with the religion of the bible; indeed everything else is valueless, and utter vanity when compared with it. Let then the first, the last, the unceasing inquiry be, 'is this religion ours? Never let us think of comparing anything with religion; should we do so, we are chargeable with ignorance the most profound, with error the most pernicious, with folly the most criminal.—Extract.

## POWER OF TRUTH.

"A learned Dominican, and most fanatical champion of the Catholic faith, had presented himself at the general council assembled by Gustavas Vasa. Incited by the continual references to Luther, he resolved to proceed to Germany, and undertake the conversion of that Reformer. Confident of success, the zealous Dominican set forward. But what befell? He returned from Wittemberg an earnest Protestant, became one of the most powerful advocates of Lutherism that Sweden could boast, and united himself in marriage to a nun. He became in many ways a highly influential agent in the firm establishment of Protestantism, and remained a most zealous defender of the doctrines he had vowed himself to subvert."

## SPECIAL NEWS.

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BROTHER OLIPHANT:—More good news. Yesterday, (Lord's day,) two happy young sisters were buried with their Saviour in baptism, in accordance with primitive custom. The old Jerusalem gospel is beginning to take effect here. It was a joyful sight, to behold these females in the presence of nearly all the young people in the vicinity, descend boldly into the stream, the ice having been removed, and thus proclaim to the world by this act a determination to live for Jesus the rest of their days. The older one while advancing to the water sung some appropriate lines, which rendered the scene interesting and impressive. I never before felt so solemn as on this occasion. Prayearnestly, dear brother, that these precious souls may be "lively stones" in the Redeemer's kingdom.

A. CLENDENAN.

A letter from brother Thomas Bradt, who was the first to "feed the flock" in these parts, confirms the above testimony. These reports are altogether welcome. While many seem to "grow weary" and linger on their way with "drooping hearts," it is doubly animating to learn that in some localities there is life, joy, and prosperity. From the very