PROTESTANT CONTROVERSY.

BY A PROTESTANT MINISTER.

champions of the pure gospel, make any LXXXVIII. It is commonly assumed that Catherine de'Medici had formed the purinterest enough. It is the case of a very brilliant, though very erration pose of cutting off the Huguenot leaders and as many of their followers as possible at the very time when she invited the Protestant magnates to Paris to celebrate the wedding of their young chief, Henry of Navarre, with her daughter, Margaret of Valois. Ranke shows that there is good reason to regard this opinion as both true and false. Catherine, when she was on the point of making the young Bourprince her son in law, and when she bade his followers to the wedding, ms to have really had in mind to gain the Protestants over to her side as a support against the imperious control of the Guises, under which she had chafed during the brief reign of her eldest son, the young Francis, whose wife, Mary Stuart, was their niece, and who still were too powerfu in France for Catherine's comfort. If she could gain over the Huguenots to her support, she would be independent

on both sides. She seems to have meant to give the Protestants so much liberty as to keep them from rebellion, restricting them so sharply as to while the Guises quiet. It was a ticklish policy, but it suited her Ital-ian and Medicean astutenes. Had been trusted by any one, something might have come out of it. But a woman who had no French feeling, who believed in nothing, and who valued her own power above the good of her son and of France, was not likely long to hold the balance be two French parties, each pro-

foundly convinced of the soundness of Still, she seems really to have meant to try this policy, which afterwards Henry Bourbon himself, a person who could be trusted, carried out with such brilliant success. Yet, as Ranke remarks, tortuous and subtle natures like hers have commonly in the background of consciousness some purpose at variance with that which is at the moment prevalent with them. This is likely at any time to push to the front and take the place of control. So it seems to have been with Catherine. If, instead of trying for the un certain adherence of the Calvinistic leaders, she should find it to her account to avail herself of their concours in intensely Catholic Paris to entrap them and cut them off, she stood quit ready to do so. Accordingly she may

id to have meditated the massacr at the very time when she was, for the moment, planning something exactly opposite to the massacre. ke of the one thing which control she valued in life, supreme she was ready to make or break pro mises to the Admiral, the League, the King of Spain, the Pope or anybody

I need not say that my cousin Coffin, in describing St. Bartholomew's revels in blunders, for that he does everywhere. He absolutely wallows in them, although, to be sure, he does that in so many pages of his books, that I am not sure but that I am laying false emphasis here. Of course he could not introluce the great massacre without a preliminary poisoning or two. Not long before the royal wedding, Jane d'Albret, reigning Queen Navarre, Henry's mother, fell sick ad died. Of course she was poisoned. and died. Mr. Coffin knows all the facts so precisely, that if some difficulties of logy did not stand in the way, I should be tempted to believe that he had enjoyed the queen mother's confidence in the matter. Mr. Lansing knows how to bring a man out of his grave one hundred and fifty - two years late to poison a Pope, but I think that even he would shrink from bringing a man into the world three hundred years early, to poison a queen. Therefore, I prefer the dry remark of Guizot, that there is no pro bability whatever of any poisoning

One would think that the Coffins and Lansings and such people, held, with the African negroes, that the only way to be sure that anybody has died a natural death is to hang him. Then we may be satisfied that he has gone off with that ancient and unimpreachable disease, want of breath. Otherwise, we must always assume that he has been either bewitched or poisoned. There is no surer sign of a vulgar nature, or else of one that partisans malignity has degraded into vulgarity, than the disposition to assume that persons noted in history have died of poison. The Ave Maria wittily says that poison seems to have been as convenient a medical verdict in old days as heart failure is in ours Or, if the doctors hesitated, the public was always

certain. However, to do these people justice, they do not think, like the negroes. that everybody in the old days was either poisoner or poisoned or both. It was only Catholics that poisoned Protestants, or elseJesuits that poisoned inconvenient Popes or Cardinals or Kings. When Elizabeth and her ministers tried to persuade Sir Amyas Paulet to poison the Queen of Scots, of course that was merely an innocent pleasantry. To be sure, Sir Amyas rives a very serious refusal, but that, I suppose, was because, being a Puritan, he did not understand how to take a joke of his jolly sovereign. I wonder if this message of Elizabeth to the knight is one of those admirable points of "bravery in maintaining the principles of the Reformation" over which the English Methodist Doctor William Rule becomes enthusiastic.

