

church." Clement, the third bishop of Rome, in the first cent , in his beautiful epistle to the Corinthian Church calls the censures of the church "the things commanded by the multitude." And Cyprian writes of two offending sub-deacons, and an Acolyth, that they were to be tried "before the whole people." No offenders were restored to the peace of the church without the knowledge and consent of the whole diocese, for the same bishop Cyprian says "they were to plead their cause before all the people." He also wrote, that it was ordained by a synod, "that except in danger of death, or an instantaneous persecution, none such should be received into the church's peace without the knowledge and consent of the people."

Also letters from one Church to another before being sent, were read before all the Church. Thus Cornelius, previously mentioned as bishop of Rome in the third century, declares that "whatever letters he received from foreign churches," he "always read them to his most holy and numerous people." Cyprian and his people and other Churches, as might be shown, did the same.

Now considering all the inspired Scriptures on the subject, before given, and these numerous testimonies as to the *people* being a distinct and essential part of the constitution of a church, and as such, having the exclusive rights and powers described and declared even by bishops of Rome and of other large places; and during hundreds of years of the Primitive Christian Churches, it is indeed astonishing that the Archbishop, who knows all these things, as well as the writer, or probably better, should, after asking "who is the Church?" have made the assertions, that "not the people," not even "the faithful," but "the Bishops, the Pastors of the Church, the successors of the Apostles, form the Church." Such are the errors and mis-statements of an Archbishop, which by a mere layman have been so readily and fully refuted. What kind of a body would a Church be, if indeed it could be called one, which consisted merely of the Bishops and other Clergy, without the flesh and blood of the people? It would be a *skeleton* indeed, a mere *scarecrow*.

And now must be noticed several other errors of the Archbishop, comprised within a very few words. He says "Paul was sent to