Capżać .i. an pen eppcop; pec liločuba Maoi 14.

Meachur chuim.—Popannan, eproop Meciur chuim, 751.

Mużna.—Maolpoil, eprcop Mużna, 992.

Oipziall, no Cipziall.—Coò ua heożaiż eprcop Cipzialla, quieuiz 1369.

Ornaize.—Duncas, balta Diapmaba, eprcop 7 Saoi, azur ollam Ornaize, 9 * *

- 1 Magh-cremhehoille. Not identified. The name Magh-cremhehoille signifies "the plain of the wild-garlic wood." Cremhehoill was the ancient name of the parish of Cranfield, barony of Upper Torme, county of Antrim. See Reeves' Down and Connor," p. 8.
 - ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

- ³ Mayo, barony of Clanmorris, county Mayo.
 - ⁴ Four M.; 731, Ann. Ult.; 731 Tig.
 - ⁵ Mart. Doneg.
 - ⁶ See under Imleach-Brochadha.
 - ⁷ Ann. Ult., and IV. M.
 - ⁵ Monasterboice, county Louth,
 - 9 IV. M.; 518, Chron. Scot.

 ${
m Magh-cremnchoille.}^{1}$ — Eoghan, bishop and sage of Magh-Cremhehoille, May $31.^{2}$

Magn-Eo.³—The Pontiff of Magh-Eó of the Saxons, Gerald, obiit 726,⁴ March 13.⁵

Brocaidh of Imlech-Brochada, in Magh-Eo (or Magh-Ai), July 9°. Aedhan, bishop of Magh-Eo, 768.⁷

Mac-an-Brehon, bishop of Magh-Eo; Mac William Burk, i. e. the Blind Abbot, expelled him.

Patrick O'Helidhe, bishop of Magh-Eo, who was put to death in Cill-Mochellog, 1579, for the Catholic faith.

Manister-Bute. 5 —Bute, i. e. Boetius, bishop of Manister, quievit 521, 9 December $7.^{10}$

Buite (i. e. Buadach, son of Bronach).

Note.—" The gentle birth of Colum, our cleric,

To-day over noble Erinn;

On the same festival, it is no vaunting saying,

[Is commemorated] the death of fair Buadach, son of Bronach."

Domhnall, son of Macniadh, abbot of Manister-Bute, a bishop and holy elder, $1004.^{11}$

Macnia, bishop and comarb of Manister-Buite, died 1039.

Manister-Thuama. 12—Carthach, i. e. the old bishop. See Mochuda, May 14.

MEATHUS-TRUIM.¹³—Forannan, bishop of Meathus-truim, 751.¹⁴ Mughna.¹⁵—Maolpoil, bishop of Mughna, 992.¹⁶

OIRGHIALL (or Airghiall).¹⁷—Aedh O'hEothaigh,¹⁸ bishop of Airghiall, quievit 1369.¹⁹

Osraighe. 20 —Dunchadh, foster-son of Diarmaid, bishop and sage, and ollave of Ossory, $9.^{21}$

- 10 Mart. Mart.
- 11 IV. M.; and Chron. Scot.
- 12 Manistir-Thuama. Not identified. St. Carthach the Elder was the preceptor of St. Mochada, who is called Carthach Junior. See Lanigan's "Eccles. History," vol. 2., pp. 88, 9.
 - 13 Meathus-truim. Not identified.
 - 14 Four Masters.

- 15 Dunnamanoge, county Kildare.
- 16 Four Masters.
- 17 Diocesc of Clogher.
- 15 O'h Eothaigh: O'Hoey. The IV. M., and Ware call him Aedh O'Neill.
 - 19 IV. M.; Ann. Loch-Cé.
 - 20 Ossory.
 - 21 971, IV. M.

Domnall Ua Pozanzaiż, eprcop Orpaize, quieuiz 1178.

Rait (no pat) aonait; Rait muite aonait (no eanait). bputaė eppcop, Nou. 1.

Raż vapżaiże (no vepżaiże).—Cazhchan (no zomav Cazhću), eprcop; Mapz. 20.

Raż Libżen.- Iollavan ua Cachach, eppcop, luin 10.

Raż murpburlz.—Vomanzapz mac Cachać, pur eppcop, Mapza 24.

Rait Oppain.—Oppan eppcop. Peb. 17.

Rażam.—Geban Rażam, [7] Geban ua Concumba, epipcopi, ez milizep Cpipzi, in pace quieuepunz, azur Saepmuż Canaiż buib, 787.

Raż Colpa.—Eprcop Tarrach (a Raiż Colpa), cepo Pazpaic; (ar é zuc comaoin vo Pazpaic pe néce); Appil 14.

Raż móp Muiże τυαιρτιρτ.— Luzaió eppcop, Octob. 6.

Raż na neprcop.—Goż zlap, Gonzup. Peb. 16.

Raż Ronain.—Ronan, eppcop i Raiż Ronain, in uib Cellaiż Cualann.

Raż pízhe.—Cozan eppcop Razha pízhe, quieuiz cipca annum 615.

Reachpa.—Plann mac Ceallaizh, mic Cpunnomáil, eppcop Rechpaióe, quieuiz 734.

Roin.—Τριτοιρ Roma, Μαρτα 12.

Pupa Ainne no zab abbaine Róma ταμές δριζόιη, ετ cerepa.

Rop-ailithe.—Paètna eppeop, ii. mac Monzaiz a Rop ailithe. Auz. 14.

- 1 Four Masters.
- ² Raymochy, barony of Raphoe, county of Donegal.
 - 3 Not identified.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg., and Mart. Taml.
- ⁵ Rathlihen, barony of Balliboy, King's County.
 - 6 Mart. Doneg. and Mart, Taml.
 - 7 Maghera, county Down.

- 8 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 9 Rath-Ossain. See under Ath-Truim.
- 10 Rahin, King's County.
- 11 Eanach-dubh, i.e. "the black marsh," now Annagh-duff, near Drumana, county Leitrim.
 - 12 Four Masters.
- 13 Raholp, barony of Lecale Lower, county Down.

Domhnall O'Fogarty, bishop of Ossory, quievit 1178.1

Raith- (or Rath) -aenaigh; Rath-Maighe-aenaigh, (or Eanaigh).²— Brugach, bishop. November 1.

Rath-Darthaighe (or Derthaighe).3—Cathchan (or perhaps Cathchan), bishop; March 20.4

Rатн-Libhthen.°—Iolladan, descendant of Eochaidh, bishop, June $10.^\circ$

RATH-MUIRBUILG.⁷—Domangart, son of Eochaidh, an eminent bishop, March 24.⁸

RATH-OSSAIN.9—Ossan, bishop, February 17.

RATHAIN.—¹⁰Aedhan of Rathain, [and] Aedhan, son of Cucumba, episcopi et milites Christi, quieverunt, and Sacrmugh of Eanach-dubh, ¹¹ 787. ¹²

RATH-Colpa.¹³—Bishop Tassach (in Rath-Colpa), Patrick's artist; (it was he that gave the communion to Patrick before his death); April 14.¹⁴

Rath-mor-muighe-tuaiscairt. 15—Lughaidh, bishop, October 6.16

RATH-NA-NEPSCOB. 17—Aodh Glas, and Aongus, February 16.18

Rath-Ronain. 19—Ronan, bishop, in Rath-Ronain in Ui-Cellaigh-Cualann.

RATH-SITHE.²⁰—Eoghan, bishop of Rath-sithe, quievit circa annum 615.²¹

Reachea. 22—Flann, son of Cellach, son of Crundmael, bishop of Reachea, went to his rest 734. 23

Rome.—Gregory of Rome, March 12.

The Pope of Ara²⁴ got the abbacy of Rome after Gregory, &c.

Ros-Ailitre.²⁵—Fachtna, bishop, i. e. the son of Mongach, of Ros-Ailitre,²⁶ August 14.²⁷

- 14 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 15 Rattoo, county Kerry.
- ¹⁶ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 17 Not known.
- 18 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 19 Rath-Ronain, county Wicklow.
- 20 Rashee, barony and county of Autrim.
 - 21 617, Four Masters.
 - 22 Lambay, county Dublin.

- 23 Four Masters.
- ²⁴ Pope of Ara. See under Ara- (Ael-chu, son of Faelchu).
- 25 Ros-Ailitre. Rosscarbery, county Cork.
- ²⁶ Ros-Ailitre. The Mart. Doneg. describes this Fachtna, whose festival occurs on the 14th of August, as of Dairinis-Maclanfaidh, county Waterford,
 - 27 Mart. Doneg.

Rop baipenn.—Cuipizan (no) Cipiac epreop azur ab Ruir menn, no Ruir baipenn. Mapza 16.

Rop menn.—peċ Rop baipenn.

Rop Comain.—Stabal eppcop ip ab puip Comain, quieuiz, 813.

Geö mac Pianzura, eprcop Ruir Comain, 872.

Rop cpe.—Iraac Ua Cuanain, eppcop éle Ruip cpe, 6z azur ápo řénőip aipčep Muman, quieuiz 1161.

Rop beala.—Sen Parpair, epprop ip ab Ruip beala i Muit lacha, Auz. 24.

Saifip.—Ciapan Saifpe, eppcop baoi in Epinn pia Pazpaic, Mapza δ .

Meonan eprcop, luin 6.

Copmac epreop Saitpe, 907.

Saxan.—Govan eppcop Saxan, quieuiz cipca annum 650.

Sio zpuim.—Eppeop Cape, Nou. 2.

Slaine.—Eppcop Capc, Nou. 2.

Niallan, eppeop Slaine quieuiz 867.

Copmac mac Clavais, eppcop Slaine, 867.

Maelbpizze, eppcop Slaine, 875.

Slebze.—Piace, eppcop Slebze, Oczob. 12; vipziobal Pazpaic. Avó, eppcop Sleibze, 699; Peb. 7.

Shab haz.—Eppcop Aeò mac opic ó fhab haz; Nou. 10; quieuiz 588.

Sopo.—Maolmuipe Ua Cainén, eznaió azur eprcop Suipo Coluim cille, quieuiz 1023.

Stol Muthevatž.—Zač atz imbí eprcop říol Muthevatž (év ar mian vapotle ar) eprcop Otlerin; ziveč ni rilimpi lan viler vepin in zač aen aimpip.

- ¹ Ros-Bairenn. Not identified.
- ² Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ³ Roscommon.
- 4 813, Four Masters.
- ⁵ IV. M.; 873, Ann. Ult.
- ⁶ Roscrea, county Tipperary.
- 7 Amten Muman, i. e. Ormond.
- * IV. M.
- 9 Rosdalla, county Westmeath.

- 10 Mart. Taml.
- 11 Seirkeeran, in the King's County.
- 12 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 13 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 14 Four Masters.
- 15 Saxan, England.
- 16 648 = 651, Chron. Scot.
- 17 Near Trim, county Meath.
- 18 See under Baile-Slaine.

Ros-Bairenn. —Cuiritan, or Ciriae, bishop and abbot of Ros-menn, or Ros-Bairenn, March 16.2

Ros-Menn. See Ros-Bairenn.

Ros-Comain, 3—Siadhal, bishop and abbot of Ros-Comain, quievit 813.4

Aedh, son of Fiangus, bishop of Ros-Comain 872.5

Ros-crè.6—Isaac O'Cuanain, bishop of Ele of Ros-ere, virgin, and arch-elder of East Munster,7 quievit 1161.8

Ros-dela. 9—Old Patrick, bishop and abbot of Ros-dela, in Magh-Lacha, August 24. 10

Saighir. 11—Ciaran of Saighir, a bishop who was in Erinn before Patrick; March 5.12

Medran, bishop, June 6.13

Cormae, bishop of Saighir 907.14

Saxan.¹⁵—Aedhan bishop of the Saxons, quievit circa annum 650.¹⁶ Sidh-truim.¹⁷—Bishop Erc, Nov. 2.¹⁸

SLAINE.19—Bishop Ere, Nov. 2.

Niallan, bishop of Slane, quievit 867.20

Cormae, son of Eladach, bishop of Slane,21 867.

Maelbrighte, bishop of Slane, 875.22

SLEBHTE.²³—Fiace, bishop of Slebhte, October 12.²⁴

Aedh, a disciple of Patrick, bishop of Slebhte, 699;25 Feb. 7.

SLIABH-LIAG. 26 —Bishop Aedh Mae Brie, from Sliabh-Liag, Nov. $10\,;^{27}$ quievit $588.^{28}$

Sord.²⁹—Maelmuire O'Cainén, sage and bishop of Sord-Coluim-Cille, quievit 1023.³⁰

SIOL-MUIREDHAIGH.³¹—Wherever a bishop of the Siol-Muiredhaigh may be, some are of opinion he is bishop of Elphin. However, I am not fully sure of this at all times.

- 19 Slane, in the county Meath.
- 20 Four Masters.
- ²¹ Slane. The Ann. of the Four Mast. (867), and Ann. Ult. (861), state that Cormae, son of Eladach, was bishop and abbot of Saighir, or Seirkieran.
 - 22 847, IV. M.; 876, Ann. Ult.
- ²³ Slebhte. Slatey, in the Queen's County.

- 24 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 25 698, Four Masters; 696 = 699 Chron. Scot.
 - 26 Slieve-League, county Donegal.
 - 27 Mart. Doneg.
 - 28 IV. M.; and Chron. Scot.
 - 29 Swords, county of Dublin.
 - 30 IV. M.; 1021, Chron. Scot.
 - 31 Diocese of Elphin.

Camlacta.—Maolpuain eppeop Camlacta, 787: níp hiteat peóil αζυρ níp híbet lionn αζ mancaib Maoilpuain pe a pé pén; luil 7.

Cocaió eppeop Tamlacza, quieuiz 807.

Toppa epreop Tamlaċza, quieuiz 872.

Copmac eprcop Tamlacta, 962.

Chounmaol ap pez Ebenn, azak ebicop azak keliginu Zamlacza, 964.

Szanblain epreop azur ab Tamlacza, 913.

lopep eprcop Tamlaeta Maoilpuain, Enaip 5.

Cocaro, eppcop azur ab Tamlacca, Enarp 28.

Aipennán (no Epennán), eprcop Tamlacta, Peb. 10.

Tamlace Menann. Thiún do bheanaib annno .i. Narad, beoan eproop, ir Meallan ó Tamlace Menain, az Loc bhichenn in Uib Ethac Ulab [n]6 o Tamlacea Ui Mail.

Tamnač buača.—Un neprcoip ó Tamnač buača, luil. 21.

Teaż baoiżin.—baoiżin eprcop, Peb. 19.

Teaž Callain.—Cežepnač eppcop ó žiž Collain, quieuiz in hl ina oilizpi, 1047.

Teaż Connain.—Connan, ергсор o żiż Connain i сСретżаnnuib, luin 29.

Teat od cua.—Eppcop Cen mac Maine, a zziz Odcua mic Nemain.

Ceaż Oioma.—Εργοορ Οioma mac Senaiż, το βοżαρτυίδα ττις (no 6 τις) Οioma.

Teac Mocua.—Copznac mac Maoilmoceinze, eppcop τίξε Μοcua αχυρ na Comann, 931.

Teac Molinz.—Molinz Luacha, eppcop, 696, luin 17:

- ¹ Tallaght, county Dublin.
- ² Four Masters.
- 3 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 4 IV. M.
- 5 IV. M.; Ann. Ult.
- 6 IV. M.
- ⁷ IV. M.; 914, Chron. Scot.
- 8 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁹ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 10 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 11 Tamlacht-Menainn; this was in the parish of Ahaderg, county Down, where there is a townland now called Meenan. See Reeves's "Down and Connor," p. 113.
- ¹² Loch-Brierenn. Lough Brickland, Co. Down.
- 13 Ui-Echadh-Uladh. Iveagh, county Down.

Tamlacht. 1—Maolruain, bishop of Tamlacht 789. Meat was not eaten, nor ale drunk, by Maelruain's monks during his own time: July 7.

Eochaidh, bishop of Tamlacht, quievit 807.4

Torpa, bishop of Tamlacht, quievit 872.5

Cormac, bishop of Tamlacht, 962.6

Cronmael, abbot of Beg-Eri, and bishop and lector of Tamlacht, 964. See under Beg-Ere.

Sgandlan, bishop and abbot of Tamlacht, 913.7

Joseph, bishop of Tamlacht-Maolruain, Jan. 5.8

Eochaidh, bishop and abbot of Tamlacht, Jan. 28.9

Airennán, or Erennán, bishop of Tamlacht, Feb. 10.10

Tamhlacht-Menainn.¹¹—Three of the Britons here, viz., Nasad, Beoan, a bishop, and Meallan, from Tamlacht-Menainn at Loch-Bricrenn,¹² in Ui-Echach-Uladh,¹³ or from Tamlacht-Ui-Maille.

Таминаси-виадна.¹⁴—Seven bishops from Tamhnach-buadha, July 21.¹⁵

Teach-Baithin. 16—Baothin, bishop, February 19.17

Teach-Callain. ¹⁸—Cethernach, bishop, from Tech-Collain, quievit at Hy, during his pilgrimage, 1047. ¹⁹

Teach-Connain. 20—Connan, bishop, from Tech-Connain in Crimthann, June 29.21

Teach-Dacua.²²—Bishop Cén, son of Maine, from Tech-Dachua mic Nemain.

TEACH-DIOMA.—Bishop Dioma, son of Senach, of the Fotharta, in Tech-(or from Tech)-Dioma.

 $\rm Teach-Mochua.^{23}$ —Cosgrach, son of Maelmocheirghe, bishop of Tech-Mochua and the Comauns, 931. 24

Teach-Moling.25—Moling Luachra, bishop, 696,26 June 17.27

- 14 Not identified.
- 15 Mart. Taml. and Mart. Doneg.
- 18 Tibohine, county Roscommon.
- ¹⁷ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 18 Stackallan, county Meath.
- 19 Four Masters; 1045, Chron. Scot.
- ²⁰ Teach-Connain. Locality uncertain; but it was probably situated in Crimthann, in Meath.
- ²¹ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²² Ticknevin, barony of Carbery, county Kildare
 - ²³ Timahoe, Queen's County.
 - 24 Four Masters.
 - ²⁵ St. Mullin's, county Carlow.
 - ²⁶ IV. M.; 693, Chron. Scot.
 - 27 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

Teach Talláin.—Cillín, eppeop 6 tit Taláin in Aipziall, Maoi 27.

Típ Conaill.—Eppcop típe Chonuill II. Maz Dunzai(le), becc 1366.

ζίρ τα zlar.—αιόδε, εργοορ τρ ab τίρε τα zlar, Maoi 24.

Ouncao mac Ceallait, epreop ip ab Tipe oa zlaip, 963.

Cip Cofain.—δiolla an coimper O Ceapballain, eppcop τίρε hCofain, 1279.

Pliopine 6 Ceapballain, eppcop, tipe heotain, quieure 1293. Tip poip.—Caipeall eppcop, 1 Tip poip, luin 13.

Toban Ohipin, i zeip Piacepae Muaide iap nlapzaiz. Oipin epreop, Oecem. 3.

Tolan.—Ciapan, eppcop Tolain, 919.

Τρεβου.— Popannan, pepiba, eppeop Τρέοιο, quieuiτ 769.

Μοό, μερίετητο αξυρ αδ Τρεμοίδε, εργοορ, ες απός, αξυροίλιστες, 1004.

- Cuaό Μύτια.— Caoδ ua lonδapcain, eppcop Cuaό lilútinan, quieuic 1161.

Tuaim va ualann.—Pepvomnač (.i. mac Caomain), eppcop Cuama va ualann, anno Domini 781; luin 10.

Tuaim Murzpaize.—Domaintin (no Damaintin), eprcop, 6 Tuaim Murzpait, verbpatair Vrennuinn, April 29.

Tuaipzipz Laizen.—Cionaoz Ua Ronain, eppcop Blinne va lacha azup zuaipzipz Laizen, quieuiz 1173.

- 1 Teach-na-comairce. Parish of Clon-leigh, county Donegal.
- ² Mart. Taml.; 28 March, Mart. Doneg.
 - ³ Tyhallen, county Monaghan.
 - 4 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 5 Tir-Conaill; i. e. the diocese of Ruphoe.
 - ⁶ Four Masters; Ware.

- ⁷ Terryglass, county Tipperary.
- ⁸ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ⁹ Four Masters.
- $^{10}\ \it Tiv\text{-}Eoghain$; i. e. the diocese of Derry.
 - 11 Ann. Loch-Cé; and IV. M.
 - 12 Ann. Loeh · Cé; and IV. M.
 - 13 In the county Monaghan.
 - 14 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.