All perfections in this life are attended with some imperfections, and all our speculations with a certain ob-There is one case of poisoning in the sixteenth century, and that a for-mally authenticated case, of which I do not observe that Coffin, Lansing,

Edgar, or any other of these valiant

king, dethroned, imprisoned, and finally poisoned by his brother, accord-

ing to the solemn advice of a council of state, confirmed by the hand and

seal of two successive Archbishops. Of course this took place in Spain or

Italy, or some other of those depraved Popish countries! Unhappily, it came

poisoning, of his elder brother and

overeign was necessary for the good

of the state, and still more for the good

of the Lutheran Church. If any one

wishes to see the whole revolting pro-

eeding, he may consult Bernhard

Upsala, and by their suffragan bishops

f Linkoeping, Skara, Strengnaes, Ves-

ish archives, and on the spot of the mur-

der stands a slab incribed : For deeds unworthy of a king, unworthily taken

ndiane sublatus.

The documents are in the Swed-

Propter facinora rege indigna

One such authentic and

accredited case would have sufficed for

all the centuries. If it had been urged

that Eric was tyrannical, heretical and

dangerous, what an outcry there would

have been. "Only see these Jesuits!

would have been the exclamation

They first sanction rebellion, and

then advise fratricidal regicide, and

that in the most treacherous form, and

then they offer an apology which is

How exasperating, that all this holy

indignation of ours must lie idle of

our hands! We can't use it against

ix pious Lutheran Bishops, and three

Lutheran theologians. How things

will go at cross purposes in this

IMITATION OF CHRIST

Of the Doctrine of Truth.

Happy is he whom truth teaches by

itself, not by figures and words that pass, but as it is in itself.

ceive us, and discover but little.

Our opinion and our sense often de-

It is a great folly for us to neglect

willingly to busy ourselves about those

And what need have we to concern

ourselves about questions of philo-

He, to whom the Eternal Word speak

From one Word are all things, and

this one all things speak; and this is

the Beginning, which also speaketh to us. -John, vii, 23

Without this Word no one under-

He to whom all things are one, and

who draweth all things to one, and who

seeth all things in one, may be steady

heart and peaceably repose in

O Truth, my God, make me one with

I am often wearied with reading and

hearing many things: in thee is all

that I will or desire.

Let all teachers hold their peace, let

all creatures be silent in thy sight

The more a man is united within

himself and interiorly simple, the

more and higher things doth he under-

nortified affection of heart?

stand without labor; because he re-

standeth or judgeth rightly.

thee in everlasting love.

speak thou alone to me.

elf-seeking.

eth, is set at liberty from a multitud

We have eyes, and we see not.

which are curious and hurtful.

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CHARLES C. STARBUCK,

orse than the original offence!

naughty world!

of Judgment.

of opinions.

God.

mention. And yet it

The humble knowledge of thyself is a surer way to God than the deepest

earch after science. Learning is not to be blamed, nor the mere knowledge of anything which is good in itself and ordained by God ; but a good conscience and a virtuous life are always to be preferred before

But because many make it more their study to know than to live well therefore are they often deceived, and

bring forth no or very little fruit. ropish countries: Unhapplity, it came to pass in evangelical and godly Sweden. The poisoned king, Eric XIV., was a Calvinist, or suspected of leaning that way. The fratricidal murderer, King John III., was a Lutheran, who held that the dethronement impairs a support of the su Oh, if men would use as much diligence in rooting out vices and plant ing virtues as they do in proposing questions, there would not be such great evils and scandals among the people, nor so much relaxation in com-munities! ment, imprisonment, and finally the

> omes, we shall not be asked what we have read, but what we have done how learnedly we have spoken but how religiously we have lived. Tell me, where are now all those great doctors, with whom thou wast well acquainted whilst they were alive and flourished in learning?

