

remind me of a question and answer in Peter Den's Theology—the most Romish of all Romish books. Vol. ii., p. 65 :—

“Q. What if any one should be asked whether he be a priest, a monk, or a bishop, is he bound to confess?

“A. No; because such titles are certain accidents of religion, and, therefore, by concealing them, a man is not thought to conceal anything essential to the faith, wherefore he who should deny himself to be a priest (for example) when he really is one, only tells a mere official lie.”

Let the Cumminsite and other preachers beware of telling this “mere official lie.” It is a lie that leads us to the suspicion that if they are not indeed Roman Jesuits in disguise, they are at least disguised Jesuits of the Protestant kind.

The following are also common *delusions and lies among Methodists* and others, namely: That John Wesley belonged to a sect called Methodists; that he left the English Church; that he was put out of the Church; and was persecuted chiefly by the Church of England; that he set up what is called the Methodist Church; that he ordained ministers; that he began what is called the Episcopal Methodist Church, by ordaining Dr. Coke to be a bishop; that Mr. Wesley did not like the Prayer Book or services of the English Church; that he advised his lay preachers and the members of his societies to leave the Church of England; and that people will be more pious, and be surer of getting to heaven by leaving the church, and uniting with some Methodist society; that Episcopal Methodists have not sham, but *real* bishops; that Primi-

tive Methodists are the sort that Wesley belonged to; that the modern Methodists are the same good, holy, humble people that they were before Wesley died in 1791; or before they left Wesley's beloved Church of England; that Methodist meeting-houses are churches; and that Methodist preachers are Christian ministers or clergymen, to be called *Reverends*, having authority to preach and administer the sacraments, although Wesley told them to the day of his death, that they were not ministers, but mere laymen, and that if they dared to administer the sacraments, they would be guilty of the sin of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.

The following are common *Baptist delusions or lies*, namely: That the Bible represents the outward ceremony of baptism as a dipping or immersion; that because we read of some persons to be baptized, going down to or into the water, they were therefore plunged, dipped, or wholly immersed in it; that infants have no God-given right to be admitted into the kingdom or church of Christ, and cannot be born into God's family or church by the baptism of water and the Holy Spirit. Whereas, the truth is, that in those passages of Scripture where the mode of baptism is indicated, it is not dipping but pouring or sprinkling. For example—the “divers washings (in the original Greek Testament, *divers baptisms*), of Heb. ix. 10, are described in verse 13, as the *sprinkling* of blood, and also the *sprinkling* of the water of purification which was