

in its mystic sense, to be at present of no ordinary magnitude. This is the choice pebble, gathered from the brook by the shepherd king; with which he hid the great Goliath low and prostrated for ever the proudest Champion & mightiest defender of the enemy's cause that ever warried against God's chosen people. 1. Kings, 17, 49.

The Sentinel's next plea against the pope's supremacy is a most absurd one; and, omitting all his uncouth jumble of words, is wholly reducible to this; that because the Apostles received all from Jesus Christ the power of ordaining others; and of exercising the episcopal functions, in union and full accord with Peter; they, and their successors, multiplied all over the earth were ever afterwards to remain, each independent of him, and in disunion with their visible chief. (that he was such we shall afterwards prove) although Christ the night before he suffered, made it his particular prayer, which was surely granted, that they should be one, as he and his father were one. John 17, 21, 22, 23. &c.

In answer to his next head, the pope's prerogative of calling general councils; which like all the rest of his production, is too verbose, to be copied into our paper, for that were just like bottling up wind; we need only tell him, in defiance of contradiction, that there never was a council called and approved of by the pope; but what has been, and is approved of by the Catholic, or universal Church: nor was there ever one condemned by him, which was not, and is not condemned by her also.

He infers from Acts 15, that the first council, seeming to have been convened at Jerusalem, by common consent; and probably at the request of St. Paul, &c. and not by command of any one; THE APOSTLES AND ELDERS BEING COME TOGETHER FOR TO CONSIDER THIS MATTER; and no intimation being given of Peter's authority as supreme head of the church; he infers, as I said, from all this that Peter appeared in council but barely as PAR CUM PARIBUS, that is, as one among his equals. What a rare demonstration is here afforded of his anti-papal Thesis! Did he not read in the chapter cited, how Peter, (still the mouth of the Apostles, as he is stiled by the holy Fathers, and which the pope is acknowledged to be of all the other Bishop's) laid down the law upon the occasion; and how all the multitude, whom he addressed, held their peace! Acts, 15 12. Why did not St. Paul speak so authoritatively to the multitude; he on whose account, or at whose request, the Council had been convened? And, if convened at his request, it must have been at some other's command; for a request is not a command: and yet a command was necessary for such a convention. Let the Sentinel then show that St. Peter was not in this too, the mouth of the Apostle's; and that, in spite of all Catholic belief to the contrary, he never issued any order whatever on the occasion.

Then he cites from Eusebius, Ecc. Hist. Book 3. ch. 9. these words. "after the martyrdom of St. James, and the captivity of Jerusalem, the report goeth, that the Apostles and disciples of our Lord, which were then alive, (whereof many yet remain-

ed,) gathered themselves together, with the kinsmen of our Lord according to the flesh, to consult whom they should think worthy to succeed James; so that all in one voice judged worthy of the see of Jerusalem Simeon, the son of Cleophas, mentioned in the Gospel, and called the cousin of Christ; for Egisippus writeth that Cleophas was the Brother of Joseph." And though he reads in the very passage which he cites, that the Apostles and Disciples which were then alive, had gathered themselves together on the occasion; he finds in this inclusion of them ALL, the express exclusion of the Apostle Peter!!!

Need we dwell more for the satisfaction of our readers, on this argumentative rhapsody! we presume they have had enough of it; to follow such a theological quack through all his conjectural ramblings, would be as vain & ridiculous, as wearisome an exertion. Let him not boast however, at our giving up the Fools chase; as we intend in our further numbers to renew the question; not by refuting his absurdities, for that would never end, but by seriously treating so serious a subject as the Papal Supremacy.—Editor.

FANATICISM IN KINGSTON.

Last Friday night, at a late hour, one of our citizens, feeling an extraordinary call to demolish the camp of the Midianites; and under the supernatural impulse, we should suppose, of his familiar inspirer, the spirit of Blue Ruin; fired at the window of the Catholic Church; and thus performed the heroic and highly meritorious exploit of smashing a dozen or more panes of glass. The feeling however betrayed by such an act, is rather of an alarming kind.—Patriot.

AU PUBLIC.