Verily, when the Day of Judgment

Duhr's Jesuitenfabeln, Vierte Lieferung, pp. 369,362. This design of the King and Council is supported by the first two Lutheran archbishops of Now other possess their livings, and I know not whether they ever think of eraas, besides two pastors and one

In their lifetime they seemed to be omething, and now they are not spoken of.

Oh, how quickly doth the glory of the world pass away! Would to God their lives had been answerable to their earning! then would they have studied Duhr very pertinently asks, What and read well. would have been said, if a Catholic king had dethroned, imprisoned and

How many perish in the world through vain learning, who take little care of the service of God!

poisoned his Calvinistic brother and And because they choose rather to sovereign, on the advice of a Catholic council, of two Catholic Archbishops, of e great than humble, therefore they are lost in their own imaginations. four Catholic Bishops, of two Catholic He is truly great, who is great in divines and of a Catholic dean? charity.

Above all, what would have been said, He is truly great, who is little in his own eyes and maketh no account of the if this case of conscience had been set tled in favor of the poisoning by two successive Jesuit generals, four Jesuit

provincials, and three other Jesuit It would no longer have been needful to surmise Jesuit poison-ings and regicides, on any evidence or may gain Christ. And he is very learned indeed, who

doth the will of God and renounceth his own will.

FIVE . MINUTES' SERMON. First Sunday after Pentecost.

THE BLESSED TRINITY.

"Teach ye all nations . . . teaching nem to observe all things whatsoever I have mmanded you." (Matt. 28, 20.)

Of all the mysteries of our holy faith there is none so unfathomable as that of the Blessed Trinity. When speak-ing to you of any other feast of the Church, I can, as far as my poor abilities permit, generally explain the nature of the feast to be commemorated and depict the truth in such a manner that it becomes plain and in-telligible to you. To-day, however, we are celebrating a mystery which is beyond the intellectual reach of any created being, which is incomprehensible to either men or angels. cerning this mystery there can be no conjecturing or theorizing, nothing will avail us but an humble faith. Thou hast revealed it, O I ord, in the sublime commandment of baptism, that there is one God in three divine persons, God the Father, Gcd the What signifies making a great dispute about abstruse and obscure mat-Son, and God the Holy Ghost; and these three divine persons are not three gods, but one God, having but ters, for the being ignorant of which we shall not be questioned on the Day one and the same indivisible nature and substance. Thy word is more certain than the testimony of my sense things profitable and necessary, and or the reasoning of my intellect. These faculties are subject to error, but Thou art the eternal and infallible truth.

Hiero, king of Syracuse, once asked the heathen philosopher Simonides: What is God? Simonides, having relected some time, said he could not immediately answer the question, but begged for time, to reflect. At first he asked for one day, then for two, and being pressed for an answer replied : The longer I meditate on the nature of God the more mysterious and incomprehensible the Divinity appears This saying of the heathen philosopher, my dear Christians, is applicable to our state of mind. By divine revelation our knowledge concerning God, His perfections, and attributes, immeasurably transcends that of heathen, yet there are many truths of religion, viz.: the Blessed Trinity, the Incarnation, the Blessed Sacrament, which remain unfathomable mysteries to our finite intellect. Are these mysteries obstacles to faith? Ah, no a thousand times no! To consider them obstacles would be to act as a person without reason-to act as intidel. To refuse to accept divine re velations as true would be the sam as to declare to the Infinite Wisdom. You either know no better and canno ceiveth the light of understanding teach me the truth, or you withhold it intentionally. You are either an ignoramus or a liar. These are the A pure, simple and steady spirit is not dissipated by a multitude of affairs; because he performeth them all for the sentiments of one refusing to believe a mystery revealed by God, because man denies credence only to an ignor-ant person or a liar. Now, my dear honor of Gc1, and endeavoreth to be at rest within himself and free from all brethren, would such sentiments not Who is a greater hinderance and be the greatest blasphemy; would not trouble to thee, than thine own unsuch wickedness be deserving of the eternal hell, with which God threatens A good and devout man first disposto punish all impiety? They certainly eth his works inwardly, which he is to would, for God will not be mocked.

series of an inordinate inclination; but he bendeth them to the rule of right reason.

