

produce great harmony among all classes of Dissenters, and the Established Church. The Church of England is supported in this country by the benevolence and liberality of the Society for propagating Christian Religion. The churches have been erected partly by subscription, and partly by funds belonging to His Majesty to which the society has occasionally contributed. They are in general handsome wooden buildings, well finished and painted, and add very much to the appearance of the country. The clergy of this church are about twenty-eight in number, and are under the control of a bishop, whose jurisdiction extends over the Province of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The salary of the clergy is £200 sterling a year, to which may be added the proceeds of small glebes, parochial fees, and other perquisites, the whole of which at the present period, when bills are at a great premium, and the price of wages and provision so much reduced, afford the clergyman a very comfortable maintenance. The church is increasing in the Province, and its congregation contains a large portion of the respectable inhabitants. The Roman Catholics were for many years under control of a vicar general, and afterwards of a bishop who has recently died, and at present no successor has been appointed. In their late bishop, The Rev. Dr. Burke, not only that church over which he presided, but the Province in general have experienced a great loss. He was a man of profound and extensive learning, of great and unaffected piety, of condescending and affable manners, and of the most charitable and humane disposition. By all classes of society, and by every denomination of christians throughout Nova Scotia, as well as in many parts of Canada, where he was many years actively employed among the Indians, he was regarded with great respect, and when dead was universally lamented. The subordinate clergy of the Catholic Church amount to ten or twelve. This number in proportion to the size of their flocks is much smaller than that of other denominations, which is attributable to the circumstance of the Catholics living more together, than the people of any other persuasion. The Presbyterians have a provincial church government of their own, and have about twenty-five ministers. The Methodist Missionaries act under the direction of a society in England, and are also about twenty-five in number. They are in general natives of Great Britain, and of