

# The Church.

"HER FOUNDATIONS ARE UPON THE HOLY HILLS."

STAND YE IN THE WAYS, AND SEE, AND ASK FOR THE OLD PATHS, WHERE IS THE GOOD WAY, AND WALK THEREIN, AND YE SHALL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS.—JEREMIAH VI. 16.

VOLUME III.]

## Poetry.

### GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

The Queen! the Queen! God save the Queen,  
Our native English rose;  
Midst loyal hearts long may she reign,  
On British faith repose;  
Heaven on Victoria's empire smile,  
Bright star of Albion's sea-girt isle!

The Queen! the Queen! God bless the Queen  
With upright heart and true,  
To guard the laws—the rights maintain  
To free-born Britons due;  
Throned in a people's ready love,  
Blest, and a blessing, may she prove.

The Queen! the Queen! God keep the Queen  
From secret dangers free;  
Should foreign foes in arms be seen,  
Give her the victory;  
Whilst hearts of oak maintain her sway,  
And hail her empress of the sea!

The Queen! the Queen! God give the Queen  
His chaste and holy fear,  
To love his Church and Word divine,  
His ordinance revere;  
And England keep a burning light,  
Truth's beacon-star, all purely bright.

The Queen! the Queen! God make the Queen  
A joy to Britain's land;  
And love and loyalty combine  
To guard our native strand;  
Speed gloriously Victoria's reign,  
Bless England's realm, save England's Queen!

*Cotager's Monthly Visitor.*

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### THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH APOSTOLICAL.\*

There are many persons at the present day, who, from not having turned their minds to the subject, think they are Churchmen in the sense in which the early Christians were, merely because they are Episcopalians. The extent of their Churchmanship is, to consider that Episcopacy is the best form of Ecclesiastical Polity; and again, that it originated with the Apostles. I am far from implying, that to go thus far is nothing; or is not an evidence, (for it is,) of a reverent and sober temper of mind; still the view is defective. It is defective, because the expediency of a system, though a very cogent, is not the highest line of argument that may be taken in its defence: and an opponent may deny the fact of the Apostolicity of Episcopacy, and so involve its maintainer in an argument. Doubtless the more clear and simple principle for a Churchman to hold, is that of a *Ministerial Succession*; which is undeniable as a fact, while it is most reasonable as a doctrine, and sufficiently countenanced in Scripture for its practical reception. Of this, Episcopacy, i. e. *Superintendence*, is but an accident; though, for the sake of conciseness, it is often spoken of us synonymous with it. It shall be the object of the following Tract to insist upon this higher characteristic of our Church.

My position then is this:—that the Apostles appointed successors to their ministerial office, and the latter in turn appointed others, and so on to the present day:—and further, that the Apostles and their successors have in every age committed portions of their power and authority to others, who thus become their delegates, and in a measure their representatives, and are called Priests and Deacons. The result is an Episcopal system, *because* of the practice of delegation; but we may conceive their keeping their powers altogether to themselves; and in the same proportion in which this was done, would the Church polity cease to be Episcopalian. We may conceive the Order of Apostolic Vicars, (so to call it,) increased, till one of them was placed in every village, and took the office of parish Priest. I do not say such a measure would be justifiable or pious;—doubtless it would be a departure from the rule of antiquity; but it is conceivable; and it is useful to conceive it, in order to form a clear notion of the essence of the Church System, and the defective state of those Christian Societies, which are separate from the Church Catholic. It is a common answer made to those who are called High Churchmen, to say, that "if God had intended the *form* of Church Government to be of great consequence, He would have worded His will in this manner more clearly in Scripture." Now enough has already been said to show the irrelevance of such a remark. We need not deny to the Church the abstract right, (however we may question the propriety,) of altering its own constitution. It is not merely because Episcopacy is a *better or more scriptural form* than Presbyteranism, (true as this may be in itself,) that Episcopalians are right, and Presbyterians are wrong; but because the Presbyterian Ministers have assumed a power, which was never intrusted to them. They have presumed to exercise the power of ordination, and to perpetuate a succession of ministers, without having received a commission to do so. This is the plain fact that condemns them; and is a standing condemnation, from which they cannot escape, except by sacrifices of argument, which will serve equally to protect the self-appointed teacher of religion. If they may ordain without being sent to do so, others may teach and preach without being sent. They hold a middle position, which is untenable as destroying itself; for if Christians can do without Bishops, (i. e. Commissioned Ordinaries, they may do without Commissioned Ministers, (i. e. the Priests and Deacons.) If an imposition of hands is necessary to convey one gift, why should it not be to convey another?

1. As to the *fact* of the Apostolical Succession, i. e. that our present Bishops are the heirs and representatives of the Apostles by successive transmission of the prerogative of being so, this is too notorious to require proof. Every link in the chain is known from St. Peter to our present Metropolitans. Here then I only ask, looking at this plain fact by itself, is there not something of a divine providence in it? can we conceive that this Succession has been preserved all over the world, amid many revolutions, through many centuries, *for nothing?* Is it wise or prou to despise or neglect a gift thus transmitted to us in matter of fact, even if Scripture did not touch upon the subject?

2. Next, consider how *natural* is the doctrine of a Succession. When an individual comes to me, claiming to speak in the name of the Most High, it is natural to ask him for his authority. If he replies, that we are all bound to instruct each other, this reply is intelligible, but in the very form of it excludes the notion of a ministerial order, i. e. a class of persons set apart from others for religious offices. If he appeals to some miraculous gift, this too is intelligible, and only unsatisfactory when

the alleged gift is proved to be a fiction. No other answer can be given, except a reference to some person, who has given him license to exercise ministerial functions; then follows the question, *how* that individual gained his authority to do so. In the case of the Catholic Church, the person referred to, i. e. the Bishop, has received it from a predecessor, and he from another, and so on, till we arrive at the Apostles themselves, and thence our Lord and Saviour. It is superfluous to dwell on so plain a principle, which in matters of this world we act upon daily.

3. Lastly, the *argument from Scripture* is surely quite clear to those, who honestly wish direction for *practice*. CHRIST promised HE would be with His Apostles always, as ministers of his religion, even unto the end of the world. In one sense the Apostles were to be alive till HE came again; but they all died at the natural time. Does it not follow that there are those now alive who represent them? Now who were the most probable representatives of them in the generation next their death? They surely, whom they have ordained to succeed them in the ministerial work. If any persons could be said to have CHRIST's power and presence, and the gifts of ruling and ordaining, of teaching, of binding and loosing, (and comparing together the various Scriptures on the subject, all these seem included in His promise to be with the Church always,) surely those on whom the Apostles laid their hands, were they. And so in the next age, if any were representatives of the first representatives, they must be the next generation of Bishops, and so on. Now does it materially alter the argument, though we suppose the blessing upon Ministerial Officers made, not to the Apostles, but to the whole body of Disciples; i. e. the Church. For, even if it be the Church that has the power of ordination committed to it, still it exercises it through the Bishops as its organs; and the question recurs, *how* has the Presbytery in this or that country obtained the power? The Church certainly has from the first committed it to the Bishops, and has never resumed it; and the Bishops have no where committed it to the Presbytery, who therefore cannot be in possession of it.

However, it is merely for argument sake that I make this allowance, as to the meaning of the text in Matt. xxviii; for our Lord's promise of His presence "unto the end of the world," was made to the Apostles, *by themselves*.

At the same time, let it be observed what force is added to the argument for the Apostolical Succession, by the acknowledged existence in Scripture of the doctrine of a standing Church, or permanent Body Corporate for spiritual purposes. For, if Scripture has formed all Christians into one continuous community through all ages, (which I do not here prove,) it is but according to the same analogy, that the Ministerial Office should be vested in an Order propagated from age to age, on a principle of Succession. And, if we proceed to considerations of utility and expedience, it is plain, that according to our notions, it is more necessary that a Minister should be perpetuated by a fixed law, than that the community of Christians should be, which can scarcely be considered to be vested with any powers, such as to require the visible authority which a Succession supplies.

### INFANT BAPTISM;

A SOURCE OF GREAT SPIRITUAL COMFORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO CHRISTIAN PARENTS IN THE EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILDREN.\*

unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God." Again, "Whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me." Observe how HE speaks as if he would give you some great and urgent encouragement; not only does HE give permission, but HE promises a reward to those who dedicate children to HIM. He not only bids us do the very thing we wish to do, but bestows on the doing it a second blessing. HE promises that if we bring children to HIM for a blessing, HE will bless us for doing so; if we receive them for HIS sake, HE will make it as if we received HIMSELF. Thus while we are engaged in this work of receiving children in HIS name, let us recollect, to our great comfort, that we are about no earthly toil; we are taking part in a joyful solemnity, in a blessed and holy ordinance.

