

believers in the Shaster, endeavour to make universal, and with a zeal which resembles the Mahometan, constantly enforce by the sword."†

The doctrine of losing cast among the Hindoos, is the rock which opposes the propagation of the Gospel in India. Some who are of a persecuting spirit might wish to split this rock with iron, or to blow it up with gunpowder. The gentle spirit of Christ, however, may in time sever this rock, without the aid of warlike weapons, and cause water and honey to flow from it. St. Paul says, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God, to the pulling down of strong holds." 2 Corinthians, 10, 4.

To lose cast, which is a kind of excommunication, is more dreadful to a Hindoo than death or torture. Every relation and connexion in life is said to be dissolved by this loss; no relation, friend,

† See page 5th of "Proceedings of the Association for promoting the Discovery of the Interior parts of Africa."