

all nations, since it had not been for fifteen ages ; and is unknown in most nations ?

4. Their church is not Apostolical, since it neither was founded by any of the apostles, nor has any succession of doctrine, communion, or faithful mission from the apostles.

5. Because Luther, the first preacher of the Protestant religion, had no marks of being actuated by the spirit of God, but bore many evident badges of the spirit of satan ; witness his furious and violent temper, which could not brook the least contradiction ; of which many Protestants have loudly complained ; witness his scandalous marriage with a nun ; and his no less scandalous dispensation, by which he allowed Philip Landgrave of Hesse, to have two wives at once, contrary to the Gospel ; witness his frequent conferences with the devil ; in one of which, as we learn from his own mouth, *T. 7. Fol. 228, &c.* he was taught no small part of his " reformation," to wit, his abolishing the Mass, by the father of lies. Now who would venture to follow that man for his master in religion, who owns himself to have been taught by satan ?

6. Because the first steps towards introducing the Protestant religion into England were made by Henry VIII. a most wicked prince, "*who never spared woman in his lust, nor man in his wrath,*" and the first foundations of that religion in England were cemented by blood, lust and sacrilege, as every one knows that knows the history of those times. To this beginning the progress was answerable in the days of King Edward VI., during which the " reformation was carried on with a high hand by Sumerset and Dudley, in conjunction with the council and parliament, upon interested views, not without great confusion, and innumerable sacrileges, as their own historian, Dr. Heylin, is forced to acknowledge.

7. Because Protestantcy was settled upon its present bottom in this kingdom by act of parliament, in the first year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, in opposition to all the bishops, to the whole convocation of the cler-