

disputes are in themselves quite unimportant.—Mr. Gibson did not impugn the correctness of Mr. Roe's statement in any other particular. It may, therefore, be assumed that Mr. Roe's letter is admitted by Gibson, excepting so far as it is contradicted by his written statement, to contain a correct narrative of the occurrence.

In presenting this report, we must advert to the great suspicion which is necessarily thrown upon the story as now told by Gibson, from the circumstance that the alleged questions were said to have been put by Mr. Roe, when he commenced his visits to Mrs. Gibson in the early part of October last; that although they felt very "angry" at the time, and thought Mr. Roe's conduct "very improper," they, nevertheless, permitted him to continue his visits almost daily for a period of four months, without having even adverted in the most distant manner to the conduct at which they now profess to have been shocked, or asked any explanation from him on the subject; and that Gibson was only induced to make the present complaint after he had been interrogated as to the nature of the conversations which took place when Mr. Roe visited at his house, and doubts and suspicions had been suggested to his mind by persons who appeared anxious to destroy the confidence which he had evidently up to that time felt in his clergyman.

The suspicion thus felt by us is strengthened by