SION's Sons.

This Whore and Beast in Int'rest are so joyn'd,
That many puzzl'd are, which way to find
Wherein they differ, pray tell us therefore,
How is the Beast distinguish'd from the Whore.

SION.

The Pope's the Beaft, usurping over all,
A Power Supream and Magistratical,
This Scarlet Beaft does in the strictest sence,
Lay claim to Secular Preheminence.
The Roman Empire lost the Ruling Seat,
The Pope usurpt it, and from thence grew great,
All Kings that he could by his craft allure,
Receive their Power and Investiture

This Whore cannot be the Beast.

(a)1. Because the Beast is exprest in the Masculine Gender, the Man of Sin, the Son of Perdition, and the Beast that was, and is not, even HE, is the Eight and of the Seven, i. e. He came up by means of the Liberty and large Revenues, The Seven Heads, viz. The Christian Emperors, gave to the Church and Church-Men, though a different and distinct fore of Government to all before it, but Mystery Babylon is exprest by the Fennine Gender, a Woman, a Whore, Mother of Harlots, I saw the Woman drunk with the Blood of the Saints, Sc. And when I saw her, I wondred, Se.

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2. The Angel describes them distinct, the one from the other, a Beast and Whore, I John saw them as clearly distinct as a Beast is from her that sits upon him, and I saw a Woman sit upon a Scarlet coloured Beast, Rev. 17.3.

3. If the Beast and Whore were one and the same, then the Whore sets up and rides upon her self; then which nothing can

be more absurd and ridiculous.

4. There is as real a difference between the Man of Sin and the Whore or false Church, as is between Christ and the true Church: the Beast or Antichrist is the Head, the Whore is the Body; and indeed it was the renouncing the Headship and Government of Christ Jesus, and espousing, owning and swering to the Headship and Supremacy of the Pope, that first gave the Church of Rome the denomination of a Whore; for a Woman that has two Heads, two Husbands, can be no other.

5. Moreover'tis evident that the Beast shall remain, though in Captivity, his Power being taken away, after the Whore is destroyed, and burned with fire, Rev. 19.19, 20. Dan. 7.26.

From him: the Whore's th'(b) Ecclesiastick State, Or Romish Hierarchy, that takes her Seat Upon the back of this Ten-horned Steed, (Which gores my sides, & makes my Children bleed.)

(b) Though'tis granted the Magistratical Power of Popish Kings in a large sence is signified by the Beast, who do support the Ecclesiastick State, or false Church, yet Originally it more strictly resides in the Pope: for by a voluntary submission to him, he is become their Master, (as Du Moulin, p. 161. observes) their Crowns being at the Popes disposal, who takes it, and gives it (saith he) to whom he thinks good; which things have been noted by Guiccardine, that famous Historian, in his History of the Rises and Advancements of the Pope.

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SIONS Sons.

SHall we (indanger'd by her Plots) arife
To curb this Whore, that our great God defies?
Why should her Treasons any more annoy
Thy precious Saints, and Nations thus destroy?
Lets make her Drink in that invenom'd Cup
She fills for us; shall she not swill it up?
Will none fall on, provok't by flaming ire,
To Eat her slesh, and burn her in the fire?

SION.

Ho instrumental in that work shall be, Read well the Sacred Scriptures, you may see:

Rev. Esa. Jerem.

And fince the matter you do understand,
It brings me comfort on the other hand:
As 'twas fore-told in Sacred Scripture story,
You are inlighten'd with the Angels glory;
As for my Children who before did live,
Light from this Angel they could not receive.
My Children brought forth in the latter days,
Shall do great matters to Jehovah's praise.
I see some good men do desire to know
The time when they this Whore shall overthrow;
I cannot blame them, for this very thing
To the whole World it will much glory bring.
Them

Then shall the Gospel through the Earth be spread, And Men, instead of Husks, shall feed on Bread; God's Worship shall its freedom then enjoy, Rome's Locust then shall you no more annoy. There shall be then a wonderful increase Of Sion's glory and of Israel's peace; Then shall my Children in sweet consort sing Anthems of joy to the Eternal King. No names then of distinction more shall be, But speak one Language all, they shall agree In Peace, and Oneness, and blest Harmony.