When parents consider their child as having received its very nature, which is corrupt and ungodly, from themselves, their tender love towards him may be humbled and distressed by this thought:—"This dear and helpless object of our affection is a sinner *through his parents*, shapen in iniquity, conceived in sin, born a child of wrath." Now I conceive this dreadful thought is at once removed, directly it is known that they who gave him his natural being, may also bring him to a second birth, in which original sin is washed away, and such influences of grace given and promised, as make it a child's own fault, if he, in this event, fails of receiving an eternal inheritance of blessedness in God's presence. They undo their original injury. Now that Christ receives us in our infancy, no one has any ground for complaining of his fallen nature. HE receives by birth a curse, but by baptism a blessing, and the blessing is the greater; and to murmur now against his condition is all one with murmuring against his being created at all, his being created as a responsible being, which is a murmuring, not against man but against GOD: for though it was man who has made nature inclined to evil, yet, that we are beings on a trial with moral natures, a power to do right or wrong, and a capacity of happiness or misery, is not man's work but the Creator's. Thus parents being allowed to bestow a second birth upon their offspring, henceforth do but show, and are sheltered in His responsibility (if I may so speak), who is ever justified in His sayings, and overcomes when HE is judged.

And Solomon, even under the law, assures us that, if a child be trained up in the way he should go, when he is old he will not depart from it. Much more (please GOD) will this be true, when the parents' prayers and the children's training are attended by so great and present benefit as regenerating baptism. Much more when HIS Son has so graciously made the little children patterns to grown men, declaring that then, and then only, we become true members of his kingdom when we become like them; and when, in sign of HIS favour, "HE took them up in HIS arms, put HIS hands upon them, and blessed them." Let a man consider how much is contained in the declaration, that GOD "wills our salvation;" that "HE hath not appointed us unto wrath, but to obtain salvation;" and he will feel that he may safely trust his children to their Lord and Saviour,—the care of them being no longer a burdensome nor sorrowful toil, though an anxious one, but a labour of love,—a joyful service done to Christ.

\* St. Mark, x. 14. † St. Matt. xviii. 5. ‡ Prov. xxii. 6.

### THE DIVINITY OF CHRIST

IMPLIED BY THE DEMAND WHICH THE REDEEMER MAKES ON THE SUPREME AFFECTIONS OF HIS FOLLOWERS.\*

"He that loveth father or mother more than me, is not worthy of me; and he that loveth son or daughter more than me, is not worthy of me."

Independently of the multitude of direct and incontrovertible declarations of Scripture, which establish on a basis, that no human sophistry will ever be able to overthrow, that all-important truth, which forms the foundation-stone of the whole fabric of Christianity,—I mean the essential Deity of the Son of God,—there are many indirect and inferential arguments, that bear upon this point, with a fulness and a force so delightfully convincing to a believer's heart, that, as far as his own feelings are concerned, he prefers them to the more formal statements of the doctrine, however strong, and would be content to rest the whole weight of the cause on these more indirect, yet, if possible, more irresistible testimonies to the Godhead of his beloved and adored Redeemer!

Among these, there is one, implied in the words of the text, which appears to me to rank pre-eminently high,—namely, the demand which, in those words, the Redeemer makes on the *supreme affections of his followers*—the requisition to be enthroned in their hearts, as the object of their highest, deepest, most devoted love!

It is manifest from the whole testimony of Scripture, that this is precisely the demand made by Jehovah on his creatures,—that the requisition of God to every child of Adam is, "Give me thine heart!"—and that the quarrel of God with the children of men is this refusal to comply with this most righteous requisition, and their lavishing on the creature that supremacy of affection, which is the inalienable prerogative of the ever-blessed God!

This being the case, I cannot understand how any one, taking the Scripture as his guide, in the face of the express declaration, that God is a jealous God and will not give his glory to another, can suppose that he would allow one of his own creatures—(for if the Redeemer be not the Creator, he must, however highly exalted, be but a creature)—to usurp a prerogative, of which he has declared himself to be so jealous—as that of being loved with their whole heart, and soul, and strength, by the children of men! I cannot understand on what principle it can be argued, that this jealous God would permit *any created being* thus to put himself forward, as claiming the supreme affections of the human heart! I cannot persuade myself that the majesty of the Most High would thus stoop to share his throne with the work of his own hands! To share the throne of man's heart, did I say? Oh, my friends, I shudder to give utterance to the thought, which yet I cannot conceal, that if Jesus be not Jehovah, the Creator must be subordinated to the creature in his share of man's affections! because, from the very constitution of man's nature, his heart must be most powerfully attracted towards the object, who has manifested towards him the most exalted and endearing display of disinterested love;—and what is the love displayed in our creation, immense as it unquestionably is, when compared with that which is displayed in our redemption?

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In what a fearful struggle between gratitude and terror must therefore the life of that individual be held, who receives the atonement, but rejects the divinity, of the Son of God!

When he weighs together the claims of his Creator and his Redeemer—the former, without a struggle, putting forth the energy of omnipotence for his creation—the latter, without a murmur, enduring the agonies of Calvary for his redemption,—how awfully must he be exposed to the danger of breaking the first and great commandment, and loving the creature more than the Creator! How perpetually must he be watching his grateful emotions towards the Saviour, lest they run into a sinful excess! How continually be keeping down the swellings of his heart, awakened by the contemplation of a Redeemer's love, lest they rise into the guilt of idolatry against his God!

Oh, how different are the feelings of the believer, who, on the sure testimony of Scripture, receives, loves, and adores the Saviour as his Lord and his God! *His* only fear is, that he can never love this Saviour-God as gratefully, nor serve him as devotedly, as he feels he ought to do! The majesty of the God of glory rings round the sufferings of the Man of sorrows, a divine grandeur and attractiveness, which captivate his whole heart and life to the love and service of the God of his salvation: and all the glories of creative power, all the bounties of providential goodness, all the tenderness of redeeming love, and all the riches of renewing grace, combine to draw up every energy of his soul, and every affection of his heart, to the one supreme source of all his blessings—his creating, preserving, redeeming, and sanctifying God!

### HORAE LITURGICAE.

NO. XX.

#### THE PRAYERS FOR THE QUEEN AND ROYAL FAMILY.

"The Church of England," says Dean Comber, "is famous above all other Churches, for her entire loyalty to the King, which may be seen not only in the lives of the two sons thereof; but in these prayers which are prescribed, to be daily made therein for His Majesty's welfare; which no office in the world can parallel." We may add that in order to ensure the performance of this Christian obligation, the duty of loyalty is inculcated by our Church in the very rudiments of religious instruction which she supplies to her youthful members: they are taught, in that excellent compendium of Christian duty, the Church Catechism, "to honour and obey the King, and all that are put in authority under him, to submit themselves to all their governors, teachers, spiritual pastors and masters; to order themselves lowly and reverently to all their betters."

Nor is this the dictate of mere human authority,—it rests upon the most positive commands of Scripture. St. Paul, in giving instructions to Timothy concerning the ministerial office, exhorts that "first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings and all that are in authority." In this the Apostle clearly shows that not only are such prayers and supplications a Christian duty, but that it is incumbent also upon the pastors and teachers of the church of Christ to enjoin and recommend them. And in doing so, they advanced no new doctrine; but merely enforced what, from the earliest time, had been included amongst the principles of the true religion.

On the first appointment of a king in Israel, the prophet Samuel was most particular in explaining the reverence and obedience which was due to the royal authority; and the conduct of David during the last days of the unhappy Saul, very paternally represents the honour which he felt it a duty to pay to "the Lord's anointed." Persecuted as he was by that infatuated king, David scrupulously forbore to injure him; and, at the cave of Engid, when Saul was completely in his power, he resisted the advice to rid himself at once of his rival, in this affecting strain, "The Lord forbid that I should do this thing unto my master, the Lord's anointed, to stretch forth hand against him, seeing he is the anointed of the Lord." Instead, too, of rewarding the Amalekite, who confessed that he had slain Saul, this the language and this the treatment with which he was received, "How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thine hand against the Lord's anointed?" And David called one of the young men, and said, go near and fall upon him; and he smote him that he died."

We find in scripture that these words, "Let the king live!"—corresponding to the popular salutation, "God save the king,"—were a very usual form of address in ancient times; and "O king, live for ever," was a salutation often spoken by the best of men to the worst of kings. It was enjoined upon the Israelites by Moses "not to revile the gods (that is, the judges) nor curse the ruler of the people;" and the wise Solomon includes this admonition amongst his admirable precepts, "Curse not the king, no, not in thy thoughts, and curse not the rich in thy bed-chamber. I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that in regard to the oath of God."

In the New Testament, we have, in the first place, the example and commands of our blessed Saviour, enjoining the same duty. Not only did he pay the "tribute money" as soon as it was demanded, but when questioned upon the subject of civil obedience, his language was, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's."

