

of depraved human imagination, is clearly a breach of the first commandment.

Then how important is a correct knowledge of the true God. "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God." (John xvii. 3.)

This however must not be understood to mean that any finite mind can fully comprehend the divine, but at the same time must include all that is intended in the above remarks, viz., that we do not invest the object of our worship with attributes* that do not belong to the character of the true God. "They that worship God must worship him in spirit and in truth." *Thou shalt have none other gods but me*" "These words shall not pass away." JACOB SPENCE.

[We are glad to learn that Brother Spence purposes writing a short article having a similar doctrinal bearing as the above, on each of the ten commandments. Our readers will doubtless peruse them with pleasure and profit.]

Old *Hussey*, a rigid Calvinist, tried to prove that an Arminian was a sinner of no ordinary character, in as much as he breaks all the ten commandments. He says:—Arminians make a *divinity of men's power*, and so are guilty of *idolatry*. The second command is broken by *bowing down* to this idol. The third is broken by speaking of *ineffectual grace*, for to do this is to *take God's name in vain*. Arminians break the seventh by committing adultery with their idol, the work of their own hands. And they break the tenth, by coveting *their neighbour's interest in God and Christ*.

Mr. Spence of course takes a very different view of both Calvinism and Arminianism from Old *Hussey*, and will we have no doubt give us another and better version of the subject.—Ed.]

BOOKS.

We have just received the first number of "*The Wesleyan Magazine of Canada*." It bears all the marks of an excellent monthly. It is edited by Rev. James Spencer, and Rev. *James Hughes*; and published by *Anson Green*, Toronto. We have no doubt it will soon have a wide circulation. The fine steel engraving of Rev. Enoch Wood, D.D., is itself worth the year's subscription.

* "It is a known universal principle that the object of worship being the ideal of excellence, and to imitate which being the highest aim of the worshipper, such views and feelings have an assimilating tendency. But would the example of a being represented as the author of unconditional reprobation tend to promote "faith which worketh by love." Who would seek to be more merciful than our "Father in heaven is merciful;" surely a vindictive reprobating being would not be a good example for a benevolent Christian! How unlike, "Be ye therefore followers of God as dear children, and walk in love."—*Reprobation no probation*, pages 8-9, essay by J. S.