

There was only a piece of brown paper between them, it was true, but upon that piece of paper the Bible was printed. The members of the Orange Society had never changed their opinion. About five years ago a proposition came from a college in Oxford to work the Fathers, and though good were to come out of it. "Our Father, we beseech thee to the throne of God and salvation to us." They left God, and God left them. The Orangeman declared that the Bible was his only rule of faith, and therefore he had not changed. There was a divine power in it which dictated the course he had to take, and he could not read it. How was it that the sectarian had gone away? It was

for God had given them up to an undiscerning mind. The Orange Society had been called a persecuting society, whereupon they had said, "A man is a fool who has not a right to his opinion. How was it with Papists? A man had better go as a scripture reader amongst the savages than amongst Irish Romanists. An assurance like this would not take the risk of saving a life. What he wanted was to bring the people into the fold of Reformation. He did not want spiritual truth (he said), but the aggressors, they must put religion aside. The Orangeman had been put down by the aggressors, but they were not extinguished, and would rise again, and when they did rise, they would be a still greater pestilence to the country.

He had been a member of the Established Church, and he would have remained a member of the Established Church if he had not been compelled to do so by his master. He had been a member of the Established Church, and he did not leave it. He did not leave it. (Cheers). These poor people had souls, and their day was to pray for them and attempt to teach them. They imagined they were right in their principles. But it was the duty of Protestants to try to bring them to a right understanding. The Rev. Mr. Peel, who was a member of the Orange Society, would join the Established Church. He alluded to the 6th article of the Church of England, and from it showed that the Bible was not good and ultimate appeal; and this was the same ground as taken by the Orange Society. After exhorting those present to come to a decision, the Rev. gentleman sat down amidst great applause.

The Rev. George Reid then addressed the meeting in a well argued speech, in which he alluded to the case of the Rev. John Collins, called a "pervert" by a recent speaker. His point was—He believed he was—He looked about to exit in disgrace. The speaker then related an interview he had with this same reverend person who wished to get employment as a curate, which was declined, and the next day he saw him walking with a pipe in his mouth, and asked him what he had done. That he had fraudulently tried the same plan in an inland town.

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Mr. Husk heard with regret the speech of the hon. gentleman, and conceived in saying that Roman Catholics should not be satisfied with toleration, because he conceived they were entitled to equality. They should support the policies of such a former Parliament had thought fit to establish for the education of Roman Catholics and it would be a cause of reproach to the house if they declined to do so. The right hon. member by whom this question had been brought forward said his object was to act on Christian principles, and to take away their causes of complaint from the Roman Catholics. His (Mr. Husk) was one of those who voted in favour of this motion, and he could now say no more to this than that which was no honour to the Parliament which did it, and a great advantage to the community (hear, hear).

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