Teach-na-Comairce. 1 —The seven bishops from Tech-na-comairce, May $28.^{\circ}$

Teach-Talain.3—Cillin, bishop, from Tech-Tallain in Airghiall, May 27.4

Tir-Conaill.5—The bishop of Tirconnell, i. e. Mac Dunghaile, died 1366.6

Tir-da-glas, 7—Aidhbhe, bishop and abbot of Tir-da-glas, May 24.9

Dunchadh, son of Cellach, bishop and abbot of Tir-da-glas, 963.9

Tir-Eoghain. 10 — Gilla-an-Coimdedh O'Carolan, bishop of Tir-Eoghain, 1279. 11

Florence O'Carolan, bishop of Tir-Eoghain, quievit 1293.12

Tir-Rois.13—Carell, bishop in Tir-Rois, June 13.14

Tobar-Birin, in Tir-Fiachrach of the Moy, behind Iaskagh (Easky, Co. Sligo). Birin, bishop, December 3.15

Tolan. 16—Ciaran, bishop of Tolan, 919.17

Trefod. $^{18}\mbox{\---}$ Forannan, scribe, bishop of Treoid, went to his rest $769.^{19}$

Aedh, lector and abbot of Treoid, a bishop and learned man, and pilgrim, 1004.20

Tuadh-Mumha.²¹—Tadhg O'Lonergan, bishop of Thomond, went to his rest 1161.

Tuaim-da-ualann, anno Domini 781, 23 June 10.24

Tuaim-Muscraighe. Pomhainghin, or Damhainghin, bishop of Tuaim-Muscraighe, brother of Brenainn, April 29.28

Tuaisgert-Laighen.²⁷—Cionaoth O'Ronan, bishop of Glenn-da-locha, and of North Leinster, quievit 1173.²⁸

- 15 Mart. Doneg.
- ¹⁶ Dulane, near Kells, county Meath.
- 17 Four Masters; 920.
- ¹⁸ Trevet, barony of Skreen, county Meath.
 - 19 IV. M.
 - ²⁰ IV. M.; 1003, Chron. Scot.
- ²¹ Tuadh-Mumha; i. c. the diocese of Kilfenora.

- 22 Tuam, county Galway.
- ²³ Mart. Doneg.; 777, IV. M.
- ²⁴ Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- 25 Tomes, barony of West Muskerry, county Cork.
 - 26 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
- ²⁷ North Leinster, i.e. the diocese of Glendalough.
 - 28 Four Masters.

Tuluiz capbuis.—Eprcop Calb, 6 Tulaiz capbuis i menna Tipe in 16 1116z, Enaip 26.

Ua bpiuin.—Tuażal O Connačzaiż, eppcop Ua mbpiuin, quieur 1179.

Ua Cennpelaiz.—Ant eprcop Ua Cattain, .i. aipo eprcop Ua cCennpiolaiz, quieuit 1135.

Ua conzbail.—Pachena eppeop on ua conzbail, Enaip 19.

Ua pPiacpać.—Iomap Ua Ruavain, eppcop 6 pPiacpać, quieuiz 1176.

Cina epreop O Ceallait. 1. epreop O pPiacpat, quieura 1216. Tiolla ceallait O Ruaioin, epreop O pPiacpat, quieura 1254.

Maolmaine O Conmaic, epicop O pPiačnač ip cinel Geŏa, quieuiz 1225.

Ua Maine.—Maoliopa mac an baipo, eppcop Ua Maine, quieuro 1174.

Ua Nell.— Moèta eppcop Ua Nell, адир радарт Ороа Macha, 924.

Ulaö.—Maoliopa mac an ċlépiż ċuipp, eppcop Ulaö, quieuiτ 1175.

Tiolla bomnaiz mac Copmaic, eppcop Ulab, quieuiz 1175.

- ¹ Tullycorbet, county Monaghan.
- 2 Mart. Taml.
- ³ *Ui-Briuin*; i. e. the diocese of Kilmore.
 - 4 Four Masters.
 - ⁵ Diocese of Ferns.
 - 6 IV. M.; Ann. Loch-Cé.

- ⁷ Supposed by some to be Navan, county Meath.
 - 8 Mart. Doneg. and Mart. Taml.
 - 9 Diocese of Kilmacduagh.
 - 10 Four Masters.
 - 11 IV. M.

Tulagh-Carbuid. — Bishop Calbh, from Tulach-Carbaid, in Menna-tire in Ui-Meith, January 26.2

U1-Briuin.3—Tuathal O'Connachty, bishop of the Hy-Briuin, went to his rest 1179.4

U1-Cennselaigh, 5 —The bishop O'Cattan, i.e. the arch-bishop of Ui-Cennselaigh, quievit $1135.^6$

UA-Congenaul.7—Fachtna, bishop, from Ua-Congbhail, Jan. 19.8

U1-FIACHRACH.9—Iomhar O'Ruadhain, bishop of Ui-Fiachrach, quievit 1176.10

Bishop O'Cellaigh, i.e. bishop of the Ui-Fiachrach, quievit 1216. Gilla-Cellaigh O'Ruaidhin, bishop of the Ui-Fiachrach, quievit 1254.

Maolmuire O'Conmaic, bishop of Ui-Fiachrach and Cenel-Aedha, quievit $1225.^{13}$

 $\rm U_{A\text{-}M_{AINE},^{15}}$ — Mael-Isa Mac-a-Ward, bishop of Ui-Maine, quievit $1174.^{15}$

Ua Neill. 16 —Mochta, bishop of the O'Neills, and priest of Ard-Macha, $924^{17}.$

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m ULADH.^{18}}$ — Maoliosa Mac-an-Clerigh-chuirr, bishop of Uladh quievit 1175. 19

Gilla-domnaigh Mac Cormaic, bishop of Uladh, quievit 1175.29

^{12 1253,} Four Masters.

¹³ Ib.

 $^{^{11}\} Ua\mbox{-}Maine$; i. e. the diocese of Clonfort.

^{15 1173,} Four Masters.

¹⁶ The O'Neills.

¹⁷ Four Masters.

¹⁸ Ulster, or the diocese of Down.

¹⁹ Four Masters; Ann Loch-Ce.

²⁰ lb.

IV.—TAIN BO FRAICH.

From MS. H. 2, 18 (fol. 183, et seqq.), in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin.

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The following hitherto inedited romantic specimen of Irish life in the first century is taken from the oldest portion of the "Book of Leinster," a compilation of the twelfth. The subject is this:—

Froech, son of Idath (a chieftain of Eirros Domno, in the present county of Mayo), and of Befind, a Sidè lady, has come to learn that he is loved by Find-abair, daughter of Ailill and Medb, king and queen of the Connachta. He accordingly resolves to visit her parents in their palace of Cruachu, now Ratheroghan, in the county of Roscommon, and formally demand her hand in marriage. Before, however, proceeding on his journey, his friends say to him that, as Boand, the Sidè governess of the Boyne, was his mother's sister, it would be well for him to call on her at her palace in Mag Breg, and request her to fit him out suitably for the occasion. He does so, and, with his request fully granted, sets out for Cruachu.

The equipment of Froech's cavalcade was grand in the extreme. Gold and silver, carbuncle and other precious stones, glittered on man and horse; but the most curious beings in this train were the three Sidè harpers, the sons of Uaithne and Boand. Their origin, name, form, and dress are fully described, and in note (12) I have endeavoured to give an interpretation of this figurative description. The approach of Froech and his suite was duly announced by the watchman in Dun Cruachan; and as these visitors from the Side approached, such was the delicious odour which perfumed the air around, that several of the family of Cruachu died of the effect.

Among all nations, the presence of divinities was accompanied and attested by a supernatural perfume: and in our ancient tale, the *Side* are always thus introduced. In tropical lands, in India, for example, the deities when appearing to mortals exhibit also other characteristics, such as garlands of flowers, blooming and erect, as a symbol of immor-

tality; this symbol with our $Sid\dot{e}$ is the never-fading, green tunic or head-dress.

Frocch enjoyed the hospitality of his sovereigns for some weeks, and then preferred his suit in due form; the dowry, however, asked of him he deems too much, and so takes his leave abruptly. Meantime he had arranged everything with Find-abair; and though Ailill tried to have him drowned in the Brei, a river adjoining the palace, the kindness of his lady-love and the power of his divine mother saved him. The king and queen, finding him thus favoured, express regret for their conduct towards him, make their peace with him, and offer him their daughter, as soon as he should come back and join them in their intended spoil of the cows of Cualnge. He accepts the offer, and bids farewell.

On arriving at his mother's house, Froech learns that plunderers from the Alps had carried off his wife, his three sons, and his cows, and this is the origin of the title of our tale—"The Spoil of the Cows of Froech." The reader must not be surprised to find that our hero, though a suitor for the hand of Find-abair, had already a wife and family. To understand this, he must study life in ancient Eriu.

Froceh consulted his mother in his present difficulty. She tried to dissuade him from the attempt to recover the stolen property, but he declined to take her advice. Accompanied, accordingly, by Conall Cernach, one of the three great champions of the Ulaid, he sets off for the Alps, brings back his wife, his children, and his cows; and then, agreeably to promise, joins in the Tain Bo Cualnge, in which expedition he perishes by the hands of his brother demigod, Cu Chulaind.

ταιν bó praich.

ROCĊ mac loaith oo Chonnachtaib—mac pide do bépino a Sídib: depb-țiup pide do boind. Ip hé laeć ip áildem pobái do pepaib hepend η Alban, act ni ba putain. Oobept a mataip dí ba déc dó app int Śίd: it é pinda, δί-depta. bói trebad mait oca co cend octin bliadna cen tabaipt mna cuca. Cóica maic pít pop é lín a tetlaic: comáip, comcutrumma ppip ule etep éputh η copc. Capthai Pind-abaip, inten Ailella η Medda, ap a ippcélaib. Adepiadap dopum oc a tait. Ropu lán hepiu η Albu di a allud η di a pcélaib.

lap puiou vocoparap paip vul vo acallaim na hinzine: immapopaid ppi a muncip ani pin. "Ciazap uaiz vin co piaip vo machap co zucchap ni vo ézuè inzanzaè γ ve apcevaib Sive vuic uavi." Luid iapum co piaip ii. èo bóind, com búi im Maz dipez, γ vobepz coicaició brazzi zopim γ ba copimal ceè ae μι pindipuinei voile, γ cecheopa oa vub-zlappa pop ceè bruzz, γ mileò vepzz-óip la ceèm brazz: γ lénci bán-zela co zuaz-milaib óip impu. Ocup cóica pcíachn apzvive con ímlib, ez cainvel pízzhizi il laim ceè ae: γ coica pemmano pin-opuine ap ceèn ae. Coica zopaèz vi óp poploipezhi in ceèn ae: epimiziuva vi chappimocul poib aníp, γ ip vi lecaib lozmaipib an aipíapi : nolapzaip in aivche amail bezíp puichni zpéni.

Ocup coica claidedn op-duinn leo, 7 zadan doc-zlap po puidi ceò pin, 7 deilze oin pniu; maelland anzzaiz co cluciniu oin po depaziz ceò eich. Coica acpanii copena co priazhid anzaiz epzid, co piblaid oin 7 anzaiz 7 co cend-milaid. Coica eòlare pinduine com daccan opda pop cinn ceò ae. Ocup peòz mil-coin i pladpadaid anzaiz, 7 udullii oin ezen ceòn ae. Dioca chedumai

THE SPOIL OF THE COWS OF FROECH.

FROECH', son of Idath of the Connachta—a son he to Befind from the Sidë: a sister she to Boand's. He is the hero, who is the most beautiful that was of the men of Eriu and of Alba, but he was not long-lived. His mother gave him twelve cows out of the Sid: they are white-eared. He had a good residence till the end of eight years without the bringing of a woman to him. Fifty sons of kings—it was the number of his household, co-aged, eosimilar to him all between form and dress. Find-abair's, daughter of Ailill and Medb, loves him for the great stories about him. It is declared to him at his house. Eriu and Alba were full of his renown and of stories about him.

After this going to a dialogue with the daughter fell upon him: he discussed that matter with his people. "Let there be a message then sent to thy mother's sister, so that a portion of wondrous robing and of gifts of Sidè be given thee from her." He goes accordingly to sister, that is, to Boand, until he was in Mag Breg⁵, and he carried away fifty blue cloaks, and each of them was like to the findruine⁶ of a work of art, and four black-grey ears on each cloak, and a brooch of red gold with each cloak; and pale-white shirts with loop-animals of gold around them. And fifty silver shields with edges, and a candle of a king-house in the hand of each of them [the men]: and fifty studs of findruine on each of them [the shields]: fifty knobs of thoroughly burned gold in each of them: pins of carbuncle under them from beneath, and their point of precious stones. They used to light the night as if they were sun's rays.

And fifty swords of gold-hilt with them, and a soft-grey mare under the seat of each man, and bits of gold to them: bands of silver with a little bell of gold around the throat of each horse. Fifty horse-robes of purple with threads of silver out of them, with drops of gold and of silver, and with head-animals. Fifty whips of *findruine*, with a golden hook on the end of each of them. And seven chase-hounds in

¹ This and the subsequent figures refer to the appended notes.

impu: no co pabi baż nao bezh inzib. Moppeppep copnaipe leo co copnaib όρφαιδη αρξοιοίδ, con ezaizib il-vazhačaib, co monzaib όρφαιδ, ρίσθυσιδ, co lennaib ezpačzαιδ.

bazip zpi opúizh pemib co mindaib apzdidib po dióp. Sceiż co pezhul čonduala la cećn ae, co cíp-bachlaib con epnadaib cpedumai iapn a zoebaib. Tpiap cpuizzipe con écope piz im cećn ae. Documláz app do Chpuačnaib copp ind ecupe pin leu.

Oopnoéccai in bepccaio di'n dún in van dodecavap im Maz Chuacan. "Oipimm aveiu-pa," of pe, "do'n dún inn a lín. O zabpar Citell η Medd plait, ni copránic piam η ni copriera dípimm dar choimiu, na der ráiniu. Ir cumma lemm deo i vaulchudu pina nodech mo cend lar in zaéch dochaet vaippiu. A dipar η adaire dozní int oc-láec pil and, no conacca-pa piam a curpumma. Poceird a dunraiz pourn aurchopa uad : piu copí pi valmain, norzaidet na rect mil-coin con a rect pladra did apzoidib."

La podain dochiazat int fluaiz a Dún Chpúačan di án décpin. Immurmučat in dóini irr in Dún con aptatap pé pip déc oc on deicpin. Caiplenzait in dopur in dúine. Scoipit an eocu i lécit a míl-cona. Odpennat na pect aize do Ráith Chpuačan, i pect pincu i pect mila maize, i pect topcu alta, condapubatap ind dic irr ind auplaind in dúine. Iap pain pochepdat in miltoin bedz im diei: zabait pect dodop-cona. Odpbeptatap docum na apoda in dopur na ppím-pátha. Deippiter ir puldiu.

Oστιαχαρ ο'no píz oι an acallaim. Imchomapcap cia bu can bóib: nobaploindes iapum iapn a plontib pípaib: "Prócè Mac loaith inpo," ol peat. Ráite in pectaipe ppip in píz γ in píznai (recte pizain). "Pochen bóib," ol Ailell γ Meob. "Ir óclác án pil and," ol Ailell: "ταίτ ipp in lepp." Olleicthep bóib cetpamthu in ταίχε. Θο α écope in ταίχε—pect-opbo and; pechan imbái o thein co ppaiz ip in ταίχ immecuaipo. αιριπές δι έρεδυμα pop cec imbái: αυηρταίταο δερχείδαιρ pó mpect-puncain uile. Τρί γτέιι έρεδυμαι in αυλαίτη ceca imbai. Sect γτίαλλα umai

chains of silver, and an apple of gold between each of them. Greaves of bronze about them: by no means was there any colour which was not in them. Seven trumpeters with them with golden and silver trumpets, with many-coloured garments, with golden, silken heads of hair, with shining cloaks.

There were three jesters⁷ before them with silver diadems under gilding. Shields with a cover of embroidery with each of them, with black staffs with filigrees of bronze along their sides. Three harpers with a king's appearance about each of them. They depart for Cruachna⁸ with that appearance with them.

The watchman sees them from the dun when they had come into the Plain of Cruachu. "A multitude I see," he says, "towards the dun in their fulness. Since Ailill and Medb assumed sovereignty, there came not to them before, and there shall come not to them a multitude, which is more beautiful or which is more distinguished. It is the same with me that it were in a vat of wine my head should be, with the breeze that goes over them. The activity and play the young hero who is in it makes—I have not before seen its likeness. He shoots his pole a shot's discharge from him: before it reaches to earth the seven chase-hounds with their seven silver chains catch it.

At this the hosts come from the dun of Cruachu to view them. The people in the dun hide themselves, so that sixteen men die while viewing them. They alight in the door of the dun. They tent their steeds and they loose the chase-hounds. They (the hounds) chase the seven deer to Rath Cruachan, and seven foxes, and seven hares, and seven wild boars, until the youths kill them in the lawn of the dun. After that the chase-hounds dart a leap into Brei⁹; they catch seven water-dogs. They brought them to the elevation in the door of the chief-rath. They (Froech and his suite) sit down there.

A message comes from the king for a parley with them. It is asked what was their whence: they name themselves then according to their true names: "Froech, son of Idath, this," say they. The steward tells it to the king and to the queen. "Welcome to them," say Ailill and Medb; "It is a noble youth who is in it," says Ailill; "let him come into the Less¹⁹. The fourth of the house is allowed to them¹⁰. It is the array of the house¹⁰—a septi-range in it; seven apartments from fire to side-wall in the house all round. A rail of bronze to each apartment; a partitioning of red yew under variegated planeing all.

o 'n vamvabaic co cleite ipp in viz. De ziúp vozních a već: ba vuza plinnev bói paip vianecvaip. Vavap pé penipopi véc ipp in viz, ev comlae humae ap cech ái: cuinz umai vapp a poplép. Cetheop octza humai pop imvái Alella i Mevba, immoepnive ve chpevumu uili, ipp í i cepv-mevón in vaize. Da aupainec apzzaiv impe po vióp. Plepc apzaiv ip inv aipinniué popaizev miv-lippiu in vaize. Timéellad a već immecuaipo o'n vopup vi alailiu. Appochav an zaipceva ipp in vaiz pin ev pevaiv, i pepchaip pailve piu.

"Počen vuib," ol Ailell z Meob. "Ipp eo vopoačzamap," ol Ppóeć. "Ni ba vupaip ap aiz-baiz on," ol Meob, z ecpaiz Meob z Ailell piochell iap pin. Zaibio Ppoech iapum imbepz piochille pi pep vi a munzip. Da cáimive piočella. Cláp pino-puine and co cezheopaib auaib z uilneib poppi. Cainvel ve líc lozmaip oc puppunnuv voib. O'p z apzzaz ino pinipeno boi popp in chláp. "Aupznaw biav vo naib ocaib," ol Ailell. "Ní heo ip accobop limm," ol Meob, "aċz vul vo imbepz na piochille zhall ppi Ppoeć." "Eipz vó: ip maiż lim-pa," ol Ailill. Imbepaz in piochill iapum z Ppóeć.

bói a muinzen colléic oc puiniu na piad-míl. "Sennaz οο cpuizzipi σύη," ol Ailill pi Ppaéc. "Sennaz ém," ol Ppáec. Cnozz-bolz bi épocnib bobop-éon impu, con an imbenam bo pantaing po an imbenam of op a apagat. Diann-nepbbab impu ammedón: ba zilidip precza: pella dub-zlappa am medonaide. Opuit lín zilidip puann zepra im na téta pin. Imperatizir na belba rin iapum inna ripu immecuaipo. Sennaiz boib iapum, conto apżazap ba pep béc bi a munzip la coi τορρι. ba cáin j ba bino in τριαρ-ρα, j bazap Cáini U'aiżni inrein. It he in spiap ipoairce spi verbraship .i. Fol-spaizer, Zenzpaizer 7 Suan-zpaizer. boind ap Sídib am mathair a triun. Ir bi'n ceol rephann Uáiche chuice in Dazbai, ainmnizchen a τριμρ. In τan bóe in ben oc lamnab, ba zol mainzz lee la zúpi nan iban i zoppuć, ba zen z páilze apbíż apmebón ap imzholzain in bamac; ba ruan alzine anabeizze in mac bebenać an żpumme inna bpiche; conto de poainminized chian in chiail. Dopiappiz

Three plates of bronze in the skirting of each apartment. Seven plates of brass from the ceiling to the roof-tree in the house. Of deal the house was made; it is a covering of shingle it had externally. There were sixteen windows in the house and a shutting of brass to each of them; a tie of brass across the roof-light. Four tester-poles of brass on the apartment of Ailill and of Medb, adorned all with bronze, and it in the exact centre of the house. Two rails of silver around it under gilding. In the front a wand of silver that reached the girders of the house. The house was encircled all round from the door to the other. They hang up their arms in that house, and they sit, and welcome is given to them.

"Welcome to you," say Ailill and Medb. "It is it we have come for," says Froech. "It shall not be a habitation for begging contention" this," says Medb, and Medb and Ailill arrange the chess-board after that. Froech then takes to the playing of chess with a man of their people. It was a beauty of a chess-board. A board of findruine in it, with four ears and elbows on it. A candle of precious stone at illuminating for them. Gold and silver the party that were on the table. "Prepare ye food for the youths," says Ailill. "Not it is my desire," says Medb, "but to go to play the chess yonder against Froech." "Get to it; I am pleased," says Ailill. They play the chess then and Froech¹.

