

antiquity, by which they were guided in the interpretation of them; and none knew better than they how to express and convey to others the knowledge which from those sources they had obtained. There is no fear, therefore, of our being led away from the faith once delivered to the saints, by a stedfast adherence to them; and vainly, I think, would any one attempt to improve the system with which they have provided us, by engrafting upon it any modern or ancient inventions—which, however set off by the talents and zeal of their advocates, and however recommended by their supposed beneficial effects among Christians of other denominations, are quite out of place in that system—like pieces of new cloth upon an old garment—which they neither strengthen nor embellish.

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