

or two curacies in their neighbourhood. If in that class of Clergymen we find many useful labourers in the vineyard and instructors of youth altho' they never had their heads adorned with the collegiate cap nor their shoulders with the academic gown, what is the use and still less the necessity of a classical education; unless it be to enable our young M. A. to divide their leisure hours between the manufacturing of amatory verses and the numerous diversions within their reach; and the old double D's. to display their learning and profound education in comments and explanations which being read leave the understanding as perplexed and often more so as before, or the floridity and critical purity of their style in polemical sermons for the most part read by those the least calculated to comprehend them.

Far be it from our intention to cast any reflection injurious to the respectable and truly learned body of the Anglican clergy. It contains too great a number of the most conspicuous models of human and christian virtues not to be intitled to a large portion of indulgence for the proportionable few amongst them whose conduct is not strictly professional. The present object is not to censure that body, but only to shew that a classical education is in no ways absolutely necessary to exercise becomingly the sacred functions; even in so enlightened a country as England. But in a country like this, this classical education is not only unnecessary but also its enforcement may stop the progress of the dissemination of those doctrines so essential to guide its inhabitants in their moral and religious duties. This we will further illustrate in our next number.

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ANSWER TO THE EPISTLE TO THE WEDDED.

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Were I a man, I would indite the writers
That dare to turn such infamous backbiters;
But as I am, I know my sex's merit,
And shall resent it with becoming spirit.

I know you'll say "*qui capit illa fuit*,"
But 'tis to my account alone you place it;
So in defence of all my married neighbours
I thus shall castigate your spiteful labours.

Pretty comparisons indeed you make,
For those who give their persons for your sake;
Who leave their homes, a father and a mother,
To please the whims and fancies of another.