

A rayling Epistle, written in French by
 that excellently witty Doctor, Fran-
 cis Rabalais :

Wherein though I follow him not verbatim,
 yet whoso can compare them, shall find I haue
 done him no wrong.

THOU toothlesse wither'd Hagge, defam'd, accurst;
 Empty of Gods grace, by the Deuill nurst :
 Thou that didd'st never deed of Charitie :
 But art the patterne of all villanie :
 Thou, in whose hairelesse braunes ill thoughts do throng,
 And tak'st chiefe ioy to heare a bawdie song :
 Thou that didd'st neuer drinke water with wine,
 Senting each bed with lust, where thou haft linc :
 Thou that doost weep at eu'ry draught thou drink'st :
 But haft dry eyes, when on thy sinnes thou think'st :
 Thou that ador'st no bed but *Prisapus* :
 Thou that didst ne'r, but for inticement blush :
 Thou that hast piss'd away thy vndeowne shame :
 Thou that hast entertain'd each one that came :
 Thou martyrer of men, 'tis not the pose,
 That causeth thee to speake thus through the nose.
 Thou that art slow to Churchward as the louse ;
 But quick as lightning to a bawdy-house :
 Thou with whose age hot lust doth not declyne,
 Thou more infatiate then tyr'd *M. ssaling*.
 Thou stinking, with'red, stale ; thou past a whores ;
 Thou lust procurer, keeper of the doore :
 Thou that dost tempt faire Maydens to their shame,
 And for gaines sake, rob'st wiues of their faire name :
 Thou damn'd, damn'd Bawd, that do'l procure thy meales,
 By tempting wenches to turne vp their —
 Thou that did'st never take delight to worke ;
 Thou in whose bosome snarling quarrels lurke ;

Thou