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WITH

Some REMARKS upon them.

*In a* LETTER *from the Bishop of* CARLILE *to the Bishop of* BANGOR.

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My LORD,

I Was exceedingly ſurpriz'd to find an *Advertiſement* of your Lordſhip's in the *Daily Courant* and the *St. James's Poſt* of the 28th of the laſt Month; giving the Town Notice of a Matter of Fact variouſly to be reported (a Tale differently to be told) by your ſelf, and a Brother of the ſame Order in the Church with your ſelf. I had frequently met with Challenges of Maſters of Defence, Gladiators of the *Bear-Garden*, in thoſe Authentic Journals: But this, I believe, is the firſt time that they invited the Populace to come

and ſee a Prize fought by two Biſhops. Your Lordſhip gravely concludes this Ludicrous Citation of yours with a ſolemn Prayer to God *to put a ſtop to ſuch Behaviour of Divines, as brings Infamy upon the Chriſtian Name*; and then as gravely profeſſes your ſelf to be (that very Moment) *in ſuch a Diſpoſition of Mind* as is fit for a Prelate *to die in.* Could you imagine that your acting ſuch a Part as this, and upon ſuch a Stage, would raiſe the Honour of the *Chriſtian Name*, or ſtrengthen the Repute of your own Order? The late Maſquerader in the *Hay Market*, did not (could not) more effectually expoſe them both. I am weary of following your Lordſhip through all the Kennels of the Town; and therefore have reſolv'd to ſit me down a while, and reflect (in this ſomewhat more private manner) on the ſeveral Dirty Tours we have made.

'Twas but on *Friday* (the foreſaid *June* 28.) that Dr. *Snape's Second Letter* was publiſh'd; and the *Courant*, &c. of the ſame Day brought your Lordſhip's Declaration of War (ſome Hours before the *Letter* could be had in *Weſtminſter-Hall*) in the Form following:

'WHEREAS the *Reverend* Dr. *Snape*, in 'his *Second Letter* to the *Biſhop* of *Bangor*, hath thought fit, in *Page* 40, to leave the 'Argument, and to lay a very heavy Accuſation 'upon

upon him, in the following Words, *viz. I pray recollect your self, and put these Plain Questions home to your own Conscience: Whether your* Absolutely's *and* Properly's, *and such-like evasive Words, were not omitted in your* Sermon, *as it was originally compos'd? Whether you did not, before it was preach'd shew it a certain Person without such Limitations? And whether you was not with Difficulty prevail'd upon by Him, to insert them by way of Caution? If you think fit to answer the World in the* Negative, *I engage that a Person of unquestionable Veracity, of as high and sacred a Station as your Lordship, will charge himself with the Proof of the* Affirmative. And whereas that *Reverend Doctor*, in *Page* 67, of his *Second Letter*, hath thought fit, in a Manner hardly to be parallel'd, to insinuate that the Bishop hath a *Mental Reservation, to justify his solemn Appeal to God, that* what he preach'd was without the Knowledge of any Man living; *when* (as the Doctor adds) *a* Living Man *hath testified that it was preach'd with his Knowledge, and submitted to his Correction.* In a Case of this Nature, I can do nothing but appeal to the World in the Manner following: I have *recollected* My self, and put these Questions home *to my* own *Conscience*; and I do here solemnly averr, That the Words mentioned as Evasive Words, not only were in the *Sermon* originally, but were intended and designed to be so; that I did *not*, before it was preach'd, shew it to any Person in the World, either *with*, or *without*, such Limitations; and consequently, could not possibly be perswaded by any Person to insert those Words; and that I think I have given the World sufficient Proof of

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' my Regard to Plain and Open Speaking, by what
' I have experienced upon that Account only. And
' having thus ſolemnly anſwered the World in the
' *Negative*; I do here, in the moſt publick Manner,
' call upon the *Doctor*, by all the Regard due to
' Conſcience and Honour; I expect, I require him,
' by all the Ties of Chriſtian Duty, either to make
' publick Reparation for ſo uncommon an Injury in
' ſo tender a Point; or to produce immediately
' that Worthy Perſon *of the ſame High and Sacred*
' *Station, who*, He engages, *will charge himſelf with*
' *the Proof of the* Affirmative; and likewiſe to
' name that *Living Man, who*, He affirms, *hath te-*
' *ſtified that the* Sermon *was preach'd with his Know-*
' *ledge, and ſubmitted to his Correction.* I do here
' demand this; and put the whole of my Reputa-
' tion upon this ſingle Point. If the Reverend
' Dr. *Snape* doth not immediately, either acknow-
' ledge his Miſtake, or make good what he hath
' *engaged*, He muſt be content to be thought, by all
' the World, what I will not ſay. In the mean
' while, I pray God to put a Stop to ſuch Beha-
' viour of Divines, as brings an Infamy upon the
' *Chriſtian* Name. I forgive it from the Bottom of
' my Soul: And I thank God, I am in ſuch a Diſ-
' poſition of Mind, as that I could Die, ſooner than
' *Give* or *Return* ſuch Uſage, as I have met with,
' through this whole Controverſy.

*BENJ. BANGOR.*

The Peruſal of this *Manifeſto* gave me the
firſt Opportunity that I had of obſerving a
ſmall Miſtake in that Part of the Letter
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wherein alone I was like to be concern'd; and which your Lordſhip ſeems to have flown at, with ſuch an Eagerneſs and Fervour of Spirit as can hardly be conſiſtent (in any other Man) with that *calm* and *undiſturb'd* Diſpoſition wherein you profeſs your ſelf to have been at the penning of your ſaid Declaration.

