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Mr Piley Esq.

Dear Sir;

If the clergy  
could answer my argu-  
ments, they would not  
attack me. Battered &  
beaten on the intellectual  
field, they appeal to slander.

The Rev Mr. Atbrook may be  
a very good man, and  
may honestly believe what  
he tells. To reply in the  
mildest way, I simply say



That he is mistaken. He  
knows whether I ought to  
use a Karoker expression.  
To me it makes no difference  
what is said - I expect to be  
maligned. A few years ago  
they would have tortured  
me to death, now they can  
only lie about me. I am  
thankful for the progress  
we have made.

Yours truly  
R. G. Johnson