

ST. ADELBERT, C.

He was a prince of the royal blood of the kings of Northumberland; but having forsaken the world to devote himself to the service of God, he joined St. Willibrord in his apostolic labours in Lower Germany about the year 700. He converted great part of Holland and Friesland, was chosen archdeacon of Utrecht, and having happily finished his course about the year 740, died at Egmond, which town is thought to have been so called from Eggo, lord of the place, and the great patron of our saint. The tomb of St. Adelbert at Egmond became illustrious by many miracles. Thierry, count of that country, which was shortly after called Holland, founded in honour of St. Adelbert, in that place, in the beginning of the tenth century, a Benedictin abbey, which was first built of wood, as were most churches before the tenth century, according to the remark of the author of *Batavia Sacra*. The name of St. Adelbert stands in the Roman Martyrology. See Mabillon, *sæc.* 3, *Ben.* part 1, p. 631; the Bollandists on this day; *Miræus in Fastis Belgicis*; and, above all, *Batavia Sacra*, printed an. 1754, p. 44.

ST. MOLOC, BISHOP, C.

He was a Scotsman, and a zealous assistant of St. Boniface of Ross in his apostolic labours, in the seventh century, of which mention is made on the 14th of March. The relics of St. Moloc were kept with great veneration at Murlach. When Sweno, the Danish king, sent out of England a barbarous army under the conduct of Olas and Enet, king Malcolm II. after having been at first discomfited by them, overcame them in a second battle near Murlach, which victory he ascribed to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin and St. Moloc, which with his whole army he had earnestly implored. In thanksgiving he founded at Murlach, in 1010, an abbey under their joint invocation, together with a stately cathedral church which he adorned with an episcopal see, though this was afterwards translated to Aberdeen. The Danes in two other engagements were entirely routed by this religious prince, who perpetuated the memory of the former of these victories by building a second monastery under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary in