

A MEMOIR OF ANDREW SALL, D.D.

From the Church of England Magazine. The crafty and subtle policy of the Romish church in general, and of the society of Jesuits in particular, has been so often adverted to in the pages of this magazine...

Dr. Sall was born in the vicinity of Cashel, where his father had settled in the reign of Elizabeth. After having studied for some time at St. Omers, he was transferred to Valladolid, in Spain...

On the 5th of July, 1674, he preached at Christ church, Dublin, before the Lord lieutenant and council, on St. Matthew xxiv. 15-18; in which sermon he showed most forcibly and lucidly the anti-Christian errors of the Romish doctrines.

Will it be believed that such foul expressions issued from the pens of those who could not but acknowledge, and who did, in their own writings, acknowledge that Sall's temple was most amiable...

Conformity to the doctrines and discipline of the Church of England, on the part of those who have been nurtured in the errors of the Romish sect, should always be viewed with extreme caution...

words, whereas Christ saith in the like tenor that he is the true vine, without real alteration in his person, or in the vine—not for the effects of the holy sacrament, Christ being able to annex unto the receiving of bread and wine what spiritual graces he pleases...

He never married; which was a proof that it was not a desire to do so, which induced him to cast off the Romish yoke. And his subsequent conduct in the ministry, as a devoted protestant clergyman, shows how fully he acted from principle...

It has been well remarked, that they who have once drank of the well-spring of the water of life will be the first to offer its refreshing streams to their fainting and thirsty brethren. Of that fountain, Dr. Sall had drunk, indeed, to his soul's refreshment and health...

From Dublin he writes to Mr. Boyle, dated May, 1680: "I am now to give you an account of my endeavours to concur with your most noble and holy duty of bringing the word of God to the hands and hearing of this most miserably blind people."

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Speaking of his opponents, to use his own language, he remarks—"They object to me, that I am the first of my family who has become protestant; and so was St. Paul the first of his that became Christian."

It is a matter so palpable to the plainest common sense, that, as in every well-ordered community, so specially in the church, men must receive offices of authority from those who are duly qualified to bestow them...

It pleased God, in the midst of apparent usefulness, to remove Dr. Sall from the turmoil of earth. He died April 6, 1682, about 70 years of age. There is a considerable discrepancy in the statements, as to his circumstances after his renunciation of popish error.

On the other hand, Anthony Wood gives an entirely different statement. He says—"In the latter end of July, or thereabouts, an. 1675, Dr. Sall came to Oxon, and by letters of commendation was not only received into Wadham college, where he continued for some months, but afterwards actually created (not incorporated) D.D.;

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