

THE SYLLABUS.

THE Syllabus is a collection of the principal errors of our time, which are censured in the Consistorial Allocutions, Encyclicals, and other Apostolic Letters of Our Most Holy Father, Pope Pius IX. It was published on December 8th, 1864, as an Appendix to the celebrated Encyclical, "*Quanta Cura*." His Eminence, Cardinal Antonelli, explains the object of the Syllabus as follows, in a circular addressed to the Bishops of the Universal Church:—

"Our Holy Father, Pius IX., Sovereign Pontiff, being profoundly anxious for the salvation of souls and for sound doctrine, has never ceased from the commencement of his Pontificate to proscribe and condemn the chief errors and false doctrines of our most unhappy Age, by his published Encyclicals, and Consistorial Allocutions, and other Apostolic Letters. But as it may happen that all the Pon-