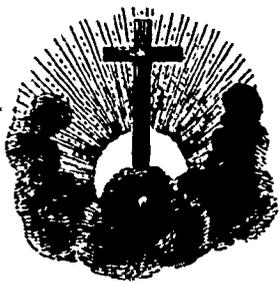


they break them open with violence, as if they were sacking some enemy's town, which they had won with the sword. When the searchers enter, it is usual for them to run up stairs into every chamber, with their drawn swords; enough to drive the weaker sex and children out of their senses. They then begin to break open locks, and force all the doors that they may at once search in many places. If they find no priests, or persons suspected as such, in any of the chambers or closets, they begin to search for secret places. They go round the house, inside and out, to see if one corresponds with another, in hope to find some empty space, where a man may be hid. Sometimes, if the walls be not made of stone, but of wainscot or other weak materials, they will thrust through it with their swords in several places, hoping that in some place or other they may light upon a priest. This they also do in the roofs of the houses, supposing that there may be some passage, though they are unable to find it, for, indeed, the doors of the secret places are commonly made with such art, that it is very hard to find them, or spy them out; otherwise it would not be possible to keep a priest so long, as some Catholics do, and have done. But if the searchers find any likely cause for suspicion, not content with that dangerous way of trying with their swords (in which case some priests have narrowly escaped being wounded or slain), they then pull down the very walls, and enter to search with candles and torches; nay, they examine the very roofs and house-tops, where for years nothing but rats and mice have harbored. When, with all their diligence, they find no priest, still they do not give over; but supposing there may be some secretly hidden, they place a watch about the house of a number of men with guns, bills, &c., for many days together, sometimes for a week or more, for the purpose of starving them out. Sometimes they place watchmen in the chambers to see that no Catholic stirs, to relieve the priests, though commonly they make sure of that, by locking them up in one part of the house all together. They will listen at every hole in the wall and chink in the floor, that the breathing or coughing of a priest may be perceived; and will sometimes cunningly talk aloud to each other, pretending to go away as nothing is to be found there. They will make a noise as though they quitted the apartment; they will then creep stealthily into the room, and pretending to be some of the household, will whisper to 'the good man' to come forth, for that the searchers are gone, thanks be to God. By this artifice was Father Cornelius taken: The priest is the principal thing which they hunt for in a man's house, for if such a person be found, the lands, goods, and even life of the persons who harbor him are forfeited; but if they do not find him, they will ransack the whole house, under pretence of finding chalks, pixes, vestments, and such like. They break open not only chests and trunks, but coffers and cabinets also, hoping to find letters; or spiritual advice, whereby to infer that the writers are priests;

if they find these, or Agnus Dei, &c., then the lands and goods of the parties are seized, and the parties condemned to perpetual imprisonment, as was the case with Mr. Tregian."

To be Continued.



## THE CATHOLIC.

Hamilton, G. D.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th, 1842.

The Editor of the *Monarch*, in the 53d No. of his paper, awakens at last from his long editorial nap, and declares himself an enemy to the *knife's point* of all who dare declare his Anglican church a *sect*,—a mere parliamentary or National Establishment. This is rather a bold move in defiance of all historians, ancient and modern, who treat of church matters; whom he braves to the battle, and busts forth like a fanatic maniac, with the notorious McGhee hallowing him on to he contest, and roaring in his ears some trifying Papal sham bulls of his own concoction and frightening interpretation; urging him onward in his *run-a-muck* career against all Dissenters, but particularly against his imagined, most dreaded and hated enemies, the Papists. So, then, according to this worthy, the Church of England is the only Church of Christ; and all the other nations that are not of her Communion are in the state of *damnable heresy*; for all who hear not this National Church are, in the words of the Saviour, to be looked upon as *heathens and publicans*. Was it, then, to England alone that the Saviour sent his apostles to teach and baptise; and not to *all the nations of the earth*, which the church of Rome is one, for upwards of 1800 years, has been all along converting and baptising? His *petty National Sect*, the offspring of lust and rapine, is known by all, who choose to know, to have separated itself, like all the other dissentient sects of Protestantism, from the only Catholic or universal Church. "They went out from us" says St. John, "but they were not of us; for if they had been of us they no doubt would have remained with us; but that they may be manifest that they are not all of us."—St. John, 1. Epist. c. 2 v. 19.

