

Nunneries is to teach that every man, every government must be absolutely submitted to the Pope in spiritual as well as in temporal matters. The young men and girls are trained in the most abject principles of slavery. Every command of the Priest and Bishop must be blindly obeyed by the inferiors. And to show you into what incredible degree of degradation, even the most learned men are fallen, in the Church of Rome, I will read you a very authentic document which I have myself copied from the authors, last year, when in England. It was signed by two Jesuits named Lesueur and Francis Jacquier, who had written a book of great repute. In the preface of the third book "De Principils" of Newton, they wrote as follows:—

"Newtonis in hoc 3<sup>o</sup> libro telluris moti hypothesis assumit. Auctoris propositiones aliter explicari non poterant nisi eadem quoque facta hypothesisi. Hinc alienam coacti sumus genera personam. Caterum, latis a pontificibus summis contra telluris motum decretis nos obsequi profiteamur."

Which being translated, reads as follows:—

"In this third book, Newton assumes the motion of the earth around the sun. We have been, then, obliged to speak according to that system, in order to explain the views of the author. We have been thus obliged to appear under a character which is not ours. Nevertheless, we entirely submit to the decrees of the supreme pontiffs, who declare that the earth does not move around the sun." This book was printed in the year 1842, and their minds were so degraded that they were not ashamed to declare their slavery before the whole world. What kind of education, he asked, could parents expect their children to receive from men who were so lacking in common sense as to declare in this age that the earth does not move round the sun? From their book, which he had read, it was plain they did believe it; but they denied it—why? Because the Pope told them it was not true, and they did not see with their own eyes, but with his. When he (Mr. Chiniquy) had finished his education in college, after having received many compliments and prizes for his proficiency, the amount of his intelligence might be judged when he said that he believed a letter which his superior received from a priest, asking the prayers of the students for a poor farmer in his parish, whose horses were nightly whipped by the invisible hand of a sorcerer. He was such a giant of intelligence that he swallowed that story (laughter), and this was the education which boys and girls received from the Jesuits and Nuns. The Roman Catholics point to such lights in their Church as Galileo, Copernicus, Pascal, &c. Galileo was a great man indeed; but he was great and wise in spite of the Priests and Pope of Rome, and not by their assistance. He acquired his knowledge at the risk of his life. When he elevated himself higher than the feet of the Pope of his time, he was thrown into a dungeon, until he had to repent and ask pardon for having made his discoveries, and for knowing things that the Pope did not. Bossuet was also a great man; but Veillot said he was a Protestant, and when