

archy in the latter country are appealing to the English public against even so slight a restriction as not being allowed to assume territorial episcopal titles. Was ever inconsistency more glaring, or impudence more positively astounding? In England Papal churches have the amplest toleration; in the United States, they enjoy the most unshackled liberty and equality,—the Pope and his priestly followers are daily “asking for more,” or taking it without asking, and simultaneously are prohibiting the American Minister and Protestant friends from worshipping God in their own apartments. Verily intolerance and inconsistency have reached their climax in Pope Pius the Ninth and his Cardinal Ministers. We know not how far this interference with the private sentiments and *in-door domestic* rights of the American Charge may conflict with the treaty of international law which precedes the appointment of an embassy to a foreign power, but it at least at variance with usage in such cases, and we should not be unwilling that, common gratitude and decent courtesy having deserted the Court of Rome, the effect of a spirited remonstrance, and of a peremptory demand of what is *really right* in the premises, be tried upon the weak and variable old gentleman, who has of late become so exceedingly somnolent about international comity and reciprocity.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

THE ENGLISH AND AMERICANS IN ROME.—A paragraph having appeared in the *Constitutional* and other newspapers to the effect that the Pope had ordered the chapel of the American residents within the walls of Rome to be closed, we think it proper to mention that we have seen a letter from Rome, dated the 23d ult., in which it is stated that, although the Propaganda had recommended to the Pope that the American residents should no longer be permitted to enjoy the freedom accorded to them during the days of the Republic, his Holiness had declined to comply with the wishes of the Propaganda. The Rev. Mr. Hastings, Chaplain to the American Consul, preached in the chapel on Sabbath the 22d ult.—the Rev. William Robertson, of New Greyfriar's Church, Edinburgh, having conducted the service on the previous Sunday. On both occasions the audience was full, there being a great many English as well as American subjects at present sojourning in Rome.

TESTIMONIAL TO THE REV. DR. LEISHMAN.—On Monday evening a numerous meeting, consisting of Dr. Leishman's Female Class of Catechumens, and others who had attended this class in previous years, presented him a piece of plate, as a token of their respect and esteem. In compliance with their request Mr. James Donald, the senior elder of the parish, after an address suitable to the occasion, placed the gift in Dr. Leishman's hands. In reply, Dr. Leishman acknowledged the honour done to him, assured them of his paternal interest in their present and future welfare, and pointed out the benefits of a Christian education, particularly in elevating the position of Female society. Altogether the meeting was a most interesting one. The article presented, a circumstance not to be omitted in speaking of a present from females to a clergyman, was a silver basket of elegant workmanship, which bore the following inscription:—“Presented to the Rev. Matthew Leishman, D.D., Minister of the Parish of Govan, by his Female Class of Catechumens. 1st Jan., 1851. “Blessed shall be thy basket.” Deut. xxviii. 5.”

MODERATOR OF THE NEXT ASSEMBLY.—It is said that the Rev. Dr. John McLeod, Minister of Campsie, or Dr. John Smith, first Minister of the Parish of Montrose, will be proposed as Moderator of the next General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

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