

own authority, and his scrupulous care to refer to the sources of his information for whatever did not fall within the sphere of his observation. Few of his opinions, even on matters of conjecture, have been disproved by the discoveries or theories which have been brought out by the rapid progress of science; and the general utility of his work is proved by the numerous writers on subjects connected with Greenland, who have gladly availed themselves of his labours. Nor can we avoid indulging the hope, that at a time when almost all the divisions of the Church of Christ are strenuously exerting themselves to spread his kingdom over the whole habitable globe, it may be gratifying to many to peruse the history of one of the earliest and most successful efforts towards the accomplishment of this object.

Without laying much stress upon the incident ourselves, or expecting our readers so to do, we cannot dismiss the subject without adverting to the opinion of one whose authority once stood high in the world of letters. We have it from a very respectable quarter, that when the old translation of the work was shown to the late Dr. Johnson, he declared that very few books had ever affected him so deeply, and that though the style was quaint and rugged, the man who did not relish the first part was no philosopher, and he who could not enjoy the second no Christian.

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