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A QUAKER

I²S a Scoundrel Saint, of an Order without Founder, Vow, or Rule; for he will not fwear, nor be tyed to any Thing, but his own Humour. He is the Link-Boy of the Sectaries, and talks much of his Light, but puts it under a Bufhel, for nobody can fee it but himfelf. His Religion is but the cold Fit of an Ague, and his Zeal of a contrary Temper to that of all others, vet produces the fame Effects; as cold Iron in Greenland, they fay, burns as well as hot; which makes him delight, like a Salamander, to live in the Fire of Perfecution. He works out his Salvation, not with Fear, but Confidence and Trembling. His Profession is but a Kind of Winter-Religion; and the Original of it as uncertain as the hatching of Woodcocks, for no Man can tell from whence it came. He Vapours much of the Light within him, but no fuch Thing appears, unlefs he means as he

is light-headed. He believes he takes up the Crofs in being crofs to all Mankind. He de_lights in Perfecution, as fome old extravagant Fornicators find a Lechery in being whipt; and has no Ambition but to go to Heaven in what he calls a fiery Chariot, that is, a Woodmonger's Faggot Cart. You may perceive he has a Crack in his Skill by the flat Twang of his Nofe, and the great Care he takes to keep his Hat on, left his fickly Brains, if he have any, fhould take Cold at it. He believes his Doctrine to be heavenly, because it agrees perfectly with the *Motus Trepidationis*. All his Hopes are in the *Turks* overrunning of Chrif-

tendom, because he has heard they count Fools and Madmen Saints, and doubts not to pass muster with them for great Abilities that Way. This makes him believe he can convert the *Turk*, tho' he could do no good on the *Pope*, or the *Prefbyterian*. Nothing comes so near his quaking Liturgy, as the Papistical Possessina Discipline exact. His Church, or rather Chapel, is built upon a flat Sand, without superior or inferior in it, and not upon a Rock, which is never found without great Inequalities. Next De_moniacs he most resembles the Reprobate, who

are faid to be condemned to Weeping and Gnafhing of Teeth. There was a Botcher of their Church, that renounced his Trade and turned Preacher, because he held it superstitious to fit *crofs-legged*. His Devotion is but a Kind of fpiritual Palfy, that proceeds from a Diftemper in the Brain, where the Nerves are rooted. They abhor the Church of *England*, but conform exactly with those primitive Fatheres of their Church, that heretofore gave Anfwers at the *Devil's* Oracles, in which they obferved the very fame Ceremony of quaking and and gaping now practifed by our modern En thufiafts at their Exorcifms, rather than Exercifes of Devotion. He fucks in the Air like a Pair of Bellows, and blows his inward Light with it, till he dung Fire, as Cattle do in Lincolnshire. The general Ignorance of their whole Party make it appear, that whatfoever their Zeal may be, it is not according to Knowledge.