

And take one specimen of the prevailing teachings of this Book :

"In the Franciscan chronicles it is related, that brother Leo once saw a red ladder, on the summit of which was Jesus Christ; and a white one, on the top of which was His most holy Mother: and he saw some who tried to ascend the red ladder, and they mounted a few steps, and fell—they tried again, and again fell. They were then advised to go and try the white ladder, and by that one they easily ascended, for our Blessed Lady stretched out her hand and helped them, and so they got safely to heaven." (p.200)

The introduction, (p. 7) contains this startling statement: "The salvation of all depends upon preaching Mary, and exciting all to confidence in her intercession," and inform us that thus Berhandius of Sienna, "sanctified Italy."

All such false (may I not say, blasphemous?) teaching, our English Reformation swept away from the English branch of the Catholic Church: It bids us sinners go without fear direct to Him who thus invites us to Himself—"Come unto Me—I will give you rest:" and who says "I am the way, no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

5. One more blessing, I have already alluded to, but I must mention it again before I close.

Our English Reformation gave us our present Authorized Version of the Holy Scriptures—our dear English Bible, dear to the hearts of millions of English-speaking people throughout the world: more than this: Our Church by her Reformation re-established the Supremacy of Holy Scripture, as the one Divine Rule of Faith: which was the position it held in the early Church.

Our Reformers placed in our Prayer-Book those golden words of her sixth Article, which constitute the fundamental protest of our branch of the Catholic Church against all un-scriptural teaching:

"Holy Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation: so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an Article of the Faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation."

I pause: not because the theme is exhausted, but because I ought not to trespass longer on your patient attention.

English Churchmen, study carefully the principles of the Church to which it is your great

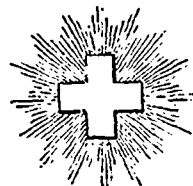
privilege to belong: read, for this end, a Book within the reach, and within the understanding of all, "*Little's Reasons for being a Churchman.*" Then you will become, one and all, manly, intelligent, steadfast Churchmen; Churchmen who need not to be ashamed, being ready always to give a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.

And be true to the principles of our beloved Church: Remember that she bears, as a Catholic yet Protestant Church, a double witness for God and His Truth. Yes a double witness, this is her position in Christendom to-day.

She is Catholic for every truth of God, every truth contained in the Holy Scriptures, and taught by the early Church.

She is Protestant against every error of man, whether that error emanate from Rome or Zwingli, Socinus, or Calvin, or elsewhere.

As a Catholic Protestant Church she would have all her children manfully' intelligently, and earnestly contend for "The faith which was once for all delivered to the saints."



## Worship.

### On the Way to Church

"I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go into the House of the Lord."

Recall thy mind from things seen and temporal; fix it on the unseen and eternal. Speak not of the faults of others; think of thine own.

"And him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out."

### On Entering the Church.

"The Lord is in His Holy Temple:  
Let all the earth keep silence before Him."

Thou art come into the presence of Him, unto Whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from Whom no secrets are hid. Therefore, humbly kneel before the Lord thy Maker: and pray that, through the indwelling of His Holy Spirit, thou mayest be filled with repentance, thy thoughts be lifted up, and thy desires drawn forth unto God.