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Notwithstanding the progress which the gospel thus made in India. the particulars of which were regularly transmitted to the Society, and attested by such men as Mr. Geriché, a statement was currently circulated in Great Britain, that among the conversions, which they reported themselves to have made, their proselytes consisted only of the Pariars, and other low castes, who almost invariably degraded the religion they professed to embrace. It was also boldly maintained that men of high caste would spurn at the idea of changing the religion of their ancestors. The only method of refuting an assertion so unfounded, is an appeal to facts. We have had an opportunity not long since of conversing with a gentleman, who has often been at Vepory, and has seen the church there crowded with natives attentively listening to the exhortations of those very men, whose testimony has been thus questioned. The service was that of the Church of England translated into Malabar; and the whole was conducted according to the ritual of that church. In these assemblages, every possible allowance being made for the prejudices of the people, which was not incon-No III .- Vol. I.

[&]quot;WATCH YE, STAND FAST IN THE FAITH, QUIT YOU LIKE MEN, BE STRONG; LET ALL YOUR THINGS BE DONE WITH CHARITY."...... Cor. avi, 13, 14.