

Wesleyan Methodism creates christian nations, and blesses old nationalities, and it might reasonably be expected, that senates would on fitting occasions be glad to recognize a religious cause of domestic order and national prosperity; but while prominence will be given to ecclesiastical heterodoxy and parade, an earnest and orthodox evangelism will be forgotten, or if remembered, only for purposes of derision; hence, almost everywhere in Church and State, "Methodist" is the convenient condemnatory epithet for every pious man who says what he means, and ardently for Christ does what he says. Joseph was forgotten, but his time of meek triumph came. The Methodists can wait for justice.

Bigotry and State formalism have been forced by public opinion to grant some exceptions; but the rule still is to ignore Methodism in the appointment of Chaplains; and too often the Ministers of a laborious, spiritual Church are rejected; and in many cases the preference is given to priests whose oath of allegiance has been sworn at Rome, and who hate British Protestantism and Power; or to men who have pledged their belief to a Protestant creed, and are Papists in heart. Any thing, rather than honest, holy, Protestant Methodism! Is it that Butler's "gifts and dispensations" are

"More proper for the cloudy night
Of Popery, than Gospel light?"

The epidemic of mean shyness does not stop here. A party of Explorers are sent into a remote part of the world, who, after careful research, are to report geographically, ethnologically, and geologically; and it is very difficult now-a-days for men of science to go out without finding that they are the mere followers of others. The Christian Missionary is the true pioneer explorer. Well, these after-comers see on arrival there has been something done without them, and they cannot with any face make their reports to those who authorize and pay them without saying something; and in seven cases out of ten the praise will be awarded to Jesuit and Puseyite zeal, and large Methodist Missions will be unnamed, or named disparagingly, though the Methodists have more Missions in the earth than any other Protestant people. This cannot be mistake: it is dishonesty.

Great Galileo of the sixteenth century was judged a heretic by the Pope for even his ingenious astronomy, and was thrust into the prison of the inquisition. The Methodists are reckoned heretics for being Wesleyans. On this very principle has a High Churchman to report the religious condition of a new country, he will,