

STILL IN EXISTENCE.

Roman Catholic Ecclesiastical Buildings Contain Prisons.

Even Today Episcopal Residences, Convents, Abbeys, all Have Their Dungeons and Torture Chambers.

As you no doubt are aware, when persecution is charged upon the Romish church, it is answered by Romanists in England that it was the work of the civil power, not of their church.

There is one argument, which rests on facts, which cannot be gainsaid, which tends to prove that the Protestant view is the correct and true one.

Now there is not the slightest question that all these were expressly built and designed solely for the use and convenience of Romish ecclesiastics, and not in any sense for or by the civil power.

The following instances of Romish ecclesiastical prisons illustrate the Protestant view, and prove the correctness of the above statement.

1. Lambeth palace was built for the Romish archbishops of Canterbury. In it stands the well-known Lollard's tower, an old square building of rough hewn stone.

2. When residing at Pau, in the south of France, I visited the old town of Lescar, about four miles away. In it are the remains of the gothic castle palace of the former Romish bishops of that place.

3. As Romish bishops indulge in prisons and oubliettes, it is natural and consistent to find the pope doing the same, only on a much larger scale.

6. One of the curiosities of Dublin is the ancient cathedral of Christ church, lately restored at vast expense. It contains a remarkably fine crypt underground.

luxurious wantonness and profligate wickedness which we know from Petrarch was the great feature of the Avignon popes.

The dungeons are small, dark, and damp, situated deep among the foundations of the mighty building.

High up in the wall is a massive and commodious stone gallery, communicating with the pope's private apartments.

Such are some of the "secret places of the earth, full of the habitations of cruelty," which the Avignon popes thought necessary for their magnificent palace in that city.

4. The strict papist, however, denies the authority of the Avignon schism, and so might pretend to disregard their doings.

St. Angelo, up to 1870, was the prison fortress of the popes. Deep in the enormous massiveness of its vast walls are numerous prisons, dark, confined, and horrible.

The castle had also its massive torture-halls, where innumerable victims have by papal cruelty suffered a thousand deaths before they were released from their pope-inflicted sufferings.

5. On the other side of St. Peter's, lying behind it somewhat, and seldom noticed by travellers, is the enormous mass of buildings formerly belonging to the infamous Inquisition, and by whom it was built.

St. Peter's is thus rightly situated between St. Angelo and the Inquisition, for Rome's strength and success has been by persecution and bloodshed.

7. When restoring Chichester cathedral some years ago, an ancient blocked-up doorway was re-discovered in the wall of the south aisle.

8. In restoring an ancient country church, some time since, a similarly blocked-up doorway in the south chancel wall was found to open upon narrow stairs running through the wall and leading to a subterranean prison under the chancel.

ITS DOCTRINES ARE FALSE. So Says an ex-Member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and Him only shalt thou serve.

God has never given a hint in His Word that He has appointed any man to be at the head of the church.

The doctrine of the pope's supremacy is directly opposed to the teachings of the Scriptures.

Many suppose that the Roman Catholic religion is unattractive, and that its worship is a dull, stupid round of ceremony.

The religious service of the Romish church is a most impressive ceremonial.

The ceremony of the Roman Catholic church has a bewitching power by which many are deceived, and they come to look upon the Roman church as the very gate of heaven.

The Romanist feels at liberty to sin, because the church claims the right to pardon.

To him who loves self-indulgence it is more pleasing to confess to a fellow mortal than to open the soul to God.

Some of your readers perhaps would like to know what mass is. I will tell you in a few short words.

When the devil is resident there, away with books and up with candles, away with Bibles and up with beads, away with the Light of the Gospel and up with wax tapers, down with Christ's cross and up with purgatory, down with God and His most Holy Word, up with traditions, human councils and a blinded pope.

Are Roman Catholics enemies to Protestants? There is a book published by Kreutzer Bros., of Baltimore, and endorsed by Bishop Bayley, the title of which runs like this: "Familiar Explanation of Christian Doctrines Adapted for the Family and More Advanced Students in Catholic Schools and Colleges."

Page one reads as follows: "Question. Since the Roman Catholic church alone is the true church of Jesus Christ, can any one who dies outside the church be saved?"

"A. They all pronounce them infallibly lost forever." A little further we find: "Q. Are there any other reasons to show that heretics or Protestants who die out of the Roman Catholic church are not saved?"

"A. There are several. 1. They make a liar out of Jesus Christ, the Holy Ghost and the apostles. 2. They have no faith in Christ. 3. They fell away from the true church of Christ. 4. They are too proud to submit to the pope, the vicar of Jesus Christ. 5. They do not receive the body and blood of Christ. 6. They die in their sins.

"Q. Have Protestants any faith in Christ?" "A. They never had." "Q. Why not?" "A. Because there never lived such a Christ as they imagine and believe in."

"Q. What kind of a Christ do they believe in?" "A. In such a one of whom they can make a liar."

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