

sects wasting their energies in pursuing the hollow humbug of a union based on the rotten expedient of a temporary sinking of their differences, in running after an *ignis-fatuus*, which will leave them at last in deeper darkness, in grasping at a shadow when they might have laid hold on and secured the substance? Most assuredly that course which the powers of darkness, and of Popery, and of blasphemy, must regard as *strengthening* their odious interests, is not, *cannot* be the proper one for those who have the love of God at heart to pursue. Would to God that Protestant Dissenters would ask themselves these questions, and answer them honestly to their consciences in the sight of God; that they would "consider their ways;" for THEN would the sober-minded among them rise superior to petty interests and party feelings, return both to the doctrine and communion of the apostles, eat of the ONE BREAD, and drink of the ONE CUP; they would flee to the refuge of God's own appointment, the ark of his Church; they would return "as doves to their windows," bearing with them the tokens of peace—indications of the truth that the happy hour must come, when the angry waters of strife that now foam out their own shame shall subside; the visible ark, provided by the wisdom and goodness of God, be no longer necessary; and the Church militant here on earth be absorbed into the Church triumphant in heaven.

They who presume to say that the hearts of true Churchmen do not yearn after the souls of Dissenters, both Popish and Protestant, KNOW NOTHING OF TRUE CHURCHMEN,—understand "neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm." There is not one deserving the name who would not joyfully lay down his life if by so doing he might reclaim schismatics to the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, to the obedience of Christ; and thus be instrumental in repairing the breaches of Zion, and building up the