St. Paul furnishes us with an instance of the respect which is due to persons in authority, in his contention with the High-priest of the Jews. Having been rebuked by the by-standers for addressing himself to the priest with such familiarity, he acknowledged the justice of the censure, and said, "I wish not, brethren, that he was the high priest; for it is written, Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people."

Amongst the precepts which the same Apostle delivers, is this express injunction to his Roman converts, "Let every soul be subject to the higher powers; for there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever, therefore, resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God; and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation." His charge to Timothy on the same subject we have already adduced, and to Titus he addresses himself in a similar strain—"put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work." The duty is thus strongly inculcated also by the Apostle St. Peter, "Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be unto the king, as supreme; or unto governors as unto them that are sent by him, for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well." And amongst the "unjust, reserved unto the day of judgment to be punished," he ranks "those that despise governments and speak evil of dignities."

In recapitulating these Scriptural precepts, it is worthy of observation that the government and rulers to whom these injunctions were applied, were, for the most part, despotic and tyrannical. While St. Peter and St. Paul were urging their converts to royal obedience, they were subject to the dominion of the emperor Nero—a monster of cruelty, who has scarcely his parallel in the annals of crime. And it was in relation to heathen sovereigns, that Tertullian spoke these remarkable words, We pray for the

safety of the emperors to the eternal God, the true, the living God, whom emperors themselves would desire to be propitious to them above all others who are called gods. .... We constantly pray for all emperors, that they may have a long life, a secure empire, a safe house, strong armies, a faithful senate, a well-moralized people, a quiet state of the world, whatever Caesar would wish for himself in his public and private capacity."

It is in conformity with such precepts and examples, from the Word of God and the custom of the purest ages, that our Church has introduced into her admirable ritual, repeated prayers in behalf of those that are in authority. She steadily adheres to the principle, that the duties of good subjects and of good Christians are essentially and inseparably conjoined; and that unfaithfulness to human laws, and disaffection to earthly rulers, uniformly betokens a spirit which is adverse to the obligations of religion, and unwilling to pay a becoming homage to the majesty of the King of kings.

If, in times of tyranny and persecution, when heathen governors and a heathen priesthood endeavoured to extinguish the Christian name; if, at a time when "prayers and tears" were the only arms of the Church, the followers of the Lord Jesus were exemplary in their obedience to the civil government; if they prayed for its welfare and laboured for its weal; we, surely, are bound to maintain a warm affection and a firm adherence to "our Jerusalem, that peace may be

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Of a truth, we of the English Church are blessed beyond others, would we but apprehend our privileges! Brought nigh, as we are, to our Lord Jesus Christ, with such abundant mercy and undeserved! If we come short of plenary grace in Him, what shall we dare plead in the day of account?

"What manner of persons ought we to be?" for we have "come unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels; to the general assembly and Church of the first-born enrolled in heaven; to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the perfect just, and to Jesus the Mediator of the New Testament, and to the blood of sprinkling!"—Would that the feelings of Christ's first disciples were ours!—"Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." Would that we were more thankful to God for the present blessings of His Church! Would that we used our prayers, and tried them well, before seeking of amending them, or understood our holy offices, instead of seeking to shorten them! Have we now, in this late century, to seek out new faith, some new instructor or guide? God deliver us from this blindness! May He help His people to see what treasures of unknown grace lie hidden in His holy Church among us! "We have all and abound." Let us only "give diligence" thereto, that when Christ cometh, we may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless."

"Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honour dwelleth!" So holy David could say from the very depths of his soul; and shall we who are brought into a holier place, "the habitation of God through the Spirit," be forgetful to give utterance to a ardent love—a devotion as deep and pure?

O holy Church of England! Brightest and fairest province of the realm of heaven on earth! What shining paths of truth and holiness are thine! And they are thronged by all thymany saints, further than eye can trace through long past ages! What rivers of full grace flow through thy mighty channels! What living fountains send forth their waters, refreshing evermore the weary and parched soul! Within thy hallowed walls thy saintly children trod in ancient days, ("the old times" of which our fathers have told us,") they whose monuments of goodness and glory are around us, in whose prayers we pray to the eternal Father of all, in whose Psalms "we praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord" from age to age. O holy Church of the many wise and good! O Church of patient martyrs and godly confessors, with whom we hold such mystical communion, such "fellowship one with another." To God be glory in Thee, O Church of our land, throughout all ages, world without end! Amen.—Iron's Parochial Lectures.

## OUR COUNTRY.

We love our country, because it is the home, it has been the beneficent to the Church; because it still recognises it; it in great measure is, and belongs to, the Church; has long been sanctified by its presence; and may once more, we trust, be identified with her: we love it because it was the scene of the good deeds of the fathers of our Church, and is blended with their memory, and guards and still reverences their hallowed ashes: we love it, because in it "our lines have fallen in a goodly heritage," because in it our tasks have been allotted, and our crown is to be won.—But she is not the object of our affections, fair though she be; she is not our ark, but the mountain wherein our ark for the time dwells; it is for the sake of that ark, that we "pray for her peace;" and if that be bidden to remove, it is not in the deserted hill-top of Zion, but in the living temple, which is "throughout all the world," that our home is.—Dr. Pusey.

## THE CHURCH.

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An intelligent correspondent has lately requested from us some general information respecting the Oxford TRACTS,—concerning which, he reminds us, there are many conflicting opinions afloat; some of them to the purport that the doctrines advanced in these Tracts are papistical and heretical, and subversive of the purity of Christian truth.

We might refer our respected correspondent, as a general answer to this inquiry, to an article from the London Quarterly Review, which appeared in our columns on this subject in the month of June last; and which we were induced to set before our readers in preference to any remarks of our own,—partly because the review in question evinced a much fuller knowledge of the subject than we had had the opportunity of acquiring, and because there was about it a spirit of fairness and censure,—placing a charitable construction upon the imputed faults of the Tracts, and making known their undoubted excellencies to the world,—which claimed for it the merit of a dispassionate judgment, with the praise of an honest candour.

In acknowledging more lately the receipt of a few numbers of these Tracts from the Protestant Episcopal Press of New York, where they are being republished, we took the opportunity of expressing a general opinion concerning them,—admitting the many valuable qualities which they undeniably possess, but refraining from pledging ourselves to the defence of every opinion which they may set forth. To this view of the subject we still adhere; and we adopt this language of caution as well because they contain some expressions—susceptible certainly of an orthodox interpretation—which might be injuriously construed, as because we have not yet been able to give them *all* that attentive perusal by which a complete judgment can be formed or a critical opinion pronounced.

Still we have not been unmindful of the controversy to which they have given rise, nor indifferent to the alarms which the alleged novelty of their tenets has in so many instances awakened. One inference begotten by a calm observation of this controversy, we shall not refrain from expressing,—and that is, that from whatsoever cause, whether from real concern for the truth which was thought to be in jeopardy or from the impulse of party jealousy, a very unfair construction has frequently been placed upon the sentiments and tendency of the Oxford Tracts. Every opinion which might bear the remotest appearance of error has been carefully selected from these writings, and held up to the condemnation of the conscientious Christian; while those sentiments which, by implication, would lead to a direct contradiction of the very errors imputed, were studiously kept out of sight.

This vehemence of polemical assault,—this apparent desire to sweep away with the besom of wrath, and without the condescension of an impartial trial, these emanations from some of the most distinguished divines of a Protestant and learned University,—was calculated to awaken the antecedent impression that there was more of zeal than judgment, more of warmth than justice in the denunciations which were promulgated against them. It certainly did not diminish our impression of this unfairness of dealing, and this comparative idleness of invective, when we perceived in how many instances the acknowledgement was made by those who were the loudest and most vehement in their condemnation of the heretical tendency of the Tracts for the Times, that they had never read them! Much less was our respect for these whole-sale and random accusations increased, when we knew that many—perhaps a majority of instances—this condemnation of the imputed errors of the Oxford Tracts emanated from individuals who were the merest tyros in theological learning; who had scarcely read a line of Ecclesiastical History, or a chapter upon

Church Antiquities, beyond what is presented, meagre and second-hand, in the elementary books furnished to the youngest students in Divinity!

Knowing then, as in some instances we personally do, the character of those whose motives are so unfeeling traduced,—their learning, compared with which the acquirements of their assailants are, for the most part, puny and contemptible,—their piety, from which the most self-esteeming of the advocates of truth and purity might learn a lesson,—their christian meekness and humility, which ought to put to shame the uncharitable impugners of their motives,—their consistent faithfulness to their fathers' Church, which too many in the irreverent spirit of Canaan, are treating with unfilial disregard,—knowing all these things, we have not merely received with distrust the floating accusations against the heretical tendency of the Tracts for the Times, but we have been led to believe that, if fairly weighed and honestly examined, they would be found to contain more truth than error,—more that the consistent member of our National and Apostolical Church should be thankful for than condemn.

