

TRUTH FOR TRUTH'S SAKE.

The salt of a community is the men who stand for truth without regard of consequences. They are the elect few in Church and State and society who hold things together. It is easy to make sweeping assertions that Christians put on religion for ulterior purposes, that all State officials are place and time servers, that "society" is sounding brass and tinkling cymbal. Yet if such were the true state of the case things would soon go to pieces. It is better to believe that there is more honor in the world than the world gets credit for. If some men are false, even admitting that many men are unworthy of confidence, there are more who stand by the truth for its own sake than we are wont to imagine. They are like the ballast in a ship; out of sight and unnoticed while all goes well, but saving the vessel in the storm when the precious cargo has to be thrown overboard. Most men can be true as long as the path of truth lies along the line of their inclinations, but when it demands personal loss and self sacrifice, there are few who do not more or less falter. In this lie its special heroism and grandeur. Not for some personal advantage, not for what others will say or think, not to go with the tide, but to live out in word and act truth for its own sake, without considering the results to self, shows what sort of stuff is in a man. —*The Church News.*

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