

John Ronge, and the New Catholic Reformation in Germany.

In the early part of last year, Arnoldi, the Romanist Archbishop of the city of Treves, in Germany, published to his Diocese, and the world, that he had discovered a (*pretended*) Relic—of which there are many declared to be the same, in other places—namely, the Seamless Garment which Christ wore before his Crucifixion! and that it was to be exhibited in the Cathedral, for the *adoration* of the faithful!! The effect produced in one direction by this shameless imposture, was, that no less than 500,000 of the *blind and insatuated devotees of Popery flocked to Treves TO WORSHIP THE SHIRT*, which, for any thing they knew, had been made for and worn by the Bishop himself! The ordinary Hocus Pocus was being practised with it as in similar cases by the Hoary Priestly deceivers in charge:—many pretended miracles were being wrought by its means,—when John Ronge, a Priest under the dominion of the Archbishop, fired with a noble indignation at the daring and abominable hoax in which he and his fellows were required to participate, came out like a second Luther and openly, through the Press, lashed the guilty Prelate with the scorpion whip of truth, and exposed his falsehood and hypocrisy before the world. He was, of course, anathematized and excommunicated by the Archbishop; but his boldness, intelligence, and zeal has roused the moral energies of the German mind, and given birth to a new and important ecclesiastical reformation in that country, which is likely to be extended throughout the whole empire of Babylon the Great. In the City of Cincinnati, United States, in Nov, 1845, the German Catholics of that place declared their independence of the Pope and his Agents on this Continent, and we sincerely hope that the intelligent Catholics every where may follow their example. The resolutions which follow were adopted by Ronge and his friends as the foundation of

"THE GENERAL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY AT BRESLAU."

Article 1st. We declare ourselves free from the authority of the Bishop of Rome, and of all his followers.

Art. 2nd. We maintain the right to complete freedom of conscience, and renounce all restraint, deception and hypocrisy.

Art. 3d. We declare the foundation and pillar of the Christian faith to be the Holy Scriptures.

Art. 4. We declare that the searching and reading of the Scriptures ought not to be restrained by any authority.

Art. 5th. We declare the following to be a summary and symbol of our faith:
1st. I believe in God the Father, by whom the world was created, and by whom it is governed in wisdom, righteousness, and love.

2nd. I believe in Jesus Christ our Saviour, who by his doctrine, life, and death, freed us from slavery and sin.

3d. I believe in the power of the Holy Ghost, in the Holy Universal Church, in the Forgiveness of Sins, and in Eternal Life. Amen.

Art. 6th. We recognize only two Sacraments as established by our Saviour, namely, Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Art. 7th. We hold the practice of Infant Baptism.

Art. 8th. We hold that the laity should partake of the Sacrament in both kinds, and believe that the Lord's Supper is a remembrance Feast of the sufferings and death of our Saviour. The practice of confession to the priesthood we cast away from us.

Art. 9th. We recognize marriage as a divinely established ordinance; to be

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