

Advocate for the Establishment, does not advance a single proof from Scripture for it; but resting all the advances on expediency, and supposed utility, frankly says "A religious Establishment is no part of christianity." Locke says "The care of souls is not committed by God to the Magistrate;" thus striking a blow at the root of the evil. Richard Watson says, that the "original ground of churches was voluntary and spiri..." And every body knows that Wesley when answering in one of his Conferences, the question, "What instance or ground is there in the New Testament for a National Church?" said, "We know none at all." So much for the Bishop of Toronto's "spotless model."

We deny the unity of her members.—There is not a church in existence in which the doctrines believed are so motley and contradictory. Every ism is there from Calvinism to Deism; and there are parties many constantly at variance, and carrying on their warfare with an unseemly and sinful virulence. The Editor of the Church in one of his late numbers unguardedly confesses, "that divisions exist among members of the church of England on certain points of doctrine." If so, how can her ministers claim to be the sole instructors of mankind? Which of the differing parties are we to look to for instruction? The Rev. John Acaster, Vicar of St. Helen's, York, honestly says, "To this (the neglect of a proper examination of the candidates for the ministry) more than to any other thing, must be ascribed that great difference of opinion which exists among her ministers on some of the most important doctrines of religion, dangerous to the souls of men, and inimical to the peace and stability of the church." Richard Watson says "All kinds of errors have broken out of the pale of the church, and every kind of heresy still remains to play the hypocrite within it." So much for the Bishop's "purest light of the christian world."

SOME ACCOUNT OF A NEW GENUS OF CHURCHMAN, CALLED THE PHILL-POT.

From the London Morning Chronicle.

As that old married pair, mother church and the state, Have giv'n birth to a new sort of offspring, of late, Call'd, by savans, the Phill-Pot,—a race which unite All that's wrong in both parents, with none of the right; And, as no one can doubt such a nicely mixed breed, Will be sure, both with sinners and saints, to succeed, We shall soon have the land blackening with swarms Of newly spawn'd Phill Pote, in all sorts of forms; Not a spot of our isle but will soon be o'er run with 'em. Lordships and Graces, each black mother's son or 'em. This being the case, and a breed now so curious, Being likely, if multiplied thus, to grow spurious, Some test is much wanted, and that too no slight one, To tell, if a Phill-Pot's the wrong breed or right one; And, anxious from all such impostures to screen us, The prudent Right Reverend head of the genus Has drawn up some Questions, so framed as to shew If one's Phill Pot is really a Phill-Pot, or no, Nor could Irving himself, with his famed Poly glottism. Evade, it is thought, this strict test of Phill-Pottism. We subjoin, just to show how they baffle evasion, The questions and answers drawn up for th' occasion:—

I. What's the Church? A large mon-y-establishment giv'n To pamper up Priests for the honour of Heav'n; And inspiring a zeal in each Reverend man, Just proportioned to what he gets by it per ann.

II. Name the orders? First, Curates, the lowest in order; Then, Rectors, improv'd much in fat and in ardour And so on, through Bishops, the fervor increases, Extending its glow, eyn to nephews and nieces; Till, waxing yet warmer, as upwards its motion, In Primates it bursts, with a blaze of devotion, Of which hungry Curates have not the least notion!

III. Do you hold, that all Christians, who differ from you, Are idolaters, heathens, and so forth?—I do.

IV. Are you ready with St. Athanasius, to damn Every man, woman, child, of the Greek church? I am.

V. Can you prove, if required, that the great Irish Dan Is the "lion's whelp" mentioned Deut. 33?—I can.

VI. Thro' the whole Book of Numbers I'll thank you to run, And say which the Parson loves best?—Number One.

So far, we've the youth in Theology tried:— We shall now see how well he's with Ethic's supplied.

1. What's your pretext for now taking orders? Devotion.

2. And what your sole object henceforward? Promotion.

3. Do you think it much matters, when good things are got, By what methods we get them? No, certainly not.

4. Have you any slight twinge of those scruples we call "Self-denial," "humility," "shame?" Not at all. That will do.—

Here 's examiner closes his task; A more promising pupil no Bishop need ask: And the church gladly welcomes, to feed on her clover, A youth who has proved himself Phill-Pot all over.

* Defence of the Athanasian Creed, in a letter addressed to Mr. Canning, by the Rev. Henry Phillpots. † "And of Dan he said, Dan is a lion's whelp." Deut. xxxiii. 22.

THE GUNPOWDER PLOT.

From the London Atlas, Oct. 2.