The Editor of the *Church*, like our Bull of Basha the Editor of the *Hamilton Gazette*; and indeed like most Protestant Editors when they touch on polemical subjects, instead of using decent ratiocination and logical argument, delight in raking up mud and flinging it in the face of their adversaries. For what other purpose but this does the Churchman introduce at the end of his last

number, the story from Koscoe of the *Pazzi conspiracy*? It is solely to represent as miscreants to his uninformed readers some of the Clergy and laity of the Catholic Church. Were we to have recourse to the same vile shifts of retaliation, what horrid tales of Protestant miscreancy, ancient and modern, could we not unfold? but no: our taste inclines us not, and religion forbids us, except at times as a warning against all similar delinquency, to turn up and dwell upon individual depravity. What an endless train of virtuous examples of the most heroic, charitable and enlightened kinds might he not have found, wherewith to edify the minds of his readers, in the lives of our Catholic Saints; but such are not to his liking. His instinct directs him to dirt like the dung beetle, not like the bee to sip the pure essence of the sweet scented and beautiful flowers. The Creator's original curse on Satan and his serpentine brood, seems to be his portion: "On thy belly shalt thou move, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life." Gen. c. 3.

We promised to take the first opportunity of referring again to the subject of the corrupt Corporations of Toronto and Kingston; and with respect to the former, we are abundantly supplied with information from unexceptionable authority—even the Report of the Commissioners appointed by Lord Sydenham, to enquire into the cause of the riots which occurred at the election of Messrs. DUNN & BUCHANAN. We shall make such extracts from that Report, as we think sufficient to satisfy every unprejudiced person, that the existence of such Corporations is incompatible with the peace and prosperity of the country, and even on some occasions, with the security of life and property; and will, if not shortly remedied, drive from the country, many more of its peaceable residents than it has done. The Report states:—

"One great and engrossing topic has been forced upon our attention at every stage of this investigation, and we should fail in our duty if we neglected to bring it fully and unreservedly under the notice of your Excellency; we refer to the existence of Orangeism which pervades with portentous influence in every class of society, aggravating the evils of political acrimony, and reviving feuds and feelings, religious prejudices and party animosities which had almost ceased to exist. We have every reason to believe that Orangeism is widely disseminated through the country. We know that its ramifications spread extensively through the City of Toronto. Transplanted and revived, in the first instance for objects perhaps of harmless conviviality, it has been, at length, converted into a purely political engine, divested, however, even of the pretence which might have palliated its existence elsewhere. Orangeism in Canada is in fact the type of a party, and those, whose high and manly loyalty would, under other circumstances have entitled them to respect, neutralize their own will by the resuscitation of obs-

lete antipathies, unjustifiable in their object and futile in their end. There can be no doubt moreover, but that the institutions of Orangeism have been used to secure private views and promote selfish interests, and that the mischief which has been introduced, has disappointed, by forcing a natural reaction, the expectations of its ill-advised promoters. The information which we have the honor to lay before your Excellency in the Appendix, establishes beyond dispute the baneful effects of this association on all classes of society in the Country and in the City."

The Report further states:—

"In the City of Toronto, this evil influence has been more direct, obvious and tangible. We have reported the evidence to shew that a large population of the present Corporation are Orangemen. The officers of the Corporation and the Police, are, for the most part open and avowed Orangemen. Orangeism has become the watchword and symbol of the party which supports the Corporation, and the most efficient, if not the indispensable recommendation to civic favor or employ-

The prepossessions and aversions of those in power, are sorely imitated by dependants, and acts of subordinate intolerance are recorded in the evidence before us, of which individual members of the Corporation, waiting perhaps the inclination to enquire, may have been unconscious.

"At the late Election, Orangeism was the Shibboleth of the Corporation party. At the riots which ensued, Orangemen systematically brought into the City from the surrounding country were the most conspicuous actors. They assembled at the Coleraine Tavern, where two Orange Lodges sit, and on proceeding from thence to the place of rendezvous, at the corner of King and Church Streets, many of them were provided with a peculiar ribbon or badge, indicative, as we have been informed, of a preconcerted determination to commit violent outrage.

"We cannot therefore, conclude this Report, without expressing our earnest conviction, that the existence of Orangeism in this Province, is a great and growing evil, which should be discountenanced, denounced, and repressed, by the exercise of every authority and influence at the disposal of the Government."

We have made this long extract in addition to other reasons—on account of its fitness to the state of the Corporation of Kingston, as well as to that of Toronto, and we have no doubt, that if a Commission had been appointed to investigate the causes of the disturbance in Kingston on the 12th July last, no other alterations in the Report for Toronto would have been necessary than the word "Kingston," instead of the word "Toronto."—*Constitution.*

We have in our possession a remarkable *Blood-Beet root* (not the mangel wortzel)—which weighs twenty seven pounds, and measures twenty eight inches in circumference. It was grown in the garden of Charles Symmes, Esq. of Aylmer.—*Ottawa Advocate.*