816 THE ACTS. XXV. 15—27.   
   
 kc ch. 27. declared Paul’s cause unto the king, saying, \* There is a   
 Iver. 3. certain man left in bonds by Felix: 5 | about whom,” when   
 I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the   
 Jews informed me, desiring to have judgment against   
 him. 16™To whom I answered, It is not the manner of   
 m ver. 4, the Romans to ¢ deliver any man [4 Zo die}, before that he   
 which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have   
 licence to answer for himself concerning the erime laid   
 against him. 17Therefore, when they were come hither,   
 » without any delay on the morrow I sat on the judgment   
 seat, and commanded the man to be brought forth.   
 18 e Against whom when the accusers stood up, they   
 nver. 6. brought fnone accusation of such things as I supposed:   
 19°but had certain questions against him of their own   
 8 superstition, and of one Jesus, which was dead, whom   
 Paul affirmed to be alive. 2 And because I doubted of   
 such manner of questions, I asked him whether he would   
 och. xviii. go to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.   
 xxiii. 21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved unto the   
 hearing of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I   
 might send him to Cesar. 2 Then P Agrippa said unto   
 Festus, I would also hear the man myself. To morrow,   
 said he, thou shalt hear him, %3 And on the morrow,   
   
   
   
   
 see ix.   
 p 15.   
   
   
 © render, give up.   
 @ omit, with almost all our oldest authorities,   
 © render, Round about. ;   
 f Most of our oldest authorities read, none evil accusation: but there are   
 variations among them,   
 & render, religion.   
   
   
 gain his favour. 14. declared Paul’s pleasing to his guest Agrippa. 21,   
 cause] He did this, not only because Augustus (in the Greek, Sebastos)] This   
 Agrippa was a Jew, but because he was title was first conferred by the senate on   
 (see above) governor of the temple. Octavianus, and borne by all succeeding   
 16. to give ap] i. e. to his enemies, and emperors. Dio Cassius says: “ Augustus   
 for destruction. On the practice of the implies that he was something more than   
 Romans, here nobly and truly alleged, man: for all most revered and sacred   
 several citations occur in Grotius and things are called august. Whence also   
 Wetstein. 18. Round about whom] they called him Sebastos, after the Greek   
 See ver. 7: the A.V., ‘against whom,’ is manner, as one to be adored, from sebazo-   
 wrong. 19.] The word rendered mai, to adore.” 22. I would hear the   
 religion is used by Festus in a middle man myself] literally, was wishing to...   
 sense, certainly not as equivalent to ‘super- It is a modest way of expressing a wish,   
 stition” A.V., speaking as he was to formed in this case while the procurator   
 Agrippa, a Jew. 20.] See the real was speaking, but spoken of by Agrippa as   
 veason why he proposed this, ver.9, This if now passed by, and therefore not pressed.   
 he now conceals, and alleges his modesty See Rom. ix. 3, and note there. Agrippa,   
 in referring such matters to the judgment as a Jew, is anxious to hear Panl’s defence,   
 of the Jews themselves. This would be as a matter of national interest. The pro-