

under which we live and are favoured with protection, enjoying liberty and freedom to the extent that is consistent with the general interests and welfare of society.

We live in undisturbed right and enjoy the privilege of worshipping God according to the dictates of conscience, enlightened and informed by the word of God. In accordance with divine Revelation in the Mosaic dispensation, it was commanded that a maintenance should be set apart for those who served the Lord in holy offices and were the priest hood under that dispensation. A similar provision is enjoined in the precepts of our Saviour and recommended in the epistles of the Apostles. Hence it has been the wisdom of our King and nation to establish a constitution of government for our benefit and welfare in which a distinction has been given to the Church, of which we are members, and in which we have been instructed and educated. This pre-eminence is favourable and conducive to the general extension of christianity, and to the enjoyment of natural, social and domestic happiness. No oppression or injustice is exercised towards the Churches and congregations who differ from us in their mode of worship and the spiritual disciplines under which they are established and increase. The donation is liberal, and yet not greater than is competent to the sacred objects to which the same has been consecrated.—No exactions are imposed on others, and wealth is not usurped from them for her aggrandizement and splendour. We all equally participate in the blessings and advantages of christianity and are happy under the protection of a mild, just and impartial government.

Let us then conscientiously discharge our christian obligations and perform our moral duties by devotedness to