"Many Protestants believing that the plot was contrived by the Catholics in a body, it is perfectly natural that the author and editor of the Church History should endeavor to exonerate them from so foul a charge. They accordingly show, that the only persons who actively participated in this nefarious attempt, were—Catesby, Percy, GuyFawkes, John and Christopher Wright, Thomas Winter, Tresham Keyes, and Bates; and this agrees with the proclamation issued by King James, after its discovery, which states that "it was contrived by only eight or nine desperadoes, and he does not charge the plot upon the whole body of English papists." Besides these, Sir Everard Digby, Robert Winter, Jno. Grant, Amb. Rookhood, and Stephen Littleton, with some of their dependants and servants, were implicated in the meeting at Dunchurch on the 6th of November;

and the Jesuits Garnet, Oldcorne, Baldwin, Tesmond, Gerard, and Hammond, are accused of having been acquainted with the intentions of the conspirators. It is, however extremely doubtful if any of these, except Gerard and Garnet, had any knowledge of the conspiracy till after its defeat; and although Gerard administered the sacrament to five of the principal actors in this intended tragedy, Fawkes distinctly stated that he was not acquainted with their purpose.

"To account for the formation of such an atrocious design by Catesby, and its adoption by the other conspirators, both the author and editor assign the great disappointment felt by the Catholics on finding that James—whom they expected would have discontinued the persecutions they had suffered under Elizabeth—was as intolerent as his predecessor. The treatment of the Catholic community, even before the gunpowder plot was projected, not only as related in the work under review, but by most other historians, was so unjust and cruel, that but little surprise can be excited that it should have goaded men of strong passions into the adoption of any measures, however diabolical, to relieve themselves from the tyranny and persecution they endured."—[Review of Doctor Dodd's Church History of England.]

The following letter from General Cockburn to the editor of the London Times is not without considerable interest.

SIR,—Having read some excellent observations in this day's Times on the subject of the finance and paper currency banking system, &c., and your quotation from Lord Stanley's able pictures of the working of a paper currency during the last seven years in his late speech at Lancaster, I beg leave to inform you that as I have thought and read much on the subject, and being anxious to support the present Conservative Ministers, as far as any man not an M. P., can do, as well as from the anxiety I always feel for the prosperity of our still great country, I lately submitted to Sir R. Peel a modo by which I am convinced he could raise £30,000,000 or more without loan, or having one shilling of interest to pay.

This may startle you; and when I tell you that my profession is military, you may possibly laugh at me, and say, "No sutor ultra crepidam." To expect that at such a moment Sir Robert could possibly give the plan required consideration would be unreasonable, and, though not under any promise of secrecy, I think myself bound "not to divulge the details of my plan" at present, and should he hereafter adopt it or any part, all I ask is the credit of the suggestion; but should he reject it, which may be probable, then I shall think myself at liberty to lay it before the public. But I think I cannot be blamed for thus publicly stating, that on reading these words in your observation in the Times—"It is unquestionably a growing feeling that the Queen's government ought to keep the sole power of coin'g money, whether in gold or in paper, in its own hands subject to the constant inspection of Parliament," I cannot, I repeat it, be blamed for telling you that on those very words my plan is based.

I have the honor to be, Your obedient humble serv't. G. COCKBURN, General. Senior United Service Club, Sep. 24.

A correspondent at Tunis writes, on 26th ult., to the *Semaphore* of Marseilles:—"Yesterday being the festival of St. Louis, the inauguration of the chapel raised by King Louis-Philip, on the ruins of Carthage, at the spot where the canonized king died, took place with great pomp. A vast crowd, composed of people of all nations, assembled on Mount Saint Louis. The Neptune and Montebello were laid with their broadsides to the scene. The consul, who had done every thing that could render the ceremony imposing went with all his suite, and the two Christian ministers of the Boy were present on his invitation. It was remarked that the British consul was the only dignitary absent. At the conclusion of the solemnity the French ships fired a salute of 21 guns, which was repeated by the fort of the Goletta."

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JOHN MCGLOWAN. Hamilton, Nov 4, 1841.

OYSTERS!

Fresh, and just received,—call at C. Langdon's Saloon. Hamilton, Oct 13, 1841.

INFORMATION wanted of William Quigley, formerly of the county of Kildare, Ireland. When last heard from, about two years since, he was leaving Kingston, as a seaman, for New Orleans. Any information respecting him will be thankfully received by his father, Darby Quigley, who resides in Paris, Canada. American exchange papers will please insert the above. October 7, 1841