appear to think that Mr. Homer ought to be assisted, you shall have fair play to come fort und arrange your forces. To work, then, Mr. Williams, and point your pen. But while treating of salvation for all, please save yourself the toilsome and profitless task of using spy glasses to read isolated texts from uninspired men, eminent or not eminent, in the early ages or in latter ages. to prove universal salvation; for who cares a dried fig-leaf for the supposed leanings of the old fathers, the middle aged fathers, or the young fathers toward Romanism, Churchism, Presbyterianism, Universalism or any other ism in the current party calendar? Do you not know, my friend, that the Romanist, the English Churchman, 'the Presbyterian, the Congregationalist, each in his turn, after his system is shaped and matured, appeals to the fathers for the "historical ar. gument" of the polity and doctrine he favors, and, wonderful to tell, the good-natured and accommodating fathers, give a nod of assent and a gracious smile to each and to every ism-doctrine, from Romanism to Universalism !!

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## CHRISTIANITY---NOT THE RELIGION OF ANY SECT IN CHRISTENDOM.

COURTEOUS READER, be not startled at the position we have taken, when we assert that Christianity is not the religion of any sect in Christendom. It is not, we assure you, a mere assumption incapable of proof; nor does such an assumption betray in us an uncharitable or liberal spirit towards those who may differ from us.

If one's creed be a fair exponent of one's principles, ours must be of the most liberal kind, seeing our creed is acknowledged by all parties to be itself the message of good will towards men. It would, therefore, ill befit the professor of it to indulge in uncharitable temper towards those who may labor under involuntary errors of any kind. We trust, then, that while we attempt the proof of our proposition, we shall do it in the spirit of that religion which we now proposed to define.

What, then, is Christianity? It is, says one, the religion of our party. Says another, Ours is the religion of Christ. Answers tantamount to the above would be, we presume, given, if required, by any of the numerous religious parties. Now consistency requires that every true partizan shall deny the above definition to be true of any religion but that of his own party or church; or in other words, that