

Musicians so long a tuning, he thought it stood not with his state to wait for what would follow. When Christ whips Market-makers out of his Temple, he raises dust: but when he enters in with Truth and Holiness, he calls for deep silence, *Hab. 2. 20.* There must not a tool be heard when the Tabernacle is reared: Nor is that amiable or serviceable to men that passeth through so many ill animadversions of Auditors and Spectators. If the Assembly can hardly agree what to determine, People will not easily agree what to accept.

I fear, these differences and delays have occasioned men to make more new discoveries than otherwise they would. If Public Assemblies of Divines cannot agree upon a right way, private Conventicles of illiterate men, will soon find a wrong. Bivious demurs breed devious resolutions. Passengers to Heaven are in haste, and will walk one way or other. He that doubts of his way, thinks he loses his day: and when men are gone a while, they will be loth to turn back. If God hide his path, Satan is at hand to turn Convoy: if any have a mind to ride post, he will help them with a fresh spavin'd Opinion at every Stage.

*Where clocks will stand, and Dials have no light,
There men must go by guess, be't wrong or right.*

I fear, if the Assembly of all Divines, do not consent, and concenter the sooner, God will breath a spirit of wisdom and meekness, into the Parliament of no Divines, to whom the Imperative and Coactive power supremely belongs, to consult such a contemperate way, as shall best please him, and profit his Churches, so that it shall be written upon the door of the Assembly; *The Lord was not there.*

I fear the importunity of some impatient, and subtlety of some malevolent minds, will put both Parliament and Assembly upon some preproperations, that will not be safe in Ecclesiastical Constitutions. To procrastinate in matters clear, as I said even now, may be dangerous; so, not to deliberate in dubious cases, will be as perilous. We here, though I think under favour, we have some as able Steersmen as *England* affords, have been driven to tack about again to some other points of Christs Compass, and to make better observations before we hoise up sailes. It will be found great wisdom in disputable cases, not to walk on by twilight, but very cauteously; rather by probationers for a time, than peremptory positives. Reelings & wheelings in Church acts, are both difficult and disadvantageous. It is rather Christian modesty than shame, in the dawning of Reformation,