

brought to the bar, his hollow eyes glared unconsciously on his judge, and he gave his plea, as if the words 'not guilty,' came from a being without life. But his recollections seemed for a moment to return, he opened his lips and gasped faintly, as if it wished to recal them. The trial commenced, and he listened with the same apathy; but once, betraying feeling, when he smiled on his friend beside him.—The evidence had been heard; the jury returned a verdict of *insanity*, when a groan from the prisoner created a momentary pause, and he dropped lifeless in the dock. He had for some minutes shadowed his countenance with his hand, and no one but his friend perceived its dreadful alteration. He attributed it to the dreadful suspense of the moment, the agony between hope and despair. Its cause was a more awful one; he had procured poison, had laken it, and with an almost superhuman strength, had struggled dwith its effects until he fell dead before the court. He was buried in the churchyard of his native village, where a mound of earth marked his grave, but there was neither stone nor inscription to preserve the name of one so wretched.

It is almost unnecessary to add, that a more pernicious error than the doctrine of fanaticism cannot take possession of the mind of man. Innumerable and varied crimes have been perpetrated under the influence of this enemy of human reason.

*A fair offer.*—Make a full estimate of all you owe, and of all that is owing to you. Reduce the same to note. As fast as you collect, pay over to those you owe; If you can't collect, anew your notes every year and get the best security you can. Go to business diligently, and be industrious—lose no time, waste no idle moments—be very prudent and economical in all things—discard all pride only the pride of acting justly and well—be faithful in your duty to God, by regular and hearty prayer, morning and evening; attend church and meeting regularly every Sunday, and “do unto all men as you would they should do into you.” If you are too needy in your circumstances, to give the poor, do whatever else lies in your power to do for them cheerfully; but if you can, always help the worthy poor and unfortunate. Pursue this course diligently and sincerely for seven years, and if you are not happy, comfortable, and independent in your circumstances, come to me and I will pay all your debts.—Dr. Franklin.