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Filomata Ignacy Domeyko (1802-1889) – apostoł oświaty w Chile

Philomath Ignacy Domeyko (1082-1889) – the apostle of science in Chile

SUMMARY

After collapse of the November Uprising, Domeyko left for Paris where he graduated from a mining school. When asked by the Chilean authorities, in 1838 he went to that country and spent 46 very busy and fruitful years there. In Chile he created a scientific basis for exploitation of natural resources and was acknowledged as one of those who had rendered great service to the development of Chilean economy and culture.

Domeyko was a long-standing chancellor of the Santiago University, carried out a reform of secondary and higher education, created an ethnographic museum, as well as a network of meteorological stations. He wrote many books in geology, mineralogy, physics, chemistry, ethnography and other sciences. He fully deserves the name of the apostle of science in Chile.

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