

due examination had, by the tribunal appointed by the said Synods, for the trial of Clergymen; saving all right of appeal allowed by the said Synod." According to this part of the Declaration, every clergyman of a parish, or who holds an office of trust in the Church, who cannot *conscientiously*, and does not, comply with any rule or regulation, prescribed by a Synod, directing the observance of some or all of the novel and objectionable services, ceremonies, and practices, herein before described, or of any other description prescribed by the Synod, he must resign whatever appointment he received and holds under that Declaration. It is a most arbitrary measure, and is not authorized or sanctioned by any laws ecclesiastical or secular, and is contrary to religious freedom, both in the United Kingdom and these American Provinces. It is oppressive in its character and tendency, and if legally sanctioned, or allowed to remain as a rule of the Synod, will, in its operation, inevitably produce most unjust and otherwise injurious consequences, not only as regards the persons to whom it literally applies, but in relation to the purity and other interests of religion generally, within this Province, and other parts of the Diocese. If at any time, its bishop should be favourable to any or all of those novel ritualistic forms and practices, and permits them to be introduced and observed in the Churches; or if they are prescribed or sanctioned by any resolution or act of a Synod, it will, under that Declaration, be in the power of the bishop, to refuse ordination to those who are opposed to those novel and objectionable observances, and to ordain only those who approve of them. Thus, all additions to the ministry, would be only from the latter and exceptionable description, and in time, such might become the character of the whole of the clergy of the diocese.

By further proceedings of that Lambeth Conference, and adopted at the late meeting of the Synod of this diocese, clergymen are made liable to further restrictions and injuries. The following is a part of those proceedings here alluded to: "That every Clergyman removing from one Colonial or Missionary diocese, or district, into another, ought to carry with him letters testimonial, from the Colonial or Missionary bishop, whose diocese or district he is leaving." The form of the letter of recommendation, framed by that Conference, and adopted by the Synod here, is as follows:—"To