One advantage—a blessing we shall not hesitate to call it—the writers of the Tracts for the Times have, we believe, been mainly instrumental in achieving,—and that is, a better understanding of the real claims of the Church, and a clearer perception amongst its hitherto too careless and ill-informed members, of the real and Scriptural nature of that Apostolical commission upon the maintenance of which in its integrity, the unity and we must believe the prosperity of the Church so mainly and essentially depends. In division there will always be weakness; and the door left open to the very principle and ground-work and food of dissent,—namely, in lax opinions upon the authenticity of the ministerial commission—division must inevitably increase, and the influence of Christianity be proportionally impaired.

To the Romish Church, the writers of the Tracts of the Times have, with the candour of truth, conceded the merit of retaining that principle of unity, to which Protestant Christians are lamentably indifferent or which they are sinfully surrendering. To "look upon the Church as one whole, one ordinance of God, as a house of God's building, as the witness of the truth to the whole world, and the keeper of the Sacraments,"—this is vantage-ground which the Papistical Church, in its wilfulness, has been careful not to surrender; but which the members of the true Catholic Church have in recklessly abandoning, cast away the cement of their strength.

But while these learned and Christian writers deplore the indifference of Protestants to what the Papists so wisely retain; while they lament the looseness and the speculations to which the reckless abandonment of this tenet has given rise,—so that novelties in religion are discussed and adopted now-a-days with much the same coolness and nearly the same motives as improvements in the adaptation of the power of steam,—what is their real opinion of the tendency of Popery? Let these writers speak for themselves:

"Alas! with them A UNION IS IMPOSSIBLE. Their communion is infected with heresy; we are bound to flee it as a pestilence. They have established a lie in the place of God's truth; and by their claim of immutability in doctrine, cannot undo the sin they have committed. They cannot repent. Popery must be destroyed; it cannot be reformed."

Let this serve as an answer to those who fasten upon these Oxford divines the stigma of attachment to the errors of Popery: let their own disclaimer be received, and not the false glosses which ignorance or malice may have palmed upon the Christian world. We cannot better strengthen our observations upon this subject than by quoting the words of one of the authors of the Tracts: after deplored the corruption of the Romish Church, which renders a union with them impossible, he adds:—

"Now then what is the Christian to do? Is he forced back upon that cheerless atheism (for so it practically must be considered) which prevailed in the world before Christ's coming, poorly alleviated, as it was, by the received polytheisms of the heathen? Can we conceive a greater calamity to have occurred at the time of our Reformation, one which the Enemy of man would have been more set on effecting, than to have entangled the whole of the Church Catholic in the guilt of heresy, and so force every one who worshipped in spirit and in truth, to flee out of doors into the bleak world, in order to save his soul? I do not think that Satan could have desired any event more eagerly, than such an alternative; viz., to have forced Christians, either to remain in communion with heresy, or to join themselves, in some such spontaneous union among themselves, as is dissolved as easily as it is formed. Blessed be God! his malice has been thwarted. I do believe it to be one of the most conspicuous mark of God's adorable providence over us, as great as we saw a miracle, that Christians in England escaped in that evil day from either extreme, neither corrupted doctrinally, nor secularized ecclesiastically. Thus in every quarter of the world, from North America to New South Wales, a Zorah has been provided for those who would fain escape Sodoma yet dread to be without shelter. I will it as an omen and our present peril, that our Church will not be destroyed. He hath been mindful of us; He will bless us. He hath wonderfully preserved our Church as a true branch of the Church Universal, yet whilst preserved it free from heresy. It is Catholic and Apostolic, yet not Papistical."

With this reflection before us, does it not seem the most utermost ingenuity to an astonishing Providence of God's mercy, to be

negligent, as many Churchmen now are, of the gift? to attempt unions with those who have separated from the Church, to break down the partition walls, and to argue as if religion were altogether and only a matter of each man's private concern, and that the State and Nation were not bound to prefer the Apostolical Church to all self-originated forms of Christianity? But this is a point beside my purpose. Take the matter merely in the light of human expedience. Shall we be so far less wise in our generation than the children of this world, as to relinquish the support which the Truth receives from the influence of a Visible Church upon the imagination, from the energy of operation which a well-disciplined Body insures? Shall we not foil the Papists, not with their own weapons, but with weapons which are ours as well as theirs? or, on the other hand, shall we with a melancholy infatuation give them up to them? Depended upon it, it is to do them the most serious injury. It is to deprive them of their only strength.—But if we neglected to do so, what will be the consequence? Break down the Divine Authority of our Apostolical Church, and you are plainly preparing the way for Popery in our land.—Human nature cannot remain without visible guides; it chooses them for itself, if it is not provided for them. If the Aristocracy and the Church fall, Popery steps in. Political events are beyond our power, and perhaps out of our sphere; but ecclesiastical matters are in the hands of all Churchmen."

We have more to say upon this subject, and on others connected with it to which our respected correspondent has drawn our attention; but the length of this article reminds us that our further observations must be postponed. In the mean time, to those who are desirous of learning in sincerity the merits of this controversy, we cannot offer a better recommendation than to procure and peruse the Tracts for themselves. They may possibly be startled by some strange opinions; but the alarm in most instances, we believe, will prove to be one which a candid construction of their meaning and the general bearing of their writings will dispel: certain we are, at least, that they cannot fail to derive instruction and benefit from them as a whole. They are now being published in cheap form at the Protestant Episcopal Press in New York,—a pretty safe guarantee, when we look to the directors of that Press, that no injury to the purity of our Protestant principles is anticipated from their dismemberment.

We perused, with feelings of much regret and discomfit, the article in the *Southern Churchman* of the 4th inst, which refers to this journal; not, we must beg our esteemed contemporary to understand, from any dissatisfaction with the manner in which his complaint was made—for our Christian brother retains his characteristic amiableness even in his rebukes—but that

the language of complaint should have been in the slightest degree called for. Had we, at the moment the article which wounds the feelings of our contemporary was penned, occupied, as usual, the editorial chair which we are so conscious of our unworthiness to fill, we certainly should not have said less than was expressed in praise of the *Churchman* of New York, the *Gospel Messenger* of Utica, the *Chronicle of the Church* of New Haven, and the *Banner of the Cross* of Philadelphia, but most certainly we should have included in our humble commendations the *Southern Churchman* of Virginia, the *Episcopal Recorder* of Philadelphia, the *Gambier Observer* of Ohio, and the *Christian Witness* of Boston. With the *Charleston Gospel Messenger* we have no acquaintance, because we have not enjoyed the benefit of an exchange with that journal. Our deprivation of this advantage may, however, be chargeable as much upon ourselves as upon our contemporary; for neither have chance to volunteer the courtesy of an exchange. The undesigned estrangement shall, nevertheless, as far as we are concerned, be terminated now, and the transmission of the present number to our fellow-labourer of Charleston will be an earnest to him, we trust, of our desire to establish with him the same fraternal intercourse that,—the present little discordancy notwithstanding,—has so long happily subsisted between our editorial brethren in the United States, and ourselves.

At the period in which the article alluded to by the *Southern Churchman* was written, we were unavoidably absent; and our editorial duties were delegated to a gentleman who, with literary qualifications of the highest order and a zeal for our Zion rarely equalled, had nevertheless not the same acquaintance with the merits of all our exchange papers which our own longer experience of their value enabled us to possess. It may be that our able and estimable friend perceived, during the period in which our exchange papers came under his review, a more marked acknowledgment of the religious and literary pre-eminence of his dear native land in those journals which elicited his special commendations than in the ones which may appear to have been slighted by his silence; or there may have seemed to him a more vigorous advocacy in the one than in the other of those distinctive principles of the Church, upon the firm maintenance of which we perhaps all agree that her integrity and advancement so much depends.

Whether this be the case or not,—unfortunately we cannot appeal to him for his opinion,—we, for our own part, most unhesitatingly renew, what our contemporary will recollect we have often before expressed, our acknowledgments of the favour and kindness with which as well by himself as by those other fellow-labourers with whom he classes his name, our humble exertions have been uniformly rewarded.

The imputation is sometimes made—perhaps not without justice—that while, by some of the champions of our sacred cause, the outworks of the Church are defended with zeal and ability, there is not the same earnestness of attention paid to the treasure of her spiritual excellencies within, nor the same prominence given to the obligation of every Churchman, if he would maintain his consistency and be worthy of his designation, to evince in his life that purity and holiness which is so clearly embodied in his creed. Far be it from us to encourage a preference for the casket above the priceless jewel which it enshrines; but we dissent from those who would wrest the inestimable pearl from its appointed place of deposit, and throw it forth loose upon the world to be trodden under foot by the ungodly and the infidel. We believe that no human hands may fashion the tabernacle which is to contain the ark of the Covenant of the Most High, ethereosly the revelations of heaven have directed; and we believe that no one whom the impulse of an unchaste zeal or envy against those who are the commissioned holders of the trust, may prompt to offer incense before the altar of God, can attempt the profanation without incurring the sin, even if they escape the punishment of Korah and his company.

