

from its author, can redeem our people from the many pernicious influences of these times. There are probably not more than a dozen properly organized churches in this State, though brethren good and true are to be found in almost every county. Now let two or three able evangelists be sent as missionaries into this State from Ohio, Kentucky, or Missouri; and in a few years a valiant army would be enlisted under the blood-stained banners of King Immanuel, able not only to support the Gospel at home, but also to contribute largely to the support of missions in other lands. May the Lord grant that those who are blessed with a knowledge of his will, may ever exhibit a holy and laudable zeal in laboring to extend the glorious and sublime truth of our holy Christianity to a lost and perishing world.

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SATAN.

From a very intelligent and well written essay lately sent to this office, but which it is not necessary at present to publish, we copy the following:

We should not be hasty in believing in the non-existence of the devil. A fact in natural history should teach us a lesson. The cat will lie for hours at the mouse's hole, with outstretched limbs, suspended breath and shut-up eyes, to convince its prey that it is dead and that there is no danger; until the incautious little creature, playing carelessly around its cadaverous looking foe, is suddenly seized and with its life atones for its credulity. Let us beware. One of the devil's "wiles" or "devices" may be to convince many good meaning people that *there is no devil*. If any ask why God should permit such a being to do so much mischief in the world, I reply why does he permit any human sinner to be the same thing in kind, or quality, though not in degree? If the one permission is unrighteous so is the other.

BUSINESS AND RELIGION.

We often hear Christians complain of their leanness and emptiness, and attribute it to their business. If they are correct in the cause of