Who had a stronger conflict than he, who striveth to overcome himself?

And this must be our business; to strive to overcome ourselves, and taily to gain strength against ourselves, and to grow better and better.

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behold a plant or a tree springs forth, bearing a hundredfold; can you understand the process, you know that the sap ascends from the ground into the tree, and that the same sap changes into wood, into leaves, into fruit. Can you or any scientiest comprehend the secret of nature? may explain the fact, more minutely, but the ultimate reason why and how the same sap is changed into so many different forms remains a mystery Without citing numerous examples these instances suffice to remind us that although we daily con the lessons of nature, yet they will remain for us a closed book, sealed with seven seals.

Now, my dear brethren, if we canno understand nature, although we daily study it and make experiments therein, how can we expect to comprehend the Creator of nature? We, who with our limited intelligence cannot understand the finite, wish to comprehend the infinite! We wish to understand the essence and nature of God! If these were possible, God might descend from His throne of omnipotence and say to His creatures: "Come, ye children of men, I shall divide My kingdom, for what I can do, you are also able to perform." Hence, my dear brethren, there is nothing wiser and more rational, than that we bow down our limited intellect in all humility be fore the infinite wisdom of God, and accept the infallible words of His divine revelation in total submission, confessing: O Lord, I firmly believe, though I cannot understand. I adore, though I cannot comprehend, for Thou canst neither deceive, nor be deceived, whereas I am a creature capable of being deceived and led into error.

This is the language of a true disciple of Christ, these are the sentiments of a true Christian, when his holy religion propounds God's infallible truths which are beyond the range of his intelligence. These ought to be our sentiments, particularly to day, when the Church reminds us of the most in comprehensible of all mysteries and asks us to adore the Blessed Trinity Let us profess, believe and adore in all He is truly prudent, who looketh up-on all earthly things as dung that he Christian heart the one and the only humility, with all the fervor of a true true God in three divine persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, co eternal and co-equal in all things. We profess and believe that the Father is true God, possessing the divine nature and all perfections, that the Son and the Holy Ghost possess the same as the Father; that these three per sons are not three Gods, but one God. We profess and believe that these three divine Persons are from eternity all three having equal power and majesty: that the Father exists of Himself from all eternity, that the Son is begotten of the Father from all

eternity, and that the Holy Ghost proceeds from the Father and the Son from all eternity.

Penetrated with this divine faith, we shall never forget the great bless ings we have received from the ador able Trinity, having been created by the Father according to His own image and likeness, redeemed by the precious Blood and death of the Son, sanc tified and enriched with graces by the Holy Ghost. Let us resolve to thank the triune God daily for these inestimable benefits, and show our gratitude by the sincerity of our love, by the purity of our adoration, and by the conscientious observance of the commandments, in order that we shall be worthy to see face to face, and to possess forever the Father, the Son,

BIGOTRY ON THE WANE.

and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Catholics are glad of every evidence of a better temper towards the Catholic Church among non Catholic Chris tians; and these signs are multiply ing. At the recent Protestant Ecu-menical Conference in New York, scarcely anything was more striking than its participants' weariness of denominational differences; unless, indeed, the fact testified to by an Anglican visitor, that he heard scarcely s word of prejudice against the Catholic Church, either in public or in private. Zion's Herald (Methodist) asks in its

How is it that the birthday of the Christian Church is so little observed? In these times of Church depression, what anniversary would be more important than that of Pentecost? How profitably many Churches could spend those ten days in waiting on God! What should prevent another outpouring of the Holy Ghost if pastor and people were all of one accord and in one place on Pentecost morning? We know of only one Church that specially celebrates this festival.

It is speaking, of course, for Protest ants. It may be interested to know that the Catholic Courch prelodes the feast of Pentecost with a public Novena or Nine Days' Prayer for the restora tion of the Unity of Christendom .-Boston Pilot.

It is a comfortable thought that the smallest and most turbid mud puddle can contain its own picture of h Let us remember this when we feel in clined to deny all spiritual life to some people, in whom, nevertheless, our Father may perhaps see the image of His face.—Hawthorne.

