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"Saints who the Lord on sacred Sunday seek,
And hand and glove with Satan pass the week."

PETER PINDAR.

Damnant quod non intelligunt.

CICERO.

They condemn because they do not understand.

..... *Velocius et citius nos*

Corrumpunt vitiorum exempla domestica.

JUVENAL.

With quicker force domestic vices shed
Their poison rank, when by example spread.

29th June 1822.

MR. MACCULLOH,

Observing in the papers of this week an advertisement for a pleasure-trip to Boucherville and Varennes, by the steam-boat La Prairie, to take place on Sunday the 30th, I transmit you the following letter, which was written last year in reply to an attack made in the Gazette upon such excursions. The editor of the Herald, although his previous avowal of the same opinion I entertain had called forth that attack, and notwithstanding he approved of my letter, declined inserting it, upon the principle so universally acted upon by the public prints in Canada that it militated against received opinions, and would injure his paper in the sight of those men, who think (somewhat in the same way as catholics do with respect to confession) that by a strict and gloomy observance of what they affect to call the Sabbath, they may atone for lying, cheating, calumny, and all ungodliness, during the oth-