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“The context informs us that many of St Peter’s hearers, as he himself was, were Jews. They had been accustomed for many hundred years to receive infants by circumcising them to the church; as well they did, as before observed, because God had promised to be a God to Abraham and to his seed, *Gen. xvii.* had understood to mean parents and their infant offspring, and this idea was become familiar by the practice of many centuries. What then must have been their views when one of their own community says to them, ‘This promise is to you and to your children?’ If their practice of receiving infants was founded on a promise exactly similar as it was, how could they possibly understand him but as meaning the same thing, since he himself made the same mode of speech? This must have been the case, unless we admit this absurdity, that they understood him in a sense to which they had never been accustomed.

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The Methodist Ministry Defended: or a Reply to the Arguments in favour of the Divine Institution, and the Uninterrupted succession of Episcopacy, as being essential to a true Church and a valid Ministry, as stated in a letter to the author, by the Rev. CHARLES J. SIMON, Rector of Christ Church, in a series of letters addressed to that Reverend Gentleman. By ALEXANDER W. M. LAMB, pp. 170. Cannabell. Price 1s. 6d.

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THE "uninterrupted succession," as well as the "divine institution" of Episcopacy, may be properly termed a "dream;" because it never has been and never can be proved. For either the Church of England has descended through the Church of Rome, or it has not. If it has not, then where are records to prove that the present English bishops have descended uninterruptedly and have been regularly inaugurated into their offices from the time of the Apostles, without any mixture of Popery, notwithstanding the long and universal prevalence of that corrupt system in England? But if this pretended "Uninterrupted Succession" comes through the Church of Rome, then, as it is of the same character, so it deserves to be placed beside the Pope's supremacy, and infallibility. Dr. Adam Clarke, who is admitted by Mr. Shreve to have been "a man of deep research—a man of learning," has informed the world that the late Archbishop Secker was the son of a dissenting minister,—and was baptized according to the form of that church,—and that we hear nothing of his having been re-baptized.

Unless, therefore, it can be proved that Archdeacon Secker was baptized a second time, then it must be evident that if "the succession was uninterrupted" until his time, it was *interrupted in him*; and unless it is proved that he was baptized by a clergyman who was ordained according to the Episcopal form, the argument about "the uninterrupted succession" ought in all fairness to be given up. Our readers, who may wish to see Dr. Adam Clarke's view of this subject, will find it in No. 26, of the last volume of the Wesleyan, page 330.

It is lamentable that Protestant clergymen, whose Church, as to doctrine, is truly scriptural, whose discipline, if duly enforced, is good, and which has been such a barrier to infidelity, and in former times

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Mr. Strevett throws out some remarks in reference to Mr. Wesley, and Dr. Coke evidently with a design to bring those eminent ministers and through them Methodism generally into contempt for inconsistency. All we shall say on this, is, that the character of Mr. Wesley and Dr. Coke is too well known to be injured by any thing that can be said by the Rev. Rector of Guy's Cliffe. Our readers, however, will be pleased by Mr. McLeod's observations thereon: they will be found in his sixth letter, and extend from page 61 to 70.

Mr. Shreve also tries to press the FBI's Dr. Adam Clarke into his severely galled quotations from his "Confrontation." This mode of attack is, however, met by Mr. McLeod, and the question is given at length in letter 7, extending from page 70 to 84.

Mr. Shreve, in the sequel of his letter, when speaking of the "the unity of the Church of Christ, and," "Is there here any element of *religions and dissensions and dissent* ? Is it the word of God plainly, positively, and expressly, against these *ecclesiastical evils* ? And shall not a minister of the Church, who is solemnly bound by his ordination vows, hit up his voice against them ? Cry aloud and not spare though reproaches may be heaped upon him ? 'The ministers of the Church, for the maintenance of peace, have not been so particular in this respect as duty required. We are, however, preserving a false peace which should be *disturbed--be broken*.'" page 10.

The sentence, "*Cry aloud and not spare*," is an incorrect quotation from Isaiah lxvi. 1. The whole verse reads, "*Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sin.*"