

THE YOUNG CHURCHMAN'S CATECHISM.

PART II.—CONTINUED.

THE REASONS FOR AN ESTABLISHED CHURCH.

Q. 78. But is not corruption the invariable accompaniment of an alliance between the civil and ecclesiastical?

A. This is an idea which seems to have sprung from the corrupt Popery which followed in succession after the establishment of Christianity in the days of Constantine.

Q. 79. Have we not instances in scripture of wise and good men refusing to conform to the national established religion?

A. We have Daniel refusing to obey an unjust law, which he knew was intended for his ruin.

Q. 80. Ought we to be cautious how we separate from a Christian and Protestant church?

A. We certainly ought not to leave such a church, unless we can discover reasons for deserting her that will convince our consciences we are bound to do so.

Q. 81. What are the principal reasons on which dissent from the Church of England is founded?

A. 1. Its general frame and constitution as national and established.

2. The imposition of a stated form of prayer.

3. The pretended right of scriptural ceremonies.

4. The terms on which ministers are admitted into their office.

5. The want of liberty to choose their own ministers, &c.

Dissenters however, have no objection to an establishment, provided it will support their peculiar tenets.

It is true, in this country they act on the voluntary system, but in the South Sea Islands they have an ecclesiastical establishment.

See *Ellis's account of the South Sea Islands*; and *Tyerman and Bennett's Journal*; where we are told the dissenting missionaries laboured with no effect till the civil authorities stepped in to help them.

Nothing was done, until the mighty moral change commenced from the King himself, with the open annihilation of idolatry, and this previous to his own conversion.

Henceforth success was as rapid, as before it had been hopeless.

Upon this change the identity of civil politics with religious principles instantly appeared.

An entire new code of laws became necessary for the islands.

A formal parliament was convened, consisting of the Royal Family, and the chiefs, the hereditary legislators, and the popular representatives.

The missionaries when applied to for co-operation, did not allege the utter incompatibility of civil and religious concerns, but immediately united with them.

Over this parliament, Mr. Nott, the chief missionary, presided.

Subsequently to this, at the inauguration of the infant King, all the details were adopted, as far as circumstances would allow, of an English coronation, and the office of the Archbishop of Canterbury was performed by the missionaries.

The King was brought forth to the people, bound to administer justice, annointed with oil, presented with the Bible, and admonished in the very terms used by the British Primates.

From this we may surely infer, that in the opinion of the dissenters, the ministry is not infected by contact with the state, but that civil and Christian polity is one.

An establishment is neither more nor less than a universal home mission. If by the foreign mission, stations are planted along the margin of our populated earth.

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self," he added, "escape is impossible; and happily, I am well prepared for the death which I have long anticipated.

The first who entered was a German named Besme, nurtured from his childhood in the family of the Duke of Guise.

Scarcely had the Admiral ceased to breathe, when the voice of Guise was heard from below, impatiently demanding if all were over.

Three days had now elapsed since the murder of the Admiral, and during the whole of that period his body had been subject to the vilest insults of the infuriated rabble.

It was at first tossed rudely into a stable; then, after having been disfigured by savage and unseemly mutilation, the head severed from the trunk and the extremities torn from the limbs, it was dragged through the streets to the banks of the Seine.

But so early a repose beneath the waters would have disappointed the fierce cravings of a malice which pursued its victim even beyond death.

Till the morning of which we are speaking, the corpse continued to be trailed through the city; and when the shapeless mass was at length suspended in chains by one leg from the gibbet of Montfaucon, a slow fire at the same time was kindled beneath it.

It is stated that Coligny's head was carried in the first place to the Louvre; and a doubt appears to have existed at the time, whether it was conveyed afterwards to Madrid or to Rome.

The pious care of Francis Montmorency, whom either his superior good fortune or sagacity had preserved amid the general destruction of his friends, at length stealthily detached from the gallows what remained of the Admiral's body.

For a while, he dared not commit it to consecrated ground; and it was deposited in a leaden coffin, and kept in a secret chamber at Chantilly; till the arrival of less disturbed times permitted its transfer to Chastillon, and its interment with fitting solemnity in the ancestral vault of the Colignys.

This learned monk was born in the year 672, and may well be called the Father of Ecclesiastical History.

His whole life, almost literally from the cradle to the coffin, was spent in literary labours for the benefit of mankind.

He died of consumption and asthma at the age of 63. It is related of him that during his last severe illness, his mind being clear and unclouded to the last, he did not relax from his accustomed exertions.

The evening of his death he spent in translating the Gospel of St. John into the Saxon language.

At length his amanuensis said, "there remains but one chapter, but it seems very irksome for you to speak."

"Oh, no," said the venerable Bede, "it is not difficult. Take a pen, dip it in the ink, and write as fast as you can. I have no time to lose."

they would not make half the noise they do; a thing may be very clear in itself, and intelligible to a man of understanding, of which the ignorant make a mountain, and raise a cloud of needless nonsensical scruples; folly and imprudence involve them to meddling in matters not concerning them; thus every pedlar and mechanic whose calling leads them to be meddling with their calling chop and handy labour, they, forsooth, must be handling the helm of government, and canvassing all the affairs of Church and State; and if things be not modelled and managed according to their foolish ridiculous fancies, presently those in authority are quite wrong, and they cannot in conscience obey them; he who cannot well manage his own plough and cottage must canvass and censure both Church and State, and can a greater folly possess the head of a Bedlamite.—Archbishop Leighton.

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