

Let us pray. "O Lord God, who by thy holy apostle James hast said: 'Is there any one sick among you; let him bring in the priests of the church and let them pray over him; anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick man; and the Lord will raise him up; and, if he be in sins, his sins shall be forgiven him! Cure, we beseech thee, O our Redeemer, the infirmities of this sick one! heal his wounds; discharge his sins; and drive away from him all his pains of body and mind; and mercifully restore to him inwardly perfect health; that being by the aid of thy mercy re-established; he may be restored to his former duties! Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest God, world without end.' Amen.

Let us pray. "Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, on thy servant N., languishing under his bodily infirmity; and revive that soul, which thou hast created; that being amended by chastisement, he may feel himself recovered by thy medicine; through Christ our Lord." Amen.

Let us pray. "O Lord, holy father, omnipotent and eternal God! who by imparting to the bodies of the sick the grace of thy benediction, preservest, with thy manifold tenderness, the works of thy hands; attend propitiously to the invocation of thy name; that thou mayest raise up with thy right hand thy servant freed from his illness, and endowed with health; that thou mayest confirm him with thy virtue; defend him with thy power; and, with all wished for prosperity restore him to thy holy church! through Christ our Lord." Amen.

The final blessing is then imparted: and thus is concluded the sacramental rite of EXTREME UNCTION; which no Protestant can deny to be an apostolical and scriptural one. We have shown above why the reforming worthies thought fit to abolish it. And this they could unblushingly, nay boastingly, proclaim a holy and wholesome innovation!

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THE TORONTO CHURCH; OR CHURCH OF ENGLAND LOYALTY.

The organ of the Church of England in Canada has become a furious politician, and a most outrageous reviler of the government. We think it becomes not a professedly ecclesiastical journal so to mix itself up with political concerns; and, with all the rage of party, to place itself at the head of the Canadian ultra Tory press, and pour out the most vituperative and personally insulting abuse upon the legally appointed authorities. How different is such conduct from that of the primitive christians, towards their heathen rulers, who were daily murdering them

by thousands for their adherence to the faith of the Saviour. In imitation of him, who, "when led like a sheep to the slaughter, opened not his mouth to complain." (Isaiah 53, 7.) Being mindful of the words of the Apostle St. Peter: "Be ye subject to every human creature, for God's sake; whether it be to the king, as excelling; or to governors, as sent by him: fear God; honour the king." (1 Peter, 2, 13, &c.) "Servants be subject to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward." (Ibid. v. 18, &c.) Saint Paul inculcates the same meek submission in stronger terms, in his epistle to the Romans, ch 13: "Let every soul," says he, "be subject to the higher powers; for there is no power, but from God; and those that are ordained of God. Therefore, he who resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God; and they, who resist, purchase to themselves damnation," &c. "Wherefore be subject of necessity, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For therefore also you pay tribute; for they are the Ministers of God, serving unto this purpose. Render therefore to all their due: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour."

Far different from this is the spirit displayed by our Toronto politico-ecclesiastical contemporary, and those, of whom he is the hired organ. Their hankering are all after the good things of this life, place, pension and preferment. The christian's main object is lost sight of in the constant scramble for "the loaves and fishes." They leave it to the Catholic, by his passive and ever ill-rewarded loyalty, to secure to himself the better things in the life to come. This, however, is just as it should be; for the Saviour has said to his followers: "if you had been of the world, the world would love its own; but, because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you." (John 15, 19.) "If the world hate you, know that it hath hated me before you." (Ibid. v. 18.) That the loyalty of Catholics is not to be shaken by evil treatment, has been sufficiently demonstrated by their patient endurance of persecution for more than three hundred years, because it is firmly based on religious principle. The loyalty of others seems but grounded on expedient; a conditional one, like that sworn to in the *Orange dens*; to be observed only as long as the Sovereign rules according to their own particular views, and for their exclusive advantage.

### ROMANISM IN CANADA.

This is the heading of a letter in the Toronto Church paper of the 4th instant, as if what the writer calls *Romanism* were a new importation, like *Anglicanism*, into the Canadas. A more foolish piece of ignorant fanaticism we have seldom seen. We wish the enemies of our church to write always in the same strain. They would thus open the eyes of many to the selfish and grasping character of our Anglican self-styled Episcopalians. The writer must be feelingly interested in the

distribution of the good things; and would naturally wish all the tit bits on his own side of the platter. *Cicero pro Domo sua.*