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Lay in the fruitful valley. The poet has preserved to us for-ever the memory of the simple French-Canadian villagers whom the brutal British soldiers drove out off beautiful Acadia in long ago. Acadia owes a mighty debt to Longfellow, so writes a contributor to the Canadian Magazine. If that song of the poet's, strong, sor-rowful, tender, had not made the meadows of Grand Pre, the old willows planted by the Acadians in the

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS. The Home of Evangeline.

days of peace and prosperity, Minas Basin, Blemidon, the pasture lands over which the mist and sea fog hover, familiar things, the place would no To-day the meadows are stretching out in the sunshine; what is left of the forest primeval has its autumn glory on; Minas Basin, full to the brim, is flashing back the light thrown on it from the sky; the ships go by with all their white sails spread; old Blomidon, frowning always in sun or shadow, is blue as blue can be. are the apple trees which used to blossom in some peasant's garden, bent and lifeless now. Straightway our imagination is at work.

We see old Benedict Belfontaine's house with its thatched roof, its gables and its dormer windows, and we see the big hale Benedict in the doorway. He has a pride in his harvest ripening for the sickle, in his flocks and his herds, but ah, so much more in the maiden beside him! How well you know her, the maiden of seventeen You can see her at he wheel, singing to herself and turning her dark eyes often toward the village for may not Basil's son be coming for the long talk in the soft gray twilight You see her going from one thirsty harvester to another with her foaming pitcher. You see her in the early morning, the pails in her hands, wait ing for the cows to come up from the pasture land - such a pretty, bustling usewife, this weekday Evangeline.

The Sabbath Evangeline is sweeter, though. There she goes in her blue kirtle as the church bells ring. Is she or is she not a trifle conscious that she is fair to look upon in her Norman cap, ear-rings in her ears, kerchief over her bosom, as she walks onward with God's benediction upon her?

Yonder is Basil's forge, and Basil at it with his leather apron on. You see the wives of the village spinning at the door steps, the children at play the laborers coming home at sunset and you hear the clack, clack of the gossiping looms. All this you see and near because one of God's singers ha sung to you of them. Before you knew the meaning of love and sorrow you were familiar with the story filled with both—the story of Evangelin and her lover Gabriel.

Every one does not see so much The man from Michigan comes u with a perplexed air to ask "where i Grand Pre, anyway? This is Grand Pre," we assur

him.
"Never! Where is that Mine Basin I've heard so much about glancing suspiciously around though under the belief that some o has hidden Minas under a bushel purpose to defraud him of his rights an American citizen. An affable stranger points out Mi

as, and the man gives a snort of co tempt. "Umph! you could drop it one corner of Lake Michigan a never know it was there. Where your big, beautiful Blomindon?

And he shades his eyes with and and stares at Blomindon so

paragingly that Blomindon must i properly ashamed of itself.
"Look, papa, cries his daught" look at the low green mead

stretching out in the sun, just as the did centuries ago, "Giving the village its name, and pastur flocks without number."

"I've got meadows to home that knock the spots of any I see here."
He grumbles and is not his g natured self till we are in the fan apple orchards of the Annapolis ley. On the day we have the pi with the apple pickers he looks hap

than he has for a long time. "I know a good thing when it," he says, "and I like this pa the country first rate." Better than the meadows of G

Pre?" some one asks.
"I wouldn't care to farm in part of the country," he rett "When a man is busy at his ha it's bother enough to look out fo water that comes down without ha to keep an eye on the water that c up. I laugh every time I thir each haycock sitting up on a fr

work of its own to keep out of res O the breath of the apple lan Acadia; it goes sultry among hills, down the river to the w isles, out and away through Digb to that salt water thing of moods, the Bay of Fundy, whe men busy with their nets draw in breaths of it, and crossing them devoutly give thanks for the sur of St. Eulalie, which

" Filled their orchards with apple Bluebird's Mistake.

In the sunny Southland an hung on a branch of the mothe It swung back and forth, looking a tiny ball among the green lea
A bluebird, who had just
from the North Country, flew d
see if the hard little ball were
thing which Mother Nature he

vided for bluebird's food.