In these evil days when the foes of Zion, bequeathed her walls, and advance with the impious shout, "Down with it, down with it even to the ground,"—the fondest and most anxious looks of Zion's defenders will be turned to the imminent citadel of her strength; but they who boldly take their stand upon her remotest bulwarks, and check the first approaches of the insidious foe, must not be regarded as indifferent to the main object of their affection and to the primary motive of their defensive warfare.

In noticing briefly, a few weeks ago, a destructive fire which took place at New York,—which we regret to perceive, has since been visited by the same calamity,—we omitted to mention that the French Protestant Episcopal Church of that city was amongst the buildings consumed. A New York paper gives the following account of this sacred edifice, which we are sure we shall gratify our readers in transcribing:—

This beautiful temple to the living God was one of the most chaste and classical buildings in the city, and the only one in which the Word of Life was dispensed in the French language. Its history is peculiarly interesting to the living, as the church has been matter of consolation to the dead. It might with propriety be called the Huguenot Church—for it was this band of the Cross who erected and endowed it. Many of the early worshippers are yet living, and among them we revere the venerable John Pinard. On the revocation of the famous Edict of Nantes, (an Edict whose protection the Huguenots had enjoyed from the year 1572 to 1685,) by the wickedness of Louis XIV, more than half a million of this suffering and pious people fled from their native France, to find a home and an asylum in distant countries, where they could worship God after the dictates of their own consciences, and enjoy that peace and quiet which their mother country so cruelly refused. Many of them found an asylum in the New World, and settled in this city, New Rochelle, and in Ulster county. Soon after their arrival, viz. 1704, they built the ancient appearing church, which stood more than a century on Pine Street, on the site on which now stands the Custom House. In 1814 this church was repaired, but not materially altered; its exterior form was nearly the same—there it stood, surrounded with its neat and silent burying ground, until 1832. It is a singular fact, that for many years the pious settlers at New Rochelle, having no place of worship, came on foot twenty miles to this church to worship, and returned on foot the same night. In 1832, the spirit of improvement had become great, that the church and grounds were bought by speculators. The church was pulled down, and the dead were carefully removed. The church was then built at, and the congregation removed to, the corner of Franklin and Church streets, and was the beautiful building that is now in ruins. The former place is about 60, and at the latter 37.

The Minister in charge cannot suffer the present opportunity to pass without tendering his grateful acknowledgements to the members of his congregations, for the liberal manner in which they have on all occasions contributed, not only to the benevolent objects connected with his Mission, but also to his own insufficient salary.

Nor can we avoid expressing his warmest thanks to those individuals who have been so successful in organizing choirs in his respective congregations; and particularly to a gentleman of another communion, whose musical talents are of the first order, for his praiseworthy and unwearied exertions. During the year ended Sept. 2nd 1839, the number of Baptisms was 52; Marriages 12; Burials 13; Communicants 45.

## CHURCH STATISTICS AND INTELLIGENCE.

## RECTORY OF WOODSTOCK, DISTRICT OF BROCK.

The Rev. William Bettridge, B. D. (St. John's College, Cambridge) Incumbent.

This place, six years ago, was known only by the name of "the Plot." Some half dozen houses and a very few inhabitants composed the settlement. In 1832, Capt. Drew, R. N., visited the spot, and pleased with the situation, and the excellent quality of the land, he determined to take up his "grant" here. He was soon followed by others, Colonel Light, (now the possessor of one of the sweetest spots in Canada,) Capt. Graham, R. N., Messrs.

Hunter, M. P. P., Riddell, Deedes, Buller, Gibson, and later, the Rev. P. B. de Blaquerie, &c. &c.

Admiral VanSittart empowered Capt. Drew to purchase extensively for him. The want of a Church was early felt; the want was made known to Admiral V., who immediately sent £500 stg. for the erection of a simple edifice; about half this sum was the produce of small contributions in England, the remainder was given by Admiral VanSittart and his sister Mrs. East. In the latter part of 1832 the living was offered to the present Incumbent, accompanied with the generous pledge by Admiral V. of an income of £100 and 100 acres of cleared land, until the Government should make an equal allowance; but as no convenient residence could be found for him, and as the Church was not finished, he did not enter on his duties till the spring of 1834, when he came out in company with, and at the entire charge of Admiral V.—Delays, inseparable from the peculiar circumstances connected with the building, retarded the final transfer of the property to the Bishop of Quebec and his successors in office. During these arrangements the congregation assembled in a temporary building erected at the expense of Admiral V., and which he has since presented to the Church as a Sunday School and weekly Lecture room. The Church, capable of containing about 400 persons, was built under the exclusive direction of Capt. Drew; it is a plain brick building, without any great architectural beauty to recommend it. The contributions in the neighbourhood (including an additional £120 Cy. from Admiral V.) raised the sum already received to about £1000,—the full value, but, as it is reported, not the full cost of the building. The land for the site of the Church and Church-yard was given by Capt. Drew; the Books for the Reading Desk and Communion Table, the registers, surplices, &c. &c. by Admiral VanSittart, and the very handsome Communion Service by the Rector. There are about 80 acres of cleared land, 400 acres of wild land attached to the Rectory, with a small comfortable parsonage house given by Admiral V. (together with about 60 acres of the cleared land) in exchange for wild land at Lake Balcarres.

During the first year, Divine Service was performed twice on a Sunday and once on a week day. At present the only Sabbath Service at Woodstock is at mid-day. Subscriptions have been lately made to provide free sittings for about 130 persons by the enlargement of the gallery and other alterations. The pew rents at Woodstock range from about £120 to £150 per annum; and quarterly collections are made for the current expenses of the Church.

The spiritual wants of the neighbourhood were so obvious as early to render an extension of ministrations necessary. In 1836 the rector commenced Sunday services at Beechville and at Eastwood. The congregation at Beechville (6 miles W. of Woodstock) appeared steadily to increase, when a meeting of the inhabitants was proposed and held to take into consideration the propriety of building a small church. Half an acre of land each was given by Mr. Meregold and Mr. Ford, and a subscription was commenced with Admiral VanSittart's name at the head for £25; the fund was also aided to the amount of £50 stg. collected by the Rector in England. The Church, capable of containing about 250 persons, is finished, and Divine Service is regularly performed in it every Sunday afternoon to an increasing congregation. The same spiritual necessities were apparent at the same time at Eastwood (6 miles E. of Woodstock); the same steps were taken; a similar sum of £25 was given by Admiral VanSittart, and of £50 stg. raised by the Rector in England, and a spot of ground presented by Mr. Retallie; the church is sufficiently advanced to admit of Divine Service alternate Sunday mornings at 10 o'clock. At Huntingford (about 7 miles N. of Woodstock) a neat frame Church has been erected, and endowed with two hundred acres of land adjoining, at the sole expense of the Rev. Thomas Huntingford, Kempford, Gloucestershire, nephew of the late Bishop of Hereford. Service is performed

## The Church.

**Deacons.**—Mr. T. Fidler, Theological Student, formerly Catechist in the Township of Clarke, Newcastle District, U. C.—Mr. Fidler is now appointed to Fenelon Falls, Township of Verulam, in the same District, (the new Diocese of Toronto being pro tempore, administered by the Lord Bishop of Montreal).

Mr. J. Flanagan, being one of five gentlemen in the Canadas who were Preachers in different branches of the Methodist Connection and from conscientious conviction have latterly embraced the principles of the Church, two being now in Deacon's Orders, and three aspirants to Ordination. Mr. Flanagan has for a considerable time past been preparing himself for the Ministry of the Church, under the direction of a Clergyman in U. C. He is now appointed to Barton, in the Gore District, U. C.

Mr. N. Guerout, theological student, educated in the Institution established by the late Bishop of Quebec at Chambly; appointed to the Riviere du Loup and Protestant settlements in parts adjacent, in the district of Three Rivers.

Mr. James Pyke, theological student from the same Institution, latterly acting as Catechist at Cornwall, U. C., where he is now appointed as assistant to the Rev. George Archbold, Rector.

Mr. Mark Willoughby, agent of the Newfoundland and British North American School society, who has been for some time engaged in preparation for the Ministry of the Church.

**Priests.**—The Rev. F. G. Elliot Minister of Colechester, Western District, U. C.

The Rev. J. McMaster, Missionary at the Gore, Ottawa River, L. C.

The Rev. R. Lonsdale, late of Trinity College, Dublin, who was ordained in the Cathedral, on the 8th ultimo, has been appointed to the charge of Kingsley, St. Francis River, L. C.

The Rev. R. Anderson, B. A. of the same College, and late a Curate in Ireland, has been appointed to Upper Ireland and the parts adjacent in the County of Megantic, L. C.

