

'Sir,—To your paper my attention was directed a few weeks ago by reason of the controversy which was then begun between your local Catholic priest and Presbyterian minister.

'As behoves one who hails from Edinburgh and who was personally acquainted with many of the most eminent divines who flourished in his native land during the latter half of the Victorian era, men who were shining lights in a bright age, I take more than a passing interest in matters affecting the Presbyterian Church and her doctrine in my adopted country.

'I know something, but nothing profoundly of the principles and doctrines of the Presbyterian Church.

'The Catholic Church is condemned by the Presbyterian Church for many errors of commission and omission, but never did the Presbyterian Church by her principles or doctrines either expressly or impliedly, nor heretofore did anyone professing to speak for that Church, assert that the Church of Rome taught that outside of her fold there is no salvation.

'There should not have been any controversy at all about the question. It certainly appears to me that Father Lynch rushed too hastily to the press to publicly challenge Mr. Clarke to substantiate a statement which he, Mr. Clarke, had as hastily and very injudiciously made in your paper. Had Mr. Clarke's attention been quietly drawn to his error he would doubtlessly have made amends. But, being so aggressively challenged by Father Lynch, it is hard to blame him for the stand he took.

'The statement in question is a purely theological one. "Outside of the true religion or visible Church of Jesus Christ there is no ordinary possibility of salvation" is a doctrine taught by every Christian Church on earth, and every Christian Church qualifies the doctrine by teaching that not external members only of the Church will be saved, but all who in the sight of God are fit to be saved. Presbyterians, Catholics, members of all other sects and creeds, heathens and cannibals, who according to the light God has given them live righteously, will be with Him one day in heaven.

'That is roughly but honestly the doctrine of the Presbyterian Church. It is likewise the doctrine of the Catholic Church and all other Christian Churches.

'It appears to me that not all of our ministers to-day are of the calibre of the pastors I knew at Home and in this fair growing land in the early days. They seem to lack the learning and profundity of the Catholic priests against whom they fight as one with hobbled limbs.

'This is not as it should be; our ministers have behind them the splendid traditions of the Church of Scotland, for whom our ancestors bled and died.

'I think it is time that the Presbytery insisted that all ministers should at stated intervals foregather, and where possible at a Theological College, to be examined as to their progress in knowledge of the Word and in all matters pertaining to their high calling.

'No, Sir, the controversy in question should not have happened.—Yours, etc.,

ALEX. McMILLAN.

Dunedin, June 19, 1913.

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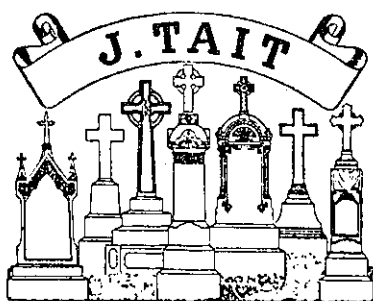
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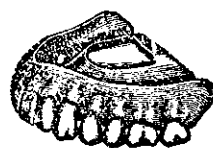
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