Had your Lordſhip here appeal'd to any of your Hearers in the King's Chapel (inſtead of the wide World) for the Proof of *theſe Words being originally in the Sermon*, the Sentence moſt probably would have been this: "Whether they were in the Original, or "Written Copy of the *Sermon*, which the "Preacher had before him, I cannot tell; "but, if they were there, pretty ſure I am "that they were drop'd in the Delivery. "Had I heard the Epithets of *Abſolute* and "*Infallible* given to that Authority againſt "which his Lordſhip ſo earneſtly inveigh'd, "I ſhould immediately have ſuppos'd him "to have been declaiming againſt the Pope "and the Church of *Rome*; whereas I un-"derſtood the whole Bent, Deſign and Pur-"poſe, of his Diſcourſe, to be in Favour of "the Diſſenters, and Derogation of the Au-"thority of the Eſtabliſh'd Church of *Eng-"land.*" Theſe (moſt undoubtedly) were the Sentiments of the greateſt Part of your Auditory: Nor have I yet met with any one of

of them that took your Meaning in any other Light. To tell the plain Truth, the Repeal of the Law against *Occasional Conformity* was then upon the Anvil; and 'twas confidently given out, that above Twenty of the Bishops were ready to give their Assent to a Bill for that Purpose. It manifestly appear'd that the very Reverse of this Story was true: But whether your Lordship had not a mind to enter your Dissent in this Sermon, against the Majority of your Brethren, your own Conscience can best inform you. Most of those that heard it were certainly of this untoward Opinion.

Now, whether these *Evasive Words* (as they are call'd) were in the Sermon as it was originally *penn'd*, or not, we find that many proper Judges are perswaded that they were not in it as it was *preach'd*. We are all sure they are in it, as it is *publish'd*: But from what Hand (or by whose Advice) they came there, may prove a Dispute as endless, as 'tis frivolous. Why then should your Lordship offer to *put the whole of your Reputation upon this* invisible *Point*? This is never to be done. No, my Lord. There are other heavy Charges upon you; which you seem to be avoiding, by an Endeavour to shelter your self in this dark Corner. The Lower House of *Convocation* have (*Nemine Contradicente*) accus'd you of, 1. The Subversion of

of all Government and Discipline in the Church of Christ. 2. Impeachment of the Regal Supremacy in Causes Ecclesiastical, and the Authority of the Legislature in Matters of Religion. Others have exhibited an Additional Schedule of New Articles; which loudly call for a more full Answer than hitherto you have vouchsaf'd to give them. But to proceed in my Narrative. That very Night Dr. *Snape*'s Reply was brought to me; but so late, and so much upon the Spur, that I could but just point out the main Failure in it; which was corrected in some measure, and the next Morning's *Post-Boy* gave it us thus:

*Eton, June* 28. 1717.

'WHEREAS the Right Reverend the Lord 'Bishop of *Bangor* has published an *Advertisement* in the *Daily Courant* of this Day, 'requiring me to produce the Worthy Person, that 'will charge himself with the Proof of a Fact, 'charg'd on his Lordship by me, *Page* 40, of my '*Second Letter*; I hereby declare, that I first 'receiv'd that Account from a 'Worthy Divine*, who assur'd me, 'he heard the Right Reverend the 'Lord Bishop of *Carlisle* declare, That he had 'spoke with the Person who advis'd my Lord of '*Bangor*, upon Reading his Sermon, to insert such 'Words as *Absolutely*, *&c.* That some Days after, 'the same Divine did again assure me, he had heard

* Dr. Hutchinson.

' the ſame Worthy Prelate a ſecond Time declare
' that Matter to be true, and that he would juſtify
' it to all the World. Upon which, I drew up
' that Paſſage, waited on my Lord Biſhop of *Carliſle*,
' read the Paſſage to him, and was allow'd by him
' to publiſh it, with an Aſſurance that he would
' ſtand to it. And I queſtion not but his Lordſhip,
' on whoſe Teſtimony I rely'd, will give my Lord
' of *Bangor* full Satisfaction.

*A. SNAPE.*

*This is true.* W. CARLIOL.

Inſtead of making any Remarks at preſent upon this *Advertiſement*, give me leave to tell your Lordſhip a ſhort Story. On *Monday* laſt Mr. *Bowyer* came to me in the *Lobby* of the *Houſe* of *Lords*; and produced a few written Lines, which he deſired me to ſubſcribe. The Contents were to this Purpoſe, That *whereas I had allow'd him to publiſh my Atteſtation to Dr.* SNAPE'*s Paper, as amended, I did thereby certify that he had ſo publiſhed it.* This, I told him, I could not do: Becauſe he had not ſo amended the Paper, as by my Mark and ſubſequent Direction, and his Promiſe thereupon, he was oblig'd to do. I particularly pointed to him the Inconſiſtency of the concluding Words of that Paper, with what was neceſſarily to be underſtood by my ſtriking out the Words, *before it was preach'd*; and adjur'd him to take care that the Whole

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were corrected according to my Intent and Meaning, of which (he satisfy'd me) he was perfectly Master. Upon this Assurance, without a Minute's Conversation, (both of us being in great haste, and I little suspecting what would follow,) we parted; and the next Morning I found, as I have since found in a higher Instance, that I was mistaken in my Man. He could not deny the Truth of my Allegations; as was apparent to several of our Brethren of the Bench, and other Clergymen, then present. Amongst the rest, Dr. *Waugh* was very falsly (as well as insolently) accus'd by the Bookseller, of advising and prevailing with me to decline the Subscription: Which, in Justice to the worthy Doctor, as well as my self, I declared to be an Impudent Slander. I shall have occasion to make farther Use of this extraordinary Attempt by and by. In order to that, here follows your Lordship's ready Answer to the last recited Memorial; wherewith we were furnish'd by both the *Evening-Posts* of the same Day.