Both these gentlemen, as well as Mr. Fidler, Mr. Flanagan and Mr. Guerout, are upon the Missionary Establishment of the Incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

Mr. W. M. Godfrey, B. A. of King's College, Windsor, in Nova Scotia, has just arrived in Quebec, with letters Dismissory from the Archdeacon at Halifax, (under the authority of the Lord Bishop of that Diocese, now in England) to be ordained Deacon by the Lord Bishop of Montreal.—*Quebec Mercury, 10th inst.*

### Civil Intelligence.

*From the Kingston Chronicle Extra.*

### ARRIVAL OF THE LIVERPOOL.

By the politeness of a gentleman just arrived from Oswego, we are put in possession of the New York Express of the evening of the 10th inst., on which day the Liverpool had arrived, bringing dates twenty days later from England; she made the passage in eighteen days, and came full of passengers, with a valuable cargo, including 60 cases of figured silk of the value of £10,000 each. Among the passengers is Major Hall, private Secretary to the Rt. Hon. Poulett Thompson. The complexion of the intelligence is decidedly bad.

### UNITED STATES BANK DRAFTS DISHONORED.

*From the Morning Post.*

**Havre de Grace.** Sept. 14.—This town, or rather the Commercial portion of it is quite in a commotion, in consequence of a circumstance of immense importance which has just occurred in the mercantile world here. You are of course aware that Havre is the great entrepot of the produce of the New World, as far as France is concerned; and that its transactions with the United States of America, carried on by a double line of packet ships from hence to New York and New Orleans, are therefore the transactions of the French nation. In their ambition to rival the manufacture, of England, and consequently to dispense with them altogether, the Commercial capitalists of this country have for the last two years overtraded in cotton. One of the fearful results of this gambling system of speculation has just fallen on this city like a thunderbolt. This morning, a bill of the United States Bank for a sum little short of a million sterling, was dishonoured by the house on which it was drawn in Havre, one of the oldest and most opulent commercial establishments in France, and connected with the house of Baring, Brothers & Co., of London. You can hardly conceive the consternation this circumstance has caused here, or the injury which is likely to result from it to the mercantile community. Many persons say that the act was rash and unadvised, and urge in strong terms the solvency of the United States Bank, while others on the contrary, say that it was a well-timed and well managed *tour de adresse*, to prevent Americans playing the same trick with France as they did with England in 1837; that is, in plain terms, over-reaching their too credulous European correspondents. This latter opinion obtains among the majority of men of business in Havre. Be this however, as it may, the American merchants in this town, as well as those native houses less largely engaged in heavy transactions with the western continent, or not so well informed as the house in question, are all in utter despair; and the Americans, so long every thing with the French nation, are now as much out of favour as they were before preferred by them. Since Havre became the Liverpool of France, never was "Change in so agitated a state as it has been all this day. America is now looked on as a bankrupt once more."

*From the Standard.*

The affair of the dishonour of the bills of the Bank of the United States has lost nothing of its importance amongst our monetary and commercial interests, who still remain seriously anxious as to the results. No advice has been received from either Paris or Havre, which throw much light upon the subject, except the letters from Mr. Jaudon, the contents of which are understood to be encouraging. They state, we understand, that although an arrangement for giving currency to the bills drawn on the firms of Hottinguer and Co. at the two places, and which were lying under protest for non-acceptance, had yet been absolutely completed, considerable progress had been made towards such a consummation. The recent adoption of a system of steam communication between England and the United States is a fortunate circumstance for the Bank, the affairs of which have got into this unpleasant predicament in Europe, inasmuch as the steamer Liverpool, the departure of which vessel for New York is fixed for Saturday next, will have returned to England long before the bills lying over at Paris and Havre can arrive at maturity. They are doubtless bills drawn at the usage of 60 days' sight. It is perhaps hardly worth while to speculate on the cause that will probably be given by the President of the United States Bank, when he comes to hear of all that has happened, in order to extricate the institution from the existing difficulty. That there was much local pressure is shown by the events of the last week, and there may be great difficulty in getting together in a moment the amount requisite to take up the bills drawn on Havre and Paris; but doubtless, with the co-operation of the minor banks, the President of the United States Bank will contrive at all events to send forward, in specie or otherwise, the needed before the 7,000,000 of francs become due. The Great Western will next week be on her way back to England, and by her it is quite possible Messrs. Hottinguer and Co. may be put in possession of a remittance of funds sufficient to secure them against any contingent loss.

### HALF-PAST ONE O'CLOCK.

Letters have been received this morning from Paris which state that the affair between Mr. Jaudon and the house of Hottinguer and Co. has been satisfactorily adjusted, and that Mr. Jaudon may be expected to arrive in London this day.

**TWO O'CLOCK.**

We have this moment learned that Messrs. Rothchild have agreed to take up the protested bills of the United States Bank, to which firm the Messrs. Rothchild have in consequence been appointed agents.

*From the Morning Post.*

Upon the whole, the harvest was not gathered in as well as had been expected—especially in the northern parts of Ireland and Scotland, and in many instances the wheat is not of the usual quality. An advance in price had taken place, but there had been no alteration in the duties at the latest dates. The *Marciale Express* of the 16th September, says, "The Friday's market exhibited greater firmness on the part of the holders who refused to sell except at previous rates."

*From the London Standard.*

**SIR RICHARD DOWNES JACKSON.**

In speaking of the appointment of Sir Richard Downes Jackson, we described him as a gallant and highly meritorious officer, but expressed our belief that his experience in colonial government was hardly likely to equal that of Sir John Colborne. The following testimony, which has been put forward in his behalf, confirms the view we have taken of his merits but does not prove that because he is a gallant and meritorious soldier, he can supersede such a man as Sir John Colborne with advantage to the public service:

"I enclose a letter which has been put into my hands by Lieutenant Colonel Jackson, who is now doing the duty of Assistant Quartermaster General with Lieutenant General Sir Rowland Hill's detachment. He is called from that duty to perform that of a mounted officer, with a battalion of Guards. I have always been in the habit of considering the wish of one of their Royal Highnesses respecting their regiment as a law, and have accordingly, when it has not militated with his

liability in cotton which has been made, and repeated over and over again cannot be substantiated.

### THURSDAY—TWELVE O'CLOCK.

The heavy rain that fell last night and early this morning has caused much fear that considerable damage will be done to the outstanding crops, especially in the North, where the corn has been much beaten down, and some has even floated down the rivers. The Consol Market is gloomy this morning, occasioned by the unfavourable state of the weather.

In the Foreign Market, Spanish Bonds continue to be the principal source of speculation, and in which a new impetus has been given by the telegraphic dispatch announcing that the remainder of the Carlist army had laid down their arms.

### NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

The greatest excitement and alarm prevail in Wall Street since the arrival of the Liverpool. The Bank of the United States in New York has given public notice that the notes of U. S. Bank of Pennsylvania will not be received by them even in cases where they were made payable at their office. All agree that in the event of Philadelphia having suspended specie payments. A large amount of their post notes had been protested in New York on the 9th, and a much larger amount would fall due the following day.

Strong hopes are entertained, that the Banks of New York will still be able to continue specie payments.

**Military Command of the Canadas.**—Lieut. Gen. Sir Richard Downes Jackson, an officer who was distinguished in the peninsula, and has had long experience in staff command, is appointed commander of the forces in all North America. Sir Richard takes with him as a military secretary, Lieut. Col. Sir Charles O'Donnell; Capt. Brooke Taylor and Ensign Warre, 54th, are appointed Aides-de-Camp.

### SPAIN.

#### ENTRANCE OF DON CARLOS INTO FRANCE.

Paris, Sunday night, half past 8.

At length all doubts are at an end—Don Carlos is in France

A telegraphic despatch just published in the *Moniteur Parisien* announces the fact.

Letters from Bayonne of the 15th inst. bring particulars of the arrival of Don Carlos in France. The Carlist corps which occupied the Bastan had been divided into two by a manoeuvre of Gen. Espartero, and Don Carlos, finding himself separated from the main body of his army and driven into Urdax, was obliged to retire on the French territory. The famous cure Merino and Gen. Negri had already arrived in Bayonne. Don Carlos was accompanied by the Princess of Beira, his son the Prince of Asturias, and the Infant Don Sebastian. About 3000 soldiers of the Carlist army had laid down their arms on the French frontier.

The only journal which offers, or indeed has as yet the opportunity of offering, any observation upon this intelligence is the *Nowelliste*, which says:

"We hear from a very good source that the ministry has given the most precise instructions and the most rigorous orders to the authorities of the frontiers, in order that Don Carlos, as soon as he shall present himself on the French territory, shall be conducted to a strong place (the fort of Héz is even mentioned), from which he will not depart till after he has solemnly engaged no more to trouble the peace of the Peninsula. The French government, agreed on this subject with the Spanish government, is also in condition to guarantee to Don Carlos a sufficient pension for him and his family."

