

industry and comfort, knowledge and morality, are characteristic of the people. By the Synod of Ulster, the Bible is recommended to all; by the Synod of Turin, virtually it becomes to the benighted peasantry a sealed book.

Now, since being the distinguishing features of Popery and Protestantism, it is not to be wondered at that the Protestants of England are indignant at the Pope's Bull by which a Catholic hierarchy has been erected there. On political as well as on religious grounds, Popery is hateful to England; and a people who have gained so much by the stimulus of free thought and action, will not be ready to quit the vantage ground they now possess nor yield one inch to Cardinal Wiseman or the Pope.

But the question now comes to be, how ought the Protestants of England to act in order to maintain their position and effectually to repel the aggressions of Popery? Luther and Erasmus once had a conversation on the best means for promoting the reformation, from which the Protestants both of Scotland and England may at present draw a useful lesson: "Eutigenen," said Erasmus, "and the darkness will disappear of itself." "True," replied Luther, "but we must also secure a place for the candle, else the enemy will blow it out." So it is at the present moment. It is no doubt true that as the light of a pure and simple christianity brightens, the darkness of error will be dispelled, and the hidden things revealed; but if P. O. Nonno could do in England what he does in Rome, and thus we fear is what he aims at, the candle of Protestantism, or in other words, the light of private judgment would soon be extinguished. There is, therefore, a political as well as a religious duty implied in the present crisis, and both must be honestly discharged. The state must see that our civil and religious freedom are well secured, and the Protestant community must rely on moral means alone to destroy Popery, and these must be employed in a right spirit, remembering always, that we war against what we believe to be a false system, and not from any personal dislike to the men who may as conscientiously believe in its ethics as the Protestant believes in the ethics of the Protestant Church. Let Cardinal Wiseman have as clear a field as the Bishop of Exeter, but let us have no more patronizing of Romanism, or fraternizing with either Episcopacy or dissent for political ends. We have no more fear of the Pope of Rome than we have of the Archbishop of Canterbury, but we do fear that the course which our rulers have been pursuing, in favouring on every sect which could lend them a political influence both at home and abroad, has brought on the crisis which the very leader of the government himself deplures. It is true in the moral as in the physical world, that "whatever a man soweth that shall he also reap". The Whigs have sown Dragon's teeth, and the nation now reaps the fruit of their wickedness and folly: but if Protestants are true to their principles, and if non-conformists, especially do their duty honestly, and on independent grounds, not only will Rome be unable to exert a power for evil, but her present advances will be made subservient to the accomplishment of future good.—*North of Scotland Gazette.*

ORDINATION.

An Ecclesiastical Council having been called by letters from the Second Regular Baptist Church, in Beverly, to examine, and if thought fit, to ordain brother George Patton: met in the Meeting House of the Church in Beverly, on Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1851, when after a discourse from brother Patton, from Rom. v. 1, the following list of delegates from the following churches were taken. *First Brantford*—Elder Thos. L. Davidson, deacons Moyle and Deakie, and brother F. Foster. *St. George*—Elder J. Elliot. *Waterloo*—Elder A. Stewart. *Paris*—Elder A. Cleghorn, brethren Jas. French (Licentiate), H. Latslaw, and deacon C. Gurney. *Ancaster*—Elder W. Smith, deacon Stenebough, brethren Vansickle and Lockman. *Sheffield*—Deacons Inglis and Burley,

brethren Jno. Williard and Jackson Inglis. *First Beverly*—J. C. Lemmon (Licentiate), brethren Isaac L. Ladd, B. Skinner, J. Skinner, and W. White. *Dundas*—Elder John Clutton, brethren J. Joyce, J. Pollard, J. Seates and J. Fréyd. *East Flamborough*—Job Maxson (Licentiate), brethren G. Feinly, John McLaugh and Thos. Atkin. Elder Elliot was then chosen Moderator, and Elder T. L. Davidson, Clerk. The candidate, brother Patton, was then called upon to relate his Christian experience, call to the ministry and views of Bible doctrine, which having been done to the entire satisfaction of the council, it was unanimously Resolved:—That the council proposed to the ordination of brother Patton, and that the following be the order of exercises. *Ordaining Prayer*, by Elder Davidson, and the laying on of hands by the Presbytery. *Right hand of fellowship*, by Elder Smith. *Charge to the candidate*, by Elder Cleghorn. *Charge to the church*, by Elder Clutton. *Hymn and benediction*, by the candidate.

Signed on behalf of the council,
ISAAC ELLIOT, Moderator.
THOS. L. DAVIDSON, Clerk.

BIRTHS.

At Toronto, on the 14th February, the wife of Mr. Jas. McKirdy, of a son and daughter.

MARRIED.

By the Rev. T. L. Davidson, in Embro', West Zorra, C. W., on the 8th Feb., at the residence of the bride's father, T. Midgley, late of Leeds, Yorkshire, England, Mr. John Hargreaves, of the town of Bradford, to Miss Mary Midgley, of Embro'.

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