'WHereas the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop 'of *Carlisle* hath testify'd, at the End of a 'publick *Advertisement*, that he allow'd the Re-'verend Dr. *Snape* to publish a Passage in *pag.* 4c. 'of his *Second Letter* to me, with an Assurance 'that he would stand to it; in which said Passage, 'or Libel, is contain'd a Charge upon my Reputa-

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' tion, in the tenderest Point, in some Particulars
' which the said Right Reverend Prelate is under-
' stood to charge himself with the Proof of: I
' therefore find my self under an absolute Necessity,
' to call upon my Lord of *Carlisle*, in this publick
' Manner, to prove those Particulars there charg'd,
' *viz.* That the Words *Absolutely* and *Properly*, &c.
' were omitted in the *Sermon* originally; that I did,
' *before it was preach'd*, shew it a certain Person,
' without such Limitations; and that I was *with*
' *Difficulty* prevail'd upon by him, to insert them,
' *by way of Caution*; as well as to produce that
' Living Man, who hath testify'd that the *Sermon*
' was preach'd with his Knowledge, and submitted
' to his Correction. I have solemnly averr'd the
' contrary to these Particulars. *I do here again, in*
' *the Presence of God, affirm what I have already*
' *affirmed*; and again put *the Whole of my Reputation*
' upon this Matter. I will not here enter, with his
' Lordship, into the Christianity and Humanity of
' *furnishing an Adversary with a Load of Personal*
' *Infamy, to ruin my good Name*, hitherto untouch'd
' by the most zealous of all my Enemies; and this
' without once enquiring what I had to say. But I
' must, in Justice to my self, *demand* of his Lord-
' ship, *immediately* to Name the Person mention'd
' in Dr. *Snape*'s *Advertisement*. I know and affirm,
' that his Lordship never spake with the Person,
' who, upon reading my *Sermon*, advis'd me to in-
' sert such Words as *Absolutely*, &c. because I
' know there is no such Person in the World.
' And therefore I do here insist upon what I have
' now demanded.

*BENJ. BANGOR.*

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What I intended by my Subſcription to Dr. *Snape*'s Advertiſement, was very plain to all that heard what I alledg'd for my own Juſtification in the *Lobby*; and, as I have reaſon to believe that the Bookſeller had been with your Lordſhip before I ſaw him there, he might have done me ſo much Right, as to have explain'd to you what I did truly mean by it; and this would probably have prevented ſome of thoſe Expoſtulations which have been publiſh'd ſince *Monday*: But, being ſenſible of his own Neglect, he reſolv'd to try how far 'twas practicable to prevail with me to skreen him from the Reſentment of his Author. I ſhall frankly own that I never did think that Dr. *Snape* (or Dr. *Hutchinſon*) had any Intentions to miſrepreſent the Account I had given of your being oblig'd to a Friend's Advice, for the Convenience of ſome *ſaving* Words in your Sermon; becauſe (till, for the Preſervation of your Lordſhip's *untouch'd* and *unſoil'd* Credit, it came to carry more Weight) the Circumſtance of Time in this Matter of Fact was very inconſiderable. For this Reaſon, ſince the main of my Report was fairly repreſented in what Dr. *Snape* ſays he read to me, I will not doubt of his Veracity, in affirming, that I paſs'd it over without any Animadverſion; and allow'd the publiſhing of his

his Paragraph in the Groſs: And yet (as far as I have any Acquaintance with my own Heart) I never *thought* of the wholeſome Advice's being given and taken *before the Sermon was preach'd*; and therefore I am verily perſwaded that I never *ſaid* it was. To the remaining Part of this Challenge, I gave the following Anſwer in the *Monday*'s Papers:

" BEing charged in a very publick Manner by the " Lord Biſhop of *Bangor*, with *furniſhing his* " *Adverſary with a Load of Perſonal Infamy, to* " *ruin his good Name*; I do hereby aſſure his " Lordſhip, and the whole World, that I heartily " deteſt and abhor all ſuch villainous and malicious Behaviour. I never did affirm, that the " Words *Abſolutely*, *Properly*, *&c.* were inſerted " in his Sermon, by *way of Caution*, before it was " *Preach'd*; but that before it was *Publiſh'd*, they " were *ſo* inſerted, I did (and do ſtill) verily believe. This Miſtake in Dr. *Snape*'s Report of " my Evidence, I mark'd in his Advertiſement, before it went to the Preſs; and allowed Mr. *Bowyer* to publiſh my Atteſtation to it, ſo Amended. " Whatever his Lordſhip may ſay to the contrary, " I do *know and affirm*, that there is *ſuch a Perſon in the World*, who averr'd to me, that he " did *(with Difficulty)* prevail with the Lord Biſhop of *Bangor*, to inſert theſe Words in his " Sermon *before it was Publiſhed*; and that he had " formerly uſed the like Endeavours, but in vain, " to perſwade him to inſert them in ſome Paragraphs of his *Preſervative*, where he thought

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" they might be of equal Service. I am not sen-
" sible that his Lordship has any Authority (*Ab-*
" *solute or Infallible*) *to demand of me* I M M E-
" D I A T E L Y *to name this Person:* But I take
" him to be a Man of so much Christian Courage
" and Integrity, that he'll very shortly do his
" Lordship, himself, and me, that Justice, as
" openly to acknowledge the Truth of this State
" of the Case. I will not put the *Whole of my*
" *Reputation* (which I hope is as bulky as his
" Lordship's) *upon this Matter:* But I promise
" him, that if this is not quickly done by my
" Informant, he shall hear farther from me, who,
" *do here again, in the Presence of God, affirm*
" *what I have already affirm'd.*

