

which will bear the light of day, and dispel the uncomfortable suspicions which some of his own flock have been entertaining since the unfortunate occurrence.

RITUALISM AT HAMILTON.

The Hamilton Bull has run at the red rag! but, like most bulls under such circumstances, was mad when he commenced the operation, and could not, therefore, see clearly what he was running against. The red rag, of course, turned out to be a Cross, neither more nor less, and the bull, after his onslaught in that direction, turned, and, after the manner of mad bulls, charged amongst his own friends, for it appears that the offender, the application of which he assailed, was by the Rector himself, on that occasion, specially devoted to the relief of the Poor of the Parish, whom, we assume, the bull did not intend to injure. It was almost unnecessary, in reality, for the Rector to make any reply to the scurrilous letter which appeared in the *Globe* of the 15th inst.; but this explanation of the real representatives of the Parish is valuable as another instance of the conviction of falsehood on the part of those few insignificant and mischievous agitators, who, from self reproach, are to be found wherever Truth is faithfully and conscientiously taught and represented.

BISHOP STRACHAN'S MEMORIAL.

The adjourned meeting for the "sacred object" of choosing a memorial to the late Bishop of Toronto, was held in the Music Hall, on Tuesday last.

A stranger, ignorant of the purpose of the meeting, would not, on entering, have ascribed to it that "sacred" character, which those, who convened it, by the use of the epithet, intended to bear. Mutual recriminations between High and Low church clergymen in public, do not, we venture to think, in anywise conduce to the progress of any "sacred" cause.

We entirely agree in the view, advocated by the adherents of Trinity College, that its founder should be commemorated on his own ground; and looking, as we do, at the foundation of Trinity College as Bishop Strachan's greatest work in the Province, we, moreover, fully concur in thinking that no Provincial testimony (as was ably urged by the Chancellor), could find a better expression, than in a Convocation Hall or other building, attached to the college, in perpetuation of his memory.

Interpreting the "founder's intention" by his own acts during his lifetime, by the bequest, at his death, of a most valuable Library to that institution, and by his own writings concerning the offspring of his old age, we cannot escape the conviction, that they are but carrying out the work, which he began, who would add to it some substantial mark of its appreciation. The question, so inopportunistically raised, of the theological unsoundness of the College itself, is, in our opinion, a direct assault on the Bishop's memory, rather than a mere qualification of the shape, which any memorial shall assume.

That at any time, the sentiments of an insignificant section should be supposed to influence the essential condition of a great Educational Establishment, is simply preposterous; that, at this time, such sentiments should be brought to bear upon the discussion of a fitting tribute to him, whom they professed to be delighted to honour, is eminently disingenuous, and little short, if we come to analyse it, of a desecration of his memory.

We were very glad to see that the bulk of the meeting felt all this, though in the heat of argument, they did not put it in so concise, or perhaps in so temperate a form.

Whether the Calvinistic Clique who, as is their wont, stubbornly refused all compromise, will choose to select a town-pump, or a Little Bethel, as the monument best representing their narrow proclivities, matters but little to the Church at large, or to posterity; but their attitude on this occasion should serve to show Churchmen, how desirable it will be, in future, to act independently of their counsel, after this, the last, we trust, permitted manifestation of their acrimonious hostility to Church teaching in the Province. When, however, under the mask of friendship, foes are discovered and exposed, there is always a gain to the entrenched position, which truth has established; and when the views of the majority, in this matter, shall have received their exposition in the erection of a Founder's, or Convocation Hall, which we are glad to hear is to be at once initiated, it will stand, not only as a monument to him for whom it is designed, but also as a trophy of victory over false doctrine, heresy, and schism.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views of our correspondents, though it is almost needless to say that we shall exercise all caution in the publication of statements affecting the persons concerned. We do not undertake to return any rejected communications.

Anonymous contributions of information, &c., will receive no notice whatever.

"A Layman."—You have a perfect right to coerce your Priest if he is guilty of any deliberate infringement of the Rubric, but you ought clearly to confer with him before taking any step.

"W. P."—There is no authority whatever for sitting down during the Offertory Sentences.

"Secular."—You shall hear more on this subject in our next issue.

"Justitia."—We cannot assail individuals apart from the principles which they represent.

"C. J. R."—Too late for press-wide article on the same subject.

"Anglicanus."—Reading the Psalms in church is as manifestly absurd as reading out a song would be at a Concert.

To the Editor of the Church Standard.

SIR,—In reply to one of the questions asked by AN INQUIRER, in the last issue of the *Observer*, I beg to offer a few remarks, which read in conjunction with the verses 'Turn to the East,' contained in the same number, and which take up rather the symbolical aspect of the custom, will, I trust, have the effect of placing this custom, in its true light, before the members of the Church.

We know, as a matter of fact, that, in the earlier and purer