His people were all at cooking of the wild animals. "Let thy harpers play for us," says Ailill to Froech. "Let them play indeed." says Froech. A harp-bag of the skins of water-dogs about them with their adornment of ruby beneath their adornment of gold and silver. The skin of a roe about them in the middle; it was whiter than snow; black-grey eyes in their centre. Cloaks of linen whiter than a swan's tunic around these ties. These figures accordingly used to run about the men all round. They play for them then, so that twelve men of their family die with weeping and sadness. Gentle were and melodious were this triad; and they were the Chants of Uaithne¹³. The illustrious triad are three brothers, namely, Gol-traiges, and Gentraiges and Suan-traiges. Boand from the Side is the mother of the triad. It is from the music which Uaithne, the Dagda's harp played, the triad are named. The time the woman was at parturition, it had a cry of sorrow with the soreness of the pangs at first: it was smile and joy it played in the middle for the

an um app int púan in boino. "Auppóim-piu," ol pi, "vo thri maccu, a Uathni lan-bhota: pobith pile puan-thaide 7 Kentraide 7 Kollill, athelat pip la cluáipph zléppa dóib."

Anait d'int fenmaim iap pain ipp ind piz-taiz. "Ip pézond dopanic," of Pepzup. "Podito dún," of Ppéet ppi a muntip, "am biad: tucaid ip a tet." Dotinz lothup pop láp in taize: podáile doid am biad: pop a depinaind nopannad ceth áze con a flainniud 7 ni aidleth tomailt na peóil (recte peóla): o zabaip pannaipett ni apchiúip bíad po a láim piam.

bazar zpi laa z zeopa aioche oc imberz na piochille la immeo nal liac lozman i τεχluć βρόις. Ταν γιν αυχίασαν βρόες Meiob: "Ir maith pontabur pritt," of re: "ní biup to totaill bi'no pichcill, na paid mechn einic deic and." "O cú-ra irr in dún-ra, ipped laithe inpo ap pam limm," of Medb. "Deibthip 6n," of Pnaeć: "azaaz zpi laa z zeopa áibči anb." la pobain azpaiz Meob. ba mmebul lee buith oo naib ócaib cen bíao. Luio co Ailill: paidti ppipp: "Mop-zním dopinzenpam," ol pi, "ind bic annectain bonnáncatan do bit cen bíad." "Diliu duit imbeing piochille," of Ailill. "Ni vepban in povail vi a muncip reom reżnu in ταιze. αταατ τρι laa 7 τεορα αιδόι απο," ol pipi, "aċz nabánaipizmep inn aiochi la bán-puilpi ino líae lozmap spp in viz." "Appaid piu," ol Ailill, "anav or na cúmib co podarlzep dórb." Podarlzep dórb sapum 7 ba maiż pomboż ppiu, γ anpaiz zpi laa γ zeopa aidće and iap pin Fold in bleonano.

Ir iapum conacrao Prácch irr a zech immacallamae, 7 imchoempar of cio voonucai. "Ir maizh," ol pe, "limm célive lib-pi." "Ni holc ém larr a zezlac popriznár, ol Ailill: "ir pepr pop zopmac olvár pop vizbáil." "Anpim-ni vin," ol Pracch "nac rechtmain." Anaiz iap pin co ceno coictizir irr in ván, 7

pleasure of the two sons: a sleep of soothingness which it played was the last son, on account of the heaviness of the birth; so that it is from it the third of the music has been named. The Boand awoke afterwards out of the sleep. "I accept," she says, "thy three sons, O Uaithne, of full ardour: since there is Suan-traide, and Gen-traide, and Goltraide on cows and women, who shall fall by Medb and Ailill, men shall perish by the hearing of art from them."

They cease from the playing after that in the palace. "It is rushing it has come," says Fergus. "Divide ye to us," says Froech to his people, "the food: bring ye it into the house." Lothar went upon the floor of the house: he divides to them the food. On his haunches he used to divide each joint with his cleaver, and he used not touch the eating of the meats: since he assumed dividing, food never failed beneath his hand.

They were three days and three nights at playing of the chess, on account of the abundance of precious stones in the household of Froech. After that Froech addresses Medb: "It is well we have been entertained with thee," he says: "I take not away thy stake from the chess-board that there be not a decay of hospitality for thee in it." "Since I am in this dun, this is the day which I deem quiet," says Medb. "This is reasonable," says Froech: "they are three days and three nights14 in it." At this Medb starts up. It was a shame with her that the youths were without food. She goes to Ailill: she tells it to him. "A great deed we have done," she says; "the extern youths who have come to us, to be without food." "Dearer to thee is playing of chess," says Ailill. "It hinders not the distribution to his suite throughout the house. They are three days and three nights in it," she says, "but that we perceived not the night with the white light of the precious stones in the house." "Tell them," says Ailill, "to cease from the chanting until distribution is made to them." Distribution is then made to them, and things are pleasing to them; and they stayed three days and three nights in it after that over the feasting.

It is after that Froech was called into the house of conversation, and it is asked of him what had brought him. "A visit with you," he says, "is pleasing to me." "Your company indeed is not displeasing with the household," says Ailill: "your addition is better than your diminution." "We shall stay then," says Froech, "another week."

coppund void cec oen-lá vocum in viine. Oppaizeir Connacta vi an vécrin. Da imnev la Praec cen acallaim na inzine, rec va hé lerr nocimbere.

Laichen and achais deud aidée do inlut doind adaind. It hé can dolluid pán a himaile do indlut. Faibid-pom al láim-pi. "An pi m'acallaim," of pe: "ip cú do poaétamap." "It poéen limpa ém," of ind insen: "ma édesprind, ni édimsaim ní duite." Ceipe, in elápa lim?" of pe. "Ni élub," of pi, "op ipam insen pis písna. Ni fil do c'daidhpi-piu naé immeca-pa o m' muncip; doin hé mo chosa-pa dan dul édeut-pa: ip cu pochapup. Ocup beip-piu lat ind op-naipe-pe," of ind insen, "I did etpond do édmapthu. Doppat mo mathaip dam-pa," of pi, "di a taipeid. I apbeip ip coppodalláup im mudu." Ceit dan ceétap de alet iap pain.

"Azzazup-pa," ol Ailill. "eluö inna hinzine ucuz la Ppóec, ce bobepthá bó 'n inmaibe γ bo τάιρεδ αρή bocum con a četpai do čobaip dún oc on Taín." Votaez Proec cuccu ur a tecn immacalomae. "In cocup pil lib?" of Praec. "Dozallpa-pu indi," ol Ailill. "In zibepaid dam-pa popu inzin?" ol Praec. "Immanaiccez inz flúaiz voberzhap," ol Ailill, "via zuca zinnpepa amail apbepzhap." "Rozbia," ol Ppáeċ, "Τρί pichiz ech bub-zlarr bam-ra," ol Ailill " con am beilzib bip ppiu, 7 or laulzaic beec cummble zizap 6ln airr o cec ae, zlaéz pinb, 61-bepz la cecn ae; 7 zuroecz ourz limm co z'lín urle 7 co z' aep chiúil oo chabain innam b6 a Cuailnziu; 7 vobenchap mo inzen-pa vuic áce coeir." "Dochonzu pa cap mo peiach y cap mo élaideb y oap m' tpelam, ni thibpino i tinopopa cio Meiobi inpin." Docing uavaib ar a taiz iapum. Immornacaillet iapum Ailill n Meob. "Poanbbiba pocaiden immund de pizaib hepend dia nuca rom inn inzin. Unfir mait—puaippem inn a dezaid z marbam počezom periu poppuma bine popnn." "Ir liač 6n," ol Meob 7 ir methn einic ounn." "Ni ba metn einiz ounn: ni ba metn einic oun." ol Ailill, "cuèc apanoalpap-pa."

They stay after that till the end of a fortnight in the dun, and they have a hunt every single day towards the dun. The Connachta used to come to view them. It was a trouble with Froech not to have a conversation with the daughter: besides, it was the benefit which brought him.

A certain day he starts up at the end of night for washing to the river¹⁵. It is the time she had gone and her maid for washing. He takes her hand. "Stay for my conversing," he says: "it is thou we have come for." "I am delighted truly," says the daughter: "if I were to come, I can do nothing for thee." "Query, would'st thou elope with me?" he says. "I will not clope," she says, "for I am a king and a queen's daughter. There is nothing of thy display that I have not learned from my family: and it shall be my choice accordingly to go to thee: it is thou I have loved. And take thou with thee this ring," says the daughter, "and it shall be between us for a token. My mother gave it to me to put it by, and I shall say it is that I put it astray." Each of them accordingly goes apart after that.

"I very much fear," says Ailill, "the eloping of you daughter with Freech, though she would be given to him on solemn pledge that he would come towards us with his eattle for aid to us at the Spoil. 167 Froech goes to them into the house of conversation. a whisper ye have?" says Froech. "Thou would'st fit in it," says Ailill. "Will ye give me your daughter?" says Froech. "The hosts will clearly see she shall be given," says Ailill, "if thou would'st give a dowry as shall be named." "Thou shalt have it," says Froech. "Sixty black-grey steeds to me, with their bits of gold to them, and twelve milch cows, so that there be milked liquor of milk from each of them, and an ear-red, white ealf with each of them: and thou to come with me with all thy force and with thy musicians for bringing of the cows from Cuailnge: and my daughter shall be given thee provided thou shouldst come." "I swear by my shield and by my sword, and by my accoutrement, I would not give that in dowry even of Medb." He went from them out of the house then. Ailill and Medb then hold a conversation. "It shall drive at us several of the kings of Eriu around us if he should carry off the daughter. What is good-let us dash after him, and let us slay him forthwith, before he may inflict destruction upon us." "It is a pity this," says Medb, "and it is a decay of hospitality for us." "It shall not be a decay of hospitality for us, it shall not be a decay of hospitality for us, the way that I shall prepare it."

Ootaet Ailill 7 Meob ip ap piz-thec. "Ciazam app," ol Ailill, "con accamap na mmil-chona oc zoppuno, com medón lái geombean rescha. Tiazaie arr uili ianum do'nd abainn di a pothpueud. "Aopiadap dam," of Ailill, "at maith in upeiu. Taip ipp ind linn ipea, con accamap do jnám." "C'indap na lindi-pe?" ol pe. "Ni peraman nach dodainz inti," ol Ailill, "1 ιρ comτιχ ροτριμούο ιπτι." Καταίο α έτας δε ιαρμίπ η τειτ ιπτι, η Pachaid a chipp zúar. Oplaisid Ailill ianum a boppán di a éir, 7 bói ind ond-nare and. Azazeum Ailill ianum. "Zainchi, a Medb," of Ailill. Docháez Meob japum. "Inn aichcein pin?" of Ailill. "Aitzen," of pr. Popcerpo Artill upp una abaino pip. Roaipizepzap Práce aní pin. Conaccai ní bolleblaing int écne ap a ceno 7 zabrur ınn a beulu. Počeipo beoz cucai zaibio a óileć, z vozhácz vočum zípi, z vombeip im mazin viamaip im bpúć na haband. Oozháez do żuweżz apr ind upci iapum. "Na zaip," ol Ailill, "co zuca chosb vam vi'n caintenv zall pil im bruuc na habano: 12 ailoi lim a caepa." Ceta pium app tapum, 7 bpippip zerca di'n chund z dambeip pi a aipp zapp inn uipci. Da hed ιαρυμ ατέρο Pino-abpac: "Nac álamo ατόιο?" Da hailoiu lee Proced to acrin cap bublind: in copp to posili, 7 in pole to poáilli, ind aized do cumzachzai, ind púil do pozlappi: ipp he móeż-óclać cen lożz, cen anım, con azaro pocael, poplezhain: ıp hé διριμό, διαπιm: ın chaeb cop na caepaib δepzaib ezep ınm υραξιε η inn αξιοή ξιλ. Ipp eo azbeneo Pino-abain no conpacca ni poparpred let ná zpian do chut.

lap pain bocuipetap na chaeba bóib app ind uipciu. "le résodi η iz diloi na caepa: τις τόρμας δύη δίδι." Τέιτ app ατέρρμες combúi im medón ind upci. δαιδτί in beipt app ind uipci. "Domiced claided uaib," of pe, η ní padai popp in τίρ pep nolamad a ταθαίρτ δό ap omun Ailella η Medda. Ταρ pin σαταίο Pind-abaip a hetat, η poceipo beds ipp inn uipce copp in chlaidiub. Dolleici a hathaip pleis cóic-pind di anuar pouta aupchopa, col luid τρε δά τριθίρη η con dopasaid Procech inn a láim in plis. Popceipo pide ipp a τίρ ρύαρ in plis, η am míl in a

Ailill and Medb go into the palace. "Let us go away," says Ailill, "that we may see the chase-hounds at hunting till the middle of the day, and until they are tired." They all go off afterwards to the river to bathe themselves. "It is declared to me," says Ailill, "that thou art good in water17. Come into this flood, that we may see thy swimming." "What is the quality of this flood?" he says. "We know not anything dangerous in it," says Ailill, "and bathing in it is frequent." He strips his clothes off him then, and goes into it, and he leaves his girdle above. Ailill then opens his purse behind him, and the ring was in it. Ailill recognises it then. "Come here, O Medb," says Ailill. Medb goes then. "Dost thou recognise that?" says Ailill. "I do recognise," she says. Ailill flings it into the river down. Frocch perceived that matter. He sees something-the salmon leaped to meet it, and eaught it into its mouth. He (Froech) gives a bound to it, and he catches its jole, and he goes to land, and he brings it to a lonely spot on the brink of the river. He proceeds to come out of the water then. "Do not come," says Ailill, "until thou shalt bring me a branch of the rowan-tree yonder, which is on the brink of the river: beautiful I deem its berries." He then goes away and breaks a branch off the tree and brings it at his back over the water. The remark of Find-abair then was: "Is it not beautiful he looks?" Exceedingly beautiful she thought it to see Froech over a black pool: the body of great whiteness, and the hair of great loveliness, the face of beauty, the eye of great greyness: and he a soft youth without fault, without blemish, with a below-narrow, above-broad face: and he straight, blemishless: the branch with the red berries between the throat and the white face. It is what Find-abair used to say, that by no means had she seen any thing that could come up to him half or third for beauty.

After that he throws the branches to them out of the water. "The berries are mellow and are beautiful; bring us an addition of them." He goes off again until he was in the middle of the water. The serpent catches him out of the water. "Let a sword come to me from you," he says; and there was not on the land a man who would dare to give it to him through fear of Ailill and of Medb. After that Findabair strips off her clothes, and gives a leap into the water with the sword. Her father lets fly a sharp-point spear at her from above, a shot's throw, so that it passes through her two tresses, and that Froech

tháeb. Lecuio ón co popzabail cenelen imbepta zaipcio, col luio tapp in tlaĉe copepa η thep in léine bái im Cilill. Lappin coteinzet ino óic la Cilill. Dotáet Pino-abain appino uipciu, et pacbaio in claiveb il láim Pracé: η comben a cheno ve'n míl com bai pop a thóieb, η vobept am míl leipp vocum τίρε. Τη νε ατά Oub-lino Pracé im δρείδ, ι τίριο Connact. Τείτ Cilill η Μευδ in an σάπ ιαριμπ.

"Móp zním vopinzenpam," ol Mevb. "Ipp innaitpec." ol Cilill, "an vopinzenpam pip in pep: inv inzen, immopo," ol pe, "arbélar a béoil pive im bapac vavaiz, i in ba ciniù bpeite in chlaivib beithip vi. Dentap potipicuo lib vo'nv [t]ip-pa.i. enbruiten úppaille i cápna pamaipei vo invapzzam po tál i beúil i a thabaipe ipp in pothpucuo." Doznit uile aní pin amail arbept pom. A chopnaipi iapum pemi pium vochum in vúine. Sennait vi[n] como abbav tpicha pep vi fain-chaemaib Ailella ap fípetrai. Dotaet iapum ip in vún i teít ipp in potipicuo. Conepaiz in ban-cuipe imbi oc on vabaiz vi amblith i via folcuv a chino. Dobpeth app iapum i voznít vepzut.

Cocualatap ní an zol-zaipe pop Cpuačnaib. Conaccap na tpí cóicait ban con inapaib copepaib, co cenbappaib uanioib, co milechaib apzzait pop an bóitib. Tiazaip čuccu bo pip-peél búp cid počáinpet. "Ppaeč mac loaith," ol in ben, "macopeittel piz Síden hépend." La pin počluinetap Ppaech an zol-zaipe. "Domtócbaid app," ol pe, pi a muntip. "Zol mo mażap-pa inpo z bantpochta boinni." Tocabaip immač la podain z bepaip cucu. Odtiazait na inná immi z bepoait uadib ip Síd Chuačan.

Conaccatap ní in tháth nóna apn a bápach; botháet 7 coica ban imme, ipp é uáz-flán cen ón. cen anim; comaepa, combelba, comailli. comcáini, comchópai, comépotha, con ecope ban Síbe impu, con na bái aithzne neis pes alaile bíb. bec nao muéthá bóine impu. Scappat in bopup ino lipp. Atnazat añ zol oc bul úab, co copaptap na báini batap ip ino lipp tap ceno. Ip be atá zol-zaipe ban Síbe la aép cíuil hepeno.

caught the spear in his hand. He shoots the spear into the land up, and the monster in his side. He lets it fly with a charge of the methods of playing of championship, so that it goes over the purple robe and through the shirt that was about Ailill. At this the youths who were with Ailill rise to him. Findabair goes out of the water and leaves the sword in Froech's hand; and he cuts his head of the monster, so that it was on its side, and he brought the monster with him to land. It is from it is Dub-lind Froech in Brei, in the lands of the Connachta. Ailill and Medb go into their dun afterwards.

"A great deed is what we have done," says Medb. "It is lamentable," says Ailill, "what we have done to the man; the daughter, however, he says—her flesh shall perish to-morrow at once, and it shall not be the guilt of bringing of the sword that shall be for her. Let a bath be made by you for this man, namely, broth of fresh bacon and the flesh of a heifer to be minced in it, under adze and axe, and he to be brought into the bath." All that thing was done as he said. His trumpeters then before him to the dun. They play then until thirty men of the special friends of Ailill die for pleasureableness. He goes then into the dun and he goes into the bath. The female company rise around him at the vat for ablution and for washing of his head. He was brought out of it then and a bed was made.

They heard something—the lament-cry on Cruachu. There were seen the three fifty women with purple tunics, with green head-dresses, with pins of silver on their wrists. A messenger is sent to them to learn to know what they had bewailed. "Froech, son of Idath," says the woman, "boy-pet of the king of the Side of Eriu." At this Froech heard their lament-cry. "Lift me out of it," he says to his people. "This is the cry of my mother and of the women of Boand." He is lifted out at this, and he is brought to them. The women come around him and bring him from them into the Sid of Cruachu¹⁹.

They saw something—the time of none on the morrow he comes and fifty women around him, and he quite whole, without stain and without blemish; of equal age (the women), of equal figure, of equal beauty, of equal fairness, of equal symmetry, of equal form, with the dress of women of the Side about them, so that there was no knowing of one beyond the other of them. Little but persons were suffocated around them. They separate in the door of the Less. They give forth their lament on going from him, so that they moved the persons who were in the Less excessively. It is from it is the lament-cry of the women of the Side with the musicians of Eriu.

Ceiz reom iapum ir in δώn. (Ισαρέξας ins fluáiz húili ap a cheno 7 pepara pailar ppipp, amail bab a bomun aile zhippab. Achais Ailill I Meor I posmiae aichnisin og og no et politisentae ppip, 7 dozniaz chopi. Zaibzhip pleduzud leu dadaiz. Conzaip Práce zilla di a muntip: "Airz arr," ol re, "cor in mazin in beocab-pa ipp in uipce. Cícne popacbapa and-bonuc do Pindabaip, 7 ipbbab perrin paip: 7 ponaiżep inz écne lee commaizh, η ατα ιπο ορο-narc im medón ino éicni. Ιρ οοίχ lim con berrap ėucann innoėt." Zabthup merca z apurpeittet céola z appiti. Arbenz Ailill ianum: "Tucaio mo réozu vam-ra huili," ol re. Oobperha oo iapum com baran an a belaib. "Ampa, ampa," ol "Zaipid dam-pa Pind-abaip," ol pe. Votaet Pind-abaip cucai 7 coica inzen impe. "A inzen," ol Ailill, "ind opd-nare do pazu p-[p]a duiz-piu inupaid—in maip lazz? Tue dam condaccaταρ ιπο όις. Rozbia-pu iapum." "Ni perap," ol pi, " είο bepnao ve." Pinza-ru ém," ol Ailill: "ir eicend a cunzid, no zhanim do oul ap do cupp." "Ili conpiu," ol ind dic; "azá mop di maizh and chena." "Ni pail ní do'm rétaib-re nad tei dan cend na hinzine," of Praec, "baiz puc in claided dam do ziult do'm anmain." "Ni puil laz po rézaib ní nobozzain mani airce úaibi ind opd-naire," of Ailill. "Ni compha-ra cumanz di a zabair," ol ind inzen: "an počapa dazne dim-pa." ζυήτυ δια σοητερ mo túait, atbelat oo beóil, meni airce uait," ol Ailill. condezap cucuz uaip ip becmaiz, ap poperap-pa co zipaz na boini abbachazan o thorruch bomuin, ni thic arr in mazin in "Ni convicea ni móin na ablaic thha," ol ind inzen: " in reaconnezan and-viaz-ra condatue-ra, uair ir trice conσεζαρ." "Ili pεζα-ρυ," ol Ailill: " ταέτ neċ úαιτ immopo σι a zabaipz."