But to reply to what you have requir'd, At prefent you must keep your selves retir'd; Make no attempts until the Lord on high Does give you strength this Babel to defie. You now do feem to lie as persons dead, As being unable to erect your head: But then you shall appear to be alive, The Spirit of the Lord shall you revive: God hath (Iknow) fet down the time exact, When Hee'l begin this strange and dreadful Act, To the confusion of your Enemies. When God shall call his Witnesses to rise; Then from the Heavens, they shall hear a voice, Which shall make all their Spirits to rejoyce. Then shall they have so evident a call, That they straight way shall on this Strumpet fall. With patience therefore wait upon the Lord, Until his faving strength he doth afford. To him you are to make your fupplication, For from him only is my expectation.

O figh with me, and in your Spirits groan,
And fend strong crys up to his gracious Throne:
Give him no rest till, (in those glorious Days.)
Of all the Earth, I m made the only praise.
And I'll lift up my voice to God on High,
And make my moan to him, and thus will cry.

SION's Prayer.

Lord of Hosts, consider my Estate, Let me remain no longer defolate. Have I not been most precious in thy fight? O do not therefore my Petition flight; O let thy Bowels to thy Children move. In tender token of Parental love. Shall Sion totter? And the Beaft grow fleady In his proud Seat? Hast thou not try'd already What foul-advantage, or what Gofpel-good, Is to be hop'd for, from this wicked Brood? Canst thou expect they'l serve Thee better now? Are they more like to bless the World below. Then thy Poor Sion? If their measures be Repleted brimful of Iniquity, Then by just forfeiture, their Right is gon, To Earthly Power, and Dominion. Will these thy faving Gospel Truths preserve? Or in pure Worship at thine Altars serve? Will these protect the Innocent and Good, And not provoke thee with their crying blood?

Will they make Judgment in right channels go? Extirpate Vice? Make Righteousness to flow With thee? Or wert thou ever pleas'd to grant
Them any promises that they in The Sacred Badges of thy Name? And bear The Soveraign Rule? Will Fathers & young men, Within thy Church, be priz'd and honor'd then! Shall they not rather, by their Barb'rous hands, Be Butcher'd, for obeying thy Commands? Will not thy Childrens Souls in danger be Of swift Damnation, by Rome's blasphemy? If Laud on Earth and Praises will be given, If Hallelujahs will be fung in Heaven, To thy great Name, for raising Babylon, And bringing Sign to Destruction: If then the Door of Grace, be open'd more, For Mens Salvation, then it was before; If Sinners access unto the blessed Jesus, Be made more free; if cure of Soul Diseases Be then more easie; then let Sion fall, And Rome Usurp Dominion over all. But if in fight of thine all-feeing Eye, Their Monstrous Crimes are of so black a Die; If from their very Springing, they have been, The vilest Wretches, and the worst of men; If for the future they intend to be The Perpetrators of all Villany; If their black fins, of gross Idolatry, Pride, horrid Murthers, and Adultery,

Mount

Mount up to Heavens great Imperial Throne, If thy oppression makes thy Churches groan; If they will burn thy Scriptures, and suppress All Books that treat of Gospel Holiness? If guiltless Souls of every Sex and Age, Will be made Sacrifices to their Rage; If they are Foes, without thy Covenants, If they will trample on thy precious Saints; If they (because thou didst not hear and fave Thy praying Sien, from a finking Grave) Deride thy Glory, and blaspheme thy Name, And put thy Faithful ones too pen shame;

Deut. 32. 36.

