

It has been found, in short, that the returns of almost every Bishop to Parliament, of his income, was false! The Bishop of London, for instance, gave in his at about £13,000; while it approximated nearer to £50,000, and would soon be £100,000, having about 400 acres in a populous part of London. A general return from the incumbents themselves, made throughout England, in 1825, represented the whole Church Revenues at £3,500,000, while the Tythe Commissioners, afterwards proved, that the tythes *alone* amounted to £8,000,000! besides the vast sums arising from Professorships, Fellowships, Masterships of the Universities, Public Schools and Surplice Fees, Preacherships in Royal Chapels, Lectureships, Stipends of Chapels of Ease, Chaplainships in the Army and Navy, &c., Easter Offerings, Consecration Fees, Church Rates, Ground Rents, Tombstone Fees, Christening Fees, Marriage Fees, Burial Fees, &c., &c.

*Lloyd's Weekly Journal* referring to the statements of Mr. Horsman in Parliament, remarks, "we cannot forbear expressing our conviction that those statements, *wholly uncontradicted*, are perfectly disgraceful to the Bishops, and to the Church, of which they are the recognized and princely heads. To charge men with FRAUD AND FALSEHOOD, is a grave thing, never to be done without having at hand the most complete evidence of the truth of the charge. Against the Bishops, and also many of the beneficed Clergy, there can be no doubt, that such a charge lies, THE EVIDENCE BEING CLEAR, AND INCONTROVERTIBLE!!!

The above is the fruit of National Religion—of a State Church—that grand Counterfeit of the Church of Christ. Let no one from prejudice deny the fact, but let the alleged counterfeit be compared with the true Church, according to the alone infallible standard and guide—the Word of God. What, then, constitutes the difference between them?—*i. e.*, between a Christian Church according to the New Testament, and a Political or State Church according to Act of Parliament?

THE CONTRAST.

A CHRISTIAN CHURCH,

*As founded by Christ and his Apostles.*

1st.—It is of Divine origin, and designed to promote the glory of God and the good of man.

2nd.—Christ the Son of God, is its Supreme Head.

3rd.—It consists of a single congregation of persons who sincerely acknowledge, and who are obedient to the authority of Christ.

4th.—It recognizes only two classes of officers in its government—viz., "Bishops and Deacons," who were elected by the people,—the former as *President*, and the latter as *Treasurer* of the Society. The Apostles, or Evangelists sent out by them, generally set them apart. None were to be chosen to office until first

A POLITICAL OR STATE CHURCH.

*As founded by the Rulers of this World.*

1st.—It is of human origin, and fitted only to subserve the interests of the Devil and the ruin of man.

2nd.—The Sovereign of the nation, although infamous as to character, is its Supreme Head.

3rd.—It consists, theoretically, of the whole subjects of the Kingdom, without any reference whatever to knowledge or character.

4th.—It recognizes a host of officers, from an Archbishop down to a Curate, all of whom are entirely foreign to anything learned from Jesus Christ or his Apostles. Their very names are not to be found in the Bible, for they have been all taken from the Church of Rome. They are always chosen by the Crown or its