The London *Times* has the following remarks upon the event recorded above:

"The news that Don Carlos has taken refuge in France will, doubtless, be hailed by our ministers and their press with joy and triumph, because by dwelling on the downfall of that prince they have fresh means of attempting to keep out of public view the infamous courses by which his downfall has been achieved. For some days past they have been put to their wits' ends to avoid grapping with the real point of the case, and seemed yesterday no longer equal to the endeavour even to amuse their readers with discussions upon the merits of the cause of the Queen of Spain and the demerits of that of Don Carlos. They will take courage to-day, and, we dare say, will successfully mystify some of the so-called *Liberals* into temporary forgetfulness that the result they glory in has been purchased by loss of character to the nation, for which no advantage, however indisputably great, could possibly compensate. Rejoice, Liberals, over the defeat of Don Carlos—but do not forget how it was brought about. British arms have not achieved it: opposed by them Don Carlos triumphed; and it was not until the British ministry borrowed a trick from thieves and thief-takers that they subdued him. They fixed upon a wholesale murderer with whom to hold communion, and then bribed that murderer to betray his master. This Englishmen, is the mighty achievement you have effected—these the honourable means your ministers pursued. Take this further consolation with you—the work was too dirty for Frenchmen to meddle with: they left to you all the infamy of the transaction. They left you more—they left you the expense of it. What that may be, we suppose even the present House of Commons will demand to know. It is said in France that Marot's bribe alone amounted to nearly £150,000. Our "secret service" fund cannot stand many draughts of this description, and yet many must be made upon it if Lord Palmerston and his colleagues intend to pursue elsewhere the Old Bally policy by which they have covered themselves with indelible infamy in this Spanish business. When attempted in Egypt, for instance, it will be found more expensive still.—A Pagan traitor must be more richly paid than a Papist traitor; and to give the Pagans their due, we believe Lord Palmerston will shake hands with few Marottos among them."

### TURKEY.

The *Moniteur Parisien* publishes the subjunctive official information with respect to affairs in the East:

The letters from Constantinople of the 27th, which we find in the *Synonyme* papers, are quite pacific. The correspondence before us states that perfect union reigns amongst the ambassadors of the Five Powers as to the means to be employed to arrange the Eastern question. The *Journal de Synonyme* has the following:

"CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug 27.—The union of the Five Great Powers for the definitive solution of the Eastern question is daily becoming more consolidated, and every kind of difference appears to be henceforth impossible. There is a perfect unity of principles and of views, and in respect to the means to arrive at the common end, it appears there is but one opinion. Thus everything causes the hope that this unfortunate affair will soon be arranged.

"The five ambassadors have successively received from their respective courts the last instructions relative to the arrangements to be taken to put an end to the deplorable differences which exist between Turkey and Egypt, and on the 20th they notified collectively to the Porte through the several Dragomans that the five Cabinets persisted in their first resolution already made known to the Sultan's government, and were firmly decided upon taking all the necessary steps to force Mehemet Ali to accept their conditions in case he should obstinately refuse his adhesion to the arrangement proposed to him by the alliance—the more so as this arrangement places him in a favourable position as the circumstances and exigencies of European policy would allow. When this notification was received there was a Grand Council of the Porte, which lasted all day."

**Marriage of Queen Victoria.**—The Augsburg *Gazette* contains the following passage respecting the marriage of the Queen of England:—"The speech of Queen Victoria on pronouncing the Parliament makes no mention of her marriage. Some journals have inferred that the matrimonial alliance with the Cobourg family was still doubtful; we can affirm on good authority that the meeting of several members of the house of Saxe Cobourg at London is for the purpose of settling the necessary preliminaries which must precede the marriage—that is to say, every thing relative to the prerogatives and revenue of the intended husband. As for the question of the marriage itself, and the mutual affection of the parties, all this has been some time decided. The Duchess of Kent and the King of the Belgians have been the most zealous promoters of this alliance.

**THE CROPS.**—Upon the whole, the harvest was not gathered in as well as had been expected—especially in the northern parts of Ireland and Scotland, and in many instances the wheat is not of the usual quality. An advance in price had taken place, but there had been no alteration in the duties at the latest dates.

The *Marciale Express* of the 16th September, says, "The Friday's market exhibited greater firmness on the part of the holders who refused to sell except at previous rates."

**From the London Standard.**

**SIR RICHARD DOWNES JACKSON.**

In speaking of the appointment of Sir Richard Downes Jackson, we described him as a gallant and highly meritorious officer, but expressed our belief that his experience in colonial government was hardly likely to equal that of Sir John Colborne.

The following testimony, which has been put forward in his behalf, confirms the view we have taken of his merits but does not prove that because he is a gallant and meritorious soldier, he can supersede such a man as Sir John Colborne with advantage to the public service:

"I enclose a letter which has been put into my hands by Lieutenant Colonel Jackson, who is now doing the duty of Assistant Quartermaster General with Lieutenant General Sir Rowland Hill's detachment. He is called from that duty to perform that of a mounted officer, with a battalion of Guards. I have always been in the habit of considering the wish of one of their Royal Highnesses respecting their regiment as a law,

and have accordingly, when it has not militated with his

Majesty's regulations. I beg you, however, to represent to the Commander-in-Chief, that Lieut. General Sir R. Hill has informed me that he shall find the greatest inconvenience from the want of the assistance of Lieut. Col. Jackson, and I certainly do not know where I shall find an officer qualified to replace him in that situation. It may not be difficult to find one to replace him as a mounted officer with the Coldstream Guards."—*Wellington's Dispatches*, vol. ix. p. 602.

The qualities here referred to are essentially distinct from those demanded from the Commander-in-Chief of our forces in Canada at a juncture like the present. We never designed the slightest reflection upon General Jackson; but we felt with every one else, that the supercession of Sir John Colborne (for that he has been superseded can no longer be doubted) was a measure calculated to prove extremely injurious to the country. We question, indeed, if he could be replaced by any one, advantageously.

**Mr. Greg has been elected at Manchester in room of Mr. P. Thomson by a small majority. He was opposed by Sir George Murray on the torty interest. The vote was, for Mr. Greg, (liberal) 3421; for Sir George, 3156. Majority 265.—Whig majority at the last election 1870.**

**DEPARTURE OF MR. P. THOMPSON FOR QUEBEC.**—Portsmouth, Saturday, 14th Sept. 1839.—The Pique, 36, Capt. Boxer, sailed yesterday afternoon direct for Quebec, having on board his Excellency the Right Hon. Poulett Thomson, Governor General of that colony, and his Excellency Lieut. Gen. Sir R. D. Jackson, K.C.B., Commander in Chief of the Forces there. The suite of the Right Hon. P. Thomson comprises Mr. Murdoch, Secretary; Captain Le Merchant and Mr. Bading, Aides-du-Camp, and Capt. Pringle, Attaché. The suite of Sir R. Jackson consists of Col. Sir Charles O'Donnell, Military Secretary; and Lieut. Taylor and Lieut. Warre, Aides-du-Camp. Lieut. McDougall, 36th Regiment, and Lieut. Rowlett, R.N., are gone passengers in the Pique, which has taken on board about ten carriages in deal cases, and seven horses.

**THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN OF BELGIUM.**—We understand their Majesties intend to close their visit to the Queen at Windsor Castle in a few days; indeed their Majesties are expected to embark for Ostend this week.

**THE DOWAGER MARCHIONESS OF HASTINGS.**—Her ladyship, we regret to state, continues in a very indifferent state of health, at London Castle. Lady Sophia Hastings, who had been to a visit with the Marchioness Cornwallis, at Leamington, has returned to the castle. The whole of the late lamented Lady Flora's wardrobe and jewels have been sent to the dowager marchioness. Among the latter are the valuable trinkets which formerly belonged to the late Lady Charlotte Fitzgerald, and which, after her death, Mr. Hamilton Fitzgerald presented to Lady Flora.

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# The Church.

## THE YOUNG CHURCHMAN'S CATECHISM.

PART II.—CONTINUED.

### THE REASONS FOR AN ESTABLISHED CHURCH.

Q. 72. Where a national sanctuary is erected, by the establishment of a national religion, is it the seal of an outward covenant between Jehovah himself and the people so privileged?

A. It would be no easy task to determine in what manner a sign and seal of outward communion between God and a nation could be exhibited, except by the Institution of a National Religion, conformable in its constitution, in its mode of administration, and in all its doctrinal precepts to the infallible rule of revelation. But where this high privilege is conferred upon a people, in the bounty of Divine Providence, and estimated with holy gratitude on the part of those to whom it is communicated, there is the true glory of that land; and 'upon all the glory shall there be a defence.'—*The National Sanctuary, a Sermon by R. P. Buddeon, M. A. F. A. S.*

[I will set my tabernacle among you, and my soul shall not abhor you, and I will walk among you, and be your God, and ye shall be my people.]—Levit. xxvi. 11. See also Isa. xix. 21, 24, 25.]

