

"DOWN WITH FOREIGN PRIEST-CRAFT."

Christian England! where so long
Freedom's trumpet, clear and strong,
Still has stirred the patriot song,
Down with foreign priestcraft!

England! Truth's own island-nest,
Pure Religion's happy rest,
Ever shall thy sons protest,
Down with foreign priestcraft!

What! shall these Italian knaves
Dream again to make us slaves
From our cradles to our graves
With their foreign priestcraft!

Out on every false pretence!
Common right and common sense
Shout against such insolence,
Down with foreign priestcraft!

Aye, insidious fawning foe,
Little as you thought it so,
England's wrath is all aglow,
Scorning foreign priestcraft!

Take our Jesuits, if you will,
England's heart rejects their ill,
And her mouth is thundering still,
Down with foreign priestcraft!

Hark! in ancient warmth and worth,
East and west, south and north,
Flies the loyal spirit forth,
Loathing foreign priestcraft!

Evermore with Rome to cope,
We will bate nor heart nor hope;
But our shout shall stun the Pope,
Down with foreign priestcraft!

MARTIN F. TUPPER.

THE CLOSET.

One precious spot there is on earth,
Secluded, but not lonely;
'Tis there the Christian oft retires,
To meet with Jesus only!
And, while he meets with such a *Friend*,
Why should he wish another?
For there his soul refreshment finds—
For there he meets a *Brother*?
'Tis there the weak, the timid one
Sustaining strength may borrow;
'Tis there the mourning penitent
Unburdens all his sorrow.
'Tis there the humbled, broken heart
Weeps o'er its lost condition;
The bruised, the wounded, leprous soul
Finds there a great *Physician*.
The widow meets a *Husband* there,
Dispelling all her sadness;
And there a *Father's* cheering voice
Turns orphan grief to gladness.
And what, my soul! what need you more,
In life or death to cheer you?
Come, "enter in and shut the door;"
Your Saviour there will hear you.
Then visit oft that precious spot,
Secluded, but not lonely;

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