

But important principles lie beneath the warfare which has been excited, it is hoped, for the moment only; and, two leading questions remain to be solved.

Are the Missionaries of the Propagation Society to be allowed (or any one for them) "to put a price upon the Sacraments of the Church"? Are the Laity of the Colony to have imposed upon them forms, ceremonies, and dogmas, which the great body of the Laity in England, and the Archbishops, and a great majority of the more enlightened Clergy, repudiate as not Evangelical or Scriptural?

It is necessary, now, to make some remarks upon the statements put forth in a Resolution, adopted by the Committee of the Church Society, on the 10th November, 1853. "In the same year," (1845) says this Resolution, "the Lord Bishop of the Diocese issued a Pastoral Letter to his Clergy, submitting to them the 'Plan' which, after much deliberation, had been allowed and approved by the Committee of the Church Society." Then, cleverly and cunningly enough, the names of the gentlemen so allowing and approving the "plan," are given. By this statement, it is insinuated that the gentlemen then forming the Committee knew, allowed, and approved of the whole "Plan" of collecting, as it was set forth by the Bishop's Circular, and as it at present is put into operation, and the conclusion intended to be inferred is, that those gentlemen, who were members of that *first* Committee and who now *disapprove of, and condemn the "Plan,"* are inconsistent in their conduct. But it is proper to enquire, *how much* of the "Plan," as instituted and enforced in the Bishop's Pastoral, was laid before that Committee for consideration, and *how much* of it was sanctioned by them.

The plan submitted to and approved by them, was the collecting a dollar a head from every man capable of earning his livelihood; they never allowed,—for the proposal never was made—to *compel* payment from the people by refusing the ordinances of the Church. The compulsory part of the system must not be saddled upon the Committee, who, at the time of the proposal being made to them, were utterly ignorant of the means contemplated by the Bishop for carrying it into effect, as set forth in his Lordship's letter *subsequently* made public. The Committee were not so ignorant of the circumstances of the general class of persons to be affected by the payment of one dollar a head, as to dream of calling upon a fisherman, with a wife and six children, for a subscription of one dollar for each, or two pounds