Then hear O Lord, thou fee'ft my power is gone. In thee I trust, besides thee there is none, That can thy Sion, from her Foes deliver; O draw fome flaming Arrows from thy Quiver, To quel the pride of this oppressing Crew! Thy mighty Arm alone can them fubdue. On Thee I fix an absolute Reliance, Do thou but help, I'le bid them all defiance. Hear and confider, for thy Mercy fake, On gasping Sion some compassion take. I have been ranfom'd with the precious Blood Of thy dear Son, and fill'd with Heavenly Food : O Lord I pray, thy Churches fins forgive, And in fweet concord let thy Children live; Teachthem true faving knowledg from thy Word, That they may worship Thee with one accord. Thou canft the Proftrate raife, and cure his wound For nothing difficult to Thee is found. Thou

Thou know'st my grief, O Lord incline thy Ear, Revive my hope, and chace away my fear. In Achors Valley open thou a Door, And make me sweetly sing, as heretofore; I pray Thee break the Bonds of my diffrels, And lead me from this dolesom Wilderness. O let me shine, like Sol's illustrious Light, And be's an Army terrible in fight. Pull off that Vail that does thy Sion cover, Those clouds, O scatter, that I may discover What thou doest mean by this thy dispensation, And what my work is in this Generation. Its time for Thee to plead thy Peoples cause, When wicked men make void thy righteous Laws Thou canst destroy them with their brimful Cup, And lofty Cedars, by the roots pull up; ButLord remember for to spare thy Vine, Ethine, That spreading Plant which thou hast chosen Make that to flourish and be ever green, And full of clusters as before 't has been. From Egypt thou hast brought it heretofore: From thence I pray deliver it once more; Let thine hand plant it, give it steadfast root, That all the Land may Feast upon its Fruit; O let its Cordial Juice the Nation fill, And let its boughs o'reshadow ev'ry Hill; From Sea to Sea do thou her branches fend, And her from all her Enemies defend; Make up her Hedge, her Fence, be thou a Wall, To keep her from the violence of all

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Rapacious Bears, and from the greedy Boar That would destroy it, and its fruit devour. Lord from on high thy lovely Vine behold, Thine own Plantation, valued more than Gold; Canst thou deny thy helping hand the while WildBeafts thy Vineyard ravage thus, and spoil? I am Christ's Spouse, his undefiled One, Canst thou permit me to be trod upon? 'Tis by thy Grace I am Intitled fo, Great God relieve me, and divert my wo. I am furrounded on all sides with pain, O let me see thy lovely smiles again! Thou hast withdrawn the beamings of thy grace, And wrapt in clouds the splendor of thy Face; O this has cauf'd fuch anxious grief and fmart, As tares my Soul, and rends my very heart To tears of blood, whilst thou the glorious Sun Oflight art hid; O whither shall I run, For beams of comfort in this dolefom hour, Whilst I lie delug'd in this Brinish shower?

More would she speak, but her great passion ties Her mournful tongue: the Flood-gate of her Eyes In chrystal streams do represent an anguish. That makes her vital operations languish. Sunk in desparing sounds, she scarce appears To breath or live, but by her sighs and tears.

SIONS Sons.

[bewail T Ourn, mourn OHeav?ns; and thou, O Earth And weep ye Saints untill your spirits fail, For the that is the glory of the Earth, Of the most Noble and Illustrious Birth, Lyes fadly weltring in a deep despair, Her grievous forrows, can no tongue Declare. O that our Brethren would but hasten hither, That in Gods fear we may confer together, You must needs grieve, when her complaints you Do not your hearts dissolve into a tear? [hear Do not your Eyes like to a Fountain stream? And all your Joys, turn to a mourning Theme? Does not your nightly rest from you depart? Are you not pierced to the very heart? Are you not in the depth of bitterness, Because of Sion and her fore diffres? How can your hearts delight in things below? How can you fleep in peace as others do? How can we comfort have, or Pleasure find? Or how can we the Worlds concernments mind? How can we eat or drink with hearts content, And not with grief poor Sions state lament! How can we bear our Mothers doleful cries, She fighs, the fobs, the languishes, the lies In dreadful Agonies, in bitter pain, How can we brook her Enemies disdain? She.