Páidir ind inzen a maile di a cabaire, "Conzu-ra do dia conzer mo chac, dia raizbicher ni condes-ra po e' cumacca-ru da ripe, dian dumpoid rop rap-ol mozpeir. "Ni conzed-ra on die-ru on cio corr inn ecaire cheiri, ma rozadcar ind opo-narc," ol Ailill. Odder iapum ind inaile in meir irr a riz-cec i inc

He then goes into the dun. All the hosts rise before him, and bid welcome to him, as if it were from another world he were coming. Ailill and Medb arise and do penance to him for the attack21 they had made at him, and they make peace. Feasting commences with them at once. Froech calls a servant of his suite: "Go off," he says, "to the spot in which I went into the water. A salmon I left therebring it to Find-abair, and let herself take charge over it; and let the salmon be well broiled by her, and the ring is in the centre of the salmon. I expect it will be set to us22 to-night." Inebriety seizes them, and music and amusement delight them. Ailill then said: "Bring ye all my gems to me," he says. They were brought to him then, so that they were before him. "Wonderful, wonderful," says every one. "Call ye Find-abair to me," he says. Find-abair goes to him, and fifty daughters around her. "O daughter," says Ailill, "the ring I gave to thee last year-does it exist with thee? Bring it to me that the youths may see it. Thou shalt have it afterwards." "I do not know," she says, "what has been done about it." "Ascertain then," says Ailill: "it must be sought, or thy soul must depart thy body." "It is by no means worth," say the youths: "there is much of value there without it." "There is nought of my gems that will not go for the daughter," says Froech, "because she brought me the sword for pledge of my soul." "There is not with thee of gems anything that should aid thee unless she returns the ring from her," says Ailill. "I have by no means the power to give it," says the daughter; "what thou mayest like do it in regard to me." "I sweares the oath my territory swears, thy flesh shall perish unless thou returnest it from thee," says Ailill. "It is why it is asked of thee, because it is difficult, for I know until the persons who have died from the beginning of the world come, it comes not out of the spot in which it was flung." "Now it shall not come with gift or liking," says the daughter: "the gem which is asked in the case-I go that I may bring it to thee, since it is keenly it is asked." "Thou shalt not go," says Ailill; "but let one go from thee to bring it."

The daughter sends her maid to bring it. "I swear as an oath the oath of my territories, if it shall be found, I shall by no means be under thy power any longer, though I should be at great drinking continually." "I shall by no means bring it as a fault against thee, namely—that it were to the groom thou should'st go, if the ring is found," says

éicne ponaite puippe, ip é puilleta po mil voznith lapp inn inzin co maith 7 bói ind opd-nape dip popp ind eieni anuap. Doppeccai Ailill 7 Meob. Da lei convencap ap Praec 7 voéccai a borrán. "Indap lemm ir la zeirz popacbur mo čpipr," ol Ppáeč. "Pop píp do plata," ol Praet, "apair cid deprair d'ind oponaire." "Ni čelzap opuz ón," ol Ailill: "lempa ino opo-narc pobai ie' boppan, 7 popezap ip Pino-abaip dopae duie. Ip iapum polara ipp in Ouib-linni. Pop píp chainić z c'anma, a Procić, appoint cia churh appalao a tabaint app." "Ili celtap poptru," ol Praéch. "A cez la porpuap-ra uno opo-naire un dopur ıno lipp, popezap popu péz cáeim. Ip aipi σορροιρείτ-pa colleip ım' borrán. Rożcualar-[r]a al laa bocoab bo'nb uirciu inb inzen poblaa immać oc a iapmopaćz. Apbepz-pa ppie: "cia lóz pombia lazz an a pazbail?" (Ip-benz-pi ppim-pa bombépao reinem bliaona dam-pa. Cemainz nippazbup-[p]a immim: poppácbup i m' chaiz oi m' esp. Hi comainnecman-ni co comainnecman oc zabainz in člaivib ipp ino abaino i m' láim-pe. lap pin accondancera in can paoplaicieriu inii boppan y pollair ind opde naire ipr in uirce, atconnaire inn eiene boppoeblainz ap a cino, confosab inn a beolu. Ronsabur-[r]a inn eicht iapum, cachócaib ırr ınım bpaz, vapolur il láim na hinzine. Ir hé inz eicne rin iapum pil popp in méip."

Taibehip admilliud γ adampuzud na pcel-pa ip tezluć. "Ní pšičup-pa mo menmain pop śclačn aile in hepinn diaid-piu," ol Pind-adaip. "αροτπαίρε σό," ol αιίιτη ημέσθ, "γ ταιρ čucunni co t'bάαιδ do Chaín nam bó a Cuailnziu; γ in ται dopeza-pu co t'bάαιδ anaip dopidipi, pídaid pind [recte pund?] inn aidci pin dadaiz γ Pind-adaip." Dazén-pa aní piu," ol Ppáech. Dit and iapum co apn a dapać. Tadaip Ppaeć immi con a muntip. Celebraid iapum do αιίττη ημέσδο. Όσουμίατο α ερίσκαιδι ιαρυμ.

Ecmonz pozazá a baé calleíc. Tanic a mażaip żuce. "Ni béoda do żeczap dożoap: popippe mópn imino duiz," ap pi "Rozazza z do bai z do zpi meicc z do ben condapail oc Sléib Elpae. Uzaaz zeopa bae díb in Albain zuapcipz la Cpuzhneżu." "Cepz, cid dozen-pa?" ol pe pi a mázhaip. "Dozena nephzheżz

Ailill. The maid then brought the dish into the palace, and the broiled salmon on it, and it dressed under honey which was well made by the daughter: and the ring of gold was on the salmon from above. Ailill and Medb view it. After that Frocch looks at it, and looks at his purse. "It seems to me it was for proof I left my girdle," says Froech. "On the truth of the sovereignty," says Froech, "say what thou did'st about the ring." "This shall not be concealed on thee," says Ailill; "mine is the ring which was in thy purse, and I knew it is Find-abair gave it to thee. It is therefore I flung it into the Duib-linne. On the truth of thy hospitality and of thy soul, O Froech, declare thou what way the bringing of it out happened." "It shall not be concealed on thee," says Froech. "The first day I found the ring in the door of the Less, I knew it was a lovely gem. It is for this reason I put it up industriously in my purse. I heard, the day I went to the water, the daughter who put it out a looking for it. I said to her- What reward shall I have at thy hands for the finding of it?' She said to me that she would give a year's love to me. It happened I did not leave it about me; I had left it in my house behind me. We met not until we met at the giving of the sword into my hand in the river. After that I saw the time thou opened'st the purse and flungest the ring into the water-I saw the salmon, which leaped for it, so that it took it into its mouth. I then caught the salmon, took it up in the cloak, put it into the hand of the daughter. It is that salmon accordingly which is on the dish."

The criticizing and the wondering at these stories begin in the household. "I shall not throw my mind on another youth in Eriu after thee," says Find-abair. "Bind thyself for it," say Ailill and Medb, "and come thou to us with thy cows to the Spoil of the Cows from Cuailage; and when thou shalt come with thy cows from the East back, ye shall wed here that night at once and Find-abair." "I shall do that thing," says Froech. They are in it then until the morrow. Froech sets about himself with his suite. He then bids farewell to Ailill and Medb. They depart to their territories then.

It happened his cows were all stolen. His mother came to him. "Not active of journey hast thou gone; it shall cause much of trouble to thee," she says. "Thy cows have been stolen, and thy three sons, and thy wife²⁴, so that they are at the mountain of Elpa. Three cows of them are in Alba of the North with the Cruthnechi."

on a cunzio: ni chaibpea ċ'a[n]main Ḥoppu," ol pi. "Rozbiaz bai lem-pa chena," ol pi. "Nimzha pon," ol pe; "σοċοισ μορ m'eineċ γ μορ m'anmain aipec co αιλιλί γ co Meiσb co m' σάαιδ σο τλάιη nam σάα α α αιαλιλίνια." "Νι μοċebċap," ol a mázhaip, "a condaizι." ζειτί μασ ιαρμίπ λα γοσαίη.

Documlái rom apr ianum spíb nonbapaid 7 pid-cuae 7 cú lomna leu, col luid hi epich Ulad, co comapnaic pi Conall Cennac oc bennaib bainci. Rádio a ceiro ppi pide. "Ni bu ripran συις," ol re rive, "aní αποσετά. αποσετά mónn ımnıb," ol pe, "cid and dobeż do menma." "Oommáip-pe," ol Praec pi Conall, "con vichir lemm nac pé conapnecman." "Razav-ra ém," ol Conall Cennach. Documlaz app a zpiup zap muip, zap Saxoin zuapcipz, zap muiph hlėz, co zuapcepz Lanzband, cop pancazan rleibze Clpae. Conaccazan prace na vain oc inzaniu čaépeč an a cino. "Tiazam anderr," ol Conall, "a Phoich, con acaloam in mnai thall, et anat apin oic puno." Lozan tapum ot acaloaim. Arbenz-pi: "Can outb?" Ot penaib hepenn," of Conall. "Ni bu jippan oo pepaib hepenném, τίchταιη in τίρι-ρε. Το pepaid hepend ém mo mathaip-pe. Dompain an convailbi." "Aprilo ní bún bi apri imcheccaib. C'innap in tipe bonancaman?" "Tîph buaizn, uathmap con ocaib annib, nexait pop cech leth oo thabaint bo 7 ban 7 bpat," "Cio ar nuivem zucraz?" ol Prácé. "bai Prácé meice loaith a iapthup hepend, γ á ben γ α τρι meice. Unpe a ben lar in piz; ondaz a bai irr in zíp ap papm belaib." "Donpaip-ni bo cobaip," of Conall. "Ip bec mo cumaniz acc eolar namma." "Ir re Práce inro," ol Conall, "7 15 é a bai zucża." "In zaipipi lib-pi in ben?" ol pi. "Cio zaipippi lino ın van volluiv, ber ni vapipri ian viacvain." "ben vaitizi nam δάυ—αιρχιο ασοċum: eppio ppie pop τοιρο: οι pepaib h€peno a cenel: bi Ulzaib inzpainpiuż."

Tiazaic co ruibiu: apoazaibec 7 norlambec bi, 7 repair

"Query, what shall I do?" he says to his mother. "Thou shalt do a non-going for seeking of them; thou would'st not give thy soul for them," she says. "Thou shalt have cows at my hands besides them." "Not so this," he says: "I have pledged my hospitality and my soul to go to Ailill and to Medb with my cows to the Spoil of the Cows from Cuailnge." "What thou seekest shall not be attained," says his mother. At this she goes from him then.

He then sets off with three enneads [nines] and a wood-cuckoo (hawk), and a hound of tie with them, until he goes to the territory of the Ulaid, so that he meets with Conall Cernach²⁵ at Benna Bairchi. He tells his quest to him. "What awaits thee," says the latter, "shall not be lucky for thee. Much of trouble awaits thee," he says, "though in it thy mind should be." "It occurred to me," says Froech to Conall, "that thou would'st come with me any time we might meet." "I shall go truly," says Conall Cernach. They set off the three [that is, the three nines] over sea, over Saxony of the North, over the Sea of Icht, to the north of the Longbards, until they reached the mountains of Elpa. They saw the woman of the herd at tending of sheep before them. "Let us go south," says Conall, "O Froech, that we may address the woman yonder, and let our youths stay here." They went then to a conversation. She said, "Whence are ye?" "Of the men of Eriu," says Conall. "It shall not be lucky for the men of Eriu truly-the coming to this country. From the men of Eriu too is my mother. Aid thou me on account of relationship." "Tell us something about our movements. What is the quality of the land we have come to?" "A grim, hateful land with troublesome youths, who go on every side for carrying off cows and women and captives," she says. "What is the latest thing they have carried off?" says Froech. "The cows of Froech, son of Idath, from the west of Eriu, and his wife and his Here is his wife with the king; here are his cows three sons. in the country in front of you." "Let thy aid come to us," says Conall. "Little is my power, save guidance only." "This is Froech," says Conall, "and they are his cows that have been earried off." "Is the woman constant in your estimation?" she says. "Though constant in our estimation the time she went, perchance she is not constant after coming." "The woman who frequents the cows-go ye to her; tell ye her your errand; of the men of Eriu her race; of the Ulaid exactly."

They come to her; they receive her, and they name themselves to

pailti ppiu. "Cich ibpopuipeth?" ol pi. "Ponpoipet imneo." ol Conall: "lein na bai, 7 in ben gil ip ino lipp." "Ni bu pippan oùib ém," ol pi, "oul po oipimm inna mna: anopu oùib cec néz" ol pi, "ind naithip pail oc imdezail ind lipp." "Ni mthíp-ainm," ol Praeć: "ni zaipirri limm, az apiri-riu limm: popezamap n' inmena, vaipe ip di Ulzaib duiz." "Can di Ulzaib dúib?" ol pi. "humpe Conall Cennach rund, lack ar bec la Ulzu," of Prack. Pocheipo pi di láim im braziz Conaill Cepnaich. "Reipp ind onzain hi pecha-pa," ol pi, "uaipe bonbanic pibe; uaip ip bo puibe bopainizeneo opzain in buini-pea. Ciaz-pa app," ol pippi: "ni beo ppin blezon nam bó. Paiceb in leppn oibela: ip me noníada. Arbén ir de él podinezan ind lóiz. Tirzai-ri irr in oun, aèz comzalaz: ipp anopu búib ind naizip pail oc on bún: ıl-cuaża bı.'' "Rezmai, amin," of Conall. Puabbraiz in lepp: pocheipod ind naizhip bedz i chipp Conaill Cennaiz, ez opzaiz in dun pocezóip. Teppaipziz iapum in mnái η na τρι maccu, η bobepat an ap bec pét in búine, η leicib Conall in nathip app a chuipp, et ní bepzem nectapoe ole ppi a céile. θτ σοτλιαζατι cpích Chuithen-tuathe, co paca teopa bú δι am buaib appaide. Conzullazan do Dún Ollaic meic briuin priu, com bazap in Clipo hllan Echach. Ir and azbazh zilla Chonaill oc zimmain nam bó.i. Diene mac Laezaipe. Ip be aza Inbenin biene oc benchup. Cozucpaz am bu zapip illei. polaraz an abanca bib como be aza Tpachin bencoip. Luio Praec app iapum di a cpic iapum, 7 a ben 7 a meice, 7 a bai laire, contuid la Ailitt 7 Meich do Thain nam hó a Cualifaiu.

her, and she bids welcome to them. "What has led you forth?" she says. "Trouble has led us forth," says Conall: "ours are the cows and the woman that are in the Less." "It shall not be lucky for you truly," she says, "the going up to the multitude of the woman; more troublesome to you than every thing," she says, "is the serpent which is at guarding of the Less." "She is not my country-name," says Freech; "she is not constant in my estimation; thou art constant in my estimation; we know thou wilt not lead us astray, since thou art of the Ulaid." "Whence of the Ulaid are ye?" she says. "This is Conall Cernach here, the bravest hero with the Ulaid," says Froech. She flings two hands around the throat of Conall Cernach. destruction has come in this expedition," she says, "since he has come to us; for it is to him the destruction of this dun has been prophesied. I shall go out of it," she says; "I shall not be at the milking of the cows. I shall leave the Less opened; it is I who close it. I shall say it is for drink the calves were sucking. Come thou into the dun, when they are sleeping; more troublesome to you is the serpent26 which is at the dun; several tribes are let loose from it." "We shall go truly," says Conall. They attack the Less; the scrpent darts a leap into the girdle of Conall Cearnach, and they plunder the dun at once. They save off then the woman and the three sons, and they carry away whatever was best of the gems of the dun, and Conall lets the serpent out of his girdle, and neither of them did harm to the other. And they come to the territory of the Cruithen-tuath, until they saw three cows of their cows in it. They drove off to Dun Ollaich 27 Meie Briuin with them, until they were in Ard hUan Echach. It is there Conall's gilla died at driving of the cows, that is, Biene son of Loegaire; it is from it is Inber Biene at Benchor. They brought their eows over it thither. It is there they flung their horns off them, so that it is from it is Trachm Benchoir. Froech goes away then to his territory after, and his wife, and his sons, and his cows with him, until he goes with Ailill and Medb for the Spoil of the Cows from Cualnge.

TAIN BO FRAICH.

NOTES.

¹ Ppoec. In the Tain Bo Cuailngi, Leb. na hUidre, Froech's father is called Idad (= our Idath), but in later writings he is called Fidach. Some have supposed that it is from our Froech "Carn Froich" beside Rath Cruachan has been named. This, however, is a mistake, for the Carn has been called after Froech, son of Conall of Cruachu, as we learn from the Dind-senchus, "Book of Lecan," fol. 243, b. From the same account, as well as from the "Tain," Leb. na hUidre, we learn that our hero was drowned in a ford at Sliab Fnait, a mountain in the county of Armagh, the highest of the "Fews" mountains, by his brother demigod Cu Chulaind; and, being a demigod, that immediately after he was carried off by the Sidè into an adjoining hill, which, from that circumstance, has been called "Sid Fraich."

² a Síoib: That is, from the "Side immortals," not from the "Sid hills," which would be a Stoatb. There are in Irish two words, which must not be confounded; namely, Sío, an artificial structure, within which has been laid, that is to say, dwells a deified mortal; the other, Sive, which means that deity himself. The former is the Lat. situs, a substantive, gunated sétu; the latter is situs, an adjective, gunated, and with -ya termination, sétya. The verbal root is si-, "to enclose," "to mound." For the former compare Hor. lib. 3, Od. 30:-"Regalique situ pyramidum altius;" and for the latter, Cic. de Leg. lib. 2, cap. 22:- "Declarat Ennius de Africano: Hic est ille situs. Vere: Nam siti dicuntur ii qui mortui sunt." The two forms occur in the following passage at the close of the Serg-ligi: -como ppip na carobi pin achepat na haineolaiz Síde z áép Síde: so that it is to those apparitions the unlearned give the name Side and the class of Sid. That the ancient Irish held this rationale of the word pio, "a residence for the immortals" (knowing nothing of the mythic pioe, a blast of wind), is clear from the following, the most ancient Irish passage on the subject: - Sío móp hitaam, como bequibib nonnammingtep dep Síoe: "it is a large Sid (structure) in which we are, so that it is from it that we are called the class of sid." This is the explanation of the Side goddess to Condla Ruad, when inviting him away to the "Lands of the Living" (Leb. na hUidre). I may observe that the Side government in ancient Erin was of the same federal form as that of the secular government; that is, a presidential king with provincial and sub-kings. This is evident from several passages.

³ Do boino. Boand, who gave her name to the Boyne, was the daughter of Delbaeth, a chieftain of the mythological Tuatha de Danann, and wife of Nechtan. See her story, "Battle of Magh Lena," p. 90, note p., ed. O Curry.

⁴ Pino-abaip. That is, "Bright-beam," not "bright-brow," as hitherto interpreted. The gen. of abaip, "eye-lash," not "eye-brow," is abpac, while that of abaip in Pino-abaip is abpach, as will be seen further on. This abaip is declined like nachip, a serpent (gen. nachpach); comp. the Lat. apricam. Find-abair appears conspicuous in our great Irish Wiliad, "The Spoil of the Cows of Cualnge," which gives a graphic account of her warlike mother's seven years' raiding in the lands of Ulster.

⁵ Ma_{\overline{5}} bpe_{\overline{5}}. That is, "Campus Bregum," not "Planities amæna." bpe_{\overline{5}} is gen. pl., the nom. sing. of which would be in Gaulish Brex, like ric (Ir. pi_{\overline{5}}), a g-stem. This plain extends from the Liffey to the Boyne. See O'Donovan's supplement to O'Reilly.

⁶ Pino-puini. What this highly prized metal or metallic compound was, has not yet been determined. In the "Feast of Brierin," Leb. na hUidre, Medb says: "The difference between bronze and findruine is between Locgaire and Conall Cernach, and the difference again between findruine and red gold is between Conall Cernach and Cu Chulaind." For works of art, then, it stands in value between bronze and red gold.

⁷ Όρμιτh. This word is a mase. *a*-stem = *druta*, and means a "buffoon," a "satirist," while the word for druid is ορμί, gen. ορμαο, a *d*-stem. See my "Faeth Fiada" (Journal of the Hist. and Archæol. Association of Ireland, April, 1869, p. 305, note *r*).

⁶ Oo Chpuchnaib. This dat plur may be from either Cpuachu or Cpuachan, both of which forms occur as nom. sing., the former an *n*-stem, and the latter an *a*-stem. We may, then, here write the English form Cruachan, or Cruachan.

