

ter may be, but I am almost inclined to think that they have learning enough to enable them to teach a great proportion of the good planters and industrious fishermen of Newfoundland, nor must I fail to say that I have heard some of these settlers speak of them in rather high terms, and I do not wonder at it, for these unlearned men submit to great privations and endure greater hardships and labours, it should seem, purely for the purpose of instructing some more ignorant than themselves. This seems to be commendable, but they may have unworthy motives—they may from a mere idle disposition become preachers, and from the love of good cheer quarter themselves upon the industry of their flocks. As to their motives, it is not for me to judge, their heart is hid from human eye; but if these were their motives, they must have been sadly disappointed in coming to Newfoundland and in finding themselves placed out, as most of them are, amidst some of the most hard-working and hard-faring of the human race. A Methodist Missionary's bill of fare, during a long winter, is salt fish, sometimes relieved by salt pork—hard bread—potatoes—tea—spruce beer; these make up his collation for months together. And as to the bill of labour, it has some articles in it not exactly suited to a downy doctor. He has almost

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*Cou.* Is it recognised by any legal instrument, either by the Bishop in whose diocese you say it is, or by any other Bishop?

*Cler.* I do not know of any such legal instrument.

*Cou.* Sir, if your Church be not recognised by the laws of episcopacy, nor by the act of Toleration; and if you have no direct legal licence to officiate there, I demand of you by what authority you officiate there, and by what authority the people meet there for religious worship?

It is hardly necessary to say, that the accused was dismissed for want of a Statute upon which to convict him. And if the case be thus Episcopalian and Episcopal Ministers in foreign parts, are in a woful dilemma, neither established nor tolerated. It may be different with Colonial and Garrison Chaplains, appointed by Government!! and it is certainly to be desired, that nothing should be wanting on the part of our Government to render the Church as respectable and as secure as possible.