

peoples before that event, and compare such with what they are now to be assured that the consuming process, then commenced, has advanced amazingly and is progressing still ; and will, despite all efforts to prevent it — come from whom they may. And why should it not, seeing such is determined by the Lord, the judge of all the earth. Looking at kings and their people in their feelings and action towards the Church of Rome now, and then, and how remarkable the fulfilment of the words of the angel : “ And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate, and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her by fire.”

Look at what confiscations of her ill-gotten wealth, in the years since the commencement of the great Reformation, have been made. Look at the condition of Rome as a city to-day : that the Pope can no longer so control things as even to keep out a Bible from being brought into it, nor prevent a Bible-loving people from having a church in it ; yea, a dozen of them if they have but the means to purchase or build them. See the Pope, living now more as it were on sufferance, than as the haughty and mighty ruler, who affected at one time to depose kings, to give away kingdoms, to put nations under the ban of his interdict, and to release subjects from their oaths of allegiance to their lawful sovereigns.

In the desperate efforts now made to recover his lost influence and authority he has stooped to re-enlist the services of the Jesuits ; but everyone who knows what their principles and history are, will feel satisfied that, like the Indian's boomerang, they are much more likely to injure the hand that uses them than those whom they are employed to oppose. This last policy of your Popes is like the action of the doctor, who, to a dying patient, is applying stimulants, not because he thinks