

And in His good Mother he knew he would find
 Access to her Son if they both were combined.
 By masses and idols, and candles so bright,
 And black beads and white beads, and bright shining light ;
 But he knew there was virtue in Purgative fire,
 And to pass it quite easy it was his desire.
 At this a voice issued direct from the throne,
 " Away with your idols of wood and of stone,
 Your Aves and Credos, your mass for dead men.
 And all but the love of my Son that was slain,
 To redeem you when lost, and undone by your guilt,
 And restore you to favor, by his blood that was spilt.
 And as for purgation by red coals of fire,
 'Tis a wicked invention of Satan the liar ;
 It robs me of glory, and you of the truth ;
 You were burden'd and trammell'd by it from your youth,
 But since you do trust in the merits of Him,
 Who died on the cross to redeem you from sin ;
 With Luther, and Calvin, and Cranmer the great,
 Through Jesus Christ's name you may now take a seat,
 And enter the Church once abhorred by the Pope,
 Which ne'er for salvation by vain works did hope."
 The poor Papist, a churchman, appeared now in light,
 In a surplice of glory so pure and so bright,
 Not stained with dark symbols nor silly invention,
 Which to decorate man was not God's intention,
 But robed in pure white, with no trace of sable,
 So the Pope lost a subject, and the mass proved a fable.
 The Baptist came next, and he hoped for admittance,
 Through the merits of Jesus he begged for acquittance,
 His frames and his feelings were all right within :
 He was plunged in the water over heels, head, and chin.
 To the Church's blest Bible he owed no obligation,
 But his whole heart agreed with the Baptist translation,
 To him the old Bible appeared mouldy and damp.
 And confessed to be churchly by old Doctor Cramp.*
 Baptize meant to dip ; so he found in this version ;
 No use of disputing, for the word meant immersion.
 Although it's reported that we were quite able,
 To prove the good Doctor's immersion a fable :
 And if Dr. Cramp could defend it no better,
 He was certain that Spurgeon could answer the letter.

* The former President of Acadia College, N.S., who, in advocating a new Bible for the Baptist, declared that our present one was decidedly an *Episcopalian Bible*, meaning by "Episcopalian" the Church of England.