W. CARLIOL.

Your Lordship's pressing me (with so much Earnestness) to name my Informer *immediately*, was somewhat mysterious to me at first; but I now see there was other Cause for your so doing, than I was aware of. I had not much conceal'd his Name, being no way conscious that what I had reported from him, was intrusted with me as a Secret: But, he being now at some Distance from the Town, I thought so much Respect was due to his Person and Character, as to give him Notice by Letter, of what was transacting here, before I publish'd his Name in Print. The Reverend Dr. *Kennet*, Dean of *Peterborough*,

*borough*, is the Man I mention; from whom alone I had the Information of your Lordſhip's applying to him for Advice, *before the publiſhing of your Sermon*, and your agreeing to the Counſel he gave, in the Manner and Form wherein I have already ſpecify'd it. What led to this, was, our diſcourſing on the *Report* of the *Lower Houſe of Convocation*; which, he ſaid, was not carried ſo unanimouſly as had been repreſented; That your Sermon was baſely miſunderſtood, miſrepreſented, *&c.* After ſome little Talk about the *Words* now under debate, he aſſur'd me (with a ſmiling and pleas'd Countenance) that your Lordſhip was indebted to him for thoſe Faſtneſſes; for that he had prevail'd with you to inſert 'em. I put the Queſtion, Whether he had not been likewiſe advis'd with, before the publiſhing of your *Preſervative?* Yes, ſaid he, I was; and never was more ſolicitous for any Thing in my whole Life, than I was for the inſerting of *theſe* in ſome Parts of that Diſcourſe, which viſibly wanted them. The former part of his Story was told with ſuch an Aire of Complacency, Satisfaction, and Comfort, that I could look upon it no otherwiſe than as a certain Sign of the Pleaſure he took in reflecting on his own Happineſs, in being thus ſerviceable to *his Friend*;

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and I was thereupon the less cautious in reporting what *my Friend* seem'd desirous to make publick for his own Honour. This (as I hope for Eternal Salvation!) is a faithful and punctual Account of what I had from Dr. *Kennet*'s own Mouth, to the best of my Remembrance, and the strictest Recollection that I can make of what pass'd betwixt him and me on the Subject Matter of your Lordship's Sermon. But, —— will Mr. Dean, who furnish'd me with the Materials of this Piece of History, support my Testimony with his own? By no Means. He peremptorily avows, in his Letter to me by last *Wednesday*'s Post, That *he had no Manner of Correspondence with the Lord Bishop of* Bangor *about the Preaching and Publishing his late Sermon:* That *he never Saw or Heard any one Paragraph in it, before it came out of the Press:* That *it was ever his Opinion, that the Lord Bishop of* Bangor *acted wholly in that Matter, according to his own Judgment, without the the Assistance or Advice of any other Person:* And (lastly) that *he must ever declare, in the most solemn Manner, that he never suggested to me, nor to any Mortal Man, that the Sermon was preached with his Knowledge, or submitted to his Correction.* I did indeed expect, my Lord, that the different State of this whole Controversy would have rested betwixt your Lordship and the Dean: But, I now see,

'tis He or I that muſt *ſink* or *ſwim*, as our Neighbours are pleas'd to *believe* or *disbelieve* us on our (reſpectively) contrary Vows and Proteſtarions. I have already Appeal'd to the Righteous Judge of the Sincerity of my Heart, in all that I have ſaid or written on this Point: And I muſt now ſubmit my Reputation in the World to be weigh'd in the Scales with Dr. *Kennet*'s, and leave it to Man's Judgment to determine whether of us two will be reputed the more *faithful Hiſtorian*. The concluding Paragraph in his Letter is a little amazing; and therefore I ſhall tranſcribe it *verbatim*, and leave it entirely to your Lordſhip's and the Impartial Reader's Conſideration: *I believe I could tell how your Lordſhip was drawn into ſuch a Miſtake; but there is no need at preſent to ſay more than, what I muſt have Leave to ſay, that your Lordſhip is miſtaken, if you conceive me to be the Perſon who told you any ſuch Thing.* My Blood was a little warm'd into Indignation, upon the Reading of this Clauſe. When I had earneſtly call'd upon this Gentleman to do me Juſtice, ſhall he tell me that he can (he thinks) diſentangle me; but he will not do it, for the preſent? If he can convince me of my being in an Error, and ſhew how I fell into it, let him (for his own ſake, for God and his Truth's ſake) diſcover what he knows: And I promiſe (God, of his Mercy,

Mercy, I truſt, will enable me to perform) that I will thankfully take all that Shame to my ſelf, which he can prove to belong to me; and duly humble my ſelf before all the Powers of Heaven and Earth. Could he induce me to believe that I fell lately (in *his Study*, for there was the Place of our Conference) into a Swoon, or a Trance, and continued in that *Deliquium* (ſeeing Viſions, and dreaming Dreams) for ſeveral Minutes together, I might probably be perſwaded to think that all that I have ſaid of this Matter was the Effect of a diſtemper'd Brain; of ſome Fits of a Phrenzy, or an Epilepſy: But, if he never obſerv'd any thing of this kind in me, 'tis not likely that my *Miſtake* aroſe from my Bodily Infirmities. He may perhaps, at his Leiſure, diſcover ſome other Spring; which I am far from being able to gueſs at. I have done with Mr. *Dean*; till he thinks fit to explain this *dark Paragraph*. Let me only again obſerve to your Lordſhip, that this ſingle *Advertiſement* of mine appear'd firſt in the Papers of *Monday* laſt; when I dutifully attended the long Service of the Day in Parliament. On the Call of the Houſe, according to Order, I appear'd in my proper Place; but your Lordſhip's Abſence was excus'd, by an Averment that you were indiſpos'd. My Hopes were that you were

only *Sick* (as I was) of exposing our Order by a scandalous War in the *News Papers*, to the Comfort of *Deists*, and all other Enemies of Reveal'd Religion. In this Christian Wish (as I thought it to be) I found my self mistaken; when, on *Tuesday* Morning, your following long Dissertation came in View.

