

and incontrovertible only in its highest and ultimate mouth-piece, the voice of him who sits on Peter's chair.

"The result of this organized system of hierarchial authority in matters of belief, is that while all reasonable liberty is given to everyone of the faithful, they, at the same time, exercise that liberty within very definite bounds and limits. Every opinion that a Catholic forms for himself in matters that concern belief, is formed only in a spirit of submission to, and dependance upon, the Church's authority, as expressed in its living voice. He must be ready to abandon his most cherished opinions, if that voice proclaims them to be at variance with the body of doctrine which our Lord entrusted to the keeping of the Church.

"Now all this requires the exercise of no small degree of intellectual humility, *not perhaps in the mass of the faithful who do not think for themselves, but in men of cultivated minds, powerful intellect, and extensive and accurate knowledge.* They have often to give up what seems to them the more probable (amounting in their eyes, it may be, to a sort of moral certainty) for what appears to them less probable. It demands of them the sacrifice of many a favorite hypothesis which has so much to recommend it, that it comes before their minds as almost a certainty. It involves a surrender of intellectual freedom that is very difficult to the proud intellect of man. But it is this surrender, this subjection of the fallible human reason to the infallible teaching of Faith, which is, at the same time, the glory of the Catholic Church, the safeguard of religious truth, and — for this is our present point — the very foundation of all sanctity for the individual Catholic, involving, as it does, the presence in the soul of a very real, very meritorious habit of humility.

"The Anglican, on the other hand, has no Church which imposes on him any dogmas as of necessity to be believed. or if she does so, she tells him at the same time that nothing is to be required of him unless it can be established by God's