

longer, had not suffered, but gained by what they had feared would have proved injurious and detrimental to her interests. The Dissenters, he remarked, had been stated to be pious and good men, but it had been said, that they might, nevertheless, be no friends to the Church of England. Surely, if they were dangerous any where, it must be as Members of Parliament, and as Electors of the representatives of the people; and yet they were suffered to sit as the one, and vote as the other. Mr. Fox declared himself a friend to an established religion, in every country, and wished that it might always be that, which coincided most with the ideas of the bulk of the State, and the general sentiments of the people. In the southern parts of Great Britain, hierarchy was the established Church, and in the northern, the Kirk; and for the best possible reason, because they were each most agreeable to the majority of the people, in their respective situations. It would, perhaps, be said, that the repeal of the Corporation and Test Acts might enable the Dissenters to obtain a majority. This he hardly thought probable; but the answer was short, viz. If the majority of the people of England