

century, Ephrem of Antioch;* and in the ninth century, Raban Maurus, Archbishop of Mentz,† and a host of other writers, opposed to the doctrine of a *physical* change in the consecrated elements of the Lord's Supper. These are only examples of the manner in which even their own acknowledged writers opposed the various innovations which constitute the difference between us and Rome. Surely, then, I do not say too much, when I assert that these are innovations since the first centuries of Christianity, and that at the time of the Reformation the English Reformers did not set up any new religious institutions, as has been slanderously reported, but merely reformed and restored their own Church to its original independence and purity.

* Contra. Eutych. apud Plot. Col. 223.

† Epist. ad Heribald, c. xxviii.

THE END.