'I Am very sorry to have such a Debate as this 'with the Lord Bishop of *Carlisle*. But the 'Necessity of the Case will justify me to the 'World. In Answer therefore to his Lordship's '*Advertisement*, I must affirm, that I charg'd him 'with nothing, but what he charg'd himself with, 'in Signing his Name to the Truth of Dr. *Snape's* '*Advertisement*. I am very much surpriz'd that 'the Bishop, instead of certifying to the World, 'at that proper Time, that there was a Mistake 'in the Doctor's Report of his Evidence, should 'rather chuse to amend the Doctor's *Advertisement*, by leaving out these or the like Words, '(*Before it was preach'd.*) By which means he 'made it, in his own Intention, entirely different 'from the Doctor's Charge, which it was design'd 'to support; and yet, in such a manner, that the 'World should not have any Suspicion, but that 'the same Charge exactly was carried on, in that '*Advertisement*, which was begun in the Doctor's '*Second Letter*. I do not lay any Part of this 'upon the Reverend Dr. *Snape*, because he was out 'of Town, and this Amendment, (as it is call'd) 'of his *Advertisement*, was transacted between the 'Bishop, and the Doctor's Bookseller: And then 'publish'd with the Doctor's Name to it, after 'an Alteration of his own Words, of which, I be-

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'lieve, he knew nothing. But this is not all. The 'Bishop not only did not think fit to refuse to sign 'to the Truth of that *Advertisement*, which he 'might justly have done, upon Occasion of those 'Words originally in it; not only alter'd it so, as 'to leave it to carry on the same infamous Charge, 'in the Opinion of all who should read it, and yet 'leave to himself another Meaning, to be declar'd 'afterwards: Not only this, but he thought fit to 'sign, *This is true*, to the Account which the 'Doctor there gives of what had pass'd between 'them before. It is therefore acknowledg'd to be 'true, under the Bishop's own Hand; that Dr. '*Hutchinson* of *Hammersmith* had heard the Bi'shop relate a certain Fact; and afterwards heard 'him declare, that he would justify it to the 'World; that, upon this, Dr. *Snape* drew up that 'Libel against me, (for so the Law allows me to 'call it) contain'd in *pag.* 40. of his *Second Let'ter*; that he brought this Libel to the Bishop; 'that he read this Libel to him; that the Bishop 'allow'd him to publish this Libel, with an 'Assurance that he would stand to it, and charge 'himself with the Proof of the Affirmative of what 'is there said. I hope therefore, I may be justi'fied in saying that he furnish'd Dr. *Snape*, and 'willingly too, with that Load of Infamy, con'tain'd in that Page: And this, without once 'speaking a Word to me about the Matter; which 'might have clear'd the whole at once. Now, 'that which was the End propos'd in Dr. *Snape*'s 'Charge, was, to prove me guilty of a solemn 'Falshood, in saying, as I had done, *God knows, 'I preach'd it without the Knowledge of any Man 'living*; and therefore the Charge was, that it 'was not preach'd without the Knowledge of any

'Man

'Man living; but had been seen by a certain Per-
'son BEFORE it was preach'd. This is the very
'Charge, which the Doctor, in his *Advertisement*,
'declares he read to the Bishop; and which he
'was allow'd by the Bishop to publish; with the
'Assurance of his standing to it. And this Account
'of their conferring together for this good Purpose,
'the Bishop himself testifies to be true, even at a
'time when he found fault with some Words in
'the *Advertisement*, which again affirmed it. He
'heard this Charge read to him; he heard it read
'to him, that he charg'd himself with the Proof
'of this Charge; and the Charge was plain, that
'BEFORE it was preach'd, the Sermon was
'seen and alter'd; and could not be easily misun-
'derstood, because, in no other Way, it could
'answer the Doctor's End, in that Libel. His
'Lordship hath declared this Account to be True,
'under his own Hand; And consequently declared
'that the Doctor read that Charge to him; and
'that he took upon himself the Proof of the Affir-
'mative; and therefore, did Affirm, and undertake
'to prove, that the Sermon was seen, and alter'd
'Before preaching: which he now, in his own
'*Advertisement*, denies that He ever Affirm'd. If
'what the Bishop declared to be True, in the
'*Post-Boy* of *Saturday* last, be True; then, he did
'Affirm to Dr. *Snape* what he allow'd him, after
'reading it, to publish. If what he advertis'd
'Yesterday be True; then he did not Affirm what
'Dr. *Snape* layeth to my Charge; and the Doctor
'must again vindicate his own Honour and Justice.
'This I am sure of, that Both cannot be True;
'because the One denies, what the Other affirms.
'The World, surely, will take Notice of this Unpa-
'rallel'd Usage of One, who, in All the Disputes

'he

' he hath engag'd in, hath always abhor'd to bring
' into the Debate any Part of the Personal Conduct
' of Those, from whom he hath differ'd; as likewise
' the *Nothing*, that this solemn and pompous
' Charge is going quickly to end in. At present
' my Lord Bishop of *Carlisle*, by his own *Adver-*
' *tisement*, hath acquitted me of the heavy Charge
' laid against me, by Dr. *Snape*, till some other Au-
' thor be found out. It is now dwindled to quite
' another Charge, in which a *certain Person*, as
' yet nameless, is to appear very *shortly*, and
' *quickly*, *&c.* I am not yet a Judge of what hath
' been *averr'd* to his Lordship. I believe Dr. *Snape*
' thought himself as certain of what he understood
' to be *averr'd* to him. But this I will averr to the
' World, beforehand, that this new Charge is
' equally False, and equally Groundless with the
' other; tho' not equally Infamous; and will come
' to an equally glorious End. I am sorry if I have
' displeas'd his Lordship. He himself made it ab-
' solutely necessary. I never pretended to com-
' pare my Reputation with his Lordship's, or any
' Other Man's. But untouch'd and unsoil'd as it
' hath hitherto been, I will not suffer it to be un-
' justly torn to Pieces by any Man Living.

