

are some who belong to the true succession, in the Church of England, he adds, *per contra* :—

believed it !” Dr. Manning, if elected, will certainly not be behind his predecessors in his acceptance of that dogma.

“The other day I heard one of the highest of the high of the Anglican priesthood in London saying, “I knew the late Mr. Binney well ; I respected him very highly indeed as a neighbour and friend, but I never could allow his claim to be a minister of the Gospel.” (Cries of shame.) Now they will say about Mr. Binney that he was physically and intellectually a notable man ; they will apply to him Shakespeare’s words, “He sits among the men as a descended god,” but, like a skilled wrestler, they only lift him these few inches from the ground that they may level him as a minister the more violently to the dust. They will say of him, “Among men that are born of modern dissent, there hath not appeared a greater than Thomas Binney, nevertheless, the youngest curate that ever mumbled a sermon which he never wrote is clerically greater than he.” Can you wonder that we wish to relieve such men of the privileges and advantages of a national establishment ? Can you wonder that we insist that the stilts be swept from under their feet, and that they may be called upon to stand on their own merits ?

An exchange says,—“If Archbishop Manning is to be, as now reported, the next Pope, he will probably be the ablest occupant of the so-called chair of St. Peter since Hildebrand. One object in placing him in such a position would doubtless be its expected effect on Britain and America—and all that ability, industry, zeal and plausibility can do, may be expected of him for the subjugation of both to the Papal yoke.”

With such a prospect before him, it is easy to see why the Archbishop is so strenuous a supporter of Papal claims ; and declares all English Catholics who differ from him, self-excluded from the holy Mother Church. Edmund About says, in his book on Italy, “many persons have believed the Pope to be infallible ; the Popes themselves have always

A number of our Canadian pastors have been receiving *The Christian*, weekly, from some generous but unknown friend in Britain, giving them full and most interesting accounts of the Lord’s work in that country, and especially of the revival in connection with the labours of Messrs. Moody and Sankey, from which we have frequently quoted. One of them lately received from the young lady who has been sending it to him, the following letter, which others, who may be similarly indebted to her, will be glad to have an opportunity of reading :—

DEAR SIR,—As I have been sending you a copy of the *Christian Weekly* pretty regularly for the last six months, I venture to write you a few lines as the year is closing. I hope and trust that you like the *Christian* ; the daily tidings it brings of all that is being done for the Lord are very encouraging I think, and should make us who are His children, more earnest in working for Him—shining as lights in a world full of darkness. I hope you have some help and encouragement in what you may be doing for Him in Canada. In London now, an earnest spirit of prayer seems to be increasing. Daily prayer meetings are being multiplied, and all are looking for a blessing which will surely come, even I hope before Moody and Sankey come.

I am trying to do what I can in Westminster, which is very near here, and where sin and crime and drunkenness abound ; but I cannot do a very great deal, and that chiefly amongst children, as I am not old enough to visit in the very worst parts.

I hope you will write to me when you have time. Asking your prayers specially for Westminster, and praying that God may bless you very richly,

Believe me,

Yours in Christ Jesus.”