8—18. ST. LUKE.   
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 chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused   
 him. 14 And Herod with his men of war set him at » tc uu.s.   
 nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous   
 robe, and sent him again to Pilate. 12 And the same day   
   
 ‘Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before !.scttv.2.   
 they were at enmity between themselves.   
 18 And Pilate, when he had called together the chief   
 priests and the rulers and the people, 1\*said unto them,   
 ® Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that per- kw.12   
   
 verteth the people: and, behold, 1, having examined him 1ver.4   
 before you, have found no fault in this man touching those   
 things whereof ye accuse him: no, nor yet Herod: for   
   
 nT sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is   
 done "2 unto him. 16] will therefore chastise him, and   
 release him. 17 [o For of necessity he must release one   
 unto them at the feast.] 18 And ™ they cried out all at mactet1u   
   
 2 several of our early MSS. have, He sent him to us.   
 22 render, by him. © omitted by most of the ancient authorities,   
 contained in some most ancient versions.   
   
 able to appreciate latter. 11,] his How could St. John, if he composed his   
 men of war are the body-guard in attend- Gospel with that of St. Luke before him,   
 ance upon Herod. & gorgeous robe] have here given us a narrative which so   
 Variously interpreted :—either le, a8 important a fact as is not only not re-   
 befitting a why should this lated, but cannot find any place   
 be the very “scarlet robe” afterwards Of insertion? Its real place after John   
 used by Pilate’s soldiers xxvii. 28 ; yer.38 ;—but obviously was further   
 “purple robe,” John xix. ah or white, from the mind of that Evangelist, he   
 asthe word rendered “ brigi is under- represents Pilate speaking continuously.   
 stood oy, some (but see note), Acts 30. 18—25.] FURTHER REARING BEFORE   
 2.] The cause of the quarrel is PILaTE, WHO STEIVES TO RELEASE Him,   
 uncertain: apparently something concern- BUT ULTIMATELY YIELDS TO THE JEWS.   
 ing Herod’s power of jurisdiction, Matt. xxvii. 15~—26. Mark xv. 6—15.   
 was conceded by Pilate in this sendin, John xviii. 89, 40. Our account, while   
 Jesus to him, and again by H entirely distinct form from the others,   
 in sending Him back again. From chap. is in substance nearly to them. In   
 xiii. 1, appears to have encroached a few points it approaches John very   
 on that jurisdiction. The remarks nearly, compare ver. with John ver. 40,   
 of some mentators about their wniting also ver. with John ver. 89. The   
 in emnity against Christ, are quite besi second declaration our Lord’s innocence   
 the purpose. The prosent feeling Pilate by Pilate is in St. account united   
 was any thing but hostile the person of with the first, 88. In the three first   
 Christ : and Herod, by his treatment of Ge as asserted in our. ver. 14, the   
 Him, shews that he ‘ht Him beneath uestioning takes place the presence of   
 his judicial is remission the Jews: not so, however, in John (see   
 Jesus to Herod seems not to have been in xviii. 15.] Not as A. V., is   
 This is one of of either the other three unto him, but is done by him: meaning,   
 nature of the history that both that such is the issue Herod’s judgment: I   
 they all relate the student ask soldiers assume that he has thus decided.   
 of Pilate, St. Luke omits, whereas 16.] Here, as observes, Pilate   
 he gives it as taking place before to shew culpable weakness in yielding to   
 the Jews. If there be no fault in Him,   
 why should He be corrected at   
 Jews perceive their advantage, from