

of Romanizing, &c., which Mr. Hill had brought against him in no measured language. We do not think we have ever seen a letter by a presbyter to his diocesan written in a more improper tone than those by Mr. Hill, but his conduct has given Bishop Binney a most excellent opportunity for stating the true mind and teaching of the Anglican Church as to the Sacraments, ritual, and intercommunion.—*Colonial Church Chronicle*.

The glorious work of returning Christian Unity goes cheerfully on. The Scandinavian Church—if we may judge from an article in the Upsal Review written by the chaplain to the King of Sweden and published with the approbation of one of the leading bishops—looks with hope and confidence to intercommunion with our branch of the Church Catholic. Indeed, the bishop of Illinois lately preached in the Swedish Chapel in London, giving the sermon and benediction in English; and at the same service the Swedish clergyman in his own language introduced a prayer for intercommunion. This, with the wonderful desire for intercommunion with us everywhere expressed by prelates and clergy, as well as other members of the Greek Church to the Rev. George Williams in his late travels in the East, is the bright side of the picture.

In Italy, however, the *non possumus* of “infallibility,” and the late retrograde concessions in matters of religious reform made by the King to the Pope at the instance of France, shows the folly of trusting to politics the work of religion, after its own selfish ends are served. The royal chapels and the suppressed religious houses in the new kingdom being in the gift of the crown, had been entrusted to the reforming clergy and were their strongholds. These by agreement (urged on by France) between the King and the Pope, have been resumed by the ultramontanists, and the reformers are dismissed to struggle with grinding poverty. Some priests of fifty and sixty years of age are preparing to emigrate to North America. The Anglo-Continental Society has opened a Fund for the relief of the suffering reformers.

S. P. C. K.—December 4.—An application from the Bishop of Ontario for a grant towards a Collegiate School at Picton in his diocese, and another from the Bishop of Nassau for help in the restoration of churches and schools destroyed by the late hurricane, was read. The Society was unable to tender any assistance in either case.

The Anglican Bishop of Jerusalem received a grant of books to the value of £10. Other grants of books were made to divers applicants at home and abroad.

S. P. G.—Meeting Decr. 21st.—Among other business it was resolved to issue a general appeal for increased support of the Society’s work. It was announced that the appeal for additional clergy in Natal had received the sanction of His grace the President, who had promised to subscribe to the fund. Missionaries were appointed to Assam, Barbados and Madras.

Large bodies move slowly, but Convocation and Church Societies are gradually enclosing with crushing force the operations of Colenso.

UNITED STATES.—The Diocese of Western New York, is to be divided, as the work is now quite beyond the strength of one Bishop. The same is said of Northern New York, where there is also to be a new diocese.