countrymen's ideals from the level of the mere political to the heights of the supernatural. The nation’s tribute was paid by the Eighth Council of Toledo in 653 and unanimously re-affirmed by the Fifteenth Council of Toledo thirty-five years later: “The extraordinary doctor, the latest ornament of the Catholic Church, the most learned man of the latter ages, always to be named with reverence, Isidore.”

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11 Catholic Encyclopedia, “St. Isidore of Seville,” VIII.

THE SHEPHERDESS

(St. Catherine of Alexandria)

CAMILLUS LILLIE, O.P.

A Shepherdess she walks before
And leads by Wisdom’s staff the flock
Of erring sheep into the fold,
That both might go to sacrifice—
The Flock and Maid of eighteen years—
And win alike the crown of gold.