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WE purpose to examine a few points in this venerable creed. We not only have no objection to a published creed, but approve of it. We have no sympathy with those, so-called evangelists. who seem to consider it the chief part of their mission to run a-muck against all creeds, while by their own teaching they manifest that they have a creed, narrow, crude, and bigoted. We write not under the influence of this "creedophobia," nor in behalf of its palliation. But our opinion is, that creeds ought to be in harmony with the Divine Word, especially if acceptance of them is held as the test of admission to the Christian ministry in a Protestant Church. The Confession now under examination is That the examination may not degenerate into endless so held. logomachy, it is necessary to state the precise points of the dis-These points are not whether Presbyterians or others enssion. believe all the creed, or not. We have evidence sufficient to show that it is not all believed by even Presbyterian ministers. Nor is the point whether, or not, its upholders disclaim the inferences which have been drawn from its statements. This, indeed, is very common. But it has nothing to do, directly, with the

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