

the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; I firmly believe in Jesus-Christ, God the Son, who became Man; was conceived by the Holy Ghost and was born of the Virgin Mary; suffered and died on a cross to redeem and save us; arose the third day from the dead and ascended into heaven; will come at the end of the world to judge mankind; and will reward the good with eternal happiness, and condemn the wicked to the everlasting pains of hell. I believe these and all other articles which the holy Roman Catholic Church proposes to our belief, because thou, my God, the infallible Truth, hast revealed them; and thou hast commanded us to *hear the Church which is the pillar and the ground of Truth*. In this faith I am firmly resolved, by thy holy grace, to live and die. *Matt.* xviii. 17, and *I Tim.* iii. 15.

AN ACT OF HOPE.

O my God! who hast graciously promised every blessing, even heaven itself, through Jesus Christ, to those who keep the commandments; relying on thy infinite power, goodness, and mercy, and on the sacred promises, to which thou art always faithful, I confidently hope to obtain pardon of all my sins, grace to serve thee faithfully in this life, by doing the good works thou hast commanded, and which, with thy assistance, I will perform; and eternal happiness in the next, through my Lord and Saviour Jesus-Christ.

AN ACT OF CHARITY.

*Or of the Love of God and of our Neighbours.*

O my God! I love thee with my whole heart and soul, and above all things: because thou art infinitely good and perfect, and most worthy of all my love: and for thy sake, I love my neighbour as myself. *Merci-*