if they lived they would fall into sin. To what is this like? It is like a king who, walking in his garden, saw some roses which were yet buds, breathing an ineffable sweetness. He thought: if these shed such sweetuess while yet they are buds, what will they be when they are fully blown? Atter a while the king entered the garden anew, thinking to find the roses now blown, and to delight himself with their fragrance; but arriving at the place, he found them pale and withered, and yielding no snell. He exclamed, with regret, "Had 1 gathered them while yet teader and young, and while they gave forth their sweetness, I might have delighted myself wih them, but now I have no pleasure in then." The next year the king walked in his zarden, and finding rose-buds scattering fragrance, he commanded his servants, "Gather them, that I may enjoy them before they wither as last year they did."--Jewish Herald.

Adam Clarke on Daveng.-I long restricted all solicitations to this employment; but at last allowed myself to be overcome. I grew passionately fond of it. And now I lost the spirit of subordination, did not love work, imbibed a spirit of idleness, and, in short, drank in all the brainsickening effluvia of pleasure. Dancing and company took the place of reading and study, and the authority of my parents was feared but not respected, and few serious impressions could prevail in a mind imbued with frivolity. Yet I entered ne disreputable assembly, and in no case kept improper company. Nevertheless, dancing was to me a perverting influence, an unmixed moral evil. I consider it a branch of that worldly education which leads from heaven to earth, from things spiritual to things sensual, and from God to Satan. Let them plead for it who will. I know it to be evil, and only evil. "No man in his senses will dance," said Cicero, a heathen. Shame, then, on those Christians who advocate a cause by which many sons have become profligate, and many daughters have been ruined.
"I am now an old fellow," says Cowper in one of his letters, "but I had once my dancing days, as you have now ; yet I could never find that I could learn half so much of a woman's character by dancing with her, as conversing with her at home, when I could observe her behavior at the table, or at the fireside, and in all the trying scenes of domestic life. We are all good when pleased; but she is a good woman who wants not the fiddle to sweeten her."

The Earl of Derby was formerly known as Lord Stanley, and is a religious man, having published, after he had acquired distinction in political life, a little work for the young, founded on the Parables of our Lord, and called "Conversations between a Mother and Child." A writer of religious reading for the young, therefore, is seen taking rank among the first statesmen of the mightiest government in the world.

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Sbocking Sacrilege. - Two Catholic priests in Spain recently guarrelled in church as to who should say the first mass. After a furious personal conflict, in which they saruck one atoither with the sacred vases, one of them beat out the other's brains with a crucifix.

The Duke of Weifington.-The gailant Duke lately met a young clergyman, who, being aware of his Grace's former residence in the east, and his fimiliarity with the ignorance and obstinacy of the Hindoos in support of their false religion, gravely proposed the following question:-" Does not your Grace think it almost useless and extravagant to preach the gospel to the IIindoos?"The Dake immediatdy rejoined,-"Look, Sir, to your marching orders-Preach the gospel to every creature."

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