

ry principle,—but I am quite unable to discover the cause which urges you to protect the Roman Catholic endowments while you obstinately advocate the confiscation of those of the Church of England, unless from your hatred of that Church; and because you consider her the great obstacle to the spread of popery through the whole Province. This, Sir, is very dangerous ground. You are, at present, in the ascendant, and most of the dissenters, struck with spiritual and moral blindness, are with you; and we are comparatively alone: but Protestants will not always sleep.

The foregoing enumeration farther proves, that if the three National Churches were to agree in this one single thing, viz.: the protection of their respective endowments, they might be retained peaceably for ages, since their number will always command a majority; whereas, if the Church of Rome persist in her present course, they will, in a short time, be wholly swept away.

Hitherto the rich and splendid endowments of the Roman Catholic Church have been kept in the back ground, and concealed from the eyes of the people; while all the bitterness and odium which the most wicked imaginations could conceive, have been poured on the defenders of the wretched pittance of her original endowment, which now remains to the Church of England. But this must no longer be permitted; both properties rest on the same foundation; and both will sooner or later share the same fate.

It is not my intention to proceed to an exposition of the falsehoods of the manifesto already noticed, more especially as its true character has been depicted by one more accustomed to such work, and better acquainted with the peculiar merits and talents of the six Ministers by whom it is signed and put forth, and, though a stern Secularizer himself, he has still some regard for truth and honesty of purpose.

The *Leader*, of the 23rd March, 1854, thus writes: "It does not follow that secularization is to be advanced by misstatements and fraudulent tricks. This is wherein we differ from the manifestos to concoctors, while they practice petty frauds, which characterise