

## SERMON.

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ACTS xviii end of 17th v.—“ And Gallio cared for none of these things.”

THE Gallio here mentioned was the Proconsul of the Roman Province of Achaia. His original name was Marcus Annæus Novatus, and he assumed the name of Gallio from a Roman who adopted him. He was elder brother of the well-known Stoic philosopher Seneca, and, to judge from the mention made of him by his brother and by others, he was a popular man, widely known, and whose society was almost universally courted. He was quite a specimen of the Romans of his day, refined, polished, self-indulgent, indifferent to almost all interests, except his own; with no sympathy for or with those over whom he was ruler, and without a thought of learning something of the religious views and practices of the inhabitants of Greece, whether Christians or otherwise. He had no real belief at all in a God. He was