Les pseudomes, aux quels nous voila arrives dans le cours de nos explications Biblicales; etant une portion si importante et interessante de l'ecriture Sainte; nous voudrions en presenter a nos lecteurs un commentaire plus choisi et etudie; ce que, pour le moment, nous ne scourions realizer a notre pleine et entiere satisfaction. En cessant donc pour un temps, de continuer nos explications de la Bible, nous esperons pouvoir avec avantage les recommencer dans notre second volume; s'il paroit que nous puissions hazarder la continuation de notre periodique: ce qui depend de l'exactitude avec laquelle les abonnements sont remis au publicateur. Can, quelque disposes que nous soyons a dedier nos veilles gratis et sans retour icibas, a l'instruction publique, et a la defence de la religion; nous ne nous trouvons pas a meme de souffrir une si grande perte annuelle en supplant le defaut des paiements a l'Imprimeur, au fournisseur, et a la poste, pour la publication la moins dispendieuse qu'on puisse nommer.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

THE Psalms, at which we are now arrived in our Biblical Notices and explanations, are so important and interesting a portion of the inspired writings; that we could wish to give a more choice & studied commentary upon them, than we can well at present accomplish. We must therefore suspend for a while our scriptural notes; which we intend renewing in our second volume: should we be induced to continue the publication. This, however, entirely depends on the exactness, with which the subscriptions are remitted to the publisher, for, though willing to yield, as we have hitherto done, even single handed, our labours GRATIS to the public in the cause of truth; we cannot afford to be at so very considerable a yearly loss, to make up the defalcation of payments to the Printer of the cheapest periodical in existence.

THE EDITOR.

IGNORANCE AND THE VICIES.
A M. S. POEM.

Continued

Lo! Frantic in their course, and headlong urg'd;
Each onward by some snaky fury scourg'd,
Those, whose revenge, dread Demour, furious sway
And drive to death, ten thousand various ways.—
Like blood-hounds in the chase, to scent his game.
He lies there forth, to all his mandates tame.
Till o'er life's brink, precipitous they bend
Their madden'd flight, his victims in the end.

Not so they risk, whom coward fear ensnares;
And with his pale spell, incessant scares,
A pallid, nervous group, they shiv'ring run,
Each bug-lear sped, and danger nam'd, to slun.
Such oft the Demon conjures up to fright,
His follow'rs far from reason's regions bright.
And monsters feigns, and dangers that abound
In virtue's path, alone where bliss is found.
Thus with alarms, their palsied minds he fills,
And ever tortures with imagin'd ills.
Where dangers threaten, or but threat'ning seem.
They're aw'd from good, or urg'd to guilt extreme:
Not their's the dauntless deeds achiev'd of fame;
That send immortaliz'd a hero's name:
Yet these, their nature's vertes bright and hanc,
Are chief th' upholders of the witch's reign.

More mirthful far, and numerous is the throng,
Whom Syren pleasure lures and leads along,
Loud grows, as they advance, and louder still,
The sound confus'd of voices deep and shrill,
The shout, exulting, or applause cheer,
And long side-rending laugh assails the ear.
The jolly Topper's chorus loud resounds;
And riot reigns throughout; and mirth abounds.
Mid all the din some dissonance we hear
The dance inspiring pipe, and tabor e ear.
How happy such!—Ah! but what screams were there!
What groans are heard! what shriek!—read the air!
Mark, to the rear of this assemblage gay,
The mingling scenes of horror and dismay.
Diseases there, and plagues take up their stand.
Corrosive cares, and sorrow's wailing band.
Rage storms convulsive, madness shakes his chains;
Remorse, with scorpion sting incessant pains,
Despair, terrific frowning, hangs his head;
And e'ath appears, in all her terrors clad.
These, and a thousand nameless furies watch
Round pleasure's train, their heedless prey to snatch
Meanwhile, her merry dupes the witch beguiles
With varied pastimes; feast, and song and smiles;
And deep debauch; where, closely by her side
Her far'ritos lust and gluttony proside:
Till in the countless snares, all round them spread,
They're caught; and, lo! the mirthful vision's fled
For ever fled—th' enchain'd parting shews
Her dragon train; and mocks at all their woes.
Turn, muse! O turn thee from the appalling sight;
And view the op'ning dawn of reason bright.

To be continued.

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