She is reproach'd by ev'ry Drunken Sot, And thrown away like to a broken Pot. She is defpis'd and trod upon like Dung, The Drunkard on her makes his dayly Song: But Christ will turn and will expostulate The Cafe with Sion, touching her Estate. Why art thou fometimes up, then down again? Sometimes at ease, sometimes in bitter pain? They're doubtless throw's, chear up and do not For thy deliverance is very near. Those lab'ring pangs shall speedily be o're, Fear not, thou shalt not dye, one, or two more Shall bring that Child into the World, which thou Hast travel'd with in bitter pangs till now. Address thy felf to God, for furely he From These thy Tortures will deliver thee; Tis he alone that brings unto the Birth, And do's give strength and vigour to bring forth; Then ftay thy felf upon this bleffed Lord, His gracious help he will to thee afford, Upon his promises do thou depend, And thou shalt see deliv'rance in the end. These words of comfort like a Cordial wrought And to her Sences, mourning Sion brought, With languish'd looks, she casts a weeping Eve Upon her Children, and Renues her crie.

SION.

Am affraid my God hath me forfook, My fighs he minds not, fcarce bestows a look, His former pity, he hath quite forgot, His Anger's kindled & his wrath is hot, [mourn? When that burns fore, how can I choose but How am I spoil'd, how am I rent and torn? I'm like a Ship with raging Tempest tost 'Midst Rocks' and Sands, just ready to be lost: Where ev'ry Billow does prefent a Grave, And Death in Triumph rides on ev'ry Wave. Ah! But I am, engraven on his hand! And in his fight for evermore shall stand. Awake, O Arm of God, and do not stay, My forrows are fo great, O fay not nay! Hearme, dear Jesus! Unto Thee I crie; Unless Thou fave me, I must surely die.

CHRIST.

N glorious Regions of approachless light,
Where Joys unmixt with perfect Love unite;
There do I sit, there do I see and hear
What Kings and Potentates consulting are;
Resounding in Mine Ears continually,
I hear a bitter, and complaining Cry.

I feel my Bowels with compassion move, And therefore 'tis the voice of one I love, She whom I purchas'd with my dearest Blood, Seems drencht in tears, and drowned in a flood Some grievous forrow, or great tribulation, Extorts from her this doleful lamentation. Enough to pierce my tender heart again. And make the Temple rend once more in twain. Alas poor Sion! thy fad voice I hear, I'le come and help thee, for I know thy fear, And what occasions these thy languid Moans, I know thy forrow, and I hear thy Groans. Tis I can still the blust'ring Winds and Seas, And in thy greatest Anguish give thee eafe. Tis I can wound, and cure; I build, I break, I kill, I make alive; I give and take, And can (if I think fit) make Nations shake, And Kingdoms totter, reeling to and fro: I for thy fake, strange things will quickly do. In thy affliction, great diffrefs and pain. Of which thou dost fo grievously complain, I am afflicted: What they do to thee, Of hurt or wrong, I take as done to me; I tender thee as th' Apple of mine Eye, Fear not therefore, thy proudest Enemy. Although with Foes thou art environ'd now, All power and wisdom's mine; and I know how To strengthen thee, and make them all to bow. I will arise and shew my Soveraignty; He make them to the Rocks and Mountains fly; Though

Though with the Powers of Hell they have com-I will purfue them, & they shall not find [bin'd A hiding place my vengeance to avoid, Till by my fury they be all destroy'd. I will bring down each high and lofty head, Their mighty ones like Mortar I will tread. Thy cause He plead, though filent I have stood, He be reveng'd for all the Righteous blood That has run down like to a Mighty flood. And therefore now Ile make no long delay, What's due to Justice, they shall furely pay; Besides the bloody wrongs thou dost repeat, The crying Martyrs loudly do intreat Me to avenge their blood, therefore I will Come down in fury, and those Monsters kill; Then, thou before me very strong shalt wax, For Ile make thee my dreadful Battel Ax. Thy Horn shall Iron be, & thy Hoof Brass, [race. With which thou shalt tread down the Serpents Thy Sons that scatter'd are the Earth throughout, I will foon gather with a Mighty shout. The Mighty they shall overcome with Slings, And bind in Fetters perfecuting Kings. Ille lay thy Stones with Colours fair and fure, Thy strong Foundation shall be Saphyrs pure: Although I feem'd to have for faken thee, Yet, from all bondage I will fet thee free, Though I have thee afflicted heretofore, He turn my hand upon the bloody Whore; Because thou dost my holy Name profess, I'll break in peices them that thee oppress:

