

## Center [147]

### Double Rule

## Center A

## Center CATHOLIC

[S]AYS his Prayers often, but never prays, and  
 [S] worships *the Cross* more than (i) Christ (i). He  
 prefers his Church merely for the Antiquity of  
 it, and cares not how *sound or rotten it be*,  
 so it be but old. He takes a liking to it as  
*some do to old Cheese*, only for the blue Rot-  
 tenness of it. *If he had lived in the primitive*  
*Times he had never been a (i) Christian (i); for the*  
*Antiquity of the (i) Pagan (i) and (i) Jewish (i) Religion*  
*would have had the same Power over him*  
 against the (i) Christian, (i) as the old (i) Roman (i) has  
 against *the modern Reformation. The weaker*  
*Vessel he is, the better and more zealous Member*  
*he always proves of his Church; for Religion,*  
*like Wine, is not so apt to leak in a leathern*  
*Boraccio as a great Cask, and is better pre-*  
*served in a small Bottle stopped with a light*  
*Cork, than a vessel of greater Capacity, where*  
 the Spirits being more and s\*tronger are the  
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 in content to be deluded in a true, ortho-/ dox, and infallible Way. He believes  
 the (i) Pope (i)/ to be infallible, because *he has deceived all the/ World, but was*  
*never deceived himself, which/ was grown so notorious, that nothing less than/*  
 an Article of Faith in the Church would make/ a Plaster *big enough for the Sore.*  
*His Faith/ is too big for his Charity, and too unwieldy/ to work Miracles ; but*  
*is able to believe more/ than all the Sainst in Heave ever made. He/ worships*  
*Sainst in Effigie, as (i) Dutchmen (i) hand/ absent Malefactors ; and has so weak*  
*a Me-/ mory, that he is apt to forget his Patrons,/ unless their Pictures prevent*

him. He loves/ so see *what he prays to, that he may not mis-/ take one Saint for another ; and his Beads and/ Crucifix are the Tools of his Devotion, with-/ out which it can do nothing. Nothing staggers/ his Faith of the (i) Pope's (i) Infallibility so much,/ as that he did not make away the Scriptures,/ when they were in his Power, rather than/ those that believed in them, which he knows/ not how to understand to be no Error. The/ less he understands of his Religion, the more/ violent he is in it, which, being the perpetual/ Condition of all those are deluded, is a/*

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 great Argument that he is mistaken. His Religion is of no Force without Ceremonies, like a Loadstone *that draws a greater Weight through a Piece of Iron, than when it is naked of it* self. His Prayers are a kind of Crambe that used to kill Schoolmasters ; and he values them by Number, not Weight.

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