

this. Therefore why indulge in such an impossible statement as—"all law is founded on Catholic truth and Catholic teaching." Pray do not be angry with me, my Roman Catholic friend, but my religion permits me to use my reason and my reason asks for facts in their logical sequence.

Bishop Fallon again if you please. He remarks with the sweep and swing of an orator whose words flow fluently: "The old Catholic church all down the ages has defended the freedom of the individual"—When? How? Where? And for how long? were those words intended for Protestant ears, or was the eloquent spokesman simply indulging in a bit of oratorical extravagance for the pleasure of an admiring and applauding circle of friends? "All down the ages!" What ages? The Middle Ages? The Dark Ages? Has the good bishop reference to the age when Dante was trying to break the chains of five hundred years of papal tyranny and ecclesiastical despotism? Come, come, I have no desire to be hypercritical, but if I know anything about history I know this that the Roman Catholic church has been the great "steam roller" of the ages to crush out the spirit of individual freedom. I answer assertion with assertion. The pages of history lie open. These are days when men read. I have scores of acquaintances among the intelligent Roman Catholic young men of Winnipeg. I can imagine these, if present at the banquet table, eyeing each other knowingly and with a twinkle playing upon the optic nerve, smiling, as the distinguished churchman sailed "all down the ages" flinging off his classic allusions and tossing out his rather loose jointed bits of poetry and metaphor. Pardon me, friend, but I speak as a Protestant.

Permit another choice selection from Bishop Fallon's address. Listen! "Catholic barons, headed by a Catholic bishop" (and, bishops, both Catholic and Protestant, have always had a great way of steering for the head of things). Beg pardon, here is the complete quotation: "Catholic barons, headed by a Catholic bishop, wrested from the unwilling King John the foundation and bulwark of British liberties—the Magna Charta." Just so. When this magnificent piece of history was about to be enacted where were the Protestants? Why was there not some stalwart Luther on hand to march with the Catholic bishop and help him keep step?

Where was General Booth of the Salvation Army, and John Wesley of the Holy Club, and Gypsy Smith, the wandering evangelist, and John Alexander Dowie, of Zion City fame, and the Plymouth Brethren, and the Seventh Day Adventists, and our Christian Science friends and the Latter Day Saints and the Reverend William