*BENJ. BANGOR.*

You have here, my Lord, drawn my Picture in such a Manner, as if (whilst the Pencil was in your Hand) your Eyes were peeping into the Heart of one of the vilest *Knaves* in Christendom. What was in my Thoughts, when I *signed* my Name to Dr.

*Snape's*

*Snape's Advertisement*, I have already told your Lordship; and, if that will not clear me of your injurious Insinuation of a Rascally Transaction carry'd on betwixt me and the Doctor's *Bookseller*, nothing that I can ever say or write will be sufficient to set me at Rest. I not only agree with your Lordship (I shall always be desirous to do that, where 'tis possible for me to do it) that *I might justly have refus'd to Sign to the Truth of that* Advertisement; but I do also assure you, that I was heartily troubled that, in the Hurry wherein I then was, I was guilty of the Folly of Subscribing it. Dr. *Hutchinson* of *Hammersmith* was not named in the Paper that was shewn to me. There did indeed appear, in the Margin of the next Day's Print, the Name of one Dr. *Hutchinson*; but, to my certain Knowledge, many of the Readers suppos'd the Person, there appeal'd to, to be Dr. *Hutchinson* of *Bury*. Your Lordship's Designation, of *Hammersmith*, is undoubtedly right. That Dr. *Snape* read his *Charge* to me, before it was printed, I have already acknowledg'd; but that I then took Notice of the Difference or Distinction, betwixt the Words *Preaching* and *Publishing*, I do (and shall with my dying Breath) deny. I never projected the laying of a *Load*, or any part of a Load, of *Infamy* upon your Lordship; but heartily lamented the many

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heavy Charges that were upon you: And I could be content to suffer Ten times more, than I am like to do in this impertinent Wrangle, to see an *End* of those Disputes more than *equally glorious* to your Lordship with that of *this*. Is it *Nothing*, my Lord, to encourage a profligate Newsmonger, in his throwing into every Corner of the Kingdom such a scurrilous Piece of Buffonry as that summary *Report* of the Cause now depending betwixt *B. S.* and *C.* which we had in Yesterday's *Flying-Post*? Your Lordship seems resolv'd that such Scoffers as this shall not want Matter for the Continuance of their Mirth. The *Daily-Courant* of *Wednesday* gives them this Repast:

'WHereas the *Charge* made against Me, by 'the Reverend Dr. *Snape*, in his *Second* 'Letter, was, that I had shewn my *Sermon* about 'the *Kingdom* of *Christ*, to a Person *BEFORE it* 'was preach'd, &c. and this, in order to prove me 'guilty of the *detestable Crime* of affirming a *so-*'*lemn Falshood*, in these Words of mine, *God knows*, '*I preach'd what I found in the* New Testament, '*without the Knowledge of Any Man living*: En-'gaging that a *Bishop* would charge himself with 'the Proof of the *Affirmative*, if I should Answer 'in the *Negative*. Whereas, upon my Answering 'solemnly in the *Negative*, the said *Doctor* drew up 'an *Advertisement*, dated at *Eton*, naming the 'Lord *Bishop* of *Carlisle*, for the *Person*, who had

" so charg'd Himself with the Proof of the *Affirma-*
" *tive:* Whereas This *Advertisement* was *amended*
" here at *London*, by leaving out these, or the like
" Words, *Before it was preach'd*, without putting
" instead of them, the Words, *After it was preach'd*;
" (which would have put a Stop to All Outcries and
" Insults upon me, at once;) and with this fine
" *Amendment*, destroying, now it is explain'd, the
" whole of Dr. *Snape*'s Charge, was printed by
" Mr. *Bowyer*'s Order, with the *Doctor*'s Name to
" it, probably unknown to Him: and very much
" magnified, and triumph'd in for a Day. And
" whereas, notwithstanding that my *Lord Bishop* of
" *Carlisle* set His Hand to the *Truth* of what
" Dr. *Snape* testified to have pass'd between them
" before, *viz.* that the Bishop heard that *Passage*
" read, in which I am charg'd with shewing the
" *Sermon*, *BEFORE it was Preach'd*; and that
" he allow'd the *Doctor* to Print it, with an Assu-
" rance that He would prove the *Affirmative:*
" Whereas, I say, notwithstanding this, the *Bishop*
" hath, since that, in an *Advertisement* of His own,
" denied that He ever affirmed that Any Person
" saw the *Sermon*, *BEFORE it was Preach'd*;
" upon which the *Whole* of the *Charge* was founded.
" I am obliged therefore, to call once more upon
" Dr. *Snape*, in this publick manner; and to de-
" mand of Him again to set this Matter before the
" World; that Men may judge of the following
" Particulars: What it was that the *Bishop* under-
" took, in the Hearing of Dr. *Hutchinson*, *to justify*
" *to All the World?* Whether the *Doctor* read that
" *Passage* to the *Bishop*, as it is *now* in *pag.* 40. of
" his *Second Letter?* Whether the *Bishop* charg'd
" Himself with the Proof of the *Affirmative* of the

