

Recent changes in the ministry, the popular outcry against this party, and other causes, may be supposed to have broken it; but this is rather to be wished than believed—when the influence of these doctrines has been so widely spread, and when one of their worst measures has been so steadily pushed forward in the colonies, and one so calculated to open the door to false doctrine. If a Jewett and a Powell in the University have succeeded the Puseyistical party, it is only the result of the first heresy, for Tractarianism must arise from unbelief in the Scriptures; and if superstition and ambition bear rule in the Church, infidelity must, of course, follow; then the Synod, if allowed to go into full operation, opens the door for its introduction. Thus the enemy has ever prevailed over the Church; that if the visible Church has ever thus fallen a prey to worldly ambition, whenever power of a secular nature has been given into ecclesiastical hands. But the promise of Christ that the gates of Hell shall not prevail against His Church, has ever been personally ratified by Himself to every true believer at all times and in all ages, and he has never left himself *without a witness*.

The Jews were the true visible Church in the days of our Saviour's visit to men. But his frequent reproofs and his crucifixion, prove how far they had forsaken the Scriptural standard. The Church of Rome at the present day is almost a parallel case, and the authorized conduct of their priests and rulers, made up of cruelty, treachery, and deceit, mark the removal of the Divine presence from their councils, in a voice almost as audible as that heard in the Temple: "*Let us depart hence!*" What, then, can equal the crime of those persons educated in a Church with pure doctrines, who run after the heresies and fooleries of Rome, that they may share in her power over the souls and bodies of their brethren, and disturb the constitution of Church and nation, in order to consolidate a temporal authority for themselves?

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