

see professors of religion leaving the services of the Lord, and immediately turning to the service of Satan, in babbling about their neighbour's dishonesty, and telling how many cod fish they have taken, and how many boxes of smoked herrings they put up, and how fast their vessels can sail, and a thousand other things. And there is another thing attached to this great evil, and that is, buying and selling on the Lord's day; and another performance, still worse, if any thing, than what I have before stated, and that is to repair to the Meeting house as though they intended to serve the Lord, and there (to their shame be it spoken) buy cattle, or offer them for sale, and that too, to non-professors of religion. Alas! what an example for a Christian to set before the world. These things, brother Eaton, are facts that have come under my own observation. "Tell it not in Gath, nor publish it in Askelon." Yet it must be told.

CONDONO.

REMARKS.

Friend "Condono" has certainly fallen upon evil times. He must surely be looking on the dark side of the picture. A faithful proclaimer of the apostolic gospel ought to cure these evils. An exhibition of the transcendent blessings procured by the death and resurrection of the Lord Messiah ought to excite in the minds of this community other emotions. These persons cannot certainly be practical believers in the ancient gospel. They must belong to those who have received another gospel which we have not preached.

We have for some time doubted the propriety of publishing C's strictures, as they appeared to have a local or rather personal bearing. But on more mature reflection we thought perhaps some of these worldly professors might see his remarks, and be induced to turn from the error of their ways.

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RELIGIOUS MAXIMS.—BY UPHAM.

XII.

IN proportion as the heart becomes sanctified, there is a diminished tendency to enthusiasm and fanaticism. And this is undoubtedly one of the leading tests of sanctification. One of the marks of an enthusiastic and fanatical state of mind, is a fiery and unrestrained impetuosity of feeling; a rushing on sometimes very blindly, as if the world were in danger, or as if the great Creator was not at the helm. It is not only feeling without a good degree of judgment, but, what is the corrupting and fatal trait, it is feeling without a due degree of confidence in God. True holiness reflects the image of God in this respect as well as in others, that it is calm, thoughtful, deliberative, inimitable. And how can it be otherwise, since, rejecting its own wisdom and strength, it incorporates into itself the wisdom and strength of the Almighty?

XIII.

The hidden life, which God imparts to his accepted people, may flourish in solitudes and deserts, far from the societies of men and the din and disturbance of cities. From the cave of the hermit, from the cell of the solitary recluse, the fervent prayer has often arisen, which has been acceptable in the sight of God. But it would be a strange and