

centuries, culminating in 639, which destroyed Epidaurus but gave birth to Ragusa—there is still the charming courtyard of the Madonna della Neve down by the harbour. Dwarf hexagonal columns with handsome capitals carry the arcade and fine vaulting of the cloister; their bases stand on a low wall, with steps in it leading to the raised open part of the court and the plain square well in its midst.

We return to Ragusa to take ship for our next and last halting-place on the Dalmatian coast—Cattaro and the famous Bocche.