

The person who at present exercises the Episcopal functions, is not, I think, of a turbulent disposition, but he is a man of *great ambition* and some art. I doubt whether the former is not such as to preclude any great hope of succeeding with him, by a negotiation voluntarily to resign the powers he now holds. I am inclined to believe that he himself would prefer, that his submission should bear the appearance of an act of necessity, under the power of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, or of the just exercise of His Majesty's right. At the same time, however, if, whether it be accomplished by negotiation or otherwise, he comes into it with a good grace, I imagine it will be thought reasonable that his allowance should be increased. He has now only £200: it might not be amiss to hint to him, that his salary should be increased to the extent that His Majesty in the exercise of His liberality might think proper to permit. On this very important subject, permit me, my Lord, to refer to a letter from Sir Robt S. Milnes, together with a memorial from the Bishop, Denaut, predecessor to the present, copies of which I enclose. From some circumstances that occurred at that moment, no Instructions were sent here in consequence, otherwise, there is no doubt that, the measure might have been effected.

As to the Curés themselves, it is understood that they are at present rather uneasy at the power exercised over them, and the obvious amelioration of their situation, would, I think, soon reconcile them to the change. It would be proper to give them a freehold in their livings, of which they could not be deprived, unless it were in consequence of the sentence of the Bishop, who on a complaint against a Curé, being referred to him by the Government, should be empowered to call in to his assistance his Grand Vicaires and to examine into it, from which sentence however, the party should have his appeal