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non-commissioned English officers accompany Baker Pasha.

Britain does not care to assume the responsibility of crushing out the "false Prophet," and we are not surprised at her reluctance. El Mahdi is at the head of a powerful army and has the earnest sympathy of every devoted Mussulman.

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St. Andrew's Suppers we have often met conscientious ministers of the gospel attending, and in taking a blessing over the haggis we believe they were better performing their allotted duty than in entering the pulpit and discoursing upon patron saints being mythical.

The minister alluded to must be a very pronounced opponent of Scotch ascendancy, and may have a weakness for Home Rule, though St. Patrick would hardly take kindly to the good man's attentions.

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and for various other reforms, such as condemning piece work, &c.

Many of these resolutions will meet with general acceptance. Others, however, affirm principles at variance with right and in violation of individual liberty. The cause of the working men always suffers when its advocacy is assumed by the professional politician and demagogue. This element was evidently fully represented in the Toronto Trades' Congress.

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be news to many of its professed adherents. In fact, we know of no set of doctrines which that sect really declares to be the sum of its teachings.

Clergymen and laymen seem to us to believe what they please and reject what they please. In Halifax some of the clergy hold "missions," after the Catholic style, in Kingston another goes over body and bones to the Salvation Army, and now we have the Protestant community of Chatham, N. B., disturbed by Mr. Forsythe's declarations in favor of confession and absolution. Next!

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THE BISHOP OF HAMILTON.

Very Rev. T. J. Dowling, Vicar General of the Diocese of Hamilton, has received a letter from the Bishop of that diocese. Right Rev. Dr. Carberry, dated from Rome on the 13th Dec., in which His Lordship states that he was well. He was not able to reach Ireland for Christmas, as he expected, being detained by diocesan business in the holy city. He further states that it was his intention to set out for his diocese, accompanied by Mgr. Cleary, of Kingston, and the American prelates now in Rome. He sends his kindest regards to all the clergy of his diocese.

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