Q. 73. But did not our Saviour say, 'my kingdom is not of this world?'

A. No inference unfavourable to an established church can fairly be drawn from this text. Pilate fancied Christ was about to set up a temporal kingdom in opposition to that of Caesar. To satisfy him upon the subject, Christ says, 'my kingdom is not of this world.' If the words mean, as some pretend, 'That kings are to have nothing to do with religion—that kings are not to nurse and nourish the church of Christ'; they stand in evident and direct opposition to this prophecy and promise of God to his church.—'Kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers.' A learned dissenter, after quoting this passage, says 'this is to be understood literally of the kings and queens of the earth, and is thought to have had its fulfilment, at least in part, in Cyrus, Asaueser, Esther and others, but more so in Christian kings and queens—as Constantine and Helena, Theodosius and Placilla, and will have a far greater accomplishment in the latter day glory.' (Vide Dr. Gill in loco.) It may be observed too, that we never find our blessed Lord disowning religious establishments, but on the contrary, continually frequenting the synagogues and joining in the Jewish ritual.

[On another passage the learned Dr. says, 'and that (i.e. the church) shall suck the breast of kings,' who now shall be converted in various places, come into the church and be nursing fathers to it, help and assist the people of God with their riches, to carry on divine worship in an honourable manner, and to protect and defend them with their power.]

Q. 74. You think, then, it is of essential service to religion to have the authority of the Chief Magistrate on its side?

A. Yes, when we consider how difficult a work it is to spread the Gospel through the length and breadth of a land. For all the movements of the many thousand missionaries in the first three centuries did little more than plant Christianity in the cities of the Roman Empire. But when Constantine distributed them over his kingdom and provinces, and assigned a revenue for the labours of this extensive vineyard, their powers and opportunities of usefulness were inconceivably increased.

Q. 75. We acknowledge the civil magistrate may possess a right to interfere in matters of religion, so far as to provide the means of public instruction; but ought he to proceed to impose restraints or incapacities on account of religious distinctions?

A. The reasoning which deduces the authority of civil governments from the will of God brings us to the conclusion, that the jurisdiction of the civil magistrate is limited by no consideration, but that of general utility; in other words, it is lawful for him to interfere, whenever his interference in its general tendency appears to conduce to the common interest.

Q. 76. But does not religion, which pertains to the interest of a life to come, lie beyond the province of a civil magistrate, whose office is confined to this life alone?

A. 'There is nothing in the nature of religion, as such, which exempts it from the authority of the legislator, when the welfare or welfare of the community requires his interference. For it may be said, that when the laws interfere, even in religion, they interfere only with temporals. The acts of the legislator, the edicts of the prince cannot affect my salvation; nor do they pretend, without the most absurd arrogance, to any such power.'

Q. 77. What is the wisest and safest system which a state can adopt?

A. A comprehensive national religion, guarded by a few articles of peace and conformity; together with a legal provision for the clergy of that religion, and with a complete toleration of all Dissenters from the Established Church, without any other limitation or concession than what arises from the conjunction of dangerous political dispositions with certain religious tenets, appears to be, not only the most just and liberal, but the wisest and safest system which a state can adopt: inasmuch as it unites the several perfections which a religious constitution ought to aim at—liberty of conscience, with means of instruction; the progress of truth, with the peace of society; the right of private judgment, with the care of public safety.'—*Paley.*

[The national church requires, and is required by the Christian church, for the perfection of each. For if there were no national church, the mere spiritual church would either become, like the papacy, a dreadful tyranny over mind and body,—or else would fall abroad into a multitude of enthusiastic sects, as in England, in the seventeenth century. It is my deep conviction, that in a country of any religion at all, liberty of conscience can only be permanently preserved by means, and under the shadow of a national church—a political establishment connected with, but distinct from, the spiritual church.]—*Coleridge's Table Talk, II. 330, 331.*]

### PROTESTANT CHAMPIONS.

NO. V.—REV. DR. CROLY.

One of the most original characters, as well as one of the most brilliant writers of the present day, is the Rev. GEORGE CROLY, LL.D.; and his outward appearance is not less striking than his genius.

I have seen many taller persons than Dr. Croly, for I do not imagine his height to be above six feet; yet he always strikes me as having more of the giant about him than any other man I ever saw. His gait, movements, expressions, and ideas, are all in the same gigantic style.

There is, indeed, something vast and mysterious about him, which impresses you with the idea that you are looking on a being of some other age and clime than your own.

His frame is built in the Cyclopean style of architecture, broad, firm, and massive; and the commanding head which surmounts the edifice is not less remarkable. His countenance has a strange antique appearance, well according with the antediluvian kind of majesty which clothes his figure. I believe he has not passed far beyond his fifty year, there is nothing in the least old, or even elderly about him—for his carriage is so lofty, and his stride as vigorous as they can ever have been;—and yet were any one to tell you that, like his own Salathiel, he has lived for centuries, you could not deny the strange assertion, judging merely from his appearance. His countenance has that rugged, weather-beaten complexion of which the prototypes are the faces of the Elgin marbles; indeed, to comprise his general exterior in a few words, I should say that he is very like a brother of the 'Three Fates,' from the Parthenon.

His forehead is square and heavy, and his dark grey hair is combed down and cut straight across, as if to make it look as low as possible. His deep-set, steady, grey eyes, are nearly hidden beneath dark, projecting eyebrows; yet if ever the broad stamp of genius was set on mortal physiognomy, it is fixed somewhere about that massive brow. His nose is long and straight, his mouth wide, his complexion dark, and the outline of his face nearly square; altogether it is one of the most striking and unusual of countenances, and when once seen is never to be mistaken or forgotten.

Dr. Croly's manner is perfectly original; I never saw any one whom at all resembles in this respect; it is also perfectly natural. He has a powerful, impressive style of action, and he suits it to his splendid physique with the most exact propriety, yet without any appearance of effort or design.

While engaged in his oration, or in the cooler and more didactic parts of his discourse, he stands nearly motionless, or resting his hands on the sides of the pulpit; he swings slowly to and fro, with his head projected forward, almost in the manner of a Roman catapult on its side supports: but as soon as some glowing thought, or mighty imaging comes upon his mind, he turns himself to full height in a moment, and with a vigorous, but never vehement action, pours forth a torrent of extemporaneous eloquence, as unexpectedly to his audi-

tory as it seems to be to himself. He speaks and preaches all improvise; yet you never hear from him a single word or sentence which seems capable of correction.

His language is as magnificent as his ideas are lofty, and as his style and manner are majestic. To those who are in the habit of reading his publications, I need only say that their language is precisely that of all his sermons and speeches, and seems to cost him no more effort than the commonest chit-chat would cost a common mind. It is indeed the native language of his soul; so much a part of himself, that it would be as great an undertaking for him to use plain and meagre forms of speech, as it would be for a man deficient in talent, to attempt the elevated, yet brilliant expressions in which all his thoughts seem naturally to clothe themselves.

His manner never becomes violent, nor his utterance too rapid. He is never in a hurry, but seems quite at his ease, and speaks with great apparent pleasure to himself. He is perfectly at home on all his numerous subjects, and takes his own time to dwell upon them. Sometimes he pauses for a while, as though waiting for an idea, and holds his hand near his forehead, as though to receive the thought immediately from the brain itself; and when he resumes, with a flow of burning, yet majestic imagery, he dashes forth that hand at his auditory, as if he flung a javelin with it. The force and originality of this singular action, so peculiarly his own, can scarcely be imagined by those who have not seen him.

He has particular actions for particular words as well as for ideas, as those well know who remember the triumphant air with which he pronounces his favourite epithet of "magnificent!" or the less appropriate, yet less pleasing expression of countenance which he bestows upon another frequent term—"hideous!"

His voice is deep and powerful, it seems to be capable of every variety of modulation; but it is very carelessly managed. Its wild tones are flung forth at random, like the thrilling thoughts they embody, as varied, as strange, and as expressive.

That voice, that manner, those ideas, indeed, every one of his endowments, would be incomparable, if touched by the governing and regulating hand of art; but you see in every look, in every gesture, that he scorns the slightest restraint upon the wild majesty of nature.

He is at once the most unartificial, and the most highly educated, the most uncivilized, and the most princely being imaginable; more resembling an abstract personification of human nature in its highest style, than a member of ordinary human society. I am not singular in my idea of this extraordinary man; one friend of mine, on first seeing him, remarked that he was like a thoroughbred gentleman, just come "from the moon;" and another, a lady by no means in the habit of giving romantic descriptions, declared that she liked Dr. Croly "because he was so totally unlike all other men; so native, so independent, and if you do not like him as he is, then the master must end, for no human power can ever alter him one hair's breadth."

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