which the secession of the Church of Rome from that of England, which took place in A. D. 1570, is proved; also our reply to Mr. Spurgeon, of England, entitled Quackery in Religion; our reply to Dr. Cramp, of Nova Scotia, on the mode of Baptism; and our Sermon on Baptismal Regeneration, neatly bound, in one volume. We trust our agents will direct the attention of our friends to this proposition. We can furnish the back

numbers of the Magazine to subscribers; so we hope to hear from hundreds of our friends very soon. Address the Rev. D. Falloon Hutchinson, P. O. Box 1540, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. In sending us their names they will please write them plainly, and give us the true name of their post-office, and the Province, so that we can make no mistake in mailing.

## THE BISHOP AND THE WIDOW.

Not so very long ago in a dim cathedral aisle,

A Bishop knelt, his office said, to pray a little while,

He prayed so long and prayed so well he fell into a trance,

And a widow knelt beside him, as we should say, by chance.

The Bishop watched the widow's tears drop slowly one by one, And as he gazed an angel came in brightness like the sun; Who stored within a casket rare each tear-drop as it fell, "Surely, my God," the prelate said, "that widow prayeth well."

- "Tell me, good woman, what you ask, what grace you seek to gain,
- "Since God sends forth a messenger to store each tear and pain;
- "Some special favour from His Hand you surely ask to-day,
- " Some sweet devotion to the Saints, or vow to Jesus pay."
- "My Lord," the widow trembling said, "I do but say the prayers
- "That year by year have soothed my heart and lightened all my cares;
- "The Creed and Our Father, my lord, from out the heart,
- "I say my simple prayers, and know that God will do his part."

Learn to be real, this will bring good angels to your side. Who to the throne of God will bear the tears you fain would hide, Nor ask of Him some mighty gifts, or wondrous thing to do, He heard the widow's prayers because her heart within was true.

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