them, that it is e has given us y them, and to to love and fear rift his Son; to re in authority d all lawful goabbath, and his ies, taxes, culof the country ould have them t them as often r, modeft, and get our living. all us. To be for our health, other bleffings ought. They be received as

any thing hard is not convinced d be much hapit, we do not ng to him every y at all; instead s and Officers, ulting him and mobs, and fedifuffered themious oaths, preupon the Holy murder, every that can expose ernal damnation, ths ? How many who are going king whom they ignorant by falle which they can all their present uftrious pursuits, o be left without houfe [ 25 ]

houle or home, or fupport, for a wild-goofe-chace after fomething, which fome perfons, whom they do not fo much as know, defire fome perfons to tell them they are to get from the French, when they are to come over on floating iflands, and blow the British fleet, that now ride in triumph through the whole world, out of the feas? In thort, how many have thrown off all religion, all fear of God, frequenting neither Church, Mafs, nor Meeting; or if they go to the Chapel or the Meeting Houfe, going there only to enter into wicked and favage combinations, and to fettle plans for robbing, and plundering, and murdering, as foon as the night comes on; or for training themfelves to arms that they may be the better prepared to fpill the blood of their clergy, their landlords, their neighbours, and former

acquaintances and friends ? Even amongst those who are not thus changed into favages, and cut-throats, and houfe-breakers, how many are there who fhew every kind of difrefreet to God's Minifiers and Ordinances ? who fcarcely ever go to the house of prayer ? who fpend God's Day in doing more butiness than on any other day in the week, or in jaunting about, or in getting drunk, though it is expressly ordered, that neither we, nor our fervants, nor our cattle, fhall work on that day, and that we shall keep it holy ? Instead of paying to all their dues, how many try to cheat the established clergy of their tithes, and their priefts of their little pittance they claim for their fupport, and the King of his taxes, and buy finuggled goods wherever they can meet with them ? By thefe and many fuch things, they offend against the laws of God, and the laws of the land. Who is there that always does as he would be done by ? that never speaks ill of his neighbour ? that never tries to deceive or defraud, or over-reach another ? How common are drunkennefs, lewdnefs, gambling, and above all, profane curfing and fivearing, and the most shocking oaths, which give no pleasure to any man, and are fo abominable before God ? How many never thank God for any things are never contented, but grumble and complain, even when nothing ails them, and they are not in want ? and what makes all the more unpardonable is, that we can none of us pretend that we are uninftructed, or deprived of the means of knowing our duty. We have eftablished among us the most pure and perfect form of christianity, and the which approaches the nearest to the