9 bpei. Accus. Plural; see further on.

10 in ταιζε. In the "Feast of Bricriu," Leb. na hUidre, this palace is thus described:—Secht cuapoa and η pečtn imoada o cem co ppaiz. Cipimė cpeduma η auppeaptad depz-ibaip. Cpi pteill cpeduma i ταιλαίο in ταιζε. Τεὐ σαραίο co τιιζι plinned. Oi peniptip dec and co comlaταίο διαιποίο ppiu. Imoui Citella η Illedda im medon in τίζε; αιριπίζ αιρζοίοι impe η pteill έρεσμπα η plepe αιρζίτ de ond αιριπμό ap belaib Citella, adcomced midlippe in τίζε, γρ. . . . "Seven circles in it and seven apartments from fire to side-wall. Rails of bronze and a partitioning of red yew. Three plates of brass in the plinth of the house. A house of oak, with a roof of shingle. Twelve windows in it, with glass shuttings to them. Ailill and Medd's apartment in the middle of the house; silver rails around it, and a strip of bronze and a wand of silver at the rail in front of Ailill, which used to touch the girders of the house," &c.

In the "Tochmare Emire," Leb. na hUidre, one of the palaces of Emain is thus described:—"Ir amlaio ianum bái a cec pin .i. in Cnaeb Ruad Con-chobuin, po int [p]amail Tize Mid-chapda i. ποιη ιπόα ό τεπιό co ppaisio από; χχχ. τραίδεο in αρδαί ceċ aininiz epeduma boi ip ziz. Eppeap de depz-ibap and. Sziall αρέαρψη hé raph fécop, γ της plinoeo raph ψαέτορ. Imouí Concobuin in ainenue in tizi co paiallaib ainzia, con úasnib chéoumaib, co lízpad dip pop a cendaib, con zemmaib cappmocuil incib, combá compolur lá zadaiz inci, con a reeill ainzie uar ind ριχ co apo-lipp ind ριχ-έιχι. In um nobúaleo Con-chobup co pleire pízda in reéill, concóitir Ulaid uli ppir. Da imbai dec in ba epped deac immon imdai pin immacuaipo." "It is how accordingly that house was, that is, the Craeb Ruad of Con-chobur, under the likeness of Tech Mid-chuarta, that is, nine apartments from fire to side-wall in it; thirty feet in the height of each rail of bronze that was in the house. A partitioning of red yew in it. A jointed stripe is it according to base, and a cover of shingle on it according to top. The apartment of Con-chobar in the centre of the house with stripes of silver, with bronze pillars, with adornments of gold on their heads, with gems of carbunele in them, so that eo-bright were day and night in it, with its strip of silver above the king to the girder of the palace. The time Con-chobur used to strike the strip with a royal wand, the Ulaid all used to turn to him. The twelve apartments of the twelve champions about that apartment all round."

The Creek Ruad is thus described in H. 2, 18:—"Strall ancopun οο δερδδ-ιδυρ α τεδη na imoada. Ιπόα Con-chobuip pop láp Chrimiz cheonma impe com paphipaip abzic, 1 equi διρ popp na haipenċaib, η zemma το luc lozmaip—iz é púli nobicíp in a cennaib. Slaze apzaiz uap Chon-cobup z zeopa ubla διη έμηρη, ερι τίποσρο της έξιμαις: η τη ταπ ποσροιτέο, πο τορολαο pon a zoża peppin, no żóab in pluaz: I ce bopaibpab pnażaz pop láp in zaize, po clumpioe lap in zui bizip ap aipmizin pom." "A jointed plate of red yew the house and the apartments. The apartment of Con-chobur on the centre of the house. Rails of bronze about it with tops of silver, and birds of gold on the rails; and gems of precious stone—they are the eyes that used to be in their heads. A rod of silver above Con-chobur and three apples of gold on it, for checking of the host; and the time he used to shake it, or used to raise the sound of his own voice, the host would become silent: and though a needle should fall on the floor of the house, it would be heard with the silence in which they used to be for reverence to him."

As the Tech Mid-chuarta of Temair, and its copy, the Croeb Ruad, were oblongs, lying north and south, it is probable the palace of Cruachu was of the same form. For the compound pecc-apod, "seven-rank," of our text, the "Feast of Brieriu" has pecc cuapod, "seven circuits;" and for our sixteen windows with brass shuttings it has got twelve with glass. These apparent discrepancies, however, might be reconciled. As both accounts give only seven apartments, I take the opod of one and the cuapo of the other to denote the space occupied by each apartment. These apartments were three on one side, three on the other, and one at the end; and this constituted a fourth part of the house from one door to another; that is, from the western to the eastern.

The royal imdai was always in the centre of the house, as we see from the preceding extracts. This location is sometimes expressed by m appenuch, where the word appenech is different from appinet, a rail. O'Clery, in his Glossary, explains it by "the principal place;" and so in the Prologue to the Felire of Oengus:—Dpim-puice to Depain in appenach peine: "a chief seat for Nero in the centre of pain." The auppeaparation, or eppeap, I take to mean the wood-partitioning within the house, or perhaps the grand hall. It cannot mean area, or any place external to the house, for it is said to be "in it." In H. 2, 18, the word is thus used as a verbal noun:—To uppeapado

na plóz on Maiz Mupżemne: "for the separating (expelling) of the hosts from the Plain of Murthemne." In the phrase in aulaith ceèa imbai, the aulaith bears the same relation to the imbai that taulach, in the first extract, does to the whole house. Aulao = paulao (English, vault?) is the name given to a warrior's tomb or bed of stone. The poplep, of which we sometimes find several on one house, was our sky-light. On a certain oceasion Mider Bri Leith puts Etain under his right arm, and flies off with her by the poplep of the palace of Tara, (Leb. na hVidre'.

¹¹ Hi ba ouparp, 7c. This phrase seems to be an old proverb; the translation is conjectural.

13 Cáim. In this paragraph the three harpers are called the Chants and sons of Unithne, the Dagda's harp, and their mother is said to be Boand from the Side. When this lady was in the pangs of triple child-birth, Unithne played her a Sorrow-strain, at the commencement; a Joy-strain, towards the middle; and a Sleep strain towards the close. When she awoke from her sleep, she addressed Unithne, and accepted the three sons: and in anticipation of the future Spoil of the Cows of Cualnge, which formed a portion of her own Mag Breg, she predicted that as sorrow, joy, and sleep were to be the lot of the women and cows that were to fall by Ailill and Medb, so men should die by the hearing of the music of these three. This prediction was now being fulfilled.

Unithne properly means child-birth, puerperium. "Puerperius," then, is the player on the harp, and this harp is Boand herself; and thus she is the mother of these Side strains, while "Puerperius" is the father. In the original it is hard to decide whether we have equice, a harp, or equicetipe, a harper; the sense, however, is the same whether we take the harp or the harper of the Dagda. Meantime it must be stated that equice is written in full in the original with a sort of mark of contraction over it, and that Unithne is the traditional harper of the Dagda. If then we take the "harper," we must give the translation somewhat thus; "she (Boand) had a cry of sorrow: he played:

. . . which he played."

The reader will, no doubt, note the peculiar dress of these Chants of Uaithne. Born of a harp, they are, of course, of the form of harps, and consequently dressed as harps; and so the writer says:—"those forms used to run about the men all round." This is the old Iberno-Celtic method of representing spiritual beings under the embodiment

of their functions. Thus in the "Vision of Adamnan," Leb. na hUidre:—Seez mile amzel in belbaib prim-cannel or pollpizuo ocup or inopeuzuo na carpae macuairo: "seven thousand angels in the forms of chief-candles at lighting and illuminating of the city (the celestial) all round."

The following is the dress of the ancient Irish harper, as given in the "Brudin da Derga," Leb. na hUidre:—Acconoape nonbupn allo ppu. Not monzae cpaebača, cappa popaib: notm bpot zlappa, luapeatz impu: notn belee off in am bpazaib: not palze zlano im á láma. Opo nape off im opoam cáč ae: au-čumpiučn off 'm ó čač p-ip: muince aipeix im bpáziz cač ae. Hoim buile con inčaib ópoaib hi ppaiz: not plepca pino-apeix inn a lamaib: "I saw another conead [nine] by them. Nine branching, curling heads of hair on them: nine grey winding cloaks about them: nine brooches of gold in their cloaks: nine rings of pearl around their hands. A ring of gold around the thumb of each of them: an ear-tie of gold around the ear of each man: a torque of silver about the throat of each of them. Nine bags with golden faces in the side-wall: nine wands of white silver in their hands.

12 Imberias in proclitt, 7c. That is, "Medb and Froech then play the chess." So further on: piobaio pund inn aidi pin dadaiz 7 Pino-adam: "Ye shall unite here that night at once and Find-abair:" that is, thou and Find-abair. This is a form of expression occasionally met with in Irish; that is, an assertion, direct or dependent, is made in the plural of two subjects in the singular coupled by ocup (and), but with the first, or principal subject omitted. In the present case the principal subject, Medb, is omitted. The following are other examples: Tolluro Dárpice 6 themain hi cpich Laizen: conpaneazan 7 Oubthach mace U luzin: "Patric went from Temair into the territory of the Laigne: they met and Dubthach Mac U Lugir:" that is, Patric and Dubthach met (Book of Armagh). Rozellrom 7 m gili ucuz im Civio Pożaio Cipzziz. "We held a wager and von poet about the destruction of Fothad Airgtech;" that is, myself and you poet; (Stories of Mongan, Leb. na hUidre). It will be observed that the omitted subject here is a person of distinction as compared with the second and express d subject, and this may be the true origin of the construction. In the following passage in the Tain Bo Cuailnge Fergus addresses Medb in the second person plural:-

Inonaidid pund co cípa ap ino pid, ocup níp macdad lib cid cían co cípap: "Wait ye here until I come out of the wood, and let there be no wondering with you, though it be long until I come."

14 Tri laa 7 veona aioči. This is the accus. of time, the only case of time in Irish. Ail our apparent genitives of time are simply ordinary dependents, though of course expressing time; and accordingly the governing substantive always accompanies them. The example Oommain Piado cach spasha: "May God at every hour come to me," quoted by Dr. W. Stokes, Goidilica, p. 94, as a case of time, is in construction, "the God of every hour;" and this is the construction of all his other examples. When there is no governing substantive we have the accuse; as, marain (not mairne) rancarap a rech: "in the morning they came home" (Brocan's Hymn): Tocumlai app maccain muich: "he goes off at early morn:" (Tain Bo Cuailnge, Leb. na hUidre). Da ano conzulteo cach aloci: "it was in it she used to sleep every night:" (Tochmarc Etaine, Ib.). The use of the genitive is very extended in Irish; the following are two examples, -ocup máo upcup, maippio nónbor caca upcapa: "and if it is a shot, it will kill an ennead of each shot;" that is, each shot will kill nine, (Brudin da Derga, Leb. na hUidre); ocur pobepaz cloic cac pip leó oo cup caipno: "and they bring a stone of each man with them to set up a eairn;" that is, each man brings a stone with him to set up a cairn, (Ib.). In accordance with this peculiar construction, we have generally a dependent genitive where we should otherwise have an acensative of time.

15 Oo'no abamo. This river of Cruachu is the Brei, mentioned above, and that in which Froech bathes, a few lines further on. It must be the stream from the fountain Clebach, at which the two daughters of king Loegaire met St. Patric. These, like Find-abair and her maid, came at early morn to the fountain to wash. The Irish Tripartite (Royal Irish Academy), introduces this meeting as follows:— Ooluro Patric 1ap pin Oo'n topup 1. Clibech 1 plepaid Cpuachan ppi tupcubailn speine. Oeptitap in chlepis ic on tippait. Oolotap de moin Loisaipi maic Neill com moch do'n tippait, do nisi al lâm [sic] amail ha ber doid 1. Ciène Pino 7 Pedelm Oepcc. Connainneètatap penad inna cleipeè ic on tippait con hetaisib zelaid 7 al libaip ap a [sic] belaid. Roinsantaispet deild inna cleipech: dopuimenatap baup pip Sithe, no pantaipi: "Patric

after that went to the well .1. Clibech in the sides of Cruachu with the rising of the sun. The clerics sat down at the fountain. Two daughters of Loigare mac Neill came early to the fountain for the washing of their hands, as was their custom; that is, Eithne the White and Fedelm the Red. They found a synod of the clerics at the fountain with white garments, and their books before them. They wondered at the form of the clerics; they imagined them to be men of the Side, or a phantasy."

From this ancient authority we learn that the Lat. lavare of the Book of Armagh means "washing of hands," &c., not washing of elothes; and from it we learn also that in the celebrated passage "viros Sidè aut deorum terrenorum, aut phantassiam," "men of the Sidè or of terrene gods, or a phantasy," the words "deorum terrenorum" are merely explanatory of Sidè. See my "Daim Liace," p. 8, where this passage has been for the first time so translated and explained. In our tract Froech goes to the river oo inlue, and so do Find-abair and her maid, and this inlue is the proper term for "washing of hands," &c. Thus in the Serg-lige: Oo ċaéc Coċaio luit iapom oo inlue a lám oo'n appais: "Eochaid Iuil goes afterwards for the washing of his hands to the fountath." The term for washing the head is polcao and for bathing the whole person, poċpacao.

I may remark that the phrase ppi τυμουβαίλη πρέιπε, which Colgan, Fifth Life of St. Patric, lib. 2, cap. 14, renders, contra ortum solis—"opposite the rising of the sun," means, in my opinion, time, not locality. The Book of Armagh, Betham's text, (I cannot get a sight of the Original) has a double phrase: "contra ortum solis, ante ortum solis," a confusion which goes to confirm my interpretation. The present phrase is to enpote no speine; the ancient ppi, ad, is always to in modern Irish. Compare to copedat popela (Vis. of Adamnan), "cum ortu evangelii:" "with the rising of the Gospel."

It would seem, then, that it is not necessary to go to the east of Rathcroghan to look for the fountain Clebach, or the Sen-domnach (Oldchurch) which St. Patric founded beside it. At the same time it is as likely that both are to the east as to the west of the palace. It is impossible, however, that this fountain could have been three miles from the palace, as Dr. O'Donovan, in his Roscommon Ordnance Survey Letters, supposes: but it is not impossible, that the palace may have been two miles away from the spot now called Rathcroghan. He

says nothing of the Brei, which must have been a considerable river, abounding in otters, and in that spot where Froech bathed so dark and deep as to merit the name Oub-lino, Black-pool. With the data developed in this note I think it would not be difficult to identify the fountain, river, and church of Cruachu.

16 Oc on zain: That is, at the "Tain Bo Cuailngi."

17 Co maich in upciu. Ailill induces Froech to get into the Brei, with the hope of his being drowned, for he was well aware of the prophecy that drowning was to be the ultimate fate of the son of Befind. His aunt Boand frequently cautioned his mother against allowing her heroic son to indulge in bathing, or by any chance to come in contact with Cu Chulaind. Thus in the Book of Fermoy, Boand says:—

α bhebinn, bean an bo mac
 δαη πίηδι τηιαθεμη δό τόἐπαης,
 Ψαιη απ bhαbαιη bobenα
 Τρ απο τέιθρεῖο-γα bénα.

Na začarp pe Com na clep, Uarp nočan and azá do lep: Ir e dopaža pe pé— Macam Mhurži Múrpženine.

Na bena rnam bobúin búib Uain ir ann rénrar a ruil : Na bíb a faircib an zíll, Abain ne Pnocc, a bébinn.

TRANSLATION.

O Befind, impress on thy son

Not to court a woman who shall come to him,

For the year he shall bring her—

It is in it thou shalt shed tears.

Contend not thou with Cu of the feats, Since it is not in it thy advantage is: It is he who shall come by time—
The youth of Mag Murthemne.

Let him not make the swimming of black water. For it is in it he shall shed his blood:
Let not his armour be in pledge,
Tell to Froech, O Befind.

18 Canna pamairci. A bath of this nature was made for Cethern Mac Fintain, who attacked Medb's camp single-handed, and as the result received innumerable wounds: Ip anopin conazzacz Pinzin Parhae pmip-ammain pop Coin Culaino do se 7 do leizir Cherlinn meic pinzain. Tanic Cu Chulaino peme in bunuo 7 il longpope renn heneno, 7 na ruain o' almaib 7 o' éizib 70' inoilib ano-zuc leirr arr íaz: 7 bozni rmin-ammain bíb, ezip reoil 7 cnamaib 7 lethan. Ocur tucao Cethepn mac Pintain ip in pmip-ammaip co ceno zeona lá z zeonan aioche, z pazab ac ól na pmin-amnac imme. Ocup paluid in pmip-ammain and ezip a čnedaid z ezip a épeézaib, bap a alzaib z bap a il-zonaib. Andrin arpaéz rom app in pmin-ammain i cino zeona la 7 zeonan aioce, see 160. "It is then Fingin Fathach (the physician) asked Cu Chulaind for a smirammair for the saving and for the healing of Cethern mac Fintain. Cu Chulaind went forward to the fortress and to the encampment of the men of Eriu, and of what he found of flocks, and of herds, and of cattle there—he brought them with him out of it; and he makes a smir-ammair of them, between flesh and bones and hide. And Cethern mac Fintain was brought into the smir-ammair till the end of three days and three nights, and he set to at the drinking of the smir-ammair around him. And the smir-ammair went into him between his sores and between his sears, over his cuts and his many wounds. Then he arose out of the smir-ammair at the end of three days and three nights, and so forth." The word pmip-ammain is a compound, of which the first member means "marrow;" what the second means I cannot say at present. In our tract, the phrase po that 7 beuil is, I think, correctly rendered, beuil being = biail. The zail and bial are frequently associated; thus—"aer zail ocur beli. adze—and axe-men" (O'Donovan's Supp. to O'Reilly). The adze to cut the flesh; the axe to chop up the bones.

19 Sto Cpuachan. This Sid, the temple and burial vault of the royal family and clan, was, as we see, at some distance from the pizce, palace, but probably within the raths or enclosures. Of these there were several, as we find the chief-rath spoken of, p. 138. The whole place was called Cruachu, or Cruachan, in the singular; or, Cruachan or Cruachan, in the plural. It was also called Dun Cruachan, and Rath Cruachan. In the History of the Cemeteries, Leb. na hUidre, it is called Cuthair Cruachan. Every royal residence con-

sisted of three principal parts within the circumvallations; namely, the piz-tec, palace; the dun, or fortified part, appropriated to visitors: and the less, which comprised the whole space within the enclosure, save what was occupied by the palace and dun. In this less were the stables, cow-houses, and the houses of all the menial retainers of the king. On coming up, Froech and his suite sat at the door of the first-rath. Ailill orders them to be admitted into the less, p. 138. The fourth part of the palace is then allowed them. Every imdai or apartment, with its occupants, was called the reglac, or household of the chief person in it. Thus tezlat Praich p. 142. Then there was a zech imacallmae, "house of conversation;" and this was outside the palace, though, perhaps, communicating with it; for Ailill and Medb go out of the "house of conversation" into the palace, p. 144. I have said above that the dun was the residence of visitors. This is evident from the "Stories of Mongan," Leb. na hUidre, where we find the poet Forgall and his company residing in it. This will explain the use of the word dun, not palace, where it is stated, p. 142, that Froech and his suite "stayed till the end of a fortnight in the dun."

 20 Jol-zaipe ban Síbe. This ancient air is still played by the Irish harper and piper.

²¹ Oo'no ep. The word ep is of rare occurrence. We find it in Fiace's Hymn of St. Patrick: Poppulo a choip popp ino leice; mapaix a ep, in boonna: "He pressed his foot upon the stone; its trace remains, it wears not." In this passage ep is glossed polliuc, a mark. In Zeuss., p. 473, interlitus is glossed ecappullechta; and in "Scela na Epepse," p. 10, are read the words: Puilliucta na chec popodamacáp ap Cpipc: "the marks of the wounds which they suffered for Christ."

²² Cucann. This word is written cuca in MS., but with a horizontal stroke over cuc, which I take to be intended for the flual a. I have, therefore, resolved as in text.

23 conzu. This conzu = 00 ponzu. Ponzu is Lat. panzo, another example of a primitive initial p becoming p in Irish. This formula, occasionally slightly changed, is very common in the more ancient manuscripts. It is always, so far as I know, put into the mouth of the Gentile Irish; never into that of a Christian. The more usual form is—conzu oo ona counzep mo cuach: "I swear for an oath the oath of my territories." In this form oo ona has hitherto

been rendered "to God." Now the words to to the sense of "to God," besides being absurd in the mouth of a Pagan, are frequently omitted. I therefore render "for an oath," "as an oath." O'Davoren's Glossary, oee is glossed minna, an oath, (Skrt. divya (?), id.), and this I take to be the word here. In the next paragraph Findabair adopts the usual formula. Other forms are "conzu do dia," "I swear for an oath," (Lugaid in the Tain); congu a coinger mo zuaż: "I swear the oath of my territories," the words do dia not used (Fer. Rogain, Brudin da Derga). Cu Chulaind in the Tain has another form: conqu a compte Ulao: "I swear the swearings of the Ulaid." Even Cu Chulaind's charioteer swears in the same way. From this it will be seen that "my territories" does not mean those in my possession, but the territories in which I live; and it is in this sense that Find-abair swears in the same manner. It would appear that in ancient Eriu every tribe had a certain form of oath, and consequently a certain object to attest that oath, distinct from those of every other tribe.

