

&c." *School-boy* exultation ! Really Mr. Editor this is too bad. Why meddle with Mr. R's *friends* ? Was it not enough to bespatter Mr. R's work with such a profusion of epithets ? Were you obliged to wound Mr. R's friends, the large body of Methodists in this country, by disrespectfully entreating 'hem to check their school-boy exultation ? *O tempora ! O mores !*

One would think from the tone of this baptist review, that that denomination of Christians are quite a privileged order—a liberty to say the most contemptuous things imaginable, without awaking any revulsion. Others must be as passive as slaves under their abuse, or they instantly forfeit all claims to christian character ! It would really appear, that our opponents are mightily chagrined, when we set at defiance their high notions amounting almost to inspiration. Their ridiculous assumption of infallibility, or to use the language of one of their own friends, 'their claims to more than infallibility' can only excite in us deep sorrow for them, and an utter detestation of their principles. How grateful must we feel to Mr. C. to receive from him the assurance that 'he can bear with us,—to be told, that our practice is fraught with 'dangerous consequences' and 'must be displeasing in the sight of God'—to hear him pronounce that our system is 'an invention of men, utterly opposed to Christ's ordinance,' that our reasonings and deductions are 'stale trifling,' and that we have not the shadow of evidence to support them from the word of God—above all, to have it cast in our face that we are guilty of 'adding to the things' written in the book of divine revelation which we are charged to remember is 'no trifling matter.' And shall such dogmas be tolerated in the nineteenth century ? Must we sit down calmly while baptist publications fulminate such ecclesiastical anathemas ? Or must we reply to such execrable sentiments with the silver tones of meekness and submission ? God is our witness, we wish to live peaceably with all men : but peace and pusillanimous compromise of principle are different things. Let our baptist brethren, cease 'to beat their fellow servants'—let them reason with us as persons sincerely desirous of understanding and obeying the will of God—let them come down from the mount of infallibility, and treat us as their equals ; and their kindly feelings will be reciprocated ; they will know that we dispute not for victory, but truth—in fine, that our's is not the hostility of an adversary, but a fair and ingenuous investigation of truth.

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