" *Charge*,

'*Charge*, as it is *now* there ſtated, *viz.* That the '*Sermon* was ſeen and alter'd *BEFORE it was* '*Preach'd?* or, Whether Any Alteration of the 'Senſe was made in that *Paſſage*, after the *Biſhop* 'had heard it read, and allow'd Him to publiſh it, 'with the *Aſſurance* mention'd? And, I might add, 'Whether He gave any ſuch Commiſſion to His '*Bookſeller*, as can juſtify his Alteration of the 'moſt material Part of his *Advertiſement?* And 'ſuch an *Alteration*, as now it comes to be under-'ſtood, makes the *Advertiſement* a manifeſt and 'groſs *Prevarication*. Let it fall where it will; 'I am reſolv'd, in my own Defence, as far as it is 'in my Power, to have this Affair laid open to the 'World. And if the *Doctor* can clear Himſelf of '*Any Part* of this *Load*, I am ſure, He will not 'take it amiſs, that I thus again call upon him. 'As for the *New Charge*, to be maintain'd by '*Somebody*, who is to appear *Some time or other*; 'the *Doctor* is not concern'd in it: Nor is it of 'Any Great Importance to *My ſelf*, any other-'wiſe, than as I have already *averr'd*, and do 'here again engage to prove, in the Face of the 'World, that it is equally *falſe*, and equally '*groundleſs*, with the Other.

*BENJ. BANGOR.*

The affirming a *ſolemn Falſhood* is moſt certainly a *deteſtable Crime*: And, if nothing will remove your Apprehenſions of this Sin's being imputed to you, till I follow the Inſtructions here given me, I know not how to

help you. There's a great deal of Difference betwixt leaving out the Words *Before it was preach'd* (in the *Advertisement* sign'd by Dr. *Snape* and me) and putting instead of them *After it was preach'd.* If two Persons should have heard your Lordship affirm that you had advis'd with Dr. *K.* *before you publish'd* your Sermon, one of these might have his Reasons for apprehending that this was done *before* (and the other as strong ones for believing that it was done *after*) *it was preach'd*; and yet neither of 'em contradict your Assertion. I need not apply this: Nor is it needful to take Notice of any thing that follows in this Paper, every one of the Particulars being already Reply'd to. Dr. *Snape* Answers the Challenge for himself, in the publick Papers of Yesterday, in these Words:

'THE pressing Demand on me, by my Lord 'of *Bangor*, in Yesterday's *Courant*, obliges 'me to do my self a piece of Justice, a few Days 'sooner than I intended. I declare then, in the 'Presence of Almighty God, the following Parti-'culars to be strictly true. Dr. *Hutchinson* did 'report to me, that he heard the *Bishop* of *Carlisle* 'say, the Alterations were made in the Sermon '*before it was preach'd.* I was scrupulously exact 'in making that Enquiry, that I might not mis-'represent my Lord of *Bangor*, by accusing him of '*Publishing* a quite different Doctrine from what

'he

he had *Preach'd*, and calling it the ſame; which, as light as his Lordſhip ſeems to make of it, would have been no trifling Charge. When Dr. *Hutchinſon*, at our ſecond Conference, gave me a repeated Aſſurance that the Alterations were previous to the Preaching; part of our Converſation turn'd on the Uſe I wou'd make of that Circumſtance, compar'd with his Lordſhip's Appeal to God, that *what he preach'd was without the Knowledge of any Man living.* When I read the Paſſage to my Lord of *Carliſle*, I not only recited diſtinctly, but more emphatically than the reſt, thoſe Words, (*Before it was Preached,*) as being the Circumſtance on which the Whole was grounded: And if his Lordſhip had taken any Exception to thoſe Words, it wou'd have been kind, for the ſame Reaſon, to have forbid the whole Paſſage, which depended on that Suppoſition. At my Return from *Eton* to *London* on *Saturday* laſt, I went directly to my Lord of *Carliſle*; and upon his obſerving to me, that he had ſtruck out thoſe Words (*Before it was Preach'd*) from my Advertiſement, and ſhewing me a Letter he had juſt wrote to his *Informant*, where he deny'd that he had ever ſaid or thought the Advice about altering, to be given before the Sermon was preached; I took Notice to his Lordſhip, that if there was any Miſtake in that Caſe, it was none of mine; Dr. *Hutchinſon* had ſo reported, and his Lordſhip had allow'd me to publiſh it with that Circumſtance. He reply'd, *to this Effect*, That he was ſure of the Main Subſtance, and might not take Notice of the particular Diſtinction between the Time of Preaching and of

Printing.

'Printing. After which I am greatly surprized 'to find any Mistake laid at my Door. I cannot 'say, I gave my Bookseller Commission to con-'sent to any Alterations in my Advertisement, be-'cause I could not suspect his Lordship would 'offer any, the Whole was so agreeable to what 'he had allow'd me to publish before. But the 'Clamour against me had been so great that Day, 'that I believe he was glad to accept the Attesta-'tion on any Terms; and I am heartily glad he 'did so. I might have strengthen'd what I here 'affirm, by other corresponding Evidence, if my 'Lord of *Bangor* had not been so hasty with me; 'and may possibly do it still, if I find it ne-'cessary.

*A. SNAPE.*

What I have already offer'd to your Lordship on these Heads; and was printed (as may be proved, if you have no weightier Demands to make) before I could possibly have the perusal of this Paper, is perfectly agreeable to what the Doctor here advances in all the Particulars that pass'd betwixt him and me. I do not distrust what he here says of his Reading to me the Words (*Before it was Preach'd*) more emphatically than the rest; but I can truly say, that I took Notice of no such *Emphasis*. Had he been as open with me, as he was with Doctor

ctor *Hutchinson*, (in communicating the Use he intended to make of that Circumstance,) all the Clutter we have had about this Point had been prevented.

Here's the *Glorious End* of our Week's Work. I have look'd into this Morning's Papers; and do not find that your Lordship has (as yet) any new Commands either for the Doctor, or me.