24 Oo ben. This was Trebland, daughter of Froech, son of Aengus from the Sid of the Brug, as we learn from the "Courtship of Trebland," Book of Fermoy. She was then, like himself, a semi-deity. The writer of the story says: ba balza bo Coupppe Mac Ropa an Tpeblann pin, uaip bocleactabaip mairi mae Milio meic 7 inzina bo altpom bo pízib na piż polup-żlan, ba cómnepa bóib, ap báiż nac claeclożoaip iż na blict na blaż in Epino ppi a lino: "This Trebland was a foster-child to Coippe Mac Rosa, for the magnates of the sons of Miled were wont to foster the sons and daughters of the bright-pure Sid's, which were next to them, for the sake that neither corn, nor milk, nor bloom should decay in Eriu during their time."

²⁵ Conall Cepnach. The second of the three great champions of the Ulaid; the first being Cu Chulaind, and the third Loegaire Buadach. See "Battle of Magh Rath," ed. O'Donovan, p. 83.

²⁶ Ino nathip. This serpent is found everywhere in our old Irish tales, as defending duns, native and foreign. The usual name is biaps, or péips, Lat. bestiu, but frequently nath, as here, and its usual abode the sea, lake, or other water, adjoining or within the dun. In the case of the serpent of Cruachu we find that Froech, though probably looked on with jealousy by the demon, swam unharmed about the river until he touched the mystic rowan-tree. This

tree was guarded by the serpent, and accordingly in the Book of Fermoy it is said to have come from the root of the tree. Ailill knew this, but Froech was a demi-god, and consequently more than a match for the demon; and hence the result. Is not this the ancient serpent and the fruit-tree? The demon naturally took charge of that tree through which he brought death into the world, and cherished it with affection. But a Divine Being crushed the head of the serpent; and it is to be remarked that Froech did not completely cut off its head, but merely so as to have it hang on its side.

In the case of Conall Cernach the serpent entered into no contest with him, for he was a mere mortal; but not so on a certain occasion in the case of Cu Chulaind, a demigod, and a being whom I have already examined mythologically in my "Religious Beliefs of the Pagan Irish" (Journal of the Historical and Archeological Association of Ireland, April, 1869, p. 321). In the "Spirit-chariot of Cu Chulaind," Leb. na hUidre, it is related that St. Patric brought up Cu from the lower regions to speak to Loegaire, for the latter declared he would not otherwise believe. Cu addresses Loegaire in dark and mysterious language, but the king has a doubt if the stranger is really Cu. "If it is Cu that is in it," he says, "he should tell us about his great exploits." "That is true," says Cu. And then he recites for Loegaire some of his principal achievements. In the course of his narrative he says that he went once to Dun Scaith, a fort in the south of Skye, and there encountered and crushed a host of serpents and other venomous reptiles, who had their abode in a pit in the dun:-

> ba cuite ip in Oún, lap in piz, abret;-Deic nathaiz bopoembatap
> Dan a 6n—ba bet!

lap pin azapeżup-[p]a,
Cia p' abbol in bponz,
Con bepnup an oponeća
Ezip mo bá bopno.

Teć lán vo lopcannaib— Vopaplaicte ván; Míla zépa, zulbenča, Rolelcap i m' ppub, zc. There was a pit in the dun,

Belonging to the king, it is related;

Ten serpents burst

Over its border—it was a deed!

After that I attacked them,
Though vast the throng,
Until I made bits of them
Between my two fists.

A house full of toads,

They were let fly at us;
Sharp, beaked monsters,

They stuck in my snout, &c.

This extract will illustrate the meaning of our phrase, "several tribes are let loose from her;" that is, tribes of serpents.

²⁷ Oun Ollaic. Now Dunolly, near Oban. See Dr. Reeves' edition of Adamnan's Life of St. Columba, p. 180.

V.—TOCHMARC BEC-FOLA.

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The text of the following tale of Bec Fola and king Diarmait, son of Aedh Slane, is taken from a vellum MS. in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin, Class H. 2, 16, compiled about the year 1390 by Donogh Mac Firbis, of Lecan Mic Firbisighe in the county of Sligo. The tale commences on column 765, ninth line from bottom, and has been collated with another copy in a vellum MS. of the year 1509, Class H. 3, 18, in the same Library, p. 757.

According to the Annals of the Four Masters, king Diarmait, son of Aedh Slane, and his brother, Blathmac, assumed the sovereignty of Ireland A. D. 657, and ruled conjointly for eight years, till they were both cut off by the mortality called the Buidhe Connaill, A. D. 664.

This tale is of the class the knowledge of which constituted one of the literary and legal qualifications of an ollamh, or poet; and though not in the incomplete list of historical tales in the "Book of Leinster," printed by O'Curry, in his "Lectures on the Manuscript Materials of Irish History," p. 584, et seq., it contains internal evidence of antiquity. The language is old and well preserved, and the story is told in an ancient style of diction. It contains some minute descriptions of personal appearance, dress, and ornaments of gold and silver.

Of the lady Bec Fola I have found no mention elsewhere. The name means literally "small dowry." Fola is used here in the sense of Coibche, a price, reward, gift, or dowry; but in its technical legal sense it was the name for the first gift which a husband gave to his wife on marriage. The amount of the Coibche was defined by law in accordance with the grade of the parties, but, the coibche, whether great or small, secured the woman in her marriage rights, and saved her from personal dishonour. Professor O'Curry translated Bec Fola, "Woman of the small dowry," in his work on "The MS. Materials of Irish History," p. 283, where he has ina dvertently printed Diarmait Mac Cerbeoil, for Diarmait Mac Aedh Slane. Diarmait Mac Cerbeoil was father of Aedh Slane, and grandfather of the hero of this tale,

as mentioned in the following passages from the story of the birth of Aedh Slane, preserved in Leabhar na Huidri, in the Library of the Royal Irish Academy, pp. 52, 53:—

báe zpá móp ámac móp pecz ano h-í zallzm la Díapmaiz mic Pepzupa Cepbéoil. "There was a great fair held one time at Taillten, by Diarmait son of Fergus Cerbeoil." * * * *

"Compete Muzam mó caó clamb, Do mac cóip éubaib éepbailt; lapom or póen púamaé pé, In n-Aéb ráep rlúazaé Sláné.

Mugan bore, the greatest of all children,

To the right worthy son of Cerball;

After this over the heroic field he reigned awhile,

The noble Aedh Slane of hosts."

"Diarmait Mac Fergus Cerbeoil" died A. D. 592.

In illustration of some of the passages in the text, three Addenda are given:—

I. Dindsenchas of Dubthar, which identifies the places called Dubthar, Inis Fedach, and Inis Mic in Doill; and indicates the people called ua Feadach.

The contest of the ua Fedach referred to in the text may, perhaps, be identified with that of the sons of Dall Deas, of Inis Mic in Doill, given in the Dindsenchas as the origin of Fedach and Dubthar.

II. Dindsenchas of Loch n-Erne, illustrating the allusion to the "bearded heroes," and representing that Loch n-Erne afforded, in ancient times, a sanctuary for women.

III. A poem on the prohibitions of the beard, from the "Yellow Book of Lecan," in further illustration of the allusion to bearded heroes in the text, p. 180.

O'Curry considered this poem "to be a simple condensation of the law which regulated the wearing and responsibilities of the beard, and that it belonged to a period anterior to the year 900." He observed that "any person acquainted with the language of the earlier Irish MSS. will find no difficulty in ascribing the language and composition of this poem to a period at least five hundred years earlier than the MS. in which it is preserved," which belongs to the year 1390.

cochmore bee pola.

Ol Olapmaie mac Aeda Stane ippizi Tempach, Chimchand mac Aeda i n-daleup do, ocup i n-ziallaizeće ppi laim o laižnib. Luidpeom laa n-and ocup a dalea, i. Chimchand, da Aeh Thuim h-i Loezaipe, ocup oen zilla leo. Conacazap in mnai dap pin n-aeh aniap h-i cappae; da mael appa pindpuine impe, da zem do lic ložmaip eipeib, lene po depz indlaiė dip impe, bpae copepa, dealz dip lánecaip co mbpeaėcpad n-zem n-ildaehach ipin dpue [op a dpuinnei], munci di dip poplopee ima dpazaie, mind n-dip pop a cind, da each dub zlapa po na cappae, da n-all dip ppiu, cunzi co euazmilaib aipzdidib popaib.

"Can do deachaid abean?" op Diapmaiz. "Ni do nach cein." op pi; "Cid do éeiz?" op Diapmaiz, "Do cuindchid pil cpuizhneachza, [op pi]. Aza daz izhip lim ocup nimża pil a čomadaip." "Mad pil in zipipea bap, ail duiz," op Diapmaiz, "ni puil do dul peachampa." "Ni opup din," ap pi "achz pombia a loz," "Rozbia an dealz m-beaz pa," op Diapmaiz. "Zebżap din," op pipi.

Nomber ler to chum na Tempach. "Can ton mnai a Diapmaiz?" op cach, "Ni po plointi tam tin," ap Diapmaiz, "Cit to pazair ina zintpepa?" [op cach], "mo tealz bec," op Diapmaiz. Ir bec into pola op cach." "bit eat a h-ainm tin," op in thai, "[i.] bec Pola."

- 1 "Ath Truim ui Lacghaire," Trim, in the territory of ui Lacghaire in Meath.
- 2 "Findruine," white bronze—a bronze generally considered to contain a large proportion of tin, or perhaps some alloy of silver, sometimes used for ornamentation.
- 3 " Lene and Lened," a kilt, a kind of short petticoat worn outside.
- ⁴ Words inserted in [] are supplied from MS. H. 3, 18.
- 5 "Muince," a generic name for any kind of collar, ring, or necklace for men, women, horses, dogs, and for the hafts

COURTSHIP OF BEC FOLA.

DIARMAIT, son of Aedh Slane, was in the sovereignty of Teamair, Crimthand, son of Aedh, was in pupilage with him, and in hostageship as pledge from the Lagenians. He and his pupil, i. e., Crimthand, went one day to Ath Truim, of ui Laeghaire, and one servant with them. They saw a woman coming castward over the ford in a chariot; she wore two pointless shoes of findraine, two gems of precious stones in them, a lene interwoven with red gold upon her, a crimson robe, a brooch of gold fully chased and set with gems of various colours in the robe [over her bosom and a muince of burnished gold around her neck, a mind of gold upon her head, two black-grey steeds to her chariot, two n-all of gold to them, a yoke with trappings of silver upon them.

"Whence have you come, O woman?" said Diarmait, "Not very far," said she. "Whither do you go?" said Diarmait. "To seek seed-wheat" [said she]. "I have good soil and I require suitable seed." "If it be the seed of this country you desire," said Diarmait, "you shall not pass me." "I do not object indeed," said she, "if I get a log." "I will give you this little brooch," said Diarmait. "I will accept it," said she.

He brought her with him to Teamair. "Who is this woman, O Diarmait?" said they. "She has not given me her name indeed," said Diarmait. "What did you give as her tindscra?" [said they]. "My little brooch," said Diarmait. "That is a Bec Fola," said they. "Let that be her name then" said the druid, "i. e., Bec Fola."

of spears where the head was inserted.

6 "Mind n-óir," a diadem or coronet of gold.

7 "n-All of gold," All, a doublereined chariot bridle, as distinguished from the sruth can, srian or single reined riding bridle. 6 "A Log," a price, wages, or reward; but here it means a log lanamnais, "brido price," or coibche, a marriage gift.

9 "Tindscra." See Additional Note, A, p. 194, for an explanation of this word in the sense in which it is here used. Rola pi vin, [a] menmain pop a valtapom, .i. pop Cpimthano mac n-Geva, δαι οσά ξυίνι οσυγ οσά τοτλλυσαν cen máip.

Azchozar vin on zilla, .i. zuvechz an a cenopi co Cluain va Chaileach zpaż zeipzi via vomnaić va vpeizh pop aizheav. Ro invir pive via muinzip. Rupzaipmercazar iapum a munzip; nača vennav ven apv-piz h-Cpino vo żavaipz ap aiżeav.

Achaiz proin maicin moch dia domnaiz o Diapmaic, "Cid po a ben?" op pe [Diapmaic]. "Ni cid maic," op pr, "Indile pil dampa" oc Cluain Da Chaileach, poppacaidpec na bachlaich [iave], ocup do chuadap pop veched." "Cippi indili?" op Diapmaic. "Seche lenci cona n-imbenmaid, ocup pece n-delzi bip, ocup tpi minda bip. Ip liach a vece amuda." "Na veiz, op Diapmaic, ip in domnach, ni maic imadall in domnaich," "Neach limpa ap," op pi [piu] "Ni ba h-uaimpea on," op Diapmaic.

Luid pi on din ocup a h-inaite a tempaiz poder coppanzadap Oudthop laizen; dop pala pop mepuzad ann co tpat d'aidchi contaptatap coin altai co po mapbrad an inilt, ocup luid pi h-i opand pop teched.

Am bai ipin épuno confacai in veni pop lap na cailli luio bochum in veneo, confacai in oclach imon veni oc upznam na muci. Inap pipecbai ime co n-zlan-copcaip, ocup co cipclaib bip acap, apcaix, cennbapp di bip ocup apzur ocup zlaine im a cenn; mocoil ocup pithipi bip im cach n-bual dia fult conici clap a da imbai, da uball bip pop di zabal a muinzi, med peap dopini ceac vapnai; a claideb bip-buipni ap a cpip, ocup a da plez coicpindi itip leatap a pceit, co cobpuid finopuine popa; but ilbatach [leip]. A da laim lana di failzib bip ocup apcaix co a di uillinn.

Teir pi ocup puidio ocai ocon reni. Rupoechaprap, ocup ni

10 "Cluain da Chaileach," near Baltinglas, in the county of Wicklow.

¹¹ Pil limpa pepin, which belong to myself. MS. H. 3, 18.

12 "Sunday journey." See Note B., p. 195.

13 " Dubthor Laighen," now Duffry, a district in the barony of Scarawalsh, Co.

of Wexford. Duffry Hall, in ruins, retains the name, in the parish of Templeshanbo: ride O'D. Suppl. ad O'R. Dict. She probably went by Bealach-Dubthair (road of Dubthair), now called Bealach Couglais or Baltinglas. See Four Masters, A. D. 594, p. 218, n. h.; and Addendum No. 1, p. 184.

She, however, fixed her mind on his pupil, i.e., on Crimthand, son of Aedh, whom she continued to seduce and solicit for a long time.

She, at length, prevailed upon the youth to come to meet her at Cluain Da Chaileach¹⁰ at sunrise on Sunday in order to abduct her. He told this to his people; they then forbade him to abduct the wife of the high king of Eriu.

She rose early on Sunday morning from Diarmait. "What is the matter, O woman?" said he [Diarmait.] "Not a good thing," said she; "some things of mine that are at Cluain da Chaileach, the servants have left them, and have fled away." "What are the things?" said Diarmait. "Seven lenes with their garniture, and seven brooches of gold, and three minds of gold, and it is a pity to let them be lost." "Do not go," said Diarmait, "on Sunday, the Sunday journey is not good." "A person will be with me from the place," said she. "Not from me indeed," said Diarmait.

She and her handmaid went then from Teamair southward till they reached Dubthor Laigen; 13 she wandered about there for part of the night till wild hounds came 14 and killed the handmaid, and she fled into a tree to avoid them.

When she was in the tree she saw a fire in the middle of the wood. She went to the fire, and saw a young warrior at the fire cooking a pig. He wore an inar¹⁵ of silk of bright purple, and with circlets of gold and silver, a ceann barr¹⁶ of gold and silver and crystal upon his head, bunches and weavings of gold around every lock of his hair reaching down to the tips of his two shoulders, two balls of gold upon the two prongs of his hair, each of them as large as a man's fist; his gold-hilted sword upon his girdle, and his two fleshmangling spears in the leather of his shield, with bosses of findruine¹⁷ upon it; he wore a many-coloured cloak. His two arms were covered with failgib¹⁹ of gold and silver up to his two elbows.

She went and sat with him at the fire. He looked at her, but

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14" Wild hounds," Coin alita, wolves, foxes, any kind of beasts of prey, &c.

15 " Inar," a tunic, a frock.
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17 "Findruine." See ante, note 2, p. 174.
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^{16 &}quot; Ceann barr," a diadem, an ornament or cover for the head.

Paip, upon it. MS. H. 3, 18.
 "Failgib" (Nom. Sing. Fail) of gold. See Note C., p. 196.

contapt a mot cotainnic to puine na muice. Or zni iapum brotmuc tia muic, interio a lama, luit on teni; luit pi tin ina tiait co pizi in loch.

Lonz cheoumae i medon in lacha. Rono cheoumu i medon ir in luinzicíp, ocup pono aile ipin n-inopi bai í medon ind lacha. Oo rpenza in loech in luinz, zeiz ri ir in luinz pemireom, pacabair ind long illong-tiz cheoa ap pobar na h-indpi, ceic li bemi iba rez; ampa in reż h-i pin irip ippraprad ocup bepzuba. Depidreom, berio pi din inna pappadrom; pizid a laim reachu [ina ruidi] co que meir co m-biud doib. Lonzaigrom diblinaib ocur ebaiz: co nap ba mearcai²³ neac vib. Ni boi vuine irin zit, ni manaplarzap boib. Luidreom ina lizi, dorleic pi po bpazrom, ecuppu ocup ppaizh; nochop impo din ppiari co maizin, cocualazan maizin moch an n-zainm pop popo na h-inopi, .i. "taipp imach a Plaino do pil na pipu." (Atpait puar lapodain ocup zebio a tpelam paip, ocup luio imach; luio pi via vepcin co bonur in zizi, conacai in zpiap popr in pupz. Comchpoża, comaera, combelba ppipium a zpiup. Conacai bin cezhpop ap put na h-indpi ocup a pceith a paenzabail ina lamaib; atpaizreom oin a cechnon [a n-vocum in ceachan ele]; ima zuancaz boib24 com bo bene each bib bia pailiu. Co n-beachaid each bib ppi zorza alechi; luio [Plann a benan] ina inori anibiri.

"buaid theniz duit," op pi, "ip loechda in zleo pin." "ba mait chetup mad ppi naimdiu," op pe. "Can dona hocaid?" op pipi. "Mae bpathap dampa²⁵," op pe; "tpi bpathaip dam din na h-1 aili." "Cid po copnaid?" op in ben. "Ind inip²⁶," op pe. "Cia h-ainm na h-indpi?" op pi. "Inip Pedaiz Mic in Daill," op pe. "Ocup cia h-ainmpiu?" op pipi. "Plann ua Peadaich," op pe; "h-ui pedaid din pil iccond imchopnum."

18 mait iapam in n-inopi, ii. ppaino ceit itip biao ocup linn

¹⁰ Concaipnie. H. 3, 18.

²¹ "Brodmue," a spitted pig, a cooked pig roasted or browned on the brod or spit; a side or slice of roast bacon is also called brodmue. See MS. T. C. D. H. 3, 18, p. 368.

²² " Creduma." The usual meaning of this word is bronze, but it is also used for the ore of copper, gold, or silver.

²³ Copbao mepcai, till they were drunk. H. 3, 18.

²⁴ a ceathan a n-bocum in cea-

bestowed no further attention on her until he had finished the cooking of the pig. He then made a brodmuc²¹ of his pig, washed his hands, and went away from the fire; she followed him till they reached the lake.

A ship of creduma²² was in the middle of the lake. A cable of creduma from the middle of the ship to the land, and another cable from it into the island which was in the middle of the lake. The warrior hauled in the ship, she went into the ship before him, they left the ship in a ship-house of bronze at the port of the island, she went before him into the house; the house was admirable both in carvings and beds. He sat down, she sat near him; he reached his hand across [her in her seat], and drew forth a dish with food for them. They both ate and drank, but so that neither of them got drunk.23 There was no other person in the house, nor were they interrupted. He went into his bed, she lay under his garment, between him and the wall; he did not turn towards her till morning, when they heard the call at early morning on the port of the island, i.e., "come out, Fland, the men are here." He rose up instantly, put on his armour, and went out; she went to look after him to the door of the house, and saw the three men on the port. In features, age, and form, the three were like him. She then saw four men moving along the island holding their shields down in their hands; the four men then advanced [against the other four men]:24 they struck each other till each party was red from the other. Then each party of them went off to his own side; he [Flann alone] went into the island again.

"The triumph of your valour to you," said she, "that was a heroic fight." "It would be good, truly, if it were against enemies," said he. "Who are the warriors?" said she. "One of them is my brother's son," said he; "the other three are my three brothers." "What do ye contend for?" said the woman. "This island," said he. "What is the name of the island?" said she. "Inis Fedach Mic in Daill," said he. "And what is your name?" said she. "Flann ua Fedach," said he; "it is the ui Fedach who are contending for it."

