

at the Vestry meeting will be some chaplain of an Orange lodge, who paraded last "Twelfth" in the same vestment, (that rag of Popery) and sat in it through the whole service. Has a colored stole been worn? The same assailant glories in a blue one, as at the width of a stair carpet, in which he headed the procession, while the band played the air of "Croppies, lie down," with greater energy than good time. Thus any parody on Christian worship may be permitted; but woe to the priest who tries to carry on the Church's work in the Church's way!

How can these glaring inconsistencies be defended? How can the rigid Calvinist, who will not tolerate an organ in his Kirk, and who looks on a surplice as "the vestment of Baal," delight in the same "pernicious nonsense" in an Orange lodge? Does he dissociate the worship of GOD from the latter function, and place it on a par with the Dionysia or the Voodoo fetish? It must be either a reasonable service to the Creator, or else some barbarous heathenism, in which Dutch William figures as Psilas, and the worshipful lodge unconsciously imitates the phallica.

For eighteen centuries it has always been the same. The strict Pharisee, the votary of Iris, and the bigoted Arian, all ritualistic to a degree, have been succeeded by the Japanese Bonze, the Swedish Lutheran, and the North of Ireland Orangeman, who all persecute the Catholic Christian, and hinder him from practising that ceremonial of which theirs is a conscious or unconscious parody. The ignorant worshipper of Amida and Zaea, with his altar and his vestments, his oblations of bread and wine, his incense, crossings, and chants—rites which constitute a shocking travesty of Catholic worship,—when he commits his victims to the stake or the frozen pool, is not more inconsistent than his Protestant brother from Ulster, who has done exactly the same less than two centuries ago, and would do it again if he had the power. Intolerance is as rife as when Cromwell led his army into Ireland; and the smooth-faced burgher from Belfast is a chip of the old block very slightly veneered.

"What mean ye by this service?" If it is the worship of God, why may not your Catholic brother worship Him likewise? If it is a *cultus* paid to the Prince of Orange, and is tolerated by Christians, why should not equal toleration be accorded to the proper worship of the Prince of Peace? "Under which King, Bezonian?"