

the Son of God, but we obtain by this act the forgiveness of sin ;—justification by faith alone without the deeds of the law is not only called in question, but strongly opposed ;—the confessional, the candles, and the crucifix are substituted for the spirituality, and simplicity of divine worship, and an intolerent, and bigoted priesthood are held up as the vice-gerents of heaven, and plenipotentiaries for God.

Such are the unscriptural and ruinous sentiments advanced by the Oxford Tracts, and many of the Episcopal Clergy, and which are leading multitudes with all possible speed into the bosom of the Romish Church. At such a crisis what is the duty of Protestant Christians ? We must unitedly rally round the standard of truth, and contend manfully for the faith once delivered to the saints. There must either be a united, and zealous effort put forth by all evangelical Protestant denominations or the glorious, reformation will be followed by an inundation of error, the happy days of free toleration will be followed by days of bitter persecution, and the former days of martyrdom and bloodshed may be repeated. To arms, then, ye Protestant Christians, and contend unitedly and manfully for the venerable truths of Christianity or you will be robbed of your dearest rights and liberties, those for which your noble-minded forefathers bled and died.

The contest is not for a party or a system, but for great doctrines and vital principles. Let us then convince the advocates of Puseyism that Protestant Christians can unite and will unite in defence of the truth. By thus uniting our piety and efforts we shall rouse the public mind, and awaken wholesome watchfulness and concern. We shall check and restrain the progress of intolerance and error ; and an important rampart will be thrown up around the great interests of Protestantism and Christian truth. Protestant Christians, then, to arms, and let the servants of the most high God, who show unto you the way of salvation, take the front of the battle, and let them be sustained in the conflict by your fervent prayers, and zealous co-operation, and let us unitedly, and earnestly contend for the truths of our holy religion, the stability of the Church, and the glory of God. But in this noble stand for the truth, let our conduct be marked by charity though firm and determined, let us throughout the contest exhibit the meekness and gentleness of Christ.

In the formation of such an association we should have in view the following objects :

1st. The union and encouragement of Protestant ministers to give to their congregations instructions on the difference between Protestantism and Puseyism.

2nd. To sustain an able and spirited periodical to expose to public view the errors and ruinous effects of Puseyism.

3rd. To publish and circulate books and tracts, calculated to give information respecting the various errors of Puseyism in their history, tendency and design.

4th. To awaken the attention of the community to the danger which threatens the public and domestic institutions of our country.

If you or any of your valuable correspondents will give their views on this important subject, I shall feel myself greatly obliged.

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#### TO THE EDITOR OF THE HARBINGER.

It will doubtless rejoice the hearts of many of your readers to learn that the Rev. Richard Miles, the Congregational Bishop at Abbotsford, has been, during some months, favoured with enlarged success in the good work to which his life has been devoted. The writer has learned from unquestionable sources the following series of particulars, which, without further preface, he ventures to send for publication.

Towards the close of last summer it pleased the all-wise disposer of events to remove, more or less suddenly, several individuals in that neighbourhood from this to the unseen world. Such events, ever fitted to produce a deep impression, were improved with much earnestness and affection by Mr. Miles, who endeavoured to shew survivors the vast importance of instant preparation for the great change. The effect was good. An increased attendance on the means of grace, and deep seriousness under the ministry of the word, were happily apparent. In these circumstances, Mr. Miles held more frequent meetings for prayer, and especially one on the evening of the Lord's day. The number attending was large, while the earnest addresses of the Minister during the progress of the meeting were owned of God in the awakening of many heretofore careless minds.

Although Mr. M. has laboured at Abbotsford during seven years, in conjunction with Granby, and though he has a very interesting and effective church at Granby, yet he has until recently been prevented from organising one at Abbotsford, by considerations which it is unnecessary to notice. As the termination of the past year approached, however, it appeared manifest that such organization ought not longer to be deferred; and hence, after mature and prayerful deliberation, seventeen individuals, in whose piety the Minister had confidence, and who regarded each other as regenerated, not by the water of bap-