The island is good, indeed, i.e., the dinner of one hundred men²⁸

than (ele), Jabaio az comzuanzam a čele, &c., the four men advanced towards the other four, and each commenced to strike another, &c. H. 3, 18. ²⁵ Mac bpatan atan bampa, the son of my father's brother. H. 3, 18.

²⁶ Ino inpipi, this island. H. 3, 18.
27 "Inis Fedach Mie in Daill." See
Addendum I., p. 184.

²⁸ "Dinner for one hundred men." See Note D, p. 197.

ni paib ache diap inei, nip caipie ache a poipèu.

"Cepc," op pi, "Cio na h-animpea lazpu?" "Ip dpoch banaip duizpiu cezup," op pepem. "anad limpa ocup pi h-Epend do pacbail, ocup beit duiz popampa, ocup a tepop im diaidpi."

"Cio na compaicim?" op pi, "Na zo oon chuppa," ap pepem, mad limpa imoppo ind inip, ocup dia maipem pezazpa ap do chennpo, ocup ip zupu bith ben biap im pappad, ocup aipeped doi chuppa."

"Saet vam mo inailt vo packail," op pi. "Ata i m-beataiv i m-bun in chpoinn chetnai," op perem; "Laif na h-indpi posabrev immpi ocup pestaip viap n-idlocon." va pip pon.

Ric pi a tez, co papnic inni Diapmait oc eipziu ipin bomnač cetnu. "Ampa pin aben," op Diapmait, "na beapnaip imaballin bomnaič bap ap n-upzaipi," "Ni polamap pon²²," op pi, "imchim bo bpeithpipiu," amail na teipeb pi etep: bah-e a h-aen [p]ocal on uaip pin na bec polab.

"Dapa abaiz ipin choill
leiz inopi mic in baill³³
Ciap bo la pen nip bo chol,
In ean peappom nip ba pom ³⁴

Imp Peadard Mie in Ooill³⁵
Itip Laizin i n-Oubtaip
Ciapo pocup do poot
Ni pazbard orz ulchaiz.''³⁶

ba h-inznao la cach n-oen in n-aterc pin. Alla pin vin, cino bliavna boi, Diapmait pop a verzav, ocup a ven, .i. beo Pola, conacavap in per peach vopup in tizi, ocup pe athzoiti, .i. Plano, ir anv arvent bec Pola.³⁷

"Popsalo pen binu aminir Oon bebaib i n-Oam Inir Inab in cechnuin no bnir Pon ceaciinun i n-Oam Inir."

29 "Linn." See Note D., p. 197.
30 "Frithgnam." See Note D., p. 197.
31 "Calies of this island." See Note E.

31 " Calves of this island." See Note E., p. 197.

32 H1 polamappium. I should not

have dared. H. 3, 18.

33 "Inis Mic in Daill," i.e. Damh Inis. See Addendum, No. 1, p. 184. 34 In can reapromne be nomb both of food and linn²⁹ is its supply every evening, without any frith-gnam³⁰ from the people; there were only two persons in it [last night], there came but their supply.

"I ask," said she, "why should I not remain with you?" "It would be a bad espousal for you, indeed," said he, "to remain with me and to abandon the King of Eriu, and you [i. e. your blame] to be upon me, and its vengeance to follow me."

"Why should we not dwell together?" said she. "Let us not this time," said he, "but if the island be mine, and that I live, I will go for you, and you shall be my constant wife residing with me, but depart now for the present."

"I am grieved to leave my handmaid," said sho. "She is alive at the foot of the same tree," said he; "the calves³¹ of the island surrounded her and detained her to screen us." This was true.

She reached her house, and found Diarmait there rising on the same Sunday. "It is well, O woman," said Diarmait, "that you have not journeyed on the Sunday against our prohibition." "I should not have dared to do that," 32 said she, "to disobey your order," just as if she had not gone at all: her only word from that time forth was, the Bec Folad.

"I was a night in the wood
In the house of Inis Mic in Daill:33
Though it was with a man, there was no sin,
When we parted it was not early.34

Inis Feadaid Mic in Daill,³⁵
In the land of Laigon in Dubthar,
Though it is near unto the road,
Bearded heroes do not find it." ³⁶

Every person wondered at these words. At the end of a year from that day, however, Diarmait was upon his bed, with his wife, i. e. Bec Fola, they saw a wounded man passing the door of the house, i. e. Fland, it was then Bec Fola said: 37—

"Superior in valour of fierce men, I ween, In the battle of Damh Inis, The four men who conquered The [other] four men in Damh Inis."

when we parted it was early. H. 3, 18.

35 "Inis Feadaid Mic in Daill," now
Damh Inis. See Addendum, No. I.,
p. 184.

36 "Bearded heroes." See Addendum, No. III., p. 190.

³⁷ Arbentrioe .1. beo Pola, said she, i. e., Bec Fola.

Inde dixie Pland:

"A bean na bean in n-achben³⁸
Pon na h-oèu dia n-aèliz;
Ni dac zala pen no cloi,
Aèc pin con upbaiz pon zai."³⁹

"Ni po pazbaim," op pipi "ap zail duni depulaceain, epaż ip pop Pland do depead, a comlunn in comoceaip lapodain nop," leici uaidib ap in eiz ina diaid cona heappup. "Nop leiciö, uaib," op Diapinaie, "a neupcod, ap ni peap cia cheic, no cia chudchaid."

Am barap pop a n-impairib conacarap cerhpup mac cleipech iran tech. "Cio ane?" op Diapmair, "in meic cleipiz oc imteaër irin bomnuch!" La tobairta bruit bar a cenb conach appaca itip.

"Ir comaplecuo pruití vonpuc," op na meio clepich, "nimeholta, i. Molapi Vam-Indpi¹² vonpiaio vo vacallaim, i. columun vo muintip Vam-Indpi po bui oc aipepti abo ipin matin, pe, indiu, conpaca in cethpap po napmaio cona priathaid pointabala iap put na h-indpe; conpaca vin in ceathpap aile apa cind: Immortuaipeet co clop pon indpe n-uile zaip na priat ocon n-imtuaptain, comma topchaip void act aen pep athtoiti atpulai ap namma."

"Ro adnachta la Molaipi in moppepiup ele; pop pacaid pead, imoppo, di sp ocup apzut aipi deli uanni, il do neoch po dui po mi-diocaid, ocup im a mi-diaizdid, acap im a peiathaid, acap a nizso, acap a claiddiu, acap im a lama, acap im a ninapa. Co pepapapu do chuit dind nish acap dind niapzad pin."

"Na tó," op Diapmait, "an oo pao Dia oopom noco cuitibra ppir. Denaither a pethla" laipeom oe." ba pir poin.

Ir vino n-apzuo pin, imoppo, acar von 6p pocumvaizev minna Molaipi, 45 .i. a pepin, 47 acar a minipzipi 45 acar a bačall. Vo choiv, imoppo, bec Pola la Plann ua Pevaich, acar ni zhainie beor. Tochmope bec pola pin. Piniz.

 38 A bean na bein an n-aithren popp na h-ócu bian n-atliz. H. 3, 18.

39 "Men with charms on their spears." See Additional Note, F., p. 198.

40 Inat Plann, pop no deptad ap

ėdė, in revenge of Fland I shall wound them. $H.\ 3,\ 18.$

⁴¹ "Clerics travelling on Sunday." See Note B., p. 195.

42 "Molasa of Dam Inis, who sent us," &c. See Note G., p. 199.

Then Fland said:

"O woman, cast not thy reproach³⁸
Upon the heroes to disparage them;
It was not manly valour that vanquished them,
But men with charms on their spears."³⁹

"I cannot help," said she, "from going to oppose the valour of the men, because it was Fland that was wounded to in the conflict of the eight," and so she went from them out of the house after him to his own abode. "Let her depart from ye," said Diarmait, "the evil, for we know not whither she goes or whence she comes."

While thus conversing, they saw four ecclesiastical students coming into the house. "What is this?" said Diarmait, "the clerics travelling on Sunday!" Thus saying, he drew his cloak over his head so that he might not see them at all.

"It is by order of our superior we travel," said the ecclesiastical students, "not for our pleasure, i. e. Molasa of Damh Inis⁴² who sent us to parley with you, i. e., a farmer of the people of Dam Inis⁴³ while herding his cows this morning—to-day, saw four armed men with their shields slung down traversing the island; he then saw four men more coming against them: they struck each other so that the clangour of the shields was heard all over the island during the conflict, till they all fell but one wounded man who alone escaped."

"Molaisa buried the other seven; they left, moreover, the load of two of us of gold and silver, i. e. of that which was upon their garments, and upon their neeks, and upon their shields, and upon their spears, and upon their swords, and upon their hands, and upon their tunics. To ascertain thy share of that gold," [we have come, said they.]

"Not so," said Diarmait; "what God has sent to him, I will not participate in. Let him make his fethla" of it." This was true.

It was with this silver now, and with this gold, Molaisa's minda⁴⁵ were ornamented, namely, his shrine⁴⁶ and his ministir⁴⁷ and his crozier. Bec Fola, however, went off with Flann ua Fedach, and she has not since returned. That is the courtship of Bec Fola. Fins.

- 43 "Dam-Inis," now Devinish Island in Loch Erne. See Addendum, No. I. p. 184.
- 44 Fethal, pl. Fethla, an ornamental facing or covering, as of shrines, cases, and sacred reliquaries.
 - 45 " Minda, "here sacred reliquaries, &c.
- 46 " Shrine of Saint Molasa." See Additional Note, G., p. 199.
- 47 "Ministir," a portable box or case, a safe in which the sacred vessels and Gospels or Lectionary for the service of the altar were preserved and carried.

[ADDENDUM, No. I.]

DINDSENCHAS DUIDTHIR.

Ouibthip canar po h-ainmnizeo? nin. da mac poppacaib Zuaipi Mic in boill, .i. Zuaipi Zann acap Daipi Duibcheapzach. Co po mapb Zuaipi in Daipi oc Daim Inip conto de poleazh Pid acar mothan45 dan Cpich n-Zuaipi don kinzail pin do poinde Zuaini pop in Daini n-Dubchearbachi pop a bnachain,—pop a chinead olrodain, unde dicieup Ouibehip Vaini dia n-ebpad.

> Duibohin Zuani znim dasii puil, Ir reel rip, co rearabain. bai rel nan bo ouzhon bor In epich epuzhach compolair.

> Da mac poppacaib Dall Dear Zuaine Vall Vaini Vilear Imon epich can builze Deniboan cuiboe compoinde.

Pillir Zuaipi znim n-earbach Pop an Daipi n-Duibéearzaé, Co conchain leir Daine in Daiz Can zne n-ailió n-imbonoich

On lo no zaed Zuani opon a n-Inir Daim can bichon, Ir rich, co m-buaine morhain, Cnich Zugini bon chomochain.51

studded with bushes or brushwood.

49 Pon an Daine n-vian n-vuibceap- to hereafter by the letter B.

48 "Mothar," an enclosure, a place caò. Upon the vehement Daire Duibcheastach. Book of Ballymote, referred

[ADDENDUM, No. I.]

DINDSENCHAS OF DUBTHAR.

Book of Lecan (fol. 251 a.b.)

Duibthir, why so called? Answer. Two sons that were left by Guaire Mac in Doill, i. e. Guaire Gann and Daire Duibhcheastach. Guaire killed Daire in Dam Iuis. A wood and a mothar⁴⁸ overspread the land of Guaire on account of that fratricide which Guaire committed upon Daire Dubcheasdach⁴⁹ i. e. upon his brother,—upon his race also, unde dicitur Duibthir Dairi, of which was said:—

Duibthir Guari, the deed whence it is,

It is a true story, be it known to you,

There was a time when it was not a bushy Duthor,

The broad delightful region.

Two sons were left by Dall Deas, Guaire Dall and Daire Dileas, Of that region, without contention, They made an appropriate equal division.

Guaire wrought a wicked deed
Upon Dairi Dubcheastach,
And he killed Daire the good,
Without shade of blemish or disgrace.

Since the day that powerful Guaire slew
In Inis Daim, without provocation,
It is a heath, a perpetual mothar,
The land of Guaire of the foul treachery.

Mainz da zni pinzal eo h-om Znim do na cimzan conad Chich Zuaini ean chornum de Pil na dor-maz Ouidchine. d.

Hompaepa ap pill ip ap olo A cpipe pochio⁵² mo éaem éopp Api pubach na pine⁵³ Nip bum bubach buibehipe. D.

[ADDENDUM, No. II.]

DINDSENCHAS LOCHA N.EIRNE.

Loc n-eighne canar po h-ainmnized? Nin. Piacha Labpainoi oo pad caż⁵⁵ and do Epnaid conad and po medaid in loch po thíp, unde Loch n-Epne dicizup no pop Epnaid.

Aileten Epni, inzen buipe buipeabaich mac Macin mic Machon⁵⁶ ban-taipech inzenpaib na Cpuachnai, acap ban-choimebaich bo chipaib acap bo clioipib⁵⁷ Meibbi Cpuachan.

Pecha and bolum Olcais a h-uaim Chruachan do compobs pri h-Aimipzin Mapziudach dia popai le Pinochaim inzin Mazach, conad and pochpoich Olcai a ulcha acar po bean a deda, co n-deachaid Epne cona h-inzenaid pop pualanz an a imomon co piacha loch n-Epne co po daidead and diblinaid, unde loch n-Epne dicizup.

Einne chaid can chuaind chnedaig Ingen duinc dain duineadaig da ranagad raen thin ron dan Mac Maichin mic Machon.⁶²

- 52 "Rochino." Who rules. B.
- ⁵³ Apı na rubaic, n a rine, 0 king of the joys [of the] elements. B.
- ⁵⁴ "Fiacha Labrainde." See Note H., p. 202.
 - 55 Do bpeża caż, gave battle. B.
- 56 Mac mainoin, son of Mainchin, B.
- 57 Cleparb. B.
- 58 Olecai. B.
- 59 Compuz, to contend. B.
- 60 h-αιπιρτιπ maιρτιμππαδ. B. See Additional Note, I., p. 202.

Woe to him who commits a cold fratricide,
A deed of which no profit comes;
The land of Guairo is through it unprotected,
A bushy plain of Duibtihr. D.

Save me from treachery and from evil, O Christ, who seest⁵² my comely body, O benign king of the elements⁵³ That I be not a sorrowful Dubthor. D.

[ADDENDUM, No. II.]

DINDSENCHAS OF LOCH ERNE.

Book of Lecan R. I. A. (fol. 250 b. b.)

Loch n-Eirne, why so called? Answer. Fiacha Labrainde⁵⁴ that gave battle there to the Ernans and it was then the lake burst forth over the land, unde Loch n-Erne dicitur, or it was over the Ernans [it came].

Or Erni, daughter of Bure Buireadach, son of Machin, ⁵⁶ son of Machon, mistress of the maidens of Cruachan, and mistress in charge of the combs and caskets of Medb of Cruachan.

At one time Ulchai came out of the cave of Cruachan to contend with Aimirgin Mairgiudach who had espoused Findchaom, daughter of Magach, and it was then Ulchai shook his beard and he gnashed his teeth, so that Erne and her maidens fled precipitately through fear of him till they reached Loch n-Erne and they were all drowned in it, unde Loch n-Eirne dicitur.*

Eirne chaste without shade of stain,

Daughter of Burc Buireadach the fair,

It was an insult to the honour of her noble father;

He was the son of Maichin, son of Mochon. 62

61 Deza, teeth. B.

[* Eleven stanzas follow here on the first derivation, which do not, however, bear on our subject.]

62 ba ranazao raen znian in ronban Mae mainchin mae mochon. B., The following is the text of H 2.18, which is followed in the translation with the correction indicated in brackets:

ba ranazao raen [a] thin in ron ba Mae Maichin mic mochon.

H. 2, 18, fol. 154, a. a.

Einne noirech cen eamain⁶³
Pa zoirech pop ingenaib
Inaich Chuachan na neb pieib,⁶⁴
Nin uazhao ben ca bich-péip.

(Aici no bivir ne mear⁶⁵

Min reoid meadda na mon thear,

Acin ra clioin can chlod

lan na tinol do denz 6p.⁶⁶

Co zanaic a chuaich cheana
Olcai co n-uazh n-imphana,⁶⁷
Con chnoith a ulcha an in ploz,
In zanb pen, baizen baith mop.⁶⁸

Ro reannad pa Chnuaich Cheana Na h-anni na h-ingena Caibrin a chnocha, pochóin. Tlan rin⁶⁹ azocha zlonaich.

Ro theich Epne ilap m-ban
Co Loch n-Epne nach inglan
Cop bail taipppi in tuile thuaib,
Co pur baib uili a n-aen uaip.

Jiamad uadib ir bpeach cheaps, in Piad na rluazaib ii raeb peace, Ir caipm can chocha po chaipz Ainm Locha Epini imaipo. l.

α αιρό ρι ρειδιί, ειρ δάπ
 βαίτι δεπιπ δοπ διδπαδ;
 βορ πιπ co m-δυαδαίδ ροπδαε,
 α έτρ συαρεαίδ ζοό θρηε. ί.

63 cen n-eamain. H. 2, 18, fo. 154, a. a.
 64 Reb neib, Lecan, is neb neb. In B.
 Book of Leinster has—

l pait chuachan na cheab bo cein Nip b'uatab ban ca Compein. In Rath Cruachan of wounds of old. Not few the women in her charge. H. 2, 18, fol. 154, a. a. 65 bidir nia mear, had them in charge to care. B.

66 Cl cip, a chioli can chlob. Cona n-biol bo beapz 6p. Her combs and caskets without stain. With their adornments of red gold. H. 2, 18, fol. 154, a. a. and B. Eirne noble without guile
Was mistress of the maidens
In Rath Cruachan of heroic feats,
Not few the women in her constant charge.

Hers was the task to care

The polished jewels of Medb of great battles,
Her combs and caskets without stain
When embellished with red gold.

Till from Cruach Ceara came Olcai of flight-causing visage,⁶⁷ And shook his beard at the host, The fierce man, terrific, hideous-coloured.⁶⁸

Over Cruach Ceara in fright they fled,

The timid youths and the maidens,

On beholding his form, though comely.

Clear was the sound⁶⁹ of their resounding voices.

Erne with her many maidens fled
To Loch n-Erne which is not impure
Till the rude wave rolled over them,
And drowned them all at the one time.

Though it be from these, it is a right judgment, in Before the hosts 'tis not a trifling cause,

The overwhelming sudden deaths proclaimed

The name of Loch Erne aloud. L.

O high King of Merey, give to me
A true welcome to protect me;
In heaven in joys may I be,
O man, who caused the eruption of Loch Erne. L.

Till to Cruachan of valour eame.

Olceai of beautiful bold countenance.

⁶⁵ In გαρό բep baiċ baiҳep mop.

rough sound. H. 2, 18, 154 a. a.

7" Crambao uabib ni paeb pect though it were from them it is no trifling cause. B.

[ADDENDUM, NO. III.]

zeisi ulcai.

Coneiziur buib zeiri ulčai In cač inbaib.

Petil patlait, ole to anmain;
Thom to mitlait.

Aza certipn bian zoić ulćar Ni bar baeli—

Ocup laz zaeli.

Saep članna piż pedza allud A huićz buidean;

Cln cingio loec ppip na zebżep comlonn zuineac,

Mar ap chena cetop lecear,
Nip o repil [ripil .i. reipeoile]

Mao po zerib.

Ter oi nomaide na deaptraidear lé pindi, Cead mad uilli;

Deir di Apian do supebail knihli Ina pişi.

δειγ οι ειδεμ can a copain Μαρ οο δυετερ,

δερ οι δευ δαιμι οια εμοέαο; Σειρ οι τεcheo;

Compuc ppi loech, if peiom inzneac, Feir di opad,

[ADDENDUM, NO. III.]

PROHIBITIONS OF BEARD.

H. 2. 16. T. C. D. col. 919.

I shall relate to you the prohibitions of a beard At all times.

Curled and hedgy, 'tis bad for the timid; 'Tis too heavy for the coward.

There are warriors who are entitled to a beard Who are not cowardly—

Noble chiefs by land and sea And battle champions.

And battle champions. le sons of kings who inflict

Noble sons of kings who inflict wounds

In the front of battalions;

The kingly champion over whom is not gained The woundful battle,

If then he should suffer reproach

It shall not be from pusillanimity.

Its disgrace will be the greater, should it come Under the prohibitions.

A prohibition of it, a nomaid⁷¹ unreddened with spears, If oftener it is allowable;

A prohibition of it, the sun to rise on it In its bed.

A prohibition of it, to hear a moan without relieving it If made to him;

A prohibition of it, to laugh when shaken;

A prohibition of it, to retreat;

To battle with a champion, to fight with the nails A prohibition of it, to refuse.

71 "Nomaid," a space of time: sometimes it means one day, but in the Irish or the ninth day.

Cio beac, no bec, izip izip, Ger oi obap;

Ter on zualach ocup mianach;

lp opo pnimač;

Ter or altrom zer or captas,

бер бі аітрот бер бі сартабі Бер бі тірабі.

