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*Nec enim alia lex Romæ, alia Athenis, alia nunc, alia posthac ;
sed et omnes gentes, et omni tempore, una lex, et sempiterna, et immu-
tabilis continebit.*
CICERO.

Nor is this law peculiar to Rome, nor to Athens, nor to time past, nor to time present ; but all nations and all times, acknowledge its universal, its perdurable, and immutable nature.

*Prob pudor ! hos tolerare potest ecclesia porcos,
Duntaxat veneri, vèntri, somnoque vacantes.*

PALINGENIUS

Oh ! shame ! And can the church such churchmen bear,
Whose beilies, lust, and sloth 's their only care ?

Plus aloes quam mellis habet.

JUVENAL.

There is more acid in the punch than sugar.

TRIAL FOR LIBEL, *abstract of, continued from No. 101.*

SEQUEL of Mr. HOOPER's address to the Jury.

"The doctrine that the truth could not be given in evidence, in cases of libel, has no better authority than the Star-chamber, a court which, by its tyrannous and illegal proceedings, has been handed down to the indignation of posterity. It was not from such a court, or the men that sate in it, that the common law could be altered, or that we have derived its principles.* To the star-chamber succeed the *imprimaturs* of government, and the licensing controul of the press, introduced by that wretched family, who seemed to be elevated to a throne and a sceptre, merely to shew how unfit they

*The first case is that of *Brewerton*, 26. James I. in which the truth was rejected, but lord Coke, afterwards, even in that court, in the case of *Lake vs. Hutton*, 1106. 252, insisted that, if the libel were true, the defendant might justify it.