

A GRIM OLD DUNGEON

THE CHATEAU D'IF, THE PRISON OF EDMOND DANTES.

It is built on a tiny rocky island in the Mediterranean Sea. This massive, gloomy jail immortalized by Dumas in "Monte Cristo."

J. E. Jenner gives a description of the castle made famous by Alexander Dumas in his novel of "Monte Cristo."

"Who has not read the 'Count of Monte Cristo' and formed an opinion as to its possibilities? I had my doubts regarding its truthfulness, for the terrible tale seems to appear exaggerated and impossible, but I am now convinced that Dumas has intended to place before us a fairly accurate picture of the grewsome prison of bygone days."

"During my travels in south France, while stopping at Marseilles, I had an opportunity to join a small party on a steamer plying between the city and a group of islands in the Mediterranean sea belonging to France. The smallest of this group, a solid rock, not more than a quarter of a mile in circumference, rising almost upright out of the water and accessible only on one side by steps hewn into the rock, is known as the Isle d'If."

"On this rock is built the celebrated prison, or castle, the chateau d'If, which Dumas has immortalized in his 'Monte Cristo.'"

"The keep, or dungeon, was constructed in 1629 by King Francis I. to imprison his captives after the victorious battles with his adversary, the Duke of Bourbon, and subsequently used for centuries by the later kings as a state prison. It was known at that time as the 'bastille of the south.'"

"The outside walls are fifteen feet thick. In the middle is a small open court sufficient to give light to the entrances of fourteen encircling cells, which are divided by partition walls ten feet thick and can be entered only by one small opening from the inner court."

"Directly opposite the entrance to the court is the cell which was occupied by Edmond Dantes, made famous by Alexander Dumas as the hero—the Count of Monte Cristo. Dantes and the Abbe Faria, who was sentenced by order of the pope as a conspirator, each passed sixteen years of their lives in these cells."

"The suffering of these and other unhappy prisoners who were confined here must have been horrible. The cells lack air and light. The walls, ceiling and floor are of solid stone, and escape was utterly impossible, it being a veritable sepulcher."

"In going through the prison one feels that from behind these walls you hear the cry of suffering, the last breath and rattle of those who died in despair."

"All of the other cells are labeled with the names of the most prominent prisoners who had been incarcerated therein. Among these were:

"Bernardot, a rich trader, who had been arrested on suspicion of having designs against Cardinal Richelieu. He resolved to die of starvation, and for eleven days refused to eat or drink. With a piece of charcoal he wrote on the wall the torture which he endured. He died on the twelfth day."

"John Paul, a sailor, for slapping his commander, died in 1779 after thirty-one years of captivity."

"Marquis de Lavelette, the minister of finance under Louis VIII, for disloyalty to the king."

"Albert Campo, for having published the secret of a prison which he had discovered."

"Paul and Louis Martel, imprisoned for life on suspicion of murder."

"Boissow, a religious fanatic, who made an attempt upon the life of a Protestant nobleman."

"Lajolais, for an attempt to assassinate Consul Napoleon before he became emperor."

"Prince Casimir, brother of Ladislas VII, king of Poland, imprisoned by Napoleon I. on having betrayed the French and serving the Spanish."

"Louis Philippe d'Orleans, father of King Louis Philippe, for siding with the revolutionists in 1793."

"Mirabeau, for general insubordination, dueling and publishing inflammatory writings against the royalists."

"Chevalier de Ballesteros, consul from Spain at Bayonne, imprisoned by order of Napoleon I. for opposing and interfering with the introduction of the Napoleonic law codes."

"This castle was crowded with political prisoners sentenced during and immediately before the revolution of 1789, when it was possible for the leaders to order the arrest and imprisonment of any citizen without trial and upon suspicion or 'trumped up' charges."

"Napoleon I. during his early reign sentenced many of his opposers to this isolated dungeon."

"In 1853 over 400 persons, principally political agitators, were imprisoned here for an attempted plot to overthrow the government, and as late as 1871, during the commune, 500 were massed together in this limited space, sentenced as participants in the revolt against the government."

"Since France has become a republic new prisons have been erected throughout the land, and the dungeon on the Isle d'If is now deserted, but its dark and grewsome history of the past can never be blotted out."

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