With what Comfort your Lordship will reflect on your being the Occasion of all that wicked Merriment that has pass'd amongst the Enemies of Religion, in the Course of these seven Advertisements, I cannot tell; but I think it very plain, that you are to have a Share in the Censures of the World, in spite of the brave Resolution of *not suffering your Reputation to be torn in Pieces by any Man living.* The Dean of *Peterborough*'s Evidence and mine will certainly out-weigh one another, in their Turns, as they happen to fall where his Integrity or mine is mostly prevalent: And whoever believes my Report, will be inclin'd likewise to believe, that my Informer spoke more Truth than he durst stand to.

Whatever becomes of this Parly of ours, whether it ends in *Something* or *Nothing*, your Lordship's Appeal to the All-wise God, doth not only affirm, that *what you found*

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*in the New Testament*, (which, 'tis thought, no Man else can find) *was not only preach'd without the Knowledge of any Man living; but without the least View of Pleasing or Displeasing any Man living.* I have already put you in Mind of the Circumstances of our Ecclesiastical Establishment at that Time: And I will only here add to that Observation, That he who, at *such* a Juncture, could preach *such* a Sermon as yours, *without the least View of Pleasing or Displeasing any Man living*, was very *Short-sighted*.

I am now call'd to the House; and must therefore take Leave, with an Assurance, That this (as it is the *first*, so it) shall be the *last* Trouble of its kind, that you shall ever have in Print from

*Your Lordship's*, &c.

*Friday, July 5.*
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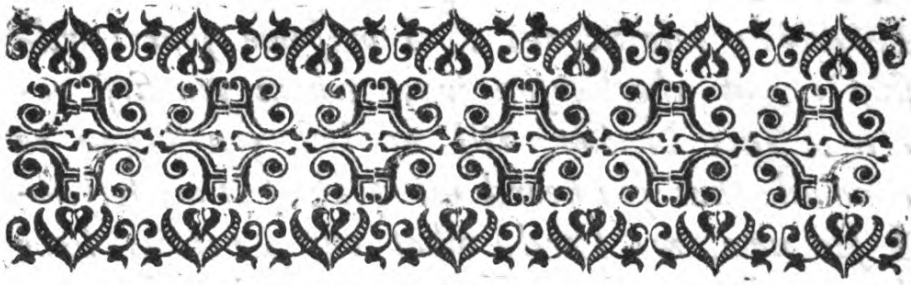

# POSTSCRIPT.

SINCE I ſent my *Letter* to the Preſs, I have receiv'd a Second from Dr. *Kennett*; who tells me that, by the ſame Poſt, he has alſo written to your Lordſhip. He is now ſo kind as to explain to me what he meant by his being able to *tell how I was drawn into ſuch a Miſtake*; which is done in this moſt affectionate Manner: *My Lord, I am heartily ſorry to ſee the public Papers taken up with ſuch* Advertiſements *of Perſonal Altercation. I do not queſtion but your Lordſhip has acted with Sincerity in this Matter; for Miſtake in Memory has nothing Inſincere in it. Some Body has told you that* Dr. Kennett *had done ſo and ſo. This your Lordſhip believ'd, and was poſſibly confirm'd in it by my talking with due Reſpect of the Biſhop*

*of* Bangor, *and my labouring to ſoften the harſher Senſe that was generally put upon his Lordſhip's late* Sermon. *I preſume your Lordſhip forgot the Perſon from whom you firſt receiv'd this Notion, till at laſt you began to conclude that you heard me ſpeak of it my ſelf.— I ſee now, my Lord, what our Enemies have been able to do. They have prejudic'd your Lordſhip againſt me, as a Friend and Favourite of the Biſhop of* Bangor's: *They have told you of my Intimacy with his Lordſhip, beyond the Degrees of it: They have made me his Confident, and Partaker in his Writings: This they have ſuggeſted ſo long, till they have referr'd your Lordſhip to my own Evidence for it, telling you that I had own'd it, and would ſtand to it. Your Lordſhip under theſe Thoughts talkt of it, till you verily believ'd it, and till you imagin'd that I my ſelf had inform'd you of it.* I have but one ſhort Reflection to make upon this friendly Expedient. Mr. *Dean* is not many Years younger than I am; and therefore I cannot imagine why he ſhould not reſerve to himſelf ſome ſhare in the Claim of Right to *ſincere Miſtakes in Memory.*

*Saturday,*

*Saturday, July 6.* This Morning a Gentleman, after the Copy of Dr. *Kennett's* Letter appear'd in the *Daily-Courant*, brought me a Written Paper, wherein were the following Words:

*The Dean of* Peterborough *waited on the Bishop of* Bangor; *and, over a Dish of* Tea, *told his Lordship, That his Sermon had made a a great Noise about the Town; but he hoped his Lordship would put in some necessary Limitations before he publish'd it, that it might not give Offence: And then said; But, my Lord, why should I say any Thing of that to your Lordship? for I am sure, if it pleases your Lordship, it must please every Body.*

I forthwith carry'd it to my Brother in *Salisbury-Court*, supposing that he might be acquainted with the Person concern'd; who, my Friend told me, was an Eminent Citizen, and a Member of the *Common-Council.* My Brother quickly brought him to me; and he as readily gave his Attestation to the Truth of the Paper, in the following Subscription:

*This is a true Copy of what I gave under my Hand, as related to me by Mr.* Timothy Child,

Child, *in* Child's *Coffee-House, and affirm'd to be reported to him by the Bishop of* Bangor *himself.*

Leonard Henchman.

The Gentleman has since let me know, (what he could not recollect at the Time of his Subscribing) That this Discourse happened betwixt him and Mr. *Child* on *Monday* last, *July* 1. the very Day whereon was publish'd the single *Advertisement* of

*W. CARLIOL.*

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