

MISSISSIPPI.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

A letter to another column from Rev. George C. Harris, the esteemed rector of St. Mary's Episcopal church, does not contain anything new, but it is interesting to call for a word or two of comment, which we shall make with all deference to his calling, premising first that we are in no sense the organ of the Catholic or any other church, and do not go out of our way to find matter to contradict or confound his communications. Mr. Harris is not in the habit of the fact that by reason of the zeal of what is known in his church as "ritualists," Episcopacy has for some years been generally "hated" and "hated" by the best of both worlds. We will remember that as far back as the days of "Pussy" that people who are full of the vanity of "newness," and are nothing if not making a flutter in their parish times and again, have occupied an almost standing place in the columns of the leading papers of England and America, secular as well as religious. Since 1865 they have been especially aggressive within the limits of their church, and have gone on step by step from one thing to another, each one more proudly edifying than the other to their conservative brethren, keeping quiet people as on a nettle, apprehensive for the integrity, if not the safety, of the church. The progress of this work of change, violence is not an over-estimate of the beautiful ritual, has necessitated the use of newspaper notoriety and newspaper controversy, most of which, in the discharge of our duties as journalists, we have made room for in the columns of the Appeal. We are not hostile to the Episcopal church, we fall to see it. For the Episcopal church as a body, we have the highest respect to which it is entitled by reason of the piety and elevated worth of its clergy, its beautiful ritual, its beautiful services, its beautiful members, and the labors it has performed in evangelizing the world. To be hostile to it we should have to forego some of our dearest memories and be content oblivious to the "burning care" she has ever extended to the literature of our language. No, we are not hostile to that or to any church, believing, as we do, that all have their mission, and that all are, perhaps, necessary even in the present advanced condition of the world. We have published the movements of these people, and reported the church, whom one of that communion has likened to "swine in sheep's clothing," and have commented on those movements as we thought the condition of public feeling here would warrant. That is all. As to the difference between the "real" and the "episcopal" church, whom one of that communion has likened to "swine in sheep's clothing," and have commented on those movements as we thought the condition of public feeling here would warrant. That is all. As to the difference between the "real" and the "episcopal" church, whom one of that communion has likened to "swine in sheep's clothing," and have commented on those movements as we thought the condition of public feeling here would warrant. That is all.

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THE CAPITALISTS OF CHICAGO AND NEW YORK.

They who have undertaken to build a railroad—a Savannah, Georgia, are moving in the enterprise with all the earnestness that usually characterizes them. The people of the west are tired of the monopolies and schemers who now control the only lines of travel from the west to the Atlantic seaboard, and will have shorter, cheaper and swifter routes if they are to be had. Where there is plenty of competition there is always sure to be at least a measure of justice for the producers who bear nearly all the burdens of the republic.

COLONEL BURKE, CHARGED WITH KILLING P. G. MORGAN AT EOOKPORT, MISSOURI.

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