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One man has put his veto upon the expressed wishes of a large part of the community, and said to them, in so many words, that all the souls are his, that he has the "*cura anamantium*," and that he alone is adequate to such a responsibility. If this is not the lust of rule from the self-love of the mere natural man, I am greatly mistaken ; and that this is the cleaving curse of the Church is very evident indeed. As to an Establishment in this Province, its existence was virtually denied by the House of Assembly the other day ;* and the name of an Establishment, where it does not really exist, only excites jealousy and suspicion in a religious point of view. Had it not have been for what is called an Establishment, there would have been no Parish disputes in this City ; there would have been separate flocks, and their Pastors chosen by themselves, and all the freedom of action which is essential to the best interests of such a connexion. That the present "system" requires a little correction is evident ; and if it is supported on Religious principle, it is but right to question the principle upon which that Religion is founded. Open the Bible, and see whether you can defend this system on Bible principles, whether it is in accordance with the will of Him, whose souls they are, and who gives the *cure* of souls to those only who are willing to exercise it. Can any one have the *cure* of souls who takes no care of many of them, who never sees them except by accident, and who is incapable, therefore, of knowing their state and condition ? Is such a man to dictate who shall be a Clergyman, and who shall not be a Clergyman in the *Church of England* ? Does he talk of making sacrifices for the Church, and of giving up the things *dearest* to him on earth rather than be untrue to the Church ? What has he to surrender ? What is his *claim* to the things which he is so willing to sacrifice ? There is, indeed, no necessity for leaving the Church, as many have done, for these and other reasons, so long as the Bible is acknowledged as the rule of faith, and as the doctrine of the Church : nor would one be justified in so doing, if a great part of the Church was as corrupt as the "Church Witness" itself represents it to be ! These remarks might have been avoided, if they had not been called forth, by Dr. Gray. He has placed himself as

* I allude to the election of Chaplain, when the claim or distinction in favour of any particular denomination was disavowed.