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CUSSES AN ILL WISHES.

SUR,—I like t'yer Maester Roger Giles atellin ov the witches and the gude ole times to Welcombe, an thareabouts; but last week Maester Giles tuke us a long ways back an card us as var away vrom Welcombe as Exeter, an telld us ov the cusses an excommunicashuns ov the Papishes. I darzay tis rale treu hot he zaith about the excommunicashun ov Thomas Bennett, but I cant zay vor sartin, as I beant a gret reader, an Mr. Giles doant tell mun wer the story is to be vound. But this cussin an excommunicatin is a subjeck that be interestin to my mind, an I ax layve, Zur, to say a few words about it which innybody can rayd for hissself in the places I wull menshun.

It is strange, Zur, but thickee excommunicashun is still in the Church, but Ispose the passons be tu tender arted for to zay zitch things. If innybody wull rayd the rubrick in his Prayer Buke, after the Creed in the Communion Service, he wull zee that thick is the place where the excommunicashuns have to be red. An Im towld that there be excommunicashuns in plenty in hot they calls the "cannons" of the Church, an as vor cussin, let innybody go to the "Commination" Service at the beginnin ov Lent. Thare the passon begineth, "Cussed is he," ancetra, an the people ansers "Amen," an thay doant



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zay "May be be cussed," but "he is." But praps zom that wull rayd this doant go to chuch, but to chappul. Innyway, let mun awpen ther Bible at 1st Timothy, c. i. v. 19 and 20, an thayll zee about zom that "concerning faith have made shipwreck, of whom is Hymœus and Alexander, whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme." That's hot Paul zed an did, an it seemth he yused make a praktise of it, vor in 1st Corinthians, c .5 v. 3, 4, 5, he telleth mun he had already delivered the wicked Corinthian to Satan. Raly, Zur, I du beleeve that Paul was as bad as the cussin an excommunicatin priests. Tis tarble, to be sure! An well may Maester Giles zay he doant like zitch cusses. I vor wan shud not care to be cussed in thick way.

Yours truly,

Nov. 23rd, 1886.

SILAS JONES.

