

4. That the *Saints* reigning together with Christ *are to be invoked*.
5. That the *Images* of Christ, of the Virgin Mary, and the *Saints*, are to be honoured and venerated.
6. That the power of *Indulgences* was left by Christ in the Church.
7. That the Roman Church is the Mother and *Mistress of all Churches*.
8. That everything contrary to the decrees of the *Council of Trent* is to be condemned and rejected.
9. That without holding this Creed of Pope Pius IV. *no one can be saved*.

Were these new dogmas of the Church of Rome ever heard of before A. D. 1564?—Yes, they had been introduced, one by one, at different times, but never established in a Creed, or authoritatively imposed upon Christians as necessary to salvation till that date.

Ought they to be accepted now by the Church?—Certainly not. Rather are they to be rejected, as contrary to the word of God, and the teaching of the primitive Church.

With what view were these strange and unscriptural dogmas introduced?—With the view of unduly exalting the power of the Priesthood and ensuring the complete submission of the people in things intellectual, spiritual and temporal.

Mention the two unscriptural articles of faith which have very recently been imposed by the Church of Rome upon her members as necessary to salvation.—1. The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1854), and (2.) The Infallibility of the Pope (1870).

BISHOP LITTLEJOHN, in his Cambridge lectures, has spoken with no

uncertain voice against secular education, and predicts that the impartation of power, without precepts of duty and responsibility to God, will have a baneful effect upon society.

“CLEAN HANDS.”

ONE great requisite for a teacher is a thorough acquaintance with the Scripture and aptitude in quoting passages. A poor little half-witted boy, the child of miserable parents, came one Sunday into the infant-class, of which he was a member, and standing before his teacher, proceeded to take a cake of soap from his pocket. “I bought it with my own money,” he said, “and I keep it in my pocket so that nobody sha’n’t get it, ‘cause I like to keep my hands clean.” Quick as thought the teacher answered:

“Do you know what the Bible tells us about clean hands, William? It says that those who have clean hands and a pure heart shall go to heaven. ‘Now, can you tell me who will go to heaven?’ And he repeated after her, ‘He that hath clean hands and a pure heart’ She impressed the lesson of the passage so deeply upon his memory that weeks afterwards he repeated, at her request, not only the text but also the words which she had given in explanation of clean hands,—“hands that never do naughty things.” From that time, if she saw his hands inclined to mischief, she had but to say, “Clean hands, William,” and an unwonted flash of intelligence in his face showed his appreciation. How much more the text meant to him, from the fact that the teacher was so quick to see and improve her opportunity.—*Selected.*