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"The Vicar and assistant Priests wore vestments of pea-green satin, relieved by trimmings of marone velvet. At the early portion of the service, four large candles at either side of the altar were lighted, but when the act of consecration was approaching two additional large candles and sixteen smaller, seven at each side of the altar, were lighted, so that twenty-two lighted tapers blazed upon the Communion Table, when, amid clouds of incense, Mr. Lowder elevated, for the adoration of his flock, the Sacramental elements. At the proper time for announcements, Mr. Lowder stated that those wishing to come to confession should leave their names at the Church, and he then asked the prayers of the faithful for the rest of some departed souls.

"The congregation exhibited all the signs of great devotion, every one bowing down low at the elevation, when, on the altar steps, the choristers rang hand-bells, and outside the bell of the church tolled loudly."

Well, some may say, that is in England, and is bad enough, but surely in this country, they have never ventured so far? Never indeed! Why, you will find very nearly as bad in Montreal!\* while in Toronto, a few would like to come out in full "Millinery" if they could safely do so, but read the account of the Press excursion, as given in the Belleville "Ontario Chronicle" of Friday, August 24th, 1877, and vouched for as a correct statement:

"Being in the City of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and being anxious to attend morning service, we enquired for the English Church. Having been directed, we repaired thither, and upon entering the Church we thought we must have made a mistake, that we had gone into a Catholic Church. Such, however, was not the case. The service was thoroughly Ritualistic or rather we should say Romish. During the celebration of the Communion, the Rector officiated clad in the vestments of a Priest. He wore over his surplice a green chasuble and colored stole, during the celebration 48 candles were lighted on and about the altar, which was highly and elaborately ornamented. Four clergymen were seated within the chancel and the officiating clergyman was attended by two young lads who continually kept moving about him and bowing before the altar. The wafer bread and chalice were elevated, as we presumed, for the adoration of the worshippers, who were continually crossing themselves during the service. The service being ended, the choristers, acolytes and clergy marched out in procession, preceded by a young man bearing a cross."

And yet these are the traitors, that a Bishop of the Church of England, a few days ago, in a sermon preached before the

<sup>\*-</sup>Church of St. John the Evangelist.