

ed gospel ; and in league with fatalism, or, which is the same thing, absolute predestinarianism.

If the doctrine taught in the August number of the *Presbyterian* be correct, then it follows as a natural and a necessary consequence, that *whatever is, is right, and must be right*. For according to it, no sinful action can take place either on earth or in hell which was not actually fixed to be, or purposed by God to take place. The following question with the answer which is given in the Article referred to will shew our readers that we are not by any means misrepresenting the *Presbyterian*. The writer asks, "Can any being (God himself, be it reverently spoken, not excepted) know that a future occurrence will certainly take place, unless it is purposed to take place?" And the answer given is this, "No." We ask, can God not foreknow that men will break his law without his purposing that they shall do so? Surely he can. H. M.]

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ARMINIANISM AND CALVINISM.

It appears that some time ago the *Princeton Review* attempted to prove that Arminianism is destructive of the principles of grace in man's salvation. This attack on Arminianism was republished in Canada in a pamphlet for general circulation. To this the *Christian Guardian* replied, showing that it is the doctrines generally termed Arminian which maintain and establish the freeness of the grace of God to all. This reply the *Record* has been discussing in June, July and August.

In the *Guardian* of Sept. 3, and 10, the subject is again taken up. The *Record*, it appears, complains of being misrepresented, as to the subjects of the will, reprobation and infant salvation. The *Guardian* clearly and easily shows, that Calvinism denies the moral freedom of the will that the will is free to choose; that it holds unconditional reprobation, and that infant damnation was held by Calvinists, and is a necessary consequence of the Calvinistic system. The *Guardian* says, that the *Record* abandons the charge of the *Princeton Review* against Arminianism, namely, that it is destructive of the doctrines of grace, and not only this, that it "avoids the attempt to free Calvinism from the same imputation." The Editor of the *Guardian* accomplishes his task with great ease.

We see that there is a strong disposition in Calvinists to hide the harsher features of their creed. They are evidently ashamed of them. They do not like when an attempt is made to show what Calvinism