

ing sentiments of sorrow, indignation and scorn in the view of a career as wildly foolish, as it is exorbitantly ambitious—and, if we are now compelled to institute a stern and impartial scrutiny into his motives, principles and views, throughout the whole of his public life, and especially the latter part of it, he must impute any severities that we feel ourselves called upon to inflict, to the urgency of those momentous interests which he has brought into peril, and to the necessity of postponing all other considerations, where the general interests of the community are so immediately involved.

We are much disposed to felicitate the country upon the publication of this speech, which emanating from such authority, leaves no room to question the authenticity and accuracy of the statements which it gives, and the openings which it affords into the plans and proceedings of the Doctor and his party, and may be supposed to exhibit, not in the most unfavourable light, the spirit and tendency of that Ecclesiastical Policy which he has so warmly and vigorously supported. Until very lately indeed, we should have deemed it unwarrantable, not to say uncharitable, to impute to the whole body of the English Clergy in these Provinces, a participation or sympathy in the spirit and views which the Archdeacon of York has so fearlessly disclosed to the world. We should certainly have considered ourselves guilty of illiberality and injustice, had we even allowed our suspicions to attach to the whole, the blame with which we do conceive the measures of one of their leading members are plainly chargeable. But when we turn to the Bishop's circular, and compare the sentiments expressed in it with those of a more recent publication, which we believe to have come from the same quarter, though the production, evidently of a different pen, entitled a "Review of the Pastoral Letter of the Clergy of the Church of Scotland in the Canadas," we sincerely regret to say that we do not discover the least appearance of any disavowal, nay, of any the least disapprobation of the course which has been pursued by the venerable Archdeacon. We are therefore compelled (and it is with real and painful surprise) to conclude that his adopted Church approve of all his statements and proceedings, and of course, we must presume, are prepared to defend and support them. And we are constrained further to express our persuasion, that if the reviewer of the Pastoral Letter had not come to the discussion of the subject with all the feelings of a high Churchman—if his mind had happily been unimbued with the influences of party spirit, the perspicacity of his judgment, and the correctness and delicacy of his moral feelings, must have compelled him to form a very different opinion, and to pronounce a very different sentence. Notwithstanding all the gentleness and amenity which he studies to preserve in his tone and style throughout that production, we cannot perceive the slightest symptom of any relaxation of the claims—of any relinquishment of that exclusive system, the merits or demerits of which—we think unfairly—have hitherto been placed entirely to the credit or discredit of the Archdeacon of York.