Arm'd with Commission from the Great Jehove. I will come down and all thy Griefs remove. All Weapons form'd against my Sion, shall Unprosprous prove, for I will break them all. I'll teach thy Children, give thee lasting Peace, Converted Gentiles shall the Church increase. Though wicked men with words do thee deride, Thy Borders I'll enlarge on every fide. Each hungry Soul with plenty I will feed, The Earth I will divide among thy Seed. I've promis'd that they shall the world possess. And will perform it now in Righteousness. I will descend unto my Holy Hill, The Earth with knowledge I will quickly fill. I will suppress all Luxury and Riot, The Heathen in my presence shall be quiet. Above all Kings I will exalted be, Aud Rule the Earth with Soveraign Majesty. When all the Kingdoms in the World are mine. Then thouin Beauty like a Queen shalt shine; And with thy Children in fweet Confort fing, Triumphant Hellelujahs to your King.

SION.

Matchles Grace! and Love beyond degree!
Now I am certain there is none like Thee,
In Heav'n or Earth, were there ten thousand more,
For thou hast found a Salve for every Sore.

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Transported by thy love, with joy I cry, My Ravisht Spirit must exalt the high And mighty Lord, by whose unbounded grace, My hearts enlarg'd to run the bleffed Race; Thou shalt conduct me to thy living Springs: From thence I'll mount up, as with Eagles Wings, Unto the Heavenly Mount of Faith's desire, Where I thy Grace and Glory will admire; Then I'll descend from those Abodes above, To be embraced in the Arms of Love. I'll hold thee fast, and never let thee go, For by thy lofs, O what a Depth of Wo Did I sustain! In what a dreadful Case Was I, when thou didst hide thy glorious face! Thee having, though nought elfe, what have I not? Without thee, though all elfe, what have I got? Lord having all things, and not thee, what have !? Let me enjoy but thee, what further crave I? Without thee nothing is of worth to me; All things are vile--when once compar'd to thee. To be thy Portion, Lord, thou didit me chuse, And thou my Portion art: I'll ne're refuse So rich a Grace: thou art my Heritage, Thou art a God of Love from Age to Age, And therefore evermore I'll dwell with thee, For thou alone, my Hiding-place shalt be. In time of trouble and of fury great, I will unto thy Holy Name retreat; Which is a fure defence to all that fly With care and speed from their Iniquity.

When I was down, thou lift est me up on high, And I thy Name will therefore magnify. O Lord, with Patience I will undergo Their indignation, for I well do know I have provok't thy great and glorious Name, Which is the cause that I do suffer shame: Although at present I am low and mean, Poor and despis'd, and so long time have been; Thou canst all Sorrows to thy Sion bless, I therefore, in thy Pleafure acquiesce; I'll wait upon thee, till thou doft arife To break in pieces all mine Enemies: My precious Cause then I do leave with thee, Which thou, O Lord, wilt furely plead for me: Thy Voice is to my ravisht Soul so sweet, That I'm reviv'd, and fet upon my feet: I'll speak thy Praise in Songs, because I see That Glory near, which thou hast promis'd me.

And now thou bloudy Whore, that art my Foe, My time's at hand, which thou shalt quickly know. My God has not for saken me, for now He will advance me, and make thee to bow: Then shalt thou hide (for shame) thy silkly head, Whilst I, in Triumph, shall upon thee tread; Because so long, thou hast upon me trod, And in Contempt hast said, Where is thy God? He will therefore in Right retaliate, And bring just Vengcance on thy cursed Pate.

Batylon.

Babylon.

