

he can save life, but because he thinks he may possibly prolong it a few hours longer.

Better by far, sir, for you to begin a thorough reformation of your whole Church. Do this with the Holy Bible in your hand. This will lead you at once to do away with your n. s., your wafer-god service; a wretched mimicry of the solemn scenes of Gethsemane and of Calvary; and, instead of chanting to the glory of a paste-god, and after falling before it to worship, then to eat it—get your people to look up to a throne of grace, where God sits; to Christ in the heavens, as your great and only priest and mediator. Teach your people that as God is a spirit they should worship him in spirit and in truth. Next abandon the confessional, that fruitful cause of superstition, crime, and misery to priests and people alike. And with the subject of the prodigal son, or that of the poor publican, who smote upon his breast and could only say—and in that said enough to secure heaven's pardon to his soul—"God be merciful to me a sinner"—with these subjects and others like them for texts, preach to your people, and what you preach practice—and with them all of you go to God through Jesus Christ, alone, for the pardon of every sin and grace to help in every time of need. Again eschew forever the unscriptural notion that a priest, or anyone, can forgive sins. Throw to the winds your fable of a purgatory. It has, so far as getting wealth is concerned, been a very profitable thing for your Church, *i.e.*, so far as anything can profit us that has been obtained through false pretences. And believing, as everyone should, that truth and honesty are infinitely preferable to deception and knavery, urge your brethren, clergy and laity alike, to look up to God through Christ only, for the divine blessing upon all occasions, and for every event to come, and such a reformation will follow as