Fer or ploror mna no Filla, Ir opo meli.

Cièz a relazh ap reaz a pizi, Zer bi epi;

განი გეთ Palaç a h-impaio— Ni pail pulbėai;

Na nı on leanub co pailci Inpa n-ulcai.

Ceć mac ażaich, ać pop paiżech , Sepnao pupu,

Poemai cormailir ir dazu Prir na buccu.

Ro pela vam, conva éolac raipri ap chulpai.

Peap ecna morp amail ip corp Ppi cec n-ulcai.

Cepoa, zobaino, paip luino, Leza le iceao labaip,

Oia beiż dia pcip beppad ceć mip Ap a naizib. However small, ever so small, at all, at all,

A prohibition of it to labour;

A prohibition of it to mine for coals or mineral, And to wield the sledge;

A prohibition of it to nurse; a prohibition of it to shovel; A prohibition of it to kiln-dry.

A prohibition of it to abuse women or boys,

And the habit of a sluggard.

Save his shield sheltering his arm,

A prohibition of it to carry a burthen;

A prohibition of it, to bring an unclean knee into a bed,—
Not an unreasonable condition;

Nor anything filthy from the child In the beard.

Every son of an Athach, if rich, Grows the wisps [beard],

They desire to be like in appearance and colour To the bucks [he-goats].

It has been revealed to me, therefore I know The privileges of the collars [whiskers].

I am a man of great knowledge of what is lawful For every kind of beard.

Artificers, smiths, house-builders,

Physicians who cure the infirm,'

Because of their fatigue they shave every month [The beard] on their faces.

ADDITIONAL NOTES.

(A.) "Tindscra." Tinscra, a gift, price, reward or dowry: here it is used in a general sense to represent the "Bride Price," the "marriage gift," and the "morning gift." Bee Fola having consented to receive King Diarmait's brooch as her Folad, which is also called Tinscra in this passage, (p. 174), and this being the only pledge or price given her, it represents the three; and, with the adjective Bee, little or small, affixed to it, it forms the name Bee Fola, or little dowry, as O'Curry has rendered it in his work on "The MS. Materials of Irish History," p. 283. The following passages show that the word meant "Bride Price" and "morning gift."

Cabpaio dampa, pop Oenzup, do mnai Cièni, il pup n-dalca, acap do bíppa pepand duib na cinpepa il pepand pil dampa la oppaize ppind a n-dep, acap ip cec duidpiu apappinzud popaid.

"Give me, said Oengus, Eithne as wife, namely, your foster child, and I will give you land as her *Tinsera*, namely, land which I have near to Ossory by us on the south, and it shall be permitted to you to make it more extensive for yourselves."—*Leabhar na h-Uidhri*, p. 54, col. 2, top.

Do znížen imacallaim oc Ultaib imon caingin pin: ipped iapom comainle apièt léo, êmen do peir la Concoban an aibèi pin, acap Pengup acap Catbad a n-oen lepaid ppiu do coimed eniz Conculaino; acap bennact Ulad don lanamain an a paemad. Paemaid an ni pin, acap do zniet pamlaid. Icud Concoban tinpena Emine iap na manué, acap do bretai enecland do Conculaino, acap paider iap pin lia bin cela, acap ni po peappat iappudiu co puapatan dap diblinaib.

"The Ultonians held a consultation on this difficult question: the counsel on which they determined was to have Emer to sleep with Conchobar that night, and Fergus and Cathbadh in the same bed with them to protect the honour of Cuchulaind; and the thanks of the Ultonians were offered to the pair for agreeing to this. They consented to this, and it was so done. Conchobar paid Emer's Tinsera on the morrow,

and he gave *enceland* (honour price) to Cuchulaind; and he embraced his wife after that, and they did not separate afterwards till they both died."—" *Leabhar na h-Uidhri*," p. 127, eol. 1.

(B.) "Cleries travelling on Sunday." This is an allusion to the Cain Domnaig, a rule for the observance of Sunday as a day free from every kind of labour; the copy of the tract preserved in the "Yellow Book of Lecan," T. C. D., Class H. 2, 16, eol. 217 opens thus:—" lpeb inpo popur chana in bomnaiż borpuc Conall mac Ceolmaine bi chuab via ailieni vo Roím acar no renib a láim péin ar in eipireil no repib láim bé pop nim a piabnairi pep nime acar polab pop alvoin perain apprail irin Roim. "This is the knowledge of the Cain Domnaig, which was brought by Conall, son of Ceolman, who went on his pilgrimage to Rome, and was written by his own hand out of the epistle which was written by the hand of God in heaven, in presence of the men of heaven, and which he placed upon the altar of Peter the Apostle in Rome." This account is repeated in the version of the rule incorporated with the ancient laws preserved in Cod. Clarend. Brit. Mus., vol. 15, fol. 7, p. 1 a. b., and in the following stanzas from the metrical version of the Cain Domnaig which follows it in the same MS.:-

Leaban do nad lám dé móin
Fon alcoin pecain in póil;
In phió ina lebun ceanc
Tan domnad do carinaceade.

Comanba pebain ir póil, Puain an leaban ra céróin, Ocur no leiz an leban Man bub leir bii lan mebain.

A book placed by the hand of the great God Upon the altar of Peter and Paul; It has been found in the appropriate book That the Sunday should not be transgressed.

It was the Comarb of Peter and Paul,
Who found the book first,
And he promulgated the book
As he had it well in memory.
Cod. Clarend. Brit. Mus., vol. 15, fol. 7, p. 1, col. a. b.

Saint Conall, son of Ceolman, who is said to have brought the Cain Domnaig from Rome, was founder of a church on Inis Cail, now the Island of Iniskeele, near the mouth of the Gweebara bay, in the barony of Boylagh, and county of Donegal. His name is commemorated in the Festology of Aengus Céle Dé in the Leabhar Breac, fol. 34, a., at 11th May.

The Cain Domnaig enjoins under severe penalties that every class shall abstain from all kinds of work on Sunday, and that none shall travel on that day; but wherever one happens to be on Saturday evening, there he should remain till Monday morning. To this there were some exceptions, such as bringing a physician to a sick person, relieving a woman in labour, saving a house from fire, &c. A priest was forbidden to travel on Sunday or Sunday night, or from vesper time on Saturday night till Monday morning, unless to attend a sick person supposed to be likely to die before the following morning, in which ease the Cain says:—

Peap spáid dia doimnais pop réd do coppuma neich bir pe n-és, do cabaipe do cuipp Cpire cáin, ma dois a és pe madain.

A priest may journey on a Sunday

To attend a person about to die,

To give him the body of Christ the chaste,

If he be expected to expire before morning.

Thus to see a priest travelling on Sunday was considered an omen of disaster, or of immediate death to some member of the *Fine* or tribe into whose house or territory he came; and hence King Diarmait's astonishment at perceiving the young priests approaching him on Sunday morning.

(C.) "Failgib 6ir," rings, or bracelets of gold; the Failge was a kind of open ring or bracelet for the wrist, arm, ankle, or finger, worn by men and women: by men in token of deeds of valour, as in the ease of Lugadh Lagadh, who is said to have killed seven kings in successive battles, and who wore seven Failgib upon his hand in token of these deeds, of whom Cormac Mac Airt, monarch of Eriu (whose father was one of the seven) is recorded to have said, "ní čeil a dold pop laza po diż piza dopizai, i. a peače pailzi óip ima laim;" i. e. "His hand does not conceal of Laga the number of kings he has slain, i. e. he

has seven Failgib of gold upon his hand." Book of Lecan, R. I. A., folio 137 b. a. top; and the same occurs again in the same MS. fol. 124 a., margin col. mid. where the Fail is called a Buindi (i. e. a twisted ring) "ip to append copmac ppip, ni cert a dood pop laza pobi piza i. a peer m-buindi oip ima dood no ma meoip." "His hand does not conceal of Laga that he has slain kings, i. e. he has seven Buinnes (twisted rings) of gold upon his hand or on his fingers." The Fail was used by women for the double purpose of personal ornament and munificence, as in the present instance, and in the case of King Nuada's wife, who is said to have had her arms covered with failgib of gold for the purpose of bestowing them on the poets and other professors of arts who visited her court.

(D.) "Dinner for one hundred men each night of food and Lin" (p. 179). This allusion shows that Bec Fola's sojourn was in the house of a king, and that Inis Fedach Mic in Doill (now Devinish Island), was the residence of a Righ Buiden (king of companies). According to an ancient law tract on the constitution and legal rights and duties of the different ranks of kings, preserved in vellum Ms. T. C. D., Class H. 3. 18. p. 1 et seq., four score men was the lawful retinue of a king, in addition to which he had his Foleith or leet of twelve men, his five tribemen, his wife, and his judge, making in all one hundred men, which constituted the legal Dam (company) of a Righ Buiden (king of companies), and he was entitled as Frithgnam (supplies) to their free maintenance from his people. This tract will appear with a translation and notes, by W. K. Sullivan, in the Appendix to O'Curry's Lectures on the Manners and Customs of the People of ancient Eriu, Vol. II., p. 532.

"Lin," often used for ale or other malt drinks; but in the laws it means the full amount of any thing, and here it appears to mean the full amount of food accompaniments that constituted the lawful dinner of the Dam, or company of the king.

(E.) "Calves of this island." Laegh, a calf. But here, as in many other instances, it is applied to the young of the deer, e. g. "ap ann pin σο concaσap na cleipe eiliz allza uaża ap an pliab acap laeż pe na h-aip. And then the clerics saw a wild deer from them on the mountain, and a calf (fawn) near her." Life of St. Findbar, O'C. MS. C. U. I., p. 4; and Ordnance Survey of Cork, R. I. A., vol. ii., p. 622.

(F.) "Men with charms on their spears."—There are many references to charmed swords and spears to be met with in our ancient writings. In the tale of the battle of the second or northern Magh Tuireadh, we find the following:—

Ip an caż pin vin puaip Ozmai zpen-żep Opnai, claivem Cezhpa, pi Pomoipe. Topoplaic Ozma in claivem ocup zlanaip 6 lp ano invip in claivem nach a n-vepnav ve, ap ba bép vo cloivmib. in zan pin vo zoppilcizip vo avbavip na znima vo zniżea vib. Coniv ve pin vlezaw cloivme cip a n zlanzai iap na zoplucav. Ip ve vno popcomezap vpečza h-i claivme ó pin amač. Ip aipe pin no labpaivip vemna vapmaiv ip in aimpip pin, ap no avpaivip aipm o vainib ip in pe pin; acap va vo comaincib na h-aimpipe na h-aipm.

"It was in this battle that Ogma the champion obtained Ornai, the sword of Tethra, king of the Fomorians. Ogma opened the sword, and cleaned it. Then the sword related all the deeds that had been performed by it; for it was the custom of swords at this time to recount the deeds that had been performed with them. And it is therefore that swords are entitled to the tribute of cleaning them whenever they are opened. It is on this account, too, that charms are preserved in swords, from that time down. Now the reason why demons were accustomed to speak from weapons at that time was, because arms were worshipped by people in those times, and arms were among the protections (or sanctuaries) of those times."—MS. Brit. Museum, Egerton, 5280, and see O'Curry, vol. ii. p. 254, et seq.

On those charms and their venomous effect, the same tale has the following:—

Imma comainnic de luc acar do bolup bipupdenz er in caż. Suil milloazać lepeom. Ni h-oppcailzie in roul ażz ippoi Cażae namma. Ceżpar zupcband amalaiz die rol Conudpolum omlichi, zpie na malad. Sludac do n-eceud dep ran rol nin zepzir ppi hocco cie pidip limili. Er de boi innem rin puippir: .i. dpuiż a ażap bozar oc pulużz dpaizeżzae, zanacreum acar no deang, zapran pundedic, con deżaid de en poulachzae puiżi zonid pop pan ruil do deżoid nem an poulacza ier rin.

"Lug and Balor Birurderg met in the battle. He (Balor) had a destructive eye. This eye was never opened but in the field of battle. Four men were required to raise the lid off the eye with a hook which was passed through its lid. A whole army that he looked upon

out of this eye could not prevail against [a few] warriors, even though they were many thousands in number. The cause why this poison was on it was this, namely: his father's druids had been boiling a druidical spell, and he came and looked in through the window, so that the fumo of the boiling passed under it, and it was upon the eye that the poison of the brewing passed afterwards."—See "Battle of the Second or Northern Magh Tuireadh," MS. Brit. Mus. Egerton, 5280 O'Curry, MSS., Catholic University.

(G.) "Molasa of Damh Inis, who sent us," &c. (p. 183). This was Saint Molaisa or Laisren, patron of the island of Damh-Inis, i. e. Ox Island, now Devenish, an island in Lough Erne near the town of Fermanagh. He was Molaisa or Laisren, son of Nadfraech, whose day is 12th September, to be distinguished from Molaisa or Laisren, son of Declan, Saint of Inis Murry (12th August), and from Molaisa or Laisren, son of Cairell of Leighlin (18th April).

See Annals of the Four Masters, A. D. 563, n. t. See also Felire Aenguis, and O'Clery's Calendar, &c.

The Shrine of Saint Molaisa of Damh Inis, alluded to in the text (p. 183), and referred to in note 46, is now preserved in the Museum of the Royal Irish Academy, and popularly known as Soisceal Molaisa, or Molaisa's Gospel. For some account of it see Proceedings of R. I. A. Vol. VII., p. 331, and Academy Registry. The allusion in the text to the battle spoils of the fallen warriors may be illustrated by the following extracts from the Laws of Waifs and Strays, preserved in Brehon Law MS. Rawlinson, 487, Brit. Mus. fol. 62, p. 2, col. a. et seq.

In this law, the Waifs and Strays of a *Fine* (tribe) are divided into seven classes, and special laws are laid down for the recovery and appropriation of every class of waif found within the *Fine* as follows:—

Táir peòr phíthé la péine, .i. a ráir peòr phíthe do zabun da n-aipneidenn in péineòup: Phithe theide, .i. do zabun ip in theide. Phithe cathrach, .i. do zabun ipin cathraiz tall. Phithe paiche, .i. do zabun ipin paiche, .i. ip na ceithi zoptaid ip nepum don baile. Phithe paice, .i. itip paicèe acap dippainn. Phithe popida, .i. do zabun ipin popid. Phithe pléide, .i. do zabun ipin thate. Phithe thate, .i. do zabun ipin thate. Phithe paire, .i. do zabun ap in pairize amuiz.

"There are seven waifs in the Fine (tribe), i. c. there are seven waifs which are found, of which the Fenechus takes cognizance:—Frithe Treibe, i. e. the waif which is found in the Treb (family home). Frithe Cathrach, i. e. the waif which is found in the distant Cathair (city). Frithe Faithche, i.e. the waif which is found in the Faithche, i.e. in the four fields which are nearest to the Baile. Frithe Raite, i. e. the waif which is found on the road between the Faithche and the Dirrainn (mountain). Frithe Rofida, i. e. the waif which is found in woody places. Frithe Sleibhe, i. e. the waif which is found on the mountain. Frithe Trachta, i. e. the waif which is found on the strand. Frithe Fairrge, i.e., the waif which is found abroad on the sea."—Rawlinson, 487, folio 62-63.

Príche paiche, i. priche do zabur irin paice, a crian ara h-eccoimdiz, acar alec ar a coimdiz. Irred coimdiz paice and a culcain acar a inada airectair, no irred ir coimdiz paiche and, arlizti acar a inada réide arda, acar na h-inada a m-bí atizi caích. Irred ir écoimdiz inai a imhi acar a cúla, no irred ir eccoimdiz paite and a cabana, acar a h-inada diampa, acar in baile nach aitizind cat aire. Irred ir paiche and na ceichri zuire ir neara don baili, ii. Zope cata airdi, ime, acar cid hé in rliad dud nera don baili, po da airail paiche. Irred ir rectar paiche and in airez acar po roich cuaird inzelta on paiche amach, na irred ir paiche and an po raiz zuch an cluiz.

"Frithe Faithche, i. e. the waif which is found in the Faithche, one-third of it [goes to the finder] out of the Ecoimdig, and one-half out of the Coimdig. The Coimdig of a Faithche are its hills and its places of assembly, or the Coimdig Faithche, in it are its roads and its clear high places, and the places resorted to by the people. The Ecoimdig, in it are its border lands and its obscure places, or, the Ecoimdig, of a Faithche are its secluded places, and its obscure places, and the places not frequented by every Aire. A Faithche, in it are the four guirt (fields, Nom. Sing. Gort,) which are nearest to the Baile, i. e. a field on each side, around it, and even though the mountain happens to be nearest to the Baile, it is considered equal to a Faithche. A Sechter Faithche, in it is the distance which the grazing land extends out from the Faithche, or the Faithche is the distance at which the sound of the bell is heard from it."—Rawlinson, 487, fel. 62, p. 2, cel. b. fol 63, p. 1.

After having thus particularized the places and the circumstances of the different kinds of waifs, this law goes on to say:—

In buine puaip no pozebuió ppíti, ip na h-inata pin iped blezap be. Mára ppíthe típe, a ercaipe aret n-inata a beip blize, co pí, co h-aipcinbech, co ppimzabaino tuaithe, co bpiužaó, co bpeithemain, co muilino tuaite, pia luct aen lip, acap oen baile.

Mára prite pairs, blezar a ercaire do duine mait in cach crich do na trí críchaid ir nera do, no coma reit n-inata in cach críc dib, acar muir in cetrama crích; acar da m-betair daíne ar in muir, ir a n-ercaire doid.

Ma po ercaipe pia váine, acar vo pinve vlize príthe acar po mair co iap n-vechma, ir lan cuit a prithe vo.

Muna benna a bližeb ppíthe, acar počat pia n-bechmaib, ip lán piach zaiti uab. Mana benna a bližeb ppíte, acar pomaip ace co iap n-bechmaib, no má bo poine a blibe ppíthe, acar po čat pia n-bechmaib, cin caite ppíthe bo acar cin piach zaiti uaib aèt aithzin in ppithe.

"The person who has found, or who shall find a waif in those places, this is what he is bound to do. If it be a land waif, to proclaim it in the seven places specified by law [i. e.] to the king, to the Airchindech, to the chief smith of the Tuath (territory), to the Brughadh, to the judge, at the mill [miller] of the Tuath (territory), to the people of the same Lios, and the same Baile.

"If it be a sea waif, he is bound to proclaim it to a good man in every *crich* of the three *cricha* which are nearest to him, or he might proclaim it in seven places in every *crich* of them, and the sea makes the fourth *crich*; and if there be people upon the sea, it is right that it be proclaimed to them.

"If he have proclaimed it before people, and have fulfilled the waif law and it [the waif] remained [unclaimed] till after the tenth day, he is entitled to the full amount of his proportion of his waif.

"If he have fulfilled the waif law, and have consumed (appropriated) it before the tenth day, he is liable for the full amount of a theft liability. If he have not fulfilled the waif law, and that the waif remain with him till after the expiration of the tenth day, or if he have fulfilled the waif law, and if he have consumed (appropriated) it before the expiration of the tenth day, he is entitled to the consideration of a waif

wasting, and he is bound to forfeit the debts of a charge of theft all but the restitution of the waif."—Rawlinson, 487, fol. 63, p. 1, col. b.

- (H.) "Fiacha Labrainde" was monarch of Ireland from A. M. 3728 to A. M. 3751, when he was slain by Eochaidh Mumho of Munster, in the battle of Bealgadan, now Bulgadan, a townland in the parish of Kilbreedy Major, near Kilmallock, in the county of Limerick. The Four Masters record this battle, fought by him against the Ernans, and the eruption of Loch n-Erne, under the year A. M. 3751. There is a curious poem of sixteen verses on the reign of Fiacha Labrainde preserved in the Book of Leacan, in the R. I. A., folio 30, a. a.
- (I.) Aimipsin Maipsindach dia po pai le Pindchaim inzin Mazach. "Aimergin Mairgiudach, who had espoused Findchaem, daughter of Magach." These names frequently occur in our oldest tales and best MSS.; but Amergin is more generally styled amapain laphatunaiz than mainziuoach, as in the text, and Findchaem is more generally made daughter of Cobthad than of Magach. Their names occur in the story of Bricriu's feast in Leabhar na h-Uidhri, p. 103, col. 2, where she is mentioned as one of the eleven princesses who accompanied Queen Mugan, wife of Conchobar Mac Nessa, King of Ulster, at the feast: "Pinocaem inzen Catbab ben amanzin lapnzíunaiz-Findchaem, daughter of Cathbad, wife of Amargin Iarngiunach." They are also mentioned in the bean reancar epeno or history of the noteworthy women of Eriu in the Book of Leacan, as father and mother of the hero Conall Cearnach of Emania. The passage is as follows:-" Pinochaem inzen Chachbaio bean Aimipzin lapnziunaiz mazhaip Conaill Cheannaiz. Findchaem, daughter of Cathbad, wife of Aimirgin Iarngiunach, mother of Conall Cearnach." See Leabhar na h-Uidhri, R. I. A., p. 103, col. 2, line 22, and Book of Leacan, folio 204, a. a. &c.

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