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The Master.
This institution, which may be regarded as the religious branch of the Bank of Commerce, is under the same presidency as that establishment; the same principles of commerce obtain in each of them; in each *deposits* are eagerly received, and facilities, in the forms of pencils and paper are periodically provided in the religious branch, for duly crediting contributors with their deposits; the President was wont to believe in *interest*, rather than in *principle*, (in the days when the Bible Society was verdant enough to allow him to cherish that belief), and whether interest is allowed on the deposits which are made in this establishment at the present day, we cannot pretend to state; we can answer for "a sweating room" being part of the establishment, in which we have listened to sentiments too shocking to repeat; * we are aware of the existence of a staff of assistant-managers, and *tellers* without number; people-pleasing essays appear to have been overlooked by the protectionists of the Dominion, when drawing up their schedule of prohibited articles, hence we find that these articles of merchandise are not contraband, and perhaps in view of certain kleptomantic weaknesses of which we are conscious, it is as well that these essays are not contraband. The service at this establishment is intended to be polished in the highest degree, and we should say exercises about as much influence on what is termed the heart, as does polished marble; our distinct impression is that any unbiassed person who might listen to the ministrations of the Rev. Dr. Thomas, † the newly-imported Pastor of this Church, would be forcibly reminded by him, of what the listener had been accustomed to see and hear on the stage; it would require a remarkably robust state of faith to believe that the cause of Christianity can be advanced by such a mode of ministration as that adopted by him; but we believe it is calculated to please a class of persons whose religious intelligence has not developed as rapidly as have their possessions.

* These can be seen in No. 49 of the First Series of CRITICISMS.

† Reverend Doctors are becoming so common now o' days, that there would appear to be danger of the title being supposed to involve anything of the nature of attainment.