

ture, or to curtail that equal liberty with which all should be permitted to adore their Lord and their Redeemer. But the bulk of mankind are easily led astray. Absurdity of doctrine is no security against its reception: We cannot therefore but think, that they to whom the general welfare is entrusted, are justified in demanding some Qualifications from the preachers of Religion. The morals and happiness of the people are not we fear advanced, by those extreme facilities, which have enabled each wild illiterate enthusiast, to pour his deadly poisons into the public ear.

The inference then, at which we arrive, the conclusion which we draw from this train of reasoning is, that the interests of the present and similar Institutions, are most effectually supported by the labours and learning of a duly constituted Ministry, and that Christianity is best propagated, in connection and union with an established Church.

II. When, however, the wisest mode of accomplishing this end has been ascertained, then