



Poetry.

THE DAILY PRAYERS.

Dear in their hallowed calmness are those hours,
Our daily refuge from low thoughts and cares;
When, soft as on parched earth drop summer show'rs,
Fall on the soul the church's soothing pray'rs.

WILLIAM PITT.
(From Alison's History of the French Revolution.)

The constitution of Mr. Pitt, long weakened by the
fatigues and the excitement incident to his situation, sunk
at length under the discussion of the [continental] confederacy.

with war, he at least effectually opposed its entrance into
the British dominions. With admirable foresight he there
established a system of finances adequate to the emergency,

THE TRUE CATHOLIC CHURCHMAN.*
[As the title which Bishop Doane has prefixed to the
volume which he has lately edited of the Sermons of the
much lamented Winslow. In a note appended to a passage
in which the expression occurs, the Right Reverend editor
gives the following narrative of an instance in which the
arts of Jesuitism were successfully met and repelled.—Ed.
CHURCHMAN.]

up to that on which it leans. The system which meets
these necessities of our condition will be the prevailing
system. Rome would prevail, could it be shown that
Rome alone could meet them. It is incumbent on us,
then, to show—which is the truth—that men may have
them all, without a pilgrimage to Rome; nay, that there,
they will not find them. Hence, the Catholic system:
"its daily services, its frequent communions, its weekly
fasts, its holy anniversaries," "an attempt to realise heaven
upon earth, to make God all in all, to bind men together
by the ties of Christian brotherhood, to promote those
tempers of childlike submission, and humility, and
unselfishness, which no believer in divine Revelation
doubts to be the distinctive feature in the Evangelical
character." Hence the duty, incumbent on the Church,
of the natural wants of men.

My dear Uncle,
The contents of the following letter, will undoubtedly
give you both surprise and pain; but duty to myself, to
you and to God, compel me to make this disclosure.

about? Ever since the destruction of the convent at
Charlestown, my attention has been directed to the faith
of the [Roman] Catholic Church. I have perused the
works of several of her champions; and have had
long conversations with Bishop Fenwick, of Boston, and
other Catholic clergymen. Not that I would
another Roman Catholic; my investigations have been
given you to understand that my investigations have been
of an ex parte nature; I have also studied the ablest
Protestant authors; and yet, the result is, that I am nearly
if not quite convinced that the Church of Rome is the only
Church of Christ.

THE DUTIES OF CHURCHMEN.
(By the Rev. J. B. Pratt, M.A., of the Scottish Episcopal
Church.)
Question. Good Christian, you say that you cannot
separate yourself from the Protestant Episcopal Church,
which has all the marks of a true branch of the holy
Catholic Church. This may be all very well, in cases where
you can conveniently attend Divine Service in that Church;
but there are situations in which you may be placed,
where this could not be done without much trouble, or
where it might be next to impracticable. Do you think,
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than they may know them, and am a member of a portion
of the Church which clearly exhibits them, I consider it
my duty, on the one hand, to remain steadfast in my
profession, (Heb. x. 23) and on the other, to pass no unchari-
table sentence on those who differ from me (St. Matt.
vii. 1).

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