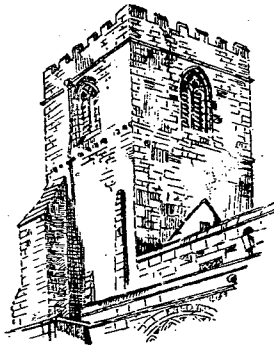


XI.—REV. JOHN BRAND (See pages 107-123.)

To *Notes and Queries*, 6th ser. vol. I, p. 93 (31 Jan., 1880) Mr. J. Fuller Russell, F.S.A., of 4 Ormonde Terrace, Regent's Park, contributed some notes, made in 1833, of the 'table talk' of William Hone of the *Every Day, Table, and Year Books*, including the following:—

He [Hone] remembered Brand, the antiquary, well. "He was a tall, robust, Johnsonian sort of a man without Johnson's stoop. He loved his bottle of port and dessert, to loll over his wine with some noble friend, turn over his illustrated Pennant, and recall interesting anecdotes of the characters of past times. Sunday was his working-day, and he used to say on Saturday, 'Oh! I have to preach tomorrow.' Monday was his foraging day, when he used to arrive at his favourite haunts (Paternoster Row, etc.) by eight o'clock, enter a book-seller's shop, attired in his capacious coat, similar"—I quote Mr. Hone's exact words "to what the bishops used to wear. God knows what they wear now! I hear they have left off their wigs. *That* was a blunder. Ah! they *will* fall. They should know how these little ceremonies, dress, etc., tend to preserve respect." Mr. Brand, he continued, "would throw down his clerical rosetted hat on the counter, and take up a book marked, perhaps, two shillings, cheapen it to sixpence, and at the end of the day go home to his sleeping-place, by the old church of St. Mary-at-Hill, with a folio in each coat pocket, books in his breast pockets, and tracts innumerable; and thus by buying books cheap and selling them again he gained four or five pounds a week profit. He was a good old fellow; and a sound Churchman of those days. He said the Church was a good thing, and ought to be supported."



TOWER OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.