DOOR Sion! thou art much mistaken; I'm mounted high, thou art for saken; Sure thou art Frantick, when thou do'ft Make such a vain and groundloss boast; The final Conquest must be mine, And swift Destruction must be thine; For all my Wounds I've got a Cure, From all your Darts I am secure, I am arriv'd at height of Bliss, My Glory in it's Zenith is. I am a Queen, and shall remain Supream on Earth, I only reign In glitt'ring Grandeur over all. Great Monarchs Me their Mistress call; How can I fall, when such a Prop Supports, as my Lord God the POPE? All Men on Earth, His Vassals are, Who sits in Peter's Holy Chair; The Empire of the World he hath, He keeps the Keys of Hell and Death, Dost think he fears the little tricks Of thy small brood of Hereticks? He can make use (when he doth please) Of Peter's Sword, as well as Keys. His Canons roar, as loud as Guns, To crush thy feeble, Pigmy-Sons, Let but his Bulls give an Alarm, He'll make all Christendom to Arm

Them-

Themselves in my defence, and work Thine Overthrow; didst thou not lurk Some Hundred Years, that none could fee, Or know, what was become of thee? He that could rend thy force afunder, Has fill the Strength to keep the under: He will thee in Subjection keep, So that thou shalt not dare to peep. Am I not armed with the Power Of all the Earth? I can devour Your Int'rest at a fingle Mess, I have fit Cooks such Meals to dress Th' Imperial and the Regal Sword Are brandish'd when I give the Word: Great Princes, Dukes, and Nobles will With all their force My Mind fulfil; My Gentry who brave Heroes are, Resolved be, no Pains to spare; Their Very Lives they'll freely spend To bring my Purpose to an end; My Brisk Mounfieurs, My Spanish Dons, Will over-match thy filly Sons: My Rogues in Grain, I ready have, Obedient like a Turky-flave: If bid to thrust their bloudy Knives In Throats of Fathers, Children, Wives, In any's but their own they'll do't, And lay them sprawling at my Foot. Pve Teagues and Torys at my Beck, Willwring their Heads as Chickens Nock;

The Groans of the Protestant Church. 85 Try'd Villains! that will never start From Mothers Womb to tear the heart Of Unborn-Infants; they'll deflour, Then rip her up in half an hour: Faint Rogues will melt with qualms of feurs At Fathers Groans, or Mothers Tears; But mine are void of any Sense, Not plagu'd with bawling Conscience. To some I give no constant pay, Tet they can hunt and live by Prey: Tour Infants that (like Carps) are stew'd In their own bloud, their Chops have chew'd: The Fathers Cawls shall make a light For those Sweet Banquets of the Night. What o're my greedy Stomach craves, But Nod, 'tis done, by ready Slaves: They know no scruples nor dispute, But alt just like a Turkish Mute. Besides all these, I could describe Vast Musters of my Sacred Tribe: My Clergy makes a num'rous Hoft, That wait in swarms in every Coast. Tea, ev'n in all Rebellious Regions, I have in fecret Armed Legions: A Great Grandee my Enfign carrys, The Jesuits are my Janisaries.

The fetuts are my families.
Thou fee'st what Troops do quard my Chair,
What canst thou do then but Despair?
Thou feest me lodg'd in safe abode,
Whilst thou'rt forsaken by thy God.

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Hes's

Hee's doubtlefs pleas'd with my behaviour,
For I alone have get his Favour.
Th' Apocalyptick Prophecy
You falfely do to me apply;
For I from Sin am washed clean;
Thou art the Whore, bethere does mean:
I am the Church, and therefore I,
Thy Threats, Thy GOD, and Thee, Defie.

SION.

Eave off, leave off, thou Blondy mindedWhore: Imagine not that thou shalt Evermore Thus Domineer in Pomp and Sawey Pride, For God e're long, thy Rulers will divide. Those Mighty Ones, in whom is all thy Trust, Long shall not hold, but into pieces must Be furely broken: thou shalt quickly see The Swift beginning of thy Misery. Those that did love thee most, will hate thee fo, That they will feek thy utter Overthrow; As was their love, their harred then will be, And to desirry thee they will all agree. Thou haft inflav dthem to thy bruitifh Luft, Whilst they (like simple Fools) in no wife durst Offend or cross thy base and blondy mind; That they have been bewitcht, they then will find, By thine alluring Voice, and luftful Eye, To joyn with thee in black Iniquity. Thy Flatteries shall then no more deceive; Nor thy base Whoredoms thousands more bereave

Of inward peace, and outward riches, to As they have been; to their eternal Wo: Then shall they see thy Villanous Intent, In setting them against the Innocent.

