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THE WEEK.

MANY of our readers will recollect that a reform mob, in the year 1831, burnt down that magnificent pile of building named Nottingham Castle, and left it a heap of ruins; since which time it has remained a monument of the ingratitude and barbarism which excited such wild and revolutionary proceedings. It is now, however, to be utilized in a rather extraordinary manner, as it is in future to form a branch of the South Kensington Institution for artistic purposes, and will be a Museum of Art for the Midland counties. The Museum was opened with great ceremony and rejoicing a few days ago by the Prince and Princess of Wales, and will no doubt become a valuable adjunct in the cause of highly cultured civilization and humanity.

The extraordinary munificence of the Bishop of Newcastle, Dr. Tyrrell, consecrated in 1847, is worthy of much admiration, and where it can be done, of imitation. His lordship, it appears, is not able to attend the Pan-Anglican Synod. He was so unwell at the beginning of May that he was unable to preside at his Synod; but he sent a message to it which has, indeed, not been matched either in the ancient or the modern Church. He possesses considerable property in Australia; and he desires to let it accumulate till it has reached a capital sum of a quarter of a million sterling, and so will yield a clear annual income of Twenty thousand pounds sterling, which he wishes to provide for these objects—the Bishops income, the income of an Archdeacon, with three canons and rural deans, stipends for the clergy, funds for superannuated sick, and additional clergymen, for the training of future clergymen, and for the religious education of the young. So noble a gift excites astonishment from its magnitude and from the multiplicity of important objects it endeavours to secure. During his extended episcopate he scarcely ever left his work, notwithstanding his great wealth and his numerous ailments. So noted an example of Christian piety can scarcely fail to produce a salutary effect upon both Bishops and people.

It is not inaptly imagined that the *Rock* is under some kind or degree of Romish influence—so truly is the motto exemplified that

“Extremes are very apt to meet?” It has been pointed out for some time that that paper while professing the wildest and most extreme protestantism, never admits into its columns anything really calculated to damage the cause of Rome. It recently inserted a proposal to attack the consecration of Archbishop Parker, in the hope of driving over to Rome all English Churchmen (*i.e.*, all who believe in the Prayer Book), who accept Apostolical succession! The Editor prefixed to this extraordinary suggestion the heading, “A checkmate to ritualists,” and accepted the offer of articles upon the subject. It is easy to fancy that such a paper is subsidized by Cardinal Manning or Mgr. Capel!

It appears that the prelates who have attended the Pan-Anglican conference consist of thirty-five English, ten Irish, seven Scottish, thirty-two Colonial, twenty United States Bishops, and Bishop Perry—altogether a hundred and five. The only absent English Bishops are said to be those of Durham and Worcester. It is considered unaccountable that Bishop Philpott should be absent; but it is regarded as characteristic of Bishop Baring that he should find himself in utter antipathy to the main body of the English Episcopate.

Church revival in England has at length pervaded all classes of society, the lowest as well as the highest. A remarkable instance of its working has just occurred at Henley, where a great racing aquatic contest was about to come off. The place was, on the previous Sunday, very full of those intending to engage in the contest. At the time of the early service on that day, troops of men were to be seen rambling about, no one bearing the slightest sign of a “rowing man” being present at the early celebration, although outside the church they were to be found in abundance. At morning prayer, however, and at Evensong the enormous church was full from one end to the other, a large number of those present consisting of the members of the rowing clubs. Their reverent behaviour and united hearty worship were very remarkable. The Canticles and hymns were sung so heartily by the vast congregation that the voices of the large and excellent choir were almost drowned. The sermon at Mattins was from the text, “He that overcometh.” It was observable that very few pleasure boats and no racing ones were to be seen on the Lord’s Day. No noise was heard in the town, and the change from former occasions of a similar kind was most remarkable.

It seems a little singular that the Pan-Anglican Synod should trouble itself about the Cumminsite schism. Yet such is said to be the case. The fact is that the desire to be something and somebody, the wish to govern, or to be notorious if they cannot be eminent, is the secret of the origin and progress of many a schism in and from the Church.

And bearing in mind this fact, it must be conceded that there is a certain amount of honesty about these men. They do not believe the teaching of the Church about the Sacraments or the priesthood; they care nothing about the organization, and do not receive it as of Divine authority. Their belief is strictly Presbyterianism denuded of its sacramental and sacerdotal teaching, of which it certainly has a share. They therefore secede and form an organization of their own. Had their honesty been pure and simple they might have joined any one of the un-Catholic organizations at present in existence; but that step would not have satisfied the ambition of their leaders. We have plenty still left amongst us who believe no more of the Church’s system or doctrines than the so-called “Reformed Episcopalians” do. Indeed, many of the leaders of those who are now troubling the Church among us do not believe half so much. But instead of honestly joining those who have their sympathies, they remain among us and endeavour to bring the Church down to their level.

The Pan-Anglican Synod is said to have prepared a “protest” against this form of *neo-Christianity*, which would appear to be very unnecessary as it will rather have a tendency to make something of them and ultimately to swell their numbers. The particular question appears to be as to the validity of the pretended consecration of those whom they call bishops. The Synod appears to have forgotten that Dr. Cummins was the only undisputed Bishop they ever had, and that he was deposed from the Episcopate. They also appear to forget the ancient canon of the Church which requires that three Bishops should join in the act of consecration in order to ensure its validity—so great an importance has the Church, from very early ages, attached to the undisputed validity of consecration. And perhaps they are not aware that although the “Reformed Episcopalians” use the term *Bishop*, yet it never was their intention to raise any man among them to the position in which he could exercise Apostolic, or (as we now term it), Episcopal functions. It is even stated, on unquestionable authority, that in Dr. Cummins’ sermon at the pretended consecration of Mr. Cheney, he said “he did not intend to raise the person on whom he laid hands to any higher order in the Church than which he held before the ceremony.” So that, by his own showing, the whole thing was a farce and a mockery; and the subject is altogether unworthy the consideration of so grave and reverend an assembly as the Synod.

In France, the belief is by no means a prevalent one that the Eastern question is settled for the present generation. The general impression there appears to be that nothing definitive has been done at Berlin, and that it has only been another case of “patching up” an old and permanently standing difficulty. They think it will yet

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