you; though absent carnally, spiritually I am in your presence: for it is written, he who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet, shall receive the recompence of a prophet. But our Lady, the mother of God, ever virgin, adjures you with us

this day."-Enough of Peter's letter.

Such were the gross artifices, which, in the eighth century, seduced the people and their rulers; and such are the artifices that are practised down to the present time, where they are likely to take effect; and such is the willingness of mankind to be duped, that, if an old coat were exhibited as an object of veneration, thousands would flock to pay their homage to the blessed coat, and peradventure be found on their knees exclaiming, "O, blessed coat, pray for us!" To this degraded state of mind Puskyism is trying to allure us by little and little, and if our children are not guarded from its insidious arts they will be transformed to semi-pagans. It is true there may be good men who believe in great errors, and there are bad men who profess a good creed-for a creed is not salvation. The devils have faith, for they believe and tremble,—but the man who repents of his sine and receives forgiveness (not of men, but of God), this man will have the faith which devils cannot have, nor wicked men either, -for as this faith is the gift of God, we may be sure that God, who can search the heart, will not give it to any but to those who seek it in the right way. What a momentous question then is, What is the right way? Oh, hear the blessed Saviour say, "I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh to the Father but by me." How necessary then to divest ourselves of every false pretence, and come simply to the feet of Him who has said, "ask and ye shall receive-for every one that asketh receiveth." Receiveth what? Receiveth the pardon of his sins from that Almighty being whom he has offended-and "he that seeketh findeth"-findeth what? "the pearl of great price"-the peace and love of God in his soulyea even the Spirit of God bearing witness with his spirit that he is born of God-the fear of death is taken away, and the hope of everlasting life springs up in his soul. It is true he has still to fight with his imperfections, but he fights in faith, praying his Saviour to sustain him in temptation by his grace, and to deliver him from fearful enemies to which he is continually exposed. 241513

But, hark! "IT was THE PREPARATION for the Sabbath,—AND THE SABBATH DREW ON! And soon it will be said of the Christian's warfare, "IT was THE PREPARATION; AND HIS SABBATH DREW ON!" Nay, even new the morning is dawning upon him that will shine through an ETERNAL SABBATH!

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