

shall the religion of Jesus be thus prostituted to subserve the interests of the wicked one?—*Until knowledge prevails.*

An Anti-State Church Association has been formed at Edinburgh. At its primary public meeting, the venerable Dr. Brown presided, and at the close of his address, uttered the following sentiments; "I concur with the sentiment of our most enlightened and most influential friend now at Rome, and who during his sojourn on the continent, has been actively engaged in supporting it—'Our business is not so much to separate Church and State—God himself is also separating them—but it is our work, and an important one, to prepare the minds of those around us for the completion of that separation which has already commenced.'"

CHURCH AND STATE IN IRELAND:—*Proposed endowments of the Irish Catholic Church.*—A few days since we announced that the Government had offered either to confiscate the temporalities of the Established Church, or to endow the Romish priesthood, provided the Romish Bishops consented in return to quiet the repeal agitation. The following extract from the *Freeman's Journal* confirms the intelligence which was thus first published in the *Dublin Evening Herald*. The *Freeman's Journal*, it will be recollected, is the accredited organ of the Romish Church:—"It is notorious that the minister would have sacrificed the Establishment this very year could he thereby have bought off the Irish people from repeal. The bid was made, and rejected. Let the Protestants of Ireland be assured of this. It is a fact. The next bid will be the endowment of the Catholic Church. That also will be rejected."—*Dublin Evening Herald.*—The failure of the attempt at rebellion in Ireland has elicited the true character of the Romish Priesthood. Bishops and Priests fanned the embers of revolt and then, after involving thousands in it, they deserted the people and began to preach submission, when they saw it would not succeed. The people by this have had their eyes opened; and the power of the Priests is sinking every day. The government, seeing this, offer to give them support from the public chest, upon this condition, as Lord Stanley stated in the last Session of the British Parliament, viz., that they will become A GOVERNMENT POLICE, and will guarantee the subjugation of the starving masses. This will no doubt be done at an early day. This, dear reader, is the Church and State principle without disguise. This is the fruit of "the Breakwater" which Dr. Robert Burns, of Toronto, says the church of England—"the daughter of the lesser Babylon"—sets up against the prevalence of Popery and Infidelity! When will the blind Pharisees of the State learn the meaning of the language—"My Kingdom is not of this world?" Is the experience of the church for 1260 years not sufficient to open their eyes?

#### CHRONOLOGICAL SCRAPS.

- 1.—The Athanasian Creed manufactured to ensnare souls. A. D. 340
- 2.—The Pope claimed supremacy over Emperors, A. D. 606—his authority abolished in England, 1533. Lost all political influence in Europe, in 1787.