

Scotch Clergyman must, like other Dissenters, procure authority to celebrate matrimony—Degrading legislative mark of a *constructive* national Kirk. The Legislature of these Provinces have no power to abrogate the national rights of the Kirk of Scotland—it would be unworthy of her that her rights should be declared by any authority but by the Imperial Parliament—Equally wise and state-ly.

The undisguised resentment is however reserved for the Legislative Council ; for they are all Episcopalians—but even here general censure could not satisfy him, he must select one individual from among the flock, at whom to aim his deadly shaft—one who was formerly a Presbyterian, but who now uses his pen and influence against the Church of his native country.

From the general tone of the gentleman's letter, as well as from this particular part of it, I am led to think that he is a very great enemy to Episcopacy, and of course, and by sympathy, to all Episcopalians—no matter how they became so, whether from education or conviction. He abhors all Episcopalians—but of all Episcopalians he most abhors an Episcopalian from conviction ; especially if the convert is a man of learning, talents, and zeal, of great merit—of industry and application—if he uses his pen and influence in the support of the cause he has espoused—of the church of his adoption—if he is made of such mettle that he cannot look tamely on, as others can, while that church is pushed by the horns of the Kirk—while attempts are made to deprive her of her patrimony. But, my Lord, were the clergy of the Kirk legally seized of the Clergy reserves, the sole legal possessors—and were illegal and unfounded claims set up by any other Clergy to share equally with them in those reserves, and were they so happy as to have a man such as I have above described, even although he were a convert from the hostile church, does not your Lordship think that they would hail such a man as a champion and a benefactor of the Kirk, and feel indignant at seeing his name uncourtously mentioned in a silly anonymous publication !—Would not such conduct—would not the holding up the