To Glut thy Base Adulterous Desire, Their sinful hearts were in a slaming Fire; And through the Instigation of the Devil, Became partakers of this Monstrous Evil.

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But, what approaches? Hark! methinks I hear Some Dreadful Noise! see how the Mountains tear And Mighty Hills do into pieces fly; Whilst Lightning stasses through the Angry Sky: The Stars and Planets in Confusion hurl'd, Have banisht Natures Order from the World. See how the Melting Orbs of Heav'n sweat, (heat, Like Parchment Parcht, and shrivel'd up with Loud Thunder-Cracks through the Enraged Air, With frightful Aipects Meteors do appear, To usher in the Day of Heav ns dread Ire On those, who do against the Saints conspire. Gods (long incenfed) Majesty is come To judge the Whore, and pass her final Doom. Of Treason she is under an Attainder, For which Impartial Justice will arraign her. She's feiz'd upon, and in the Jaylors hands, Who only waits for Justices Commands. Fehovah bids, that Babylon the Great Be forthwith brought before his Judgment-Seat:

Justice:

Oft Sovereign Lord, who is't dares gainfay What thou command'st? I must and will Lo, here I bring the Scarlet Strumpet forth (obey. Before thee, who createdst Heav'n and Earth: Thy Judgment-Seat she seems to slight and scorn, Says she's as guiltless as the Child unborn.

JEHOVAH.

HEr Crimes lay open, and her facts declare; Turn up her Skirts and let her Faults appear: Let th' Universe by her Indictment see The cause of my most just Severity.

Justice.

Read Sovereign of the World! I will proceed, And will her black, Indiatment loudly read. Come forth, Great Whore! and hear your difmal Charge,

Which shall by Proofs be evidenc'd at large.
By the Name of BABYLON, thou'rt hither cited,
And by the name of Whore, thou stand'st Indicted.
Thou void of Grace, and Gods most Holy Fear,
To Satans Machinations didst adhere;
With him, to Plot against thy Sov'reign Prince,
To whom thou oughtest to yield Preheminence.
In Ancient times he was thine only Sponse,
(Our Holy Law no Bigamy allows)
Yet thou hast him persidiously forsook,
And to thy self another Husband took;
And

And with a graceles Impudence art led By thy lewd Train, to an Adult rous Bed. Thou hast dethron'd him, and thy brazen face Sets up a Monstrous Traytor in his place, To whom thou hast Blasphemous Titles given, Exalting him above the God of Heaven. Thou hast not only playd th' Adulteress, But plain Idolatry thou dost profess; Of Treason, Murder, Theft, (abhorred things!) Of Burning Citys, poyfoning of Kings, Of Underming States, and furthermore, Of spoiling Trade, and making Kingdoms poor, Of horrid Plots, of caufeless bloudy Wars, And of contriving cruel Massacres, Thou guilty art; thy bloudy Rage has hurl'd Millions of Innocents out of the World: Prodigious Numbers have in divers Lands Been Sacrifie'd by thy bloud-thirsty hands. Insatiate Butcheries that know no end! Thou stabd'st men, when thou pity didst pretend. In times of Peace thy horrid rage has shed Bloud without Measure, thou hast murthered (Perfidiom Wretch!) thy nearest Neighbours when They thought themselves the most secure of men, Thou hast made Currents of their guiltless blond To run like Waters of a mighty Flood; So void of Pity, your inhumane rage Destroy'd the Saints, and spar'd no Sex nor Age. Speak Blondy Whore, hold up thy Graceles Head, Guilty, or Not? By Law thou art to plead. Babylon.