

An appeal like the foregoing to the practice of the Apostles, is met in such a remarkable manner, that I must transcribe a passage from page 137 of "The Theological Essays," lest I should do injustice to the writers views, or ap-

The facility of such a mode of handling difficulties adds to the danger; no studious investigation is demanded, no careful pondering of the subject; no long continued thoughtfulness need be applied to discover a solution of the problem: one who is altogether incapable of such mental exercises, can with the utmost ease, provided he have the requisite audacity, repeat the formula: "The apostles laboured under illusion." The apostle was mistaken in what he did, cries the preceptor, and cuts the knot which he cannot untie. The apostle was mistaken in what he did, echoes the disciple, regardless of the slash which he is making at the firm table of divine truth; some other disciple more acute than his master, may discover a mistake in what the apostle taught.

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GREAT GALE.—St. Augustine, Sept. 29th.—On Saturday a most terrific gale set in from the N. E. It increased through Saturday night, but did not bring rain. Throughout the Sabbath it blew with the violence of a hurricane, the wind being now to the eastward, sometimes hauling for south. On Monday the rain came like a deluge, and the wind increased. The sea rose above the barrier of the sea wall, broke into the streets on the bay, piling up and dashing together there, the boats of the fishermen, and the timbers of the city wharves, all of which were swept away. Many of the houses and shops were flooded, their occupants being forced to flee during the night amid the horrors of the awful scene, to more secure retreats. Fences were levelled, chimneys blown down, and even the coquina walls of stone in some places. The gale began to abate on Monday about half-past 12 o'clock, P.M.