What pitiful and unworthy shifts our Protestant editors are reduced to, in order to run down in the opinion of the ill-informed portion of the public the Catholic religion: the religion of all the great and learned in the world. Our contemporary, the Toronto Church editor, is not ashamed, in a long ridiculous article composed for that purpose, to tickle his readers with a *miraculous straw*. This is merely to afford him an opportunity of renewing the old calumny of the *Gunpowder Treason*; a Protestant plot invented by King James' chief minister, Cecil, to scare his booby Sovereign from favouring, as he seemed inclined to do, the persecuted Catholics. Truth, however, will out at last; and more exact and honest historians prove that neither *Garnet*, nor the Jesuits, had any thing to do in the villainous machination. It was a state trick, like that of the late Castlereagh; which inveigled and brought the Cato Street conspirators into his snare, and finally to the gallows. What a disgrace then to the Parliamentary Church to have instituted a special holiday to commemorate such an atrocious political falsehood; in order to perpetuate the hatred of the Protestant public against their Catholic fellow subjects, as if the unborn as well as born had participated in the alleged conspiracy. And who can read, without horror, the prayer directed by that church to be addressed to God by her hearers, while pretending to thank him for preserving her from a mock mischief of her own making. They tell Him, lest he should not be aware of it, that all this was effected by the *secret contrivance and hellish malice of the cruel and blood thirsty Papists*. This outdoes by far the proud Pharisees' address to God, and his scornful allusion to the humble publican's unworthiness, as related in the gospel.

We thought our *Alpha* of the *Kingston News* would long ere this have ended in *Omega*. But it still appears in its original shape on the pages of the eminent semipolemical editor's journal. This argumentative nondescript denies infallibility to the Church. There is therefore no absolute certainty in her testimony. Then Christ's declaration was vain, when he affirmed that "he had built her on the rock, and that the gates of hell [the false sects conducting thither] should not prevail against her." (Matt. 16, 18.) And when he promised that he himself would be with her pastors, together with "his holy spirit, who would teach them all truth, and bring to their minds all things, whatsoever he had said unto them" (Matt. 28, 20; John 14, 16; Ibid. 16, 13.) And he also affirmed that "heaven and earth should pass away, but that his word should never pass away." (Matt. 24, 35.) Therefore does St. Paul style his church "the pillar and ground of truth." (1 Tim. 3, 15.) We think there is something more here (and how much more might be added to prove our obligation to "hear and obey the Church?") than what our

Alpha styles our *ipse dixit*. Now, if the Church of Rome, which converted the pagan nations to christianity; which alone has existed from the days of the Apostles to the present hour; and which, compared with any other sect calling itself christian, exceeds it in number, learning and extension; nay, which in these respects exceeds them all joined together; if such a church be not the only one, which we are bound "to hear and obey;" let our Alpha say, which is the one; for the church of Christ is but ONE, and not MANY. It is "the one fold, of the one shepherd." (John 10.) The other sects are each of them grounded only on the *ipse dixit* of its particular founder, whose name or notions its members have chosen to adopt: those of Luther, *Lutherans*; of Calvir, *Calvinists*; of Wesley, *Wesleyans*, &c. &c. &c.; all of them *protesters* against the first, and only church founded by Christ; whilst that church, against which all and each of them protest (otherwise they could have no pretext to force themselves upon the notice of the public), that only church owns no other founder, and bears no other name, but the name of him who said, "where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matt 18, 20.) But to show how ready one is, as we see daily, to follow those who come in their own name, he said on another occasion: "I come in my father's name, and you receive me not. If another shall come in his own name, him you will receive." (John 5, 43.)

Our Alpha has taken good time to draw his breath, before his fresh encounter with us. And still is he forced, before his new onset, to call in to his aid some champions of his own kidney, to assist him in the perilous conflict. *Mede*, and one *Gurnet in complete armour*, are summoned by him to his assistance. But all to no purpose. "*Sagittæ parvulorum factæ sunt plage eorum: et infirmatus sunt contra eos linguæ eorum.*" Ps. 63, 5. But why argue against one, whose worldly interest and comfort forbid him to own the truth? This were but singing to the deaf. *Claudite jam rivus pueri sat prata veberunt.*

The Rev. M. McDonald R. C. Clergyman from Maidstone will be in this Town on Tuesday the 22nd November. The object of the Rev. Gentleman is to ascertain what the prospects are for supporting a Clergyman for the Roman Catholics in the neighbourhood. It appears that application has been made some time since to the Bishop, by several of the inhabitants, in compliance with which Mr. McDonald has been instructed to visit the town and furnish a report. The Roman Catholics in and about the town are sufficiently numerous to have a preacher and church of their own, and no doubt will not let the opportunity slip of meeting their Pastor and endeavouring to make arrangements for the attainment of an object so desirable to them.—*Chatham Journal*.

GRATIFYING FACT.—Within the last thirty years nine hundred Catholic